



City Council Agenda Item Report

FROM: Jamie Wolters

MEETING DATE: February 23, 2026

SUBJECT: Special Event-Saugatuck Farmers Market - The Market at SCA

DESCRIPTION:

The SCA has submitted a Special Event Application for the Saugatuck Farmers Market – The Market at SCA. As in prior years, they are requesting closure of the entire City-owned Culver Street parking lot. Historically, this has been a two-day event; however, this year they are requesting approval for a one-day event.

Please see the attached application and event details below. A safety meeting was conducted, and the Fire Department, Police Department, and DPW have reviewed the request and provided departmental approval.

BREAKDOWN OF EVENT:

Event Dates:	July 31, 2026
Event location:	Culver Street Parking Lot & SCA
Event Hours:	9:00am-2:00pm
Set up/Clean up times:	7:00am & 3:00pm
Estimated number of attendees:	800
Tents:	Maximum of 41 (10x10) see attached map
Volunteers:	4
Music:	None
Alcohol:	None
Fireworks:	None
Signage:	12 Yard Signs, see attached map
Vendor Parking:	Saugatuck Church via Interurban

BUDGET ACTION REQUIRED:

N/A

COMMITTEE/COMMISSION REVIEW:

N/A

LEGAL REVIEW:

N/A

SAMPLE MOTION:

Motion to approve/deny the Saugatuck Farmers Market - The Market at SCA to take place on July 31, 2026.

**Council Action**

____ Approved

____ Denied

2-23-26 _____ Date

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Phone: 269-857-2603 • Website: www.saugatuckcity.com

RECEIVED**DEC 08 2025****SPECIAL EVENT & PARADE APPLICATION**

Must be filled out in its entirety & returned to the City Clerk's Office 60 days prior to scheduled event

SPONSORING ORGANIZATION INFORMATIONLEGAL BUSINESS NAME: Saugatuck Center for the ArtsMAILING ADDRESS: 400 Culver St, Saugatuck, MI 49453CONTACT NAME: Kristin Armstrong, Executive DirectorE-MAIL ADDRESS: kristin@sc4a.org**CITY OF SAUGATUCK**TELEPHONE: (269) 857-2399TELEPHONE: (269) 857-2399CELL PHONE: (269) 857-2399**CONTACT PERSON ON DAY OF EVENT**CONTACT NAME: Susan PoolmanE-MAIL ADDRESS: market@sc4a.orgTELEPHONE: (269) 857-2399CELL PHONE: (269) 227-3448**EVENT INFORMATION**NAME OF EVENT: Saugatuck Farmers Market | The Market atDATE(S) OF EVENT: 07/31/2026PURPOSE OF EVENT: Farmer & Artisan MarketRAIN DATE: none

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|--|--|--|---------------------------------------|
| ☒ Non-Profit | ☐ For-Profit | ☐ City Operated/Sponsored | ☐ Co-Sponsored |
| ☐ Marathon/Race | ☐ Festival/Fair | ☐ Video/Film Production | ☐ Other _____ |

EVENT LOCATION: Saugatuck Center for the ArtsEVENT HOURS: 9am-2pmESTIMATED NUMBER OF ATTENDEES: 800+ GuestsESTIMATED NUMBER OF VOLUNTEERS: 4ESTIMATE DATE / TIME FOR SET-UP: 07/31/2026 7:00 ☒ A.M. ☐ P.M.ESTIMATE DATE / TIME FOR CLEAN-UP: 07/31/2026 3:00 ☐ A.M. ☒ P.M.

EVENT DETAILS

WILL MUSIC BE PROVIDED DURING THIS EVENT: ☐ Yes ☒ No

TYPE OF MUSIC PROPOSED: ☐ Live ☐ Amplification ☐ Recorded ☐ Loudspeakers

PROPOSED TIME MUSIC WILL BEGIN: _____ END: _____

FOOD VENDORS/CONCESSIONS: (Contact Allegan County Health Department) ☐ Yes ☐ No
☐ Provide Copy of Health Department Food Service License

WILL ALCOHOL BE SERVED AT THIS EVENT: ☐ Yes ☒ No
☐ Provide Copy of Liquor Liability Insurance (listing the City as additionally insured)
☐ Provide Copy of Michigan Liquor Control License

If yes, describe measures to be taken to prohibit the sale of alcohol to minors: _____

WILL FIREWORKS BE APART OF EVENT: ☐ Yes ☒ No
☐ Provide Copy of Liability Insurance (listing the City as additionally insured)
☐ Provide Copy of Fireworks Permit

EVENT SIGNAGE: City Council approval is required for any temporary signing in the public right-of-way, across a street or on City property. Which of the following signs are requested for this event:

- ☒ **"YARD" SIGNS** - Number requested: 12 (Maximum size is 2' x 2'. Cannot be displayed no more than 15 days prior to first day of event and must be removed 24 hours after end of event.)
- ☐ **BANNER UNDER SAUGATUCK PALETTE SIGN** - (Size cannot be greater than 14' x 4'). Cannot be displayed more than 15 days prior to first day of event and must be removed 24 hours after end of event.)
- ☐ **SIGNAGE AT EVENT SITE** - Location(s): _____
Description of signs: _____
(Signs at event site cannot be displayed prior to day of the event and must removed at the end of the event.)

