



Douglas County Food Policy Council

Monday, June 15, 2026 6:30PM

Douglas County Sustainability Office

1006 New Hampshire Street, Lawrence, KS, USA

MEETING MINUTES

Members Present: Ben Sikes, Natalya Lowther, Shelby Ostrom, Mackie Moore, Robert Hickerson, Quinlan Carttar, Tyler Lindquist, Hazlett Henderson, Muriah Carlsen

Members Absent: Christina Haswood, Aundrea Walker, Margit Kaltenekker, Suzy Mooney

Staff: Connie Fitzpatrick

A. Consent Agenda

1. Approval of agenda.
2. Approval of minutes.
 - ACTION: Consider approval of the agenda and the previous meeting minutes.
 - i. The agenda was reviewed.
 - ii. *A motion was made by Natayla Lowther and seconded by Robert Hickerson to approve the agenda and consider June 1, 2026 meeting minutes approval at the next full council meeting. The motion passed unanimously.*

B. Regular Agenda Items

1. Updates by the DCFPC Forward Working Group

- A reviewed the drafted statement regarding recycling organic waste through composting. Hickerson Robert Co-Chairs and Hazlett Henderson will provide an overview of the draft, with a final version to be presented at the August 2026 DCFPC full council meeting.
- **ACTION:** Review and discuss the drafted composting statement.
 - a. Council members suggested the following revisions:

- i. Draft one letter addressed to both the City of Lawrence and Douglas County outlining recommendations on their waste plans.
- b. Incorporate language from Goal 13 of the Adapt Douglas County plan.
- c. *A motion was made by Tyler Lindquist second by Quinlan Carttar to utilize the existing letter developed by the FORWARD working group, incorporate the additional adding comments discussed by the Council, and authorize the final version to be signed and sent to the Douglas County Board of County Commissioners and the City of Lawrence. The motion passed unanimously.*

C. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned.