



Andy Schor, Mayor

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

January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2026

UA Local Plumbers and Pipefitters  
5334 S Martin Luther King Jr Blvd  
Lansing, MI 48911

**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.

**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

Paul Anderson plans to get some professional pictures done and share them with the group.

**c. Corridor Maintenance**

The City Public Works department shared what it will cost to have the corridor boundaries street sweep in addition to what is already being done and the current unofficial schedule. The authority plans to use this information to increase the sweeping next year

**4. Consideration for a Corridor Services Agreement- Action**

The board reviewed the proposed agreement and tabled it for approval at the next meeting.

**5. Next Year Meeting Schedule**

The board moved to keep its current meeting schedule.

**6. Public Comment**

Brent introduced himself and his projects in the area.

**7. Other Business**

NA

**8. Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 1:55 pm

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Amanda Defrees

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