TENTS/CANOPIES/MISC: The City of Saugatuck does not have tents, stage, tables or chairs available for rental. There are a number of businesses listed in the yellow pages under "Rental Service Stores" that specialize in the rental of event supplies. Will the following be constructed or located in the event area:

☐ **BOOTHS – QUANTITY** _____ ☒ **TENTS – QUANTITY** Max 41 (10' x 10')
☐ **AWNINGS – QUANTITY** _____ ☐ **TABLES – QUANTITY** _____
☐ **PORTABLE TOILETS – QUANTITY** _____

VENDOR PARKING: Have you made arrangement for vendor parking? ☒ Yes ☐ No

If yes, where do you propose your vendors park? Saugatuck Church

Will the Interurban be utilized? ☒ Yes ☐ No Time(s) 7am-8:45am & 2pm-3:15pm

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

☒ APPROVED

☐ DENIED

via safety meeting held on 2-19-26

Authorized Personnel Signature

Will this event require the use of any of the following municipal equipment:

☒ Yes

☐ No

☐ TRASH RECEPTACLES – QUANTITY _____

☒ BARRICADES – QUANTITY 2 (see notes)

☐ TRAFFIC CONES – QUANTITY _____

☒ PARKING SIGNS – QUANTITY 2 (see notes)

☐ FENCING

☐ WATER

☐ ELECTRIC

☐ RESTROOM CLEANING

☐ OTHER _____

POLICE DEPARTMENT

☒ APPROVED

☐ DENIED

via safety meeting held on 2-19-26

Authorized Personnel Signature

ADDITIONAL OFFICERS REQUIRED? ☐ Yes

☐ No

If yes please describe & include times _____

Other (describe): _____

SAUGATUCK TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT

☒ APPROVED

☐ DENIED

via safety meeting held on 2-19-26

Authorized Personnel Signature

STREET CLOSURES: ☐ Yes

☒ No (use attached map to outline proposed closures)

Street closure date/time: _____

☐ A.M. ☐ P.M.

Street re-open date/time: _____

☐ A.M. ☐ P.M.

SIDEWALK CLOSURES: ☐ Yes

☐ No (use attached map to outline proposed closures)

Describe Sidewalk Use: _____

Sidewalk closure date/time: _____

☐ A.M. ☐ P.M.

Sidewalk re-open date/time: _____

☐ A.M. ☐ P.M.

PARKING LOT CLOSURES: ☒ Yes

☐ No (use attached map to outline proposed closures)

Parking Lot Location: Culver City Parkgin Lot (partial closure, see attached map)

Sidewalk closure date/time: _____

☐ A.M. ☐ P.M.

Sidewalk re-open date/time: _____

☐ A.M. ☐ P.M.

What parking arrangements are proposed to accommodate potential attendance: _____

APPLICATION CHECK LIST

- ☒ Completed Application
- ☒ Event Map (includes detailed event layout for vendors, booths, porta potties, etc.)
- ☒ Road/Sidewalk/Parking Lot Closure Map
- ☒ Certificate of Insurance (listing the City of Saugatuck as additionally insured)
- ☐ ~~Fireworks Permit (if applicable)~~
- ☐ ~~Michigan Liquor Control Commission Special Event License (if applicable)~~
- ☐ ~~Health Department Food Service License (if applicable)~~

If document is missing, please explain: see attached note

The applicant and sponsoring organization understand and agrees to:

Provide a certificate of insurance with all coverages deemed necessary for the event, name the City of Saugatuck as an additional insured on all applicable policies and submit the certificate to the City Clerk's Office no later than one (1) week following notice of the event approval.

Comply with all City and County Ordinances and applicable State laws, City policies and acknowledges that the special events permit does not relieve the applicant or organization from meeting any application requirements of law or other public bodies or agencies.

Applicant and sponsoring organization further understands the approval of this special event may include additional requirements and/or limitations based on the City's review of this application. The applicant and sponsoring organization understands that it may be necessary to meet with City staff during the review of this application and that City Council approval is necessary.

