



City of Madison

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Agenda - Approved

MADISON FOOD POLICY COUNCIL

*Consider: Who benefits? Who is burdened?
Who does not have a voice at the table?
How can policymakers mitigate unintended consequences?*

Wednesday, February 18, 2026

5:30 PM

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Call to Order/Roll Call

Approval of Minutes

1/21/26: <http://madison.legistar.com/Calendar.aspx>

Public Comment

[91979](#) Public Comment: MFPC 2/28/26

Disclosures and Recusals

Members of the body should make any required disclosures or recusals under the City's Ethics Code.

New Business**Action Items**

1. [91980](#) Healthy Retail Access Program funding recommendation: Pasture & Plenty
Attachments: [2026_HRAP_Application_PP-Foodworks_FINAL.pdf](#)
[HRAP WG - PP Foodworks Funding Recs Memo 021226_FINAL.pdf](#)
2. [91981](#) Healthy Retail Access Program funding recommendation: FEED Kitchens
Attachments: [HRAP_Application_FINAL_NPC FEED 012726.pdf](#)
[HRAP WG - NPC-FEED Kitchens Funding Recs Memo 021226_FINAL.pdf](#)
3. [91152](#) Documenting Policies for Food Production on City-Owned Land
Attachments: [Public Requests for CGs on City Land Memo DRAFT 012326.pdf](#)
[SMC Public Comments on Legistar 91125 January 2026.pdf](#)
[012326-012726 CC public comments.pdf](#)
[Food Production Policy Public Submittal- BPC.pdf](#)

Update from Chair

4. [72741](#) Madison Food Policy Council Chair

Regular Business Reports

5. [72192](#) Regional Food System Planning
6. [72193](#) Regional Agriculture and Food Sovereignty
What was originally entitled the "Gardening on Brownfields" resolution to the Common Council (discussed by MFPC in December 2025) was renamed after input from the Economic Development Division to "Documenting Policies for Food Production on City-Owned Land" as a first step to developing a city-wide policy for growing food on any city-owned land. Legislative File ID # 91152.

<https://madison.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=7777876&GUID=3AD184F6-13E7-4356-97D1-1ECE231395A4&Options=ID|Text|&Search=91152>

The current Resolution has been approved by the Sustainable Madison Committee, the Board of Public Works, Water Utility Board and Parks Commission. Input from these BCCs will be considered by the Madison Food Policy Council on 2/18 whose final recommendation will be sent to the Common Council for consideration on 2/24.

The work of drafting a city-wide policy for gardening on public lands will begin in March, with RAFS taking the lead. Marcia Caton-Campbell, Rebecca Kemble and Nicholas Leete will be working with Nick Heckman from Public Health. Fey will be available to review drafts as they are developed, and guide the policy through the final approval process.

7. [77772](#) Dane Food Access Network
Wisconsin's SNAP program, FoodShare, is now implementing expanded work requirements as required by the 2025 One Big Beautiful Bill Act. This bill also shifted an additional 25% of administrative costs from the federal government to states (from 50% to 75%). This will increase costs for Wisconsin. Governor Evers and the Legislature have been in negotiations around plans to address this shortfall among other priorities.
8. [75103](#) Farmland Preservation Task Force
9. [72198](#) Madison Metropolitan School District
10. [72199](#) Double Dollars Program
Double Dollars moves forward with 2026 planning cycle in advance of the 2026 market season. Work continues to collaborate with statewide partners.
11. [72197](#) Community Gardens
12. [77773](#) Food System Assessment

Staff Reports

13. [72194](#) Business Development Specialist
No report.
14. [72195](#) Public Health Madison & Dane County
Dane County has now had two Measles-related events in February: first, a confirmed case of measles in the Madison area. Second, a traveler from out of state who later tested positive for measles but had resided in Dane County during their infectious period. This has disrupted normal work as staff are called in to support the response in various forms. For more information, visit <https://publichealthmdc.com/your-health/measles>
15. [72196](#) Extension Dane County, UW-Madison

Announcements

Adjournment