



MINUTES
Committee of the Whole
Monday, October 27, 2025 @ 6:00 p.m.
Tony Benavides Lansing City Council Chambers

CALL TO ORDER

Council President Kost called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT

Councilmember Ryan Kost
Councilmember Jeffrey Brown
Councilmember Peter Spadafore
Councilmember Tamera Carter
Councilmember Trini Pehlivanoglu
Councilmember Jeremy Garza
Councilmember Adam Hussain
Councilmember Brian T. Jackson

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherrie Boak, Council Office Manager
Mark Lawrence, Mayor's Office-arrived at 6:04 p.m.
Greg Venker, City Attorney
Lisa Hagen-Lawrence, City Attorney
Theresa Hample, Peckham Vocational Industries
Caleb Adams, Peckham Vocational Industries
Brian Hight, Dept. Public Service
Nick Zande

Minutes

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 13, 2025, AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 8-0.

Public Comment

Mr. Zande spoke on the non profit recognition application from Peckham for their charitable designation, voicing concerns with opinions and reviews he found online with the business. Mr. Zande concluded he does support organizations that support autistic people.

Discussion/Action:

RESOLUTION –Non-Profit Recognition; Peckham Vocational Industries Inc.

Ms. Hample and Mr. Adams provided a brief overview of the 50 years Peckham has been in Lansing. The purpose of the raffle is to raise money for an adjudicated youth program, and this will be used for the mid Michigan area.

Council Member Pehlivanoglu asked if they have a raffle in the past. Ms. Hample stated they have held it before, but because of the dollar amounts increasing, this now meets the criteria for a gaming license.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE NON-PROFIT RECOGNITION FOR PECKHAM VOCATIONAL INDUSTRIES, INC. MOTION CARRIED 8-0.

RESOLUTION – Noise Permit; Public Service Department; Lansing Avenue Pump Station (LAPS) Project at 1701/1711 Lansing Avenue

Mr. Hight explained that this project is a pump station upgrade, part of the long term wet weather program, and CSO initiative to eventually handle wet weather and meet conditions of the permit. Council President Kost noted the hearing is tonight as well, but because of THE timeline to start November 1st.

Council Member Hussain asked about the times for the work because of discrepancies in different *WHEREAS* in the resolution. Mr. Hight stated it could be cut to 4:30 p.m. so they wrap up operations in a timely fashion, and day light is scarce. Council President Kost noted it should state 4:30 p.m. throughout the resolution.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION AS AMENDED FOR ALL END TIMES TO BE 4:30 P.M. FOR THE NOISE PERMIT WAIVER FOR THE LANSING PUMP STATION PROJECT ON LANSING AVENUE, PENDING ANY ISSUES BROUGHT TO COUNCIL'S ATTENTION TONIGHT AT THE PUBLIC HEARING. MOTION CARRIED 8-0.

Closed Session

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER TO RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:12 P.M., PURSUANT TO MCL 15.268(c) OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT, FOR STRATEGY AND NEGOTIATION SESSION CONNECTED WITH THE NEGOTIATION OF A WAGE REOPENER BETWEEN THE CITY OF LANSING AND UNITED AUTO WORKERS, LOCAL 2256 AS REQUESTED BY THE CITY. ROLL CALL VOTE, MOTION CARRIED 8-0.

Reconvene

Council President Kost reconvened the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

Discussion/Action:

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CARTER MADE TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE TENTATIVE AGREEMENT OF THE PARTIES FOR THE WAGE OPENER BETWEEN THE CITY OF LANSING AND THE UNION, UNITED AUTO WORKERS, LOCAL 2256.

Council President Kost noted for the public it is a wage reopener for starting wages, not a percentage, and both parties agreed to this

MOTION CARRIED 8-0.

Other

No other topics.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 6:18 pm

Respectfully Submitted by,

Sherrie Boak, Recording Secretary,

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee November 10, 2025