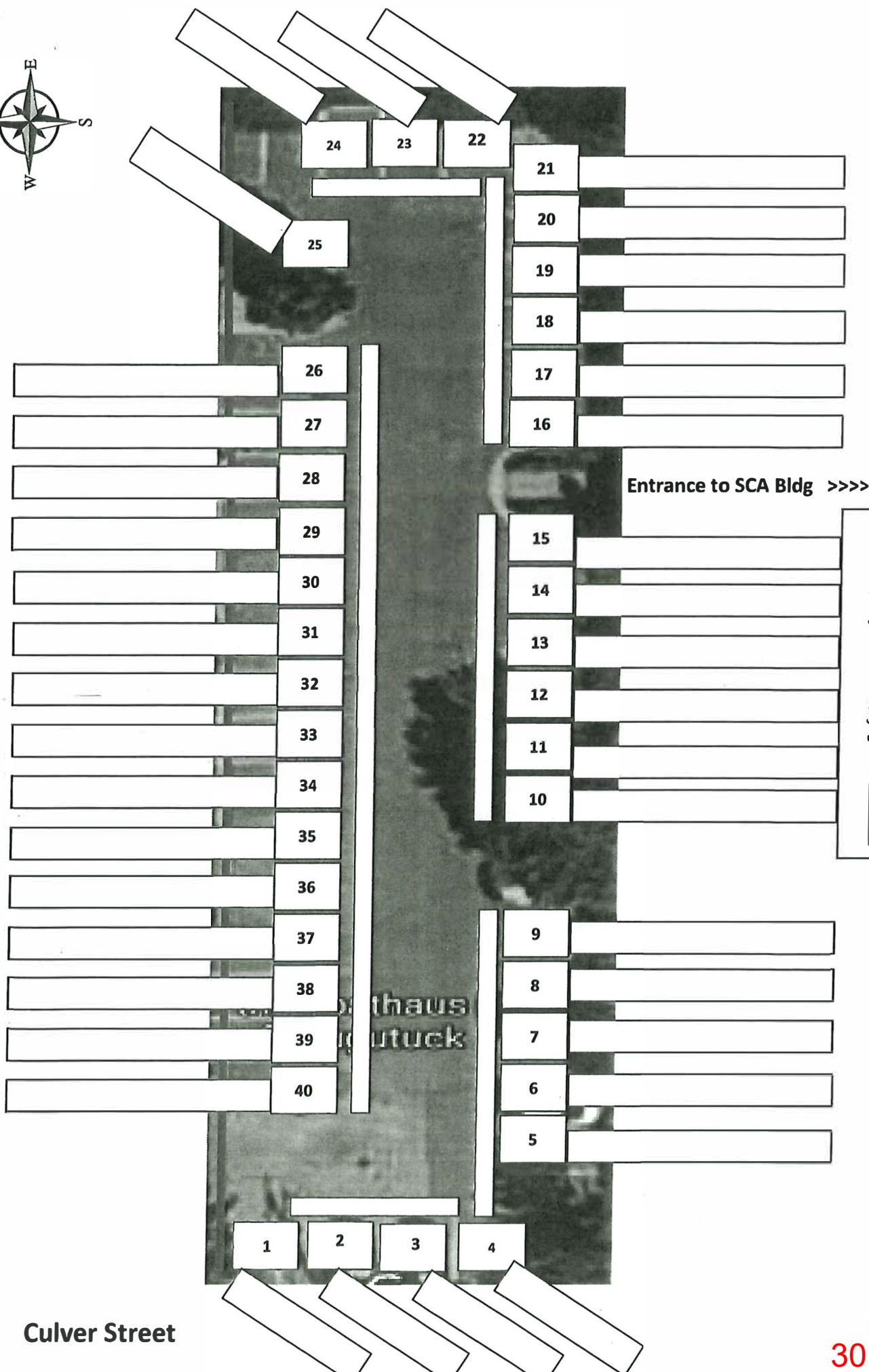
Applicant understands that he/she is responsible for contacting the Michigan Liquor Control Commission and/or Allegan County Health Department to secure all permits required for this event.

Applicant agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the City of Saugatuck, Michigan from any claim, demand, suit, loss, cost of expense or any damage which may be asserted, claimed or recovered against or from this Special Event by reason of any damage to property, personal injury or bodily injury, including death, sustained by any person whomsoever and which damage, injury or death arises out of or is incident to or in any way connected with the performance of this contract, and regardless of which claim, demand, damage, loss cost of expense is caused in whole or in part by the negligence of the City of Saugatuck or by third parties, or by the agents, servants, employees or factors of any of them.

As the duly authorized agent of the sponsoring organization, I hereby apply for approval of this Special Event and affirm the above understandings. The information provided on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.


