



S. Martin Luther King Jr. Corridor Improvement Authority Board of Directors Monthly Meeting

Thursday, March 19th, 2026 – 1:00 PM
UA Local 333 Plumbers and Pipefitters
5405 S Martin Luther King Jr Blvd
Lansing, MI 48911

AGENDA

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call
2. Approval of S. MLK Jr. CIA Meeting Minutes (1.15.26)- **Action**
3. Approval of FY 2026/2027 Budget- **Action**
4. Adoption of 2026 Spending Plan- **Action**
5. Other Business
6. Public Comment
7. Adjournment
8. Board Member Headshots



Andy Schor, Mayor

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

January 15th, 2026

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Members Present: Amanda Defrees, Kristina Schmidgall, Jeremy Matthews,
Mellisa White, Dustin Howard,

Members Absent: Don "Moose" Sober

Facilitator Present: Kahleea Washington (Lansing EDC)

Guests Present: Michele Howard (Pressed for Time); Amiee Evans (Lansing EDC); Paul Anderson (SWAG)

Public:

Recorded by: Kahleea Washington (Lansing EDC)

1. Call to Order/ Roll Call: 1:05 PM

2. Approval of S. MLK Jr. CIA Meeting Minutes (10.16.25; 11.20.25) -Action

Motion: Schmidgall Support: Howard

Passed unanimously

3. Board Officer Elections

Chair: Amanda Defrees

Vice Chair: Jeremy Matthews

Treasurer: Kristina Schmidgall

Secretary: Mellisa White

The board voted to approve the officer slate as presented.

Motion: Howard Support: Defrees; passed unanimously.

4. Updates on Marketing Efforts- K. Washington

Washington provided an update on the website build-out with Inverve. The

board will take headshot photos at the next meeting.

5. Consideration for a Corridor Services Agreement- Action

Motion: Schmidgall Support: Howard

Passed

6. Consideration for Business Grant- Pressed for Time

Michele Howard, the owner of Pressed for Time, provided an

overview of her business. The board explored the business model and

discussed potential issues that could prevent the business from

opening. Based on the conversation, the board voted to table the

grant ask until the business is closer to opening.

Motion: Matthew Support: Schmidgall

7. Other Business

Washington informed the board that the Façade Improvement Program application is open.

The board rescheduled the April Meeting to April 9th.

8. Public Comment

Amiee Evans introduced herself to the board.

9. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 1:58 pm

Motion: Dustin Support: Schmidgall

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Amanda Defrees

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

South MLK Corridor Improvement Authority

Fiscal Year July 1, 2026 - June 30, 2027

	FY 2025	FY 2026	FY 2026	FY 2027
	Actuals	Adopted	Amended	Proposed
		Budget	Budget	Budget
Beginning Fund Balance	121,767	256,215	256,215	\$ 116,954.22
Tax Increment Revenue	144,448	152,676	\$ 255,739.22	\$ 300,232.37
Interest	-	-		
Total Revenues	144,448	152,676	\$ 255,739.22	\$ 300,232.37
Expenditures				
Aesthetic and Design	-	49,915	\$ 100,000.00	\$ 100,000.00
Economic Reconstruction	-	39,932	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 150,000.00
Marketing and Promotional	10,000	66,554	\$ 70,000.00	\$ 60,000.00
Organizational	-	39,932	\$ 85,000.00	\$ 90,000.00
Total Expenditures	10,000	196,334	\$ 395,000.00	\$ 400,000.00
Beginning Fund Balance	121,767	256,215	\$ 256,215.00	\$ 116,954.22
To/(From) Fund Balance	134,448	-43,658	\$ (139,260.78)	\$ (99,767.63)
Ending Fund Balance	256,215	212,557	\$ 116,954.22	\$ 17,186.59

S. Martin Luther King Jr. Corridor Improvement Authority

2026 Annual Spending Plan

The **S. Martin Luther King Jr. Corridor Improvement Authority (MLK CIA)** spending plan outlines priority investments for the 2026 calendar year. These initiatives are intended to support corridor beautification, strengthen local businesses, and promote economic activity along the S. MLK Jr. corridor.

Each proposed project aligns with the Authority's **Development and Tax Increment Financing (TIF) Plan**, while also addressing current needs identified within the corridor. The spending plan provides a framework for how the Authority will allocate resources strategically throughout the year.

Projects will be funded through **tax increment financing (TIF) revenue generated within the district** as well as **remaining COVID-19 Relief ARPA funds**.

2026 Budget Summary

Available Funds

- TIF Revenue (Tax Capture): **\$511,954.00**
- ARPA Funds: **\$71,199.91**

Total Available Budget: \$583,153.91

**Target Spending Goal (approximately 40% of total budget):
\$250,000**

Proposed Spending Categories

Aesthetic and Design Improvements

These projects focus on improving the **appearance, cleanliness, and pedestrian environment** of the corridor.

- Corridor Signage – **\$10,000**
- Corridor Cleanup and Maintenance – **\$2,000**
- Pedestrian Island Enhancements and Maintenance – **\$6,000**
- Street Sweeping – **\$10,000**
- **Mural Installation - \$25,000**

Category Total: \$53,000

Economic Reconstruction

These initiatives support **business stability, growth, and capacity building within the corridor.**

- Business Grant Program – **\$50,000**
- Business Technical Assistance Support – **\$15,000**

Category Total: \$65,000

Marketing and Promotion

Marketing investments help promote corridor businesses and communicate opportunities within the district.

- Print Needs – **\$5,000**
- Graphic Design Needs – **\$7,000**
- Marketing and Communications – **\$15,000**

Category Total: \$27,000

Organizational and Community Initiatives

These resources support **community engagement, professional support services, and administrative capacity** necessary to implement corridor initiatives.

- Annual Community Event(s) – **\$25,000**
- Consultant Services – **\$15,000**
- Administrative Support – **\$23,000**

Category Total: \$63,000

Total Proposed Spending

\$213,000