



**Official Proceedings of the City Council
City of Lansing
May 12, 2025**

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Tony Benavides Lansing City Council Chambers
Lansing, Michigan

The City Council of the City of Lansing met in regular session and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Kost.

PRESENT: Council Members Brown, Carter, Garza, Hussain, Kost, Pehlivanoglu

ABSENT: Council Members Jackson, Spadafore

A quorum was present.

Council Member Hussain asked people to remember Johnny Jones who recently passed away. The Council observed a moment of Meditation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Kost.

Approval of Printed Council Proceedings

By Council Member Garza

To approve the printed Council Proceedings of May 5, 2025

Motion Carried

Comments by Council Members and the City Clerk

Council Member Hussain shared details about a Third Ward Constituent Meeting, a Churchill Downs Neighborhood Yard Sale, and a Churchill Downs Neighborhood Meeting.

Community Event Announcements

Loretta Stanaway spoke about Lansing Historic Cemeteries Geranium give-away.

Mike Gorishek spoke about riverway cleanup effort.

Speaker Registration for Public Comment on Legislative Matters

City Clerk Swope announced that the public comment registration form(s) for those intending to address Council on legislative matters will be collected and that only those persons who have fully completed the form(s) will be permitted to speak.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Schor announced five new Lansing Police Officers, congratulated Sherri Jones on her retirement, spoke about the Jodi Ackerman memorial tree planting and bench at Foster Community Center, congratulated Lansing Commons soccer team, thanked volunteers at the Adopt-a-River Event, and announced Reading is Fundamental 50th Anniversary event, the opening of Jollof Restaurant, Jolly Road Construction project, and a variety of 517 Day Celebration Events.

Legislative Matters

Public Comment on Legislative Matters

Legislative Matters included the following public hearing:

Re-Adopting the Codified Ordinances

Vice President Carter gave an overview of the public hearing.

There were no members of the public signed in to speak.

Referral of Public Hearings

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Re-Adopting the Codified Ordinances
Referred to the Committee of the whole

Consent Agenda

By Vice President Carter to approve item 4 on the Consent Agenda.

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-135

By Council Members Brown, Carter, Garza, Hussain, Jackson, Kost, Pehlivanoglu, Spadafore
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, the Lansing City Council honors Kimberly Milton-Mackey for her lifelong dedication to serving the Greater Lansing community through her leadership and advocacy; and

WHEREAS, in her 27+ years at Ingham County, Kim established the Ingham County Cultural Diversity, Equity and Inclusion (CDEI) Committee, as well as being a Safe Space Advocate Instructor; and

WHEREAS, Kim is a Community Organizer and Executive Director of her own non-profit, Dreams & Visions Manifested (YMOS/DVM). Her organization has partnered with and received support from the Ingham County, City of Lansing Mayor, Lansing Police Department, Ingham County Sheriff's Office, Faith-based and many non-profit organizations in the Mid-Michigan area; and

WHEREAS, Kim is also the President of her own Event Administration and Management Production Company, Events in Excellence Promotions and Productions, LLC (EPP), which provides marketing and management services for individuals, businesses, and professional artists; and

WHEREAS, Kim has over 35 years of professional experience in advocating social change and fighting for causes that affect disadvantaged individuals and groups and is a board member of the Ingham County Racial Equity Taskforce; and

WHEREAS, Kim is a licensed Evangelist in the National Church of God in Christ, Inc., a motivational speaker, spreading the message of hope and focusing on enhancing the lives of others through service, self-esteem, and team building; and

WHEREAS, Kim is a member of Jesus of Nazareth Church of God in Christ, and the 2nd Assistance to Pastor Bishop Aaron Milton, and is Jurisdictional Secretary of Michigan Southwest Fourth Jurisdiction; and

WHEREAS, Kim embraces her ministry call and refers to the bible as the main book used as her personal toolkit for helping individuals and teams in crisis, providing tools and lessons she is able to help with self-awareness, understanding the need for change, and provide tactics to face fears and challenges; and

WHEREAS, Kim is a published author of "Inspirational Hashtags", and is connected to thousands of people via social media and uses her platform to share motivational and inspirational quotes that challenge the normal thought process; and

WHEREAS, Kim is a well-respected entrepreneur and known for her unique knowledge and wisdom on how to motivate people, recently launching her own public social media broadcast to host "Courageous Conversations" to tackle tough topics concerning inequities and race relations; and

WHEREAS, Kim's passion is building neighborhood campaign events that positively affect local at-risk communities, serving people, and bringing about change or challenging the status-quo.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council honors Kimberly Milton-Mackey as a trailblazer, community advocate, inspiring positive change and uplifting lives throughout the Greater Lansing area.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council wishes Kim continued success in all her future endeavors to better serve the Greater Lansing community.