Applicant Signature

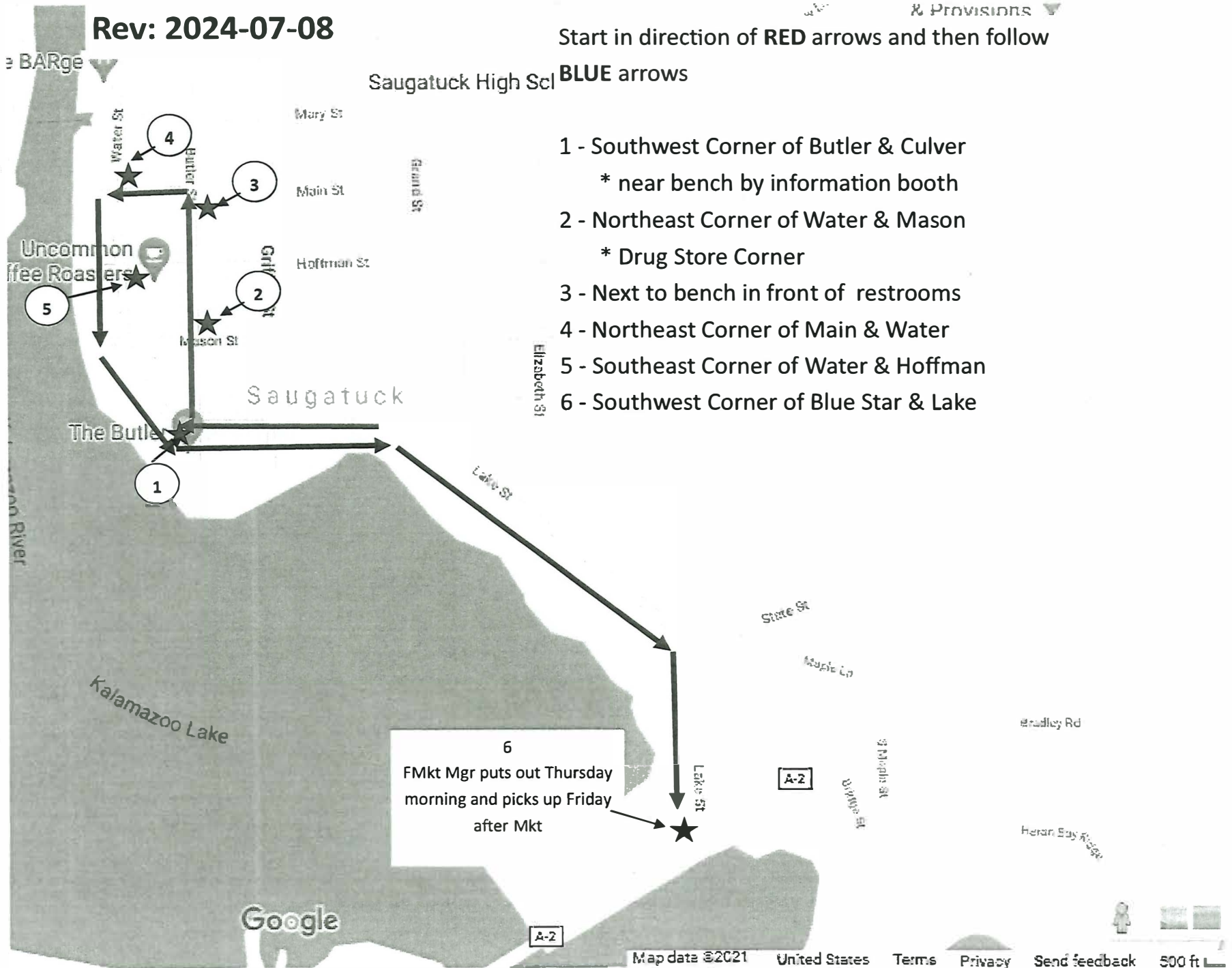
01/08/2026
Date



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Start in direction of RED arrows and then follow
BLUE arrows

- 1 - Southwest Corner of Butler & Culver
* near bench by information booth
- 2 - Northeast Corner of Water & Mason
* Drug Store Corner
- 3 - Next to bench in front of restrooms
- 4 - Northeast Corner of Main & Water
- 5 - Southeast Corner of Water & Hoffman
- 6 - Southwest Corner of Blue Star & Lake



The Saugatuck Center for the Arts will need the use of the City Parking Lot for our weekly Market at SCA on the following dates:

- Jul 31, 2026

See attached layout for the use of the city parking lot

Last year the city used barricades to keep overnight parking from happening along with no parking signs. We would certainly be grateful if you could do the same for 2026 and thank you.

Certificate of insurance should be on file

All food vendors that we have will have their food license (unless cottage food law), insurance paperwork and MI Sales Tax ID just as they do for our market.