

**City of Lansing Human Relations & Community Services  
Advisory Board  
Held Jointly with The  
Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Board**

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**Date of Meeting: Tuesday, November 18, 2025  
Time of Meeting: 5:30 PM – 8:00 PM  
Place of Meeting: Foster Community Center  
200 N. Foster, Room 213  
Lansing, MI 48912**

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~ Agenda ~

- I. Call to Order ..... Ron Embry, Chair
  - a) State Purpose of the Meeting
  - b) State Rules for Public Comment
- II. Roll Call for Both Boards ..... HRCS & DNACE\* Staff
- III. Establish a Quorum for Both Boards ..... HRCS & DNACE Staff
- IV. Approval of the Agenda ..... Receive a Motion
- V. Approval of Minutes (October 28, 2025)..... Receive a Motion
- VI. Public Comment (1 minute)..... Chair Embry
- VII. Communications..... Chair Embry
- VII Director's Report..... Kim A. Coleman
- Introduction of Facilitator – Yarden Blumstein, Executive Director  
Resolution Services Center
- IX. New Business ..... Chair Embry
- Creation of a binding format for how the advisory boards will reach a leadership  
decision on a site proposal for the Nova Lansing Housing Initiative
- X. Adjournment ..... Receive Motion

**HRCS Advisory Board Members:** Paul Dripchak LMSW/Secretary (4<sup>th</sup> Ward), Ronald Embry/Chair (2<sup>nd</sup> Ward), Sean Gehle (MAL), Melissa Horste/Vice Chair (MAL), Glenn Lopez (1<sup>st</sup> Ward), Versey Williams (3<sup>rd</sup> Ward), Thomas Woods (MAL), Vacancy (MAL)

**Mayor's Neighborhood Advisory Board Members:** Brian Baer 1<sup>st</sup> Ward), Florence Baerren (2<sup>nd</sup> Ward), Matthias Bell (4<sup>th</sup> Ward), Courtney Cole (3<sup>rd</sup> Ward), Christopher Smadzinski-Green (2<sup>nd</sup> Ward), MaryBeth VanHorn (1<sup>st</sup> Ward); and Tirstan Walters

\*DNACE: Department of Neighborhoods, Arts and Citizen Engagement