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

Resolutions

Resolution #2025-136

By the Committee on City Operations
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, pursuant to Rule 41 of the Lansing City Council Rules, a proposed rule revision shall be placed on the Council Agenda for Council receipt and review, but "shall not be considered for adoption sooner than the next council meeting;"

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby amends the City Council Rule 48:

LANSING CITY COUNCIL RULES

Rule 48. Electronic Participation in Public Comment at Meetings of Council, Committees. Electronic participation by members of the public, for the purpose of making public comment on legislative matters (as that term is defined above), is permitted at Meetings of City Council, Committee of the Whole,

and all other Committees of City Council.

To register to speak electronically on legislative matters at a regularly scheduled or special meeting of the City Council or Committee of the Whole, a member of the public may send a request to the City Clerk no later than ~~four (4) hours~~ **30 MINUTES** prior to the **SCHEDULED START TIME OF THE** meeting in a form and manner determined by the City Clerk. Prior to the meeting, the City Clerk will email the member of the public instructions to participate.

City Council office staff will post, with agendas of all other Committees of City Council, instructions on how members of the public may attend and speak electronically on legislative matters.

The City Clerk will establish and maintain procedures and protocols for electronic participants, consistent with this rule and technologies being utilized for electronic participation. The procedures and protocols will be available for viewing by any person wishing to register for electronic participation.

The Presiding Officer of City Council, Committee of the Whole, or any other Committee of City Council may reduce the amount of time allowed for each speaker if he or she has determined that the number of registered speakers is so numerous that the meeting cannot be timely concluded without a reduction in the time allocated for each speaker.

The Rules of Decorum for Meetings, at Rule 18, apply to members of the public participating electronically. The Presiding Officer reserves the right to mute and end the comment of anyone who violates this rule.

The resolution was moved at the previous Council meeting

Motion Carried

Speaker Registration for Public Comment on City Government Related Matters

City Clerk Swope announced that the public comment registration form(s) for those intending to address Council on City government matters will be collected and that only those persons who have fully completed the form(s) will be permitted to speak.

Reports From City Officers, Boards, and Commissions; Communications and Petitions; and Other City Related Matters

By Vice President Carter that all items be considered as being read in full and that President Kost make the appropriate referrals

Motion Carried

- Reports from City Officers, Boards and Commissions:

Item(s) from the City Clerk re:

Hearing Notice from the Michigan Liquor Control Commission; ADVANCED UZP Inc. denied requests for transfer locations to 4700 Pleasant Grove Rd and 1910 E. Michigan Ave. (Request ID Nos. 2410-14646 & 2410-14648)
Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Item(s) from the Mayor re:

Reappointment; Ronald Wison as an At-Large member of the Board of Public Service for a term to expire June 30, 2029
Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Items from Council Member Garza re:

Amending Chapter 206, Section 206.02, clarify most responsive and responsible bidder for construction bids
Referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

Setting a Public Hearing on Amending Chapter 206, Section 206.02, clarify most responsive and responsible bidder for construction bids
Referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

Construction bid scoring system
Referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

Item(s) from Council President Kost re:

Annual Training Requirement; all City Boards and Commissions training on the Ethics Ordinance, conflicts of interest, and the Open Meetings Act
Referred to the Committee of the Whole

- Communications and Petitions, and Other City Related Matters:

Affidavit of Disclosure; Aidan Godby, Lansing Police Department
Referred to the Board of Ethics

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Motion of Excused Absence

By Council Member Carter to excuse Council Members Jackson and Spadafore from tonight's proceedings.

Motion Carried

Public Comment on City Government Related Matters

Loretta Stanaway spoke about various City matters.

Loren Hicks spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

William Lawrence spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Ivan Droste spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Ross Fisher spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Julie Vandenberg spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Darren spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Selkie spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Mercuri Rose spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Jeanne Gallaway spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Niccolai Trudeau spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Katie Hammond spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Kyle Richard spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Maddie Elliott spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Sadjwick Enniroc spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Luna Brown spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Mike Gorishek spoke about several housing issues including Sycamore Townhomes red tag and Fallen Angel encampment.

Adjourned Time 7:58 P.M.



Chris Swope, City Clerk

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