



## **Lansing Gateway Corridor Improvement Authority Board of Directors Monthly Meeting**

Tuesday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025 – 3:00 PM

Turner Dodge.

100 E North St.

Lansing, MI 48906

### **AGENDA**

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call
2. Approval of the Lansing Gateway CIA Meeting Minutes (Oct. 21, 2025)–  
**Action**
3. Updates on the Design RFP
4. Discussion on the Mural Program
5. Next Year's Meeting Schedule
6. Other Business
7. End of the Year Updates
8. Public Comment
9. Adjournment



Andy Schor, Mayor

**Lansing Gateway Corridor Improvement Authority  
Board of Directors Monthly Meeting**

October 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025 @ 3:00pm

Peckham Inc.

3510 Capital City Blvd, Lansing, MI 48906

Board Room

**Members Present:** Robert Benstein, Kambriana Crank, Hillary Kipp, Seven Bohnet

**Members Absent:** Jo Sperry, Bob Van Arkel, Dianna Hartwell

**Facilitator Present:** Kahleea Washington (Lansing EDC)

**Guests Present:**

**Public:**

**Recorded by:** Kahleea Washington (Lansing EDC)

**Call to Order/ Roll Call**

Roll call at 3:11 pm

**Approval of Lansing Gateway CIA Meeting Minutes (Sept. 16<sup>th</sup>, 2025)– Action**

Motion: Bohnet

Support: Crank

Passed unanimously

**Updates on the Design RFP**

Washington updated the authority on the amount of engagement the RFP has received since opening in early October. She shared some of the main points collected from the inquiring firm's clarifying questions. Mainly assess what is needed from the firm and the project's end goal. This led to an in-depth discussion about the project's purpose and its relevance to the board's overall goals. Member Kipp discussed the current condition of the corridor and how to enhance it. The conversation led to improving the N. MLK Jr. Blvd. and N. Grand River Ave. using the urban design initiative and other beautification projects.

### **Approval of the LGCIA Grant Program- Action**

Chair Benstein made a motion to approve the grant program with any necessary revisions on the "Covid Pandemic". Motion seconded by Bohnet.

Approved unanimously,

Washington plans to consult with her supervisor on whether the grant agreement language addressing the business's impact from the COVID-19 pandemic is necessary for the LGCIA's grant program using ARPA dollars.

### **Discussion on Murals**

Washington presented the Arts Council proposal and plans to draft potential mural program guidelines for the authority to review at the next meeting.

### **Public Comment**

NA

### **Other Business**

The board quickly finalized the details for their end of the year meeting/ public gathering. They have determined to host it at the Turner-Dodge House with catering from Gregory's Soul Food on the corridor. To best accommodate people's schedules, they decided to hold the event from 4-6 PM.

**Adjournment:** 4:22 P.M.

Motion: Bohnet

Support: Kipp



## **Saginaw Street Corridor Improvement Authority (SSCIA) Mural Program**

### **Program Overview**

The SSCIA Mural Program partners with local businesses to bring vibrant, large-scale murals and other art projects to the West Saginaw Street corridor. By showcasing the work of local artists, the program aims to energize the corridor, celebrate creativity, and establish West Saginaw Street as Lansing's official **Mural District**.

Through this initiative, the SSCIA provides funding and resources—including connections to local muralists—to support businesses interested in hosting murals on their properties.

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### **Eligible Applicants**

To qualify for the SSCIA Mural Program, applicants must meet all of the following:

- Be a **business or organization located within the SSCIA boundaries**. Confirm eligibility here: [Saginaw St. Corridor](#)
- Be in **good standing** on all City of Lansing, State of Michigan, and federal taxes.

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### **Mural Sponsorship**

Businesses may apply for **\$5,000–\$15,000** in funding to sponsor the installation of a mural. Awards are intended to cover **artist compensation and materials**. Any additional expenses are the responsibility of the business.

Applicants may:

- Recruit their own artist, **or**
- Request SSCIA's assistance in hosting a **call to artists** in partnership with the Arts Council of Greater Lansing.

All mural concepts must be presented to the SSCIA during a monthly board meeting. The SSCIA reserves the right to deny funding for projects that do not align with the Authority's goals and vision.



## **Application Process**

1. **Submission** – Complete the application, including a project proposal, detailed budget, and required documents.
2. **Review** – SSCIA evaluates all eligible applications.
3. **Interview** – Selected applicants may be invited to present at a board meeting.
4. **Selection** – Awards are determined based on application scoring and available funding.
5. **Award Agreement** – Awardees will receive a grant agreement outlining the terms and conditions.

## **Artistic Content**

### **Allowed:**

- Original works/ design.
- Art that reflects or celebrates community identity, culture, history, or aspirations.
- Positive, inclusive themes that contribute to neighborhood pride and vibrancy.
- Creative interpretations of place (abstract, representational, cultural, or nature-inspired).

### **Not Allowed:**

- Copyrighted material or imagery without documented permission.
- Obscene, sexually explicit, or violent imagery.
- Content that promotes discrimination, hate, political campaigns, or commercial advertising.
- References to illegal activity or substances.

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