



Minutes
Committee on City Operations
Thursday, September 4, 2025 @ 4:00 p.m.
City Council Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Brown called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Council Member Brown, Chair
Council Member Spadafore, Vice-Chair
Council Member Garza, Member- excused

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherie Boak, Council Office Manager
Elizabeth Krochmalny, OCA
Naomi Glowgower, Womens Center
Daniel Duchane, OCA
Cathleen Edgerly, DLI Inc.

MINUTES

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM AUGUST 21, 2025, AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

RESOLUTION – Community Funding Application; Women’s Center of Greater Lansing, Capital City Dragon Boat Race Fundraiser

Ms. Glowgower spoke about the application and event, noting that the Women’s Center is a 501c3 and seeking at this time the \$500 to defray the costs for the event at the Grand River Boat Launch on September 14, 2025. Council Member Brown asked her to provide details on what the Women Center offers, and Ms. Gloegower stated they provided mental health counseling for domestic violence survivors, personal hygiene pantry, offer a career counseling center to assist with helping women find a job, and a clothing boutique.

Council Member Spadafore asked about amending the amount to \$980 to assist with the park fee, rental fees, trash and the special permit for the City and Ms. Boak confirmed that the Committee can make any adjustments they choose.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR COMMUNITY FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$980 FOR THE WOMEN’S CENTER OF GREATER LANSING EVENT. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION – Social District; MIEntertainment Group, Inc, dba Grewal Hall and M & S1 LLC, dba Jollof Afro Caribbean Lounge, to the Downtown Social District

Ms. Edgerly spoke about the amendment to the Downtown Social District. She noted the district was active since 2021, and there are currently 22 eligible, and 12 participating, and the DLI is in support of this amendment. Council Member Brown asked Ms. Edgerly to outline what a social district is, and Ms. Edgerly expanded on where current districts are, which began during the 2020 pandemic. Any business that has an approved liquor license can apply, and when a new business comes into town in the participating districts they work with those businesses to come to the City to be added. All districts have to have labeled drinks to show they are participating in the district.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO ADD GREWALL HALL AND JOLLOF AFRO CARIBBEAN LOUNGE TO THE DOWNTOWN SOCIAL DISTRICT. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

DISCUSSION – Board of Public Service Budget Priorities for Fiscal Year 2026-2027

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER SPADAFORE TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED BUDGET PRIORITIES FROM THE BOARD OF PUBLIC SERVICE TO ADD TO THE CITY COUNCIL BUDGET PRIORITIES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2026-2027 TO THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Other

No other topics of discussion.

Adjourn

Adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

Submitted, Sherrie Boak

Recording Secretary, Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on October 9, 2025