

AGENDA

Committee on Ways and Means AGENDA FOR DECEMBER 12, 2022 AT 4:30 PM



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

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Council Member Spadafore, Chairperson
Council Member Garza, Vice Chairperson
Council Member Wood, Member

1. **Call to Order**
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Minutes**
 - A. November 14, 2022
4. **Public Comment on Agenda Items (Up to 3 Minutes)**
5. **Discussion/Action:**
 - B. RESOLUTION - Appointment; Mary Ellen Jeffries; Lansing Resident Non-Retiree member of the Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees; Term to Expire June 30, 2024
 - C. RESOLUTION - Workers Compensation Settlement 2062876-01325
 - D. ORDINANCE -Repeal the permitting requirements for solicitors of charitable and religious donations
6. **Other**
7. **Adjourn**

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MINUTES
Committee on Ways and Means
Monday, November 14, 2022 @ 4:30 p.m.
City Council Conference Room

CALL TO ORDER

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

PRESENT

Council Member Peter Spadafore, Chair
Council Member Jeremy Garza, Vice Chair- excused
Council Member Carol Wood, Member

OTHERS PRESENT

Sherrie Boak, Council Office Manager
Assistant Chief Backus, LPD
Jane DiSessa, Mayor's Office
Chris Swope, City Clerk
Jim Smiertka, OCA – arrived at 4:35 p.m.

Minutes

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM OCTOBER 20, 2022, AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

Public Comment

No public comment at this time.

Discussion/Action:

RESOLUTION – Grant Acceptance; Office of High Safety Planning (OWI) Grant; Impaired Driving, Speed and Seatbelt Enforcement

Assistant Chief Backus explained the grant as a renewal being awarded for the first time last year. The grant is now up to 900 work hours at \$107,521.00 with no match. Overtime costs for speeding, restless and careless driving, seatbelt enforcement, texting and driving distraction. It will expire September 30, 2023.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE OWI GRANT FOR IMPAIRED DRIVING, SPEED AND SEATBELT ENFORCEMENT. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION - Grant Acceptance; Office of High Safety Planning Grant for Bicycle and Pedestrian Safety

Assistant Chief Backus explained to the Committee that this was also a renewal of the 2021 grant, and encompasses education, visibility of officers, and also driving safety violations. This would be specific for red light violations which are determined by using traffic enforcement reports for locations. In 2021 there were 63 hours, 71 notifications and this year the grant will expire in 2023 with a 20% match. Any overtime will be taken from the overtime funds.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE GRANT FOR THE BICYCLE AND PEDESTRIAN SAFETY.

Council Member Wood asked if both of these grants were part of the budget, or additional funds, and Assistant Chief Backus stated they are additional funds. He also noted they are renewals; they are actually the 2nd time they have been awarded the grants.

MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

RESOLUTION – GRANT ACCEPTANCE; ELECTION SECURITY GRANT

Mr. Swope noted the State determined \$1,500 per precinct was allowed, so the City will get \$60,000. They will purchase laptops for e-poll book, security cameras to fire stations with election drop boxes. They have made the purchases then request reimbursement. Council Member Wood asked if the funds have already been spent, and Mr. Swope confirmed.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WOOD TO APPROVE THE RESOLUTION FOR THE ELECTION SECURITY GRANT. MOTION CARRIED 2-0.

OTHER

No other topics at this time.

ADJOURN

Adjourned at 4:37 p.m.

Submitted by,

Sherrie Boak, Recording Secretary

Lansing City Council

Approved by the Committee _____

Application for Appointment to Board or Commission

Thank you for your interest in serving on a Lansing Board, Commission, or Committee.

Certain boards, commissions, or committees require appointees to be a registered elector in the City of Lansing (Charter Section 2-102) and be a resident of Lansing for one year prior to taking office (Charter Section 2-102).

Appointees to every board, commission, or committee must not be in default to the City at the time of taking office (Charter Section 2-103.2) and not have been convicted, within 20 years of taking office, of a violation of the election laws of the City of Lansing, State of Michigan, or the United States; a violation of public trust; or any felony (Charter Section 2-103.1).

Lansing City Charter, Section 5-104, Ineligibility For Boards, restricts certain City employee activities on some boards: "No person holding another City office or activity employed by the City shall be eligible to be a voting member on any board."

Date	08/08/2022
First Name	Mary
Middle	Ellen
Last Name	Jeffries
Other name(s) by which you have been known, including maiden names	Ellen Jeffries; Ellen Murphy
Date of Birth	
Address	3229 Moores River Drive
City	Lansing
State	MI
Zip Code	48911
Email	ejeffries16@gmail.com
Gender	Female

If you don't know which ward you live in, visit the [Lansing Neighborhoods Ward Map](#) and type in your address to find out!

Ward Ward 4

Precinct 33

Best Phone Number to Contact You 517-881-2504

In what year did you move to Lansing? 1977

Occupational Background Forty-one year career with the State of Michigan, Senate Fiscal Agency, a nonpartisan office that serves all members of the Michigan Senate. The Senate Fiscal Agency provides unbiased fiscal and economic information, as well as analysis for all legislation considered by Senate standing committees. One of the primary roles for the Senate Fiscal Agency is assistance to the Senate in the drafting and preparation of the annual State budget. My career began as a fiscal analyst, working on multiple State budgets, with subsequent positions as a Chief Analyst, Deputy Director, and finally retiring as Director of the Agency.

Educational Background Graduated from Hillsdale College (before it became so political) with a degree in political economy, and received a Master's degree in political science from the University of Chicago.

Previous Appointments Lansing Entertainment and Public Facilities Authority,

Current Appointments None.

Please attach a resume if available. *File(s) attached:*

 EJbioAugust2022.docx

First Choice for Board to Serve on Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees

Please comment briefly on why you wish to serve on a particular board or commission. Please be specific as to your goals and ideas about how you wish to contribute to the work of the board or commission. My background as a fiscal analyst, and my long-term status as a Lansing resident, contribute to my interest in serving on this Board. I believe my ability to analyze budgets and economic data would add to the expertise of this Board. My Lansing residency allows me to value and appreciate City of Lansing employees and retirees.

This certification is not required but may impact potential consideration of the appointment being sought. I authorize the use of the information provided above to conduct a background search, including but not limited to criminal history, residency, and indebtedness to the City of Lansing. If selected to serve, I further authorize additional background checks during the term of my service to ensure the required criteria continue to be met. I also acknowledge that I have the affirmative duty to inform the City if I become aware of any change or condition in my status that fails to meet the required criteria.

Agreement to Background Check Authorization • I agree

Please type your name in this box to signify that you can serve on a board or commission and the information in this application is accurate to the best of your knowledge.	M. Ellen Jeffