



Andy Schor, Mayor

**South Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Corridor Improvement Authority  
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting**

August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025

La Mulata

5334 S Martin Luther King Jr Blvd

Lansing, MI 48911

**Members Present:**

Amanda Defrees, Kristina Schmidgall, Don  
"Moose" Sober

**Members Absent:**

Mike Owsley, Dustin Howard

**Facilitator Present:**

Kahleea Washington (Lansing EDC)

**Guests Present:**

Paul Anderson (SWAG), Yanelis Lopez-Rey (La Mulata),

**Public:**

Ariana Brown

**Recorded by:**

Kahleea Washington (Lansing EDC)

## **1. Call to Order/ Roll Call**

The board called the meeting to order while they waited for Chair Defrees.

Washington did roll call and later adding Chair Defrees to the “present” category, giving the group quorum.

### **Approval of S. MLK Jr. CIA Meeting Minutes (7.17.25)- Action**

Motion by Schmidgall and seconded by Sober

Passed unanimously.

## **2. Updates on Corridor Projects- K. Washington**

### **a. Marketing Efforts**

Washington presented the S. MLK CIA logo options to the group.

Pending some edits to the design, the group selected option three as their future logo.

### **b. Bus Shelter Project**

Washington showcased the proof of the bus shelter art display with all the acknowledgments. The board approved the design and is excited to see it on the shelters.

### **c. Community Cleanup**

The board worked out the final details ahead of the community cleanup.

### **3. Approval of the S. MLK CIA Grant Program**

The board reviewed and discussed the different elements of the grant program.

Member Defrees motioned to approve the program with the suggested edits. Member Schmidgall supports

Passed unanimously

### **4. Pitch Book Site Selection**

After reviewing and discussing each site option, the board selected the Metro Bowl #4 and Logan Square #1 for properties to highlight in the pitch book. The former restaurant #2 location is a runner-up.

### **5. Other Business**

The group briefly discussed the new pedestrian island installation.

Washington asked the board member if they were interested in participating in a presentation on the City of Lansing CIAs.

Member Moose explained the non-motorized transportation flyer he brought to the meeting.

The group discussed advocating for a new walkway connecting the Greenlawn area to the Pleasant Grove area using the former railroad area.

## **6. Public Comment**

The public inquired about community events happening in the area.

## **7. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 2:08 pm

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Amanda Defrees

Chairperson, South Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. Corridor Improvement Authority

