

City of Bangor
Downtown Development Authority
Special Meeting
July 28, 2026

Call to Order/Pledge of Allegiance

Chairperson Hicks called the special meeting of the City of Bangor Downtown Development Authority to order at 7:00 p.m. The reciting of the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Uplinger.

Roll Call

Present: Fred Hicks, Chairperson
Jose Villalobos, Vice Chairperson
Charles Spreitzer, Treasurer
Patricia Martinez-Serratos, Secretary
David McCarty
Darla McCrumb, Mayor
Jeremy Uplinger

Absent: None (2 vacant seats)

Also Present: Rebecca Harvey, Director

Approval of Agenda

Motion by Uplinger, **supported** by McCrumb to approve the agenda as presented. The motion **carried unanimously**.

Approval of Minutes

Motion by McCarty, **supported** by Villalobos, to approve the minutes of the regular DDA meeting of May 19, 2026, noting the correction of the spelling of McCarty throughout the minutes. The motion **carried unanimously**.

Motion by Martinez-Serratos, **supported** by Uplinger, to approve the minutes of the regular DDA meeting of June 16, 2026, noting the correction of the spelling of McCarty throughout the minutes. The motion **carried unanimously**.

Treasurer's Report

Financial Report

Motion by Martinez-Serratos, **supported** by Villalobos to accept the June 2026 Financial Report as presented. The motion **carried unanimously**.

Payment of Bills

Motion by Villalobos, **supported** by Chairperson Hicks to approve payment of the 9 bills (5 vendors) presented totaling \$2,071.98. Hicks – yes; Martinez-Serratos – yes; McCarty – yes; McCrumb – yes; Spreitzer – yes; Uplinger – yes; Villalobos – yes. The motion **carried unanimously**.

Budget Amendments

No budget amendments were proposed.

New Business

2026-2027 FY DDA Budget – The Budget Committee (Chair Hicks, Treasurer Spreitzer) provided an overview of the proposed 2026-2027 budget, referencing specifically the line items added/modified, and confirming the 2025-2026 fund balance and projected 2026-2027 revenue.

Motion by Uplinger, **supported** by Martinez-Serratos to approve the 2026-2027 FY DDA Budget as presented. Hicks – yes; Martinez-Serratos – yes; McCarty – yes; McCrumb – yes; Spreitzer – yes; Uplinger – yes; Villalobos – yes. The motion **carried unanimously**.

DDA Bylaws – Harvey stated that she conducted a review of the Bylaws in response to statutory amendments affecting DDAs and recommended best practices by the Downtown Development Association of Michigan. She suggested that a handful of amendments are in order.

Harvey provided an overview of the proposed amendments to the Bylaws (reflected in red in the draft provided in the meeting material). Board review and discussion ensued. Board members agreed to postpone action on the proposed amendments to the August regular meeting to allow for additional review and compliance with the amendment process.

Opportunity for Public Comment

No public comment was offered.

Director/City Manager Comments

- City Manager Weber explained that the City will be upgrading the website to move into compliance with ADA requirements. This may require a change in webmasters.

Board Comments

- Uplinger offered apologies for his recent absence, citing family obligations.
- Villalobos, Spreitzer and McCrumb offered opinions on the status of the downtown planters and preferred corrective measures. The need for the recently appointed downtown planter Committee to meet was reiterated.
- McCrumb expressed support for improving and increasing downtown festivities.
- Uplinger updated the Board on the Motorcycle Club's efforts related to the Apple Festival and Christmas events.
- Chairperson Hicks thanked Dan and Lynne Farmer for their lengthy and valuable service to the City of Bangor and wished them well in their move to Texas.

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.