



**State of Rhode Island
Office of the Secretary of State**

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Division Of Business Services
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**Non-Profit Corporation
Articles of Incorporation**

(Chapter 7-6-34 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended)

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is Foster Farmers Market

ARTICLE II

The period of its duration is Perpetual

ARTICLE III

The specific purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized are:

THE PRIMARY AND IMMEDIATE PURPOSE IS TO BRING THE COMMUNITY OF FOSTER EASY ACCESS TO LOCAL FARM GOODS, FROM MEAT TO PRODUCE TO COMMODITIES. ADDITIONALLY, WE HAVE CREATED A PLACE WHERE THE FARMERS OF THE AREA CAN BRING THEIR GOODS TO THE PUBLIC. WE PLAN TO BECOME A FAMILY TRADITION WITH OUR BELOVED NEIGHBORHOOD VENDORS, WEEKLY ENTERTAINMENT, GREAT FOOD, AND A PLACE FOR TRUSTED PRODUCTS.

ARTICLE IV

Provisions, if any, not inconsistent with the law, which the incorporators elect to set forth in these articles of incorporation for the regulation of the internal affairs of the corporation are:

A. SAID ORGANIZATION IS ORGANIZED EXCLUSIVELY FOR CHARITABLE, RELIGIOUS, EDUCATIONAL AND SCIENTIFIC PURPOSES, INCLUDING, FOR SUCH PURPOSES, THE MAKING OF DISTRIBUTIONS TO ORGANIZATIONS THAT QUALIFY AS EXEMPT ORGANIZATIONS UNDER 501 (C) (3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, OR CORRESPONDING SECTION OF ANY FUTURE FEDERAL TAX CODE.

B. NO PART OF THE NET EARNINGS OF THE CORPORATION SHALL INURE TO THE

BENEFIT OF, OR BE DISTRIBUTABLE TO ITS MEMBERS, TRUSTEES, OFFICERS OR OTHER PRIVATE PERSONS, EXCEPT THAT THE CORPORATION SHALL BE AUTHORIZED AND EMPOWERED TO PAY REASONABLE COMPENSATION FOR SERVICES RENDERED AND TO MAKE PAYMENTS AND DISTRIBUTIONS IN FURTHERANCE OF THE PURPOSES SET FORTH IN THE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, AS AMENDED. NO SUBSTANTIAL PART OF THE ACTIVITIES OF THE CORPORATION SHALL BE THE CARRYING ON OF PROPAGANDA, OR OTHERWISE ATTEMPTING TO INFLUENCE LEGISLATION, AND THE CORPORATION SHALL NOT PARTICIPATE IN, OR INTERVENE IN (INCLUDING THE PUBLISHING OR DISTRIBUTION OF STATEMENTS) ANY POLITICAL CAMPAIGN ON BEHALF OF OR IN OPPOSITION TO ANY CANDIDATE FOR POLITICAL OFFICE. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION OF THESE ARTICLES, THE CORPORATION SHALL NOT CARRY ON ANY OTHER ACTIVITIES NOT PERMITTED TO BE CARRIED ON (A) BY A CORPORATION EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL INCOME TAX UNDER SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, OR THE CORRESPONDING SECTION OF ANY FUTURE FEDERAL TAX CODE, OR (B) BY A CORPORATION, CONTRIBUTIONS TO WHICH ARE DEDUCTIBLE UNDER SECTION 170(C)(2) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, OR THE CORRESPONDING SECTION OF ANY FUTURE FEDERAL TAX CODE.

C. UPON DISSOLUTION OF THE CORPORATION, ASSETS SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED FOR ONE OR MORE EXEMPT PURPOSES WITHIN THE MEANING OF SECTION 501(C)(3) OF THE INTERNAL REVENUE CODE, OR THE CORRESPONDING SECTION OF ANY FUTURE FEDERAL TAX CODE, OR SHALL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT, OR TO A STATE OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT, FOR PUBLIC PURPOSES. ANY SUCH ASSETS NOT SO DISPOSED OF SHALL BE DISPOSED OF BY A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION OF THE COUNTY IN WHICH THE PRINCIPAL OFFICE OF THE CORPORATION IS THEN LOCATED, EXCLUSIVELY FOR SUCH PURPOSES OR TO SUCH ORGANIZATION OR ORGANIZATIONS, AS SAID COURT SHALL DETERMINE, WHICH ARE ORGANIZED

AND
OPERATED EXCLUSIVELY FOR SUCH PURPOSES

ARTICLE V

The street address (post office boxes are not acceptable) of the initial registered office of the corporation is:

No. and Street: 469 CENTERVILLE ROAD

SUITE 203

City or Town: WARWICK

State: RI Zip: 02886

The name of its initial registered agent at such address is PPA, LLP

ARTICLE VI

The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors of the Corporation is 4 and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as the initial directors are:

Title	Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
DIRECTOR	LUCIA KEARNEY	112B SOUTH KILLINGLY ROAD FOSTER, RI 02825 USA
DIRECTOR	MEGAN JOHNSTON	523 DANIELLE WAY DAYVILLE, CT 06241 USA
DIRECTOR	MATTHEW HAYNES	41 JOHNSON ROAD FOSTER, RI 02825 USA
DIRECTOR	LAUREN BREENE	38 NORTH ROAD FOSTER, RI 02825 USA

ARTICLE VII

The name and address of the incorporator is:

Title	Individual Name First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
INCORPORATOR	LUCIA KEARNEY	112B SOUTH KILLINGLY ROAD FOSTER, RI 02825 USA
INCORPORATOR	LAUREN BREENE	38 NORTH ROAD FOSTER, RI 02825 USA
INCORPORATOR	MEGAN JOHNSTON	523 DANIELLE WAY DAYVILLE, CT 06241 USA
INCORPORATOR	MATTHEW HAYNES	41 JOHNSON ROAD FOSTER, RI 02825 USA

ARTICLE VIII

Date when corporate existence is to begin
(not prior to, nor more than 30 days after, the filing of these Articles of Incorporation)

Signed this 12 Day of April, 2024 at 3:08:05 PM by the incorporator(s). *This electronic signature of the individual or individuals signing this instrument constitutes the affirmation or acknowledgement of the signatory, under penalties of perjury, that this instrument is that individual's act and deed or the act and deed of the corporation, and that the facts stated herein are true, as of the date of the electronic filing, in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 7-6.*

Enter signature(s) below.

LUCIA KEARNEY

LAUREN BREENE

MEGAN JOHNSTON

MATTHEW HAYNES

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