



MINUTES
Committee on City Operations
Thursday, February 12, 2026 @ 4:00 p.m.
City Council Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Martinez called the meeting to order at 4:00pm

PRESENT

Council Member Trini Pehlivanoglu, Chair - excused
Council Member Clara Martinez, Vice-Chair
Council Member Ryan Kost, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Renee Richmond, Council Administrative Assistant
Elizabeth Krochmalny, OCA
Michael Falk
Bob Babiasz
Nicole McPherson, Public Service
Marc Jones, Public Service
Mitch Whisler, Public Service
Scott Cook, Public Service
Jason Hawkins
Ellen Ward

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MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER KOST TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JANUARY 22, 2026 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Discussion/Action

Councilmember Martinez explained Councilmember Pehlivanoglu had an excused absence, and recused herself from items F & G, therefore those items are moved to the next Committee meeting on February 26, 2026.

RESOLUTION – Fireworks Display License; Lansing Lugnuts & Pyrotecnico Fireworks Inc. at Jackson Field for multiple dates

Mr. Falk noted this is an annual request believes the 8th year, same crew and set up as always. Councilmember Kost asked where the fireworks are stored or are they brought in. Mr. Falk answered they are stored in an undisclosed area in Belding and then brought in the day of the

fireworks. Councilmember Kost then asked if they've ever received any complaints on noise, Mr. Falk answered not directly to them.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER KOST TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR FIREWORKS DISPLAY LICENSE; LANSING LUGNUTS & PYROTECNICO FIREWORKS INC. AT JACKSON FIELD FOR MULTIPLE DATES. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Mr. Falk noted another annual request for the City July 4th celebration will be forthcoming and asked if it is necessary to come for that. Ms. Richmond noted she would reach out to Committee Chair, Pehlivanoglu, and follow up.

RESOLUTION – Non-Profit Recognition; Capital Area Literacy Coalition

Mr. Babiasz noted this non-profit has been in existence for 41 years, helping adults on learning language and GED, this recognition is for a charitable game license. Councilmember Kost asked what event they are having and where. Mr. Babiasz answered Bingo and at One North in East Lansing, there wasn't availability in Lansing.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER KOST TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE NON-PROFIT RECOGNITION; CAPITAL AREA LITERACY COALITION. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION – Set a Public Hearing on Noise Special Permit; Hoffman Bros. Inc. request to allow for the Combines Sewer Overflow (CSO) Cherry/Pine/Kalamazoo Project within the project area

Mr. Jones noted the CSO should start in the Spring, the contractors have requested to work on Saturday to get the project completed before the new city hall is done. They do not anticipate any disruption as most businesses are closed on Saturdays. Councilmember Kost asked about bus route disruption, Mr. Jones said they have a meeting with CATA soon and there are no closures in the front of the CATA building some outer streets may have some. Councilmember Kost also asked if they spoke with the State of Michigan on their buildings, Mr. Jones again confirmed and one challenge will be the courthouse and are working on that.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER KOST TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION TO SET A PUBLIC HEARING ON NOISE SPECIAL PERMIT; HOFFMAN BROS. INC. REQUEST TO ALLOW FOR THE COMBINED SEWER OVERFLOW (CSO) CHERRY/PINE/KALAMAZOO PROJECT WITHIN THE PROJECT AREA. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION – Traffic Control Order No. 25-26; regulate parking on Josephine Way

Mr. Whisler stated they received a request from a business to change the existing parking. Option that was agreed upon is to change the limit to 3 hours, and no parking between 12a-6a.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER KOST TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDER NO. 25-26; REGULATE PARKING ON JOSEPHINE WAY. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION – Transportation Asset Management Plan

Mr. Cook said it is a requirement to submit every 3 years, historically they have done it every 2 on their cycle. Councilmember Kost asked for a brief high level overview. Mr. Cook summarized this plan covers asset of bridges, roadways and traffic signals. It's a document that reflects on how they are inspecting, rating, or tracking assets, what the plan moving forward is, or projects planned, maintenance plans, and financial obligations. Which then summarizes all that and shows what was done. The cost of roadways have gone up in the last 5 years slowly, but does that every year. Councilmember Kost asked will the new formula with the state with 6% sales tax, now going into gas tax and increase revenue. Mr. Cook answered that's the goal to take that money and get more work done.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER KOST TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE TRANSPORTATION ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION – Drain Easement; Board of Water & Light at 2030 Lake Lansing Road and 2320 Wood Street in Lansing Township for Lansing, MI

Ms. Wood stated she is an attorney at Oade, Stroud & Kleiman (OSK) counsel to BWL. The Board was approached by neighbor adjacent to property for development and to have a drain crossing easement, it was looked at and approved. Councilmember Kost asked if it was between the new water tower and the church, Ms. Ward stated on the water tower side, will cross BWL wells parcel, then tap the green facility, and then into the county drain. The majority of the easement is on the Wood Street side.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER KOST TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE _DRAIN EASEMENT; BOARD OF WATER & LIGHT AT 2030 LAKE LANSING ROAD AND 2320 WOOD STREET IN LANSING TOWNSHIP FOR LANSING, MI. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Other

Adjourn

Adjourned at 4:20pm

Submitted by Renee Richmond, Recording Secretary
Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee on February 26, 2026