

AGENDA

Committee on Equity, Diversity & Inclusion AGENDA FOR SEPTEMBER 8, 2021 AT 4:30 PM



Lansing City Hall, City Council Conference Room
124 W. Michigan Avenue, 10th Floor

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Council Member Spitzley, Chairperson
Council Member Jackson, Vice Chairperson
Council Member Dunbar, Member

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Roll Call**
- 3. Minutes**
 - A. August 11, 2021
- 4. Public Comment on Agenda Items (Up to 3 Minutes)**
- 5. Discussion/Action:**
 - B. ORDINANCE - Amend Chapter 658. Section 658.03; Replace "willful annoyance"
 - C. RESOLUTION - Budget Priorities for FY2022/2023
- 6. Other**
- 7. Adjourn**

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Minutes
Committee on Equity, Diversity & Inclusion
Wednesday, August 11, 2021 @ 4:30 p.m.
Lansing City Hall, City Council Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

Council Member Spitzley called the meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

PRESENT via audio/video

Council Member Spitzley, Chair
Council Member Jackson, Vice-Chair
Council Member Dunbar, Member- unexcused

OTHERS PRESENT via audio/video

Sherrie Boak, Council Staff
Jim Smiertka, OCA

MINUTES

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JUNE 16, 2021 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER JACKSON TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM JULY 28, 2021 AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public present at this time, therefore no public comment.

DISCUSSION

RESOLUTION – Budget Priorities for FY2022/2023: RE: Advance Peace Initiative Funding

Council Member Spitzley asked the Committee to start working on other budget priorities to have out of Committee and present to full Council for adoption with the Budget Policies and Priorities on September 23, 2021. Ms. Boak was asked to send an email to the full Committee asking for topics at the next meeting, September 1, 2021.

RESOLUTION – Amaia Alysse Edmonds Gift of Life Day in the City of Lansing

Council Member Spitzley distributed additional language to be added to the draft resolution in the packet. She spoke briefly on her research on the subject, and that an event is scheduled August 27th in City Hall lobby. Council Member Jackson and Mr. Smiertka asked to be invited to the event.

The Committee spoke briefly on organ donations, blood types, and certain organ donation percentages based on ethnic background.

Council Member Spitzley went through her proposed amendments to the draft and asked that the four paragraphs below be added after the fourth WHEREAS in the draft resolution in the packet:

1. WHEREAS, August is National Minority Donor Awareness month where attention is called to the gap between the number of organ donors and the number of African American, Latinix, and Asian Americans who need life-saving organs and tissue.
2. WHEREAS, on August 12, 2021 John Edmond was celebrated as a Gift of Life Champion by the Michigan Gift of Life
3. WHEREAS, more than 100,000 people are waiting for life-saving organ in the US. Of those more than 60% represent racial and ethnic minorities. In Michigan there are approximately 2,500 people waiting for life-saving organs. Of the 2007 people waiting for a new kidney approximately 64% are African-American, Latinix, or of Middle Eastern decent.
4. WHEREAS, in 2019 while 28.7 percent of people waiting for kidney transplants are African Americans they comprised only 12.5% of the organ donors in the United States.

Council Member Spitzley passed the gavel to Council Member Jackson.

MOTION BY PATRICIA APPROVE AS AMENDMED FOR PASSAGE BY COUNCIL ON AUGUST 23RD. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Council Member Jackson passed the gavel to Council Member Spitzley.

OTHER

No other topics of discussion.

Adjourn

Adjourned at 4:42 p.m.

Submitted by, Sherrie Boak

Recording Secretary, Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF LANSING, MICHIGAN, TO AMEND THE LANSING CODIFIED ORDINANCES BY AMENDING CHAPTER 658 SECTION 658.03, TO REPLACE WILLFUL ANNOYANCE WITH THE PROHIBITION THAT NO PERSON SHALL THREATEN ANOTHER PERSON BY WORD OF MOUTH, GESTURE, OR OTHER PHYSICAL ACTION THAT ACCOSTS, MOLESTS, OR OTHERWISE HARASSES THE OTHER PERSON.

THE CITY OF LANSING ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Chapter 658 Section 658.03, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lansing, Michigan be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

658.03. – ~~Annoying~~ THREATENING persons.

No person shall:

- (a) ~~Willfully annoy another person~~ THREATEN ANOTHER PERSON BY WORD OF MOUTH, GESTURE, OR OTHER PHYSICAL ACTION THAT ACCOSTS, MOLESTS, OR OTHERWISE HARASSES THE OTHER PERSON; or
- (b) Recklessly endanger the life, health or well being of another person.

Section 2. All ordinances, resolutions or rules, parts of ordinances, resolutions or rules inconsistent with the provisions are repealed.

Section 3. Should any section, clause or phrase of this ordinance be declared to be invalid, the same shall not affect the validity of the ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof other than the part so declared to be invalid.

Section 4. This ordinance shall take effect on the 30th day after enactment, unless given immediate effect by City Council and shall expire December 31, 2029.

Approved as to form:

City Attorney

Date: _____

BY THE COMMITTEE ON EQUITY DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the Committee met to evaluate the budget and recommend an annual statement of budget priorities to guide the Administration in developing and presenting the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 budget.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lansing City Council has established the following as one of the Fiscal Year 2022/2023 Budget Policies and Priorities and requests that the Administration review encourages that they, to the extent practical, be included in the Administration's budget presented due to the City Council by the fourth Monday in March 2022.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the Committee on Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion has established the following priorities:

1. The City of Lansing will include in their FY 2022/2023 Budget public safety planning, a commitment, support and a partnership with Advance Peace which will help lives and reduce the life altering trauma experienced by people living in the impacted communities and by the service providers who support them, including law enforcement. Council asked the Administration to focus budget allocations to fully fund the City portion for FY 2022/2023.
2. \$500,000: (4) FTE Social Workers-(1) FTE Administrative Assistant (LFD)
3. \$125,000: (1) FTE Grant Writer (Neighborhood Citizen Engagement OR HRCS); RE: Assist Local Groups and organizations in grant research, grant writing and monitoring.

THIS WAS IN LAST YEARS (FY2021/2022) BUDGET PRIORITIES FROM THIS COMMITTEE