



**Michigan Avenue Corridor Improvement Authority
Board of Director's Meeting
Friday, May 16, 2025 – 8:30 AM
Foster Community Center
200 N. Foster Ave., Room 211
Lansing, MI 48910**

Members Present: Yvette Collins, Laurie Baumer, Jon Lum, Elaine Barr, Tim Daman

Mayoral Designee:

Members Absent: Scott Gillespie (unexcused)
Christina Campbell (excused)

Facilitator Present: Kahleea Washington (LEDC)

Public Present:

Recorded by: Yvette Collins

Call to Order/Roll call

Chair Lum welcomed everyone and called the MACIA Board of Directors meeting to order at 8:34 a.m.

Public Comment

None

Approval of March 16, 2025 MACIA Meeting Minutes - Action

MOTION: Barr moved to approve the amended March Meeting Minutes. Motion seconded by Daman.

YEAS: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Adoption of 2025/2026 Annual Budget - Action

MOTION: Collins moved to adopt the 2025/2026 Annual Budget. Motion seconded by Barr.

YEAS: Unanimous. Motion carried.

Washington noted that the Block 2000 was selected by the RAP 3.0 Grant (from MEDC). It is estimated to be about \$100,000 in grant funding for the project. The grant funds are not reflected in the proposed MACIA budget.

The board continued their conversation on the Block 2000 project's funding. Baumer would like a statement about where the dollars are coming from for the 2000 Block and all the expenditures. She'd like a summary document. Daman agreed.

Washington said she could create a project budget for the Block 2000 and an overall budget summary for MACIA.

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Corridor Updates

Washington reached out on signs. Daman will reach out to Christopher at the city.

Discussion on the 2025 Spending Plan

The RAP 3.0 grant funding will help in closing the gap for the 2000 Block project. Some businesses are looking for some financial support of \$60,000.

Other Business

Lum informed the board that he talked with Eric Helzer about the components of the development proposal. The authority agrees that he should provide more information about how the projects will be executed.

Baumer is fine with signing as long as there is more meat on the how. Barr suggested more metrics. They would also like the timelines to be more specific. Her biggest reservations is the timelines. Baumer added, she'd like to see what his role is specifically. Lum did ask him specifically "who is talking to the actual owner" and Baumer suggested she is more than happy to go with him to talk to the owners.

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Adjournment

Chair Lum adjourned the Michigan Avenue Board of Directors at 9:39 a.m.

Jonathan Lum, Chair
Michigan Avenue Corridor Improvement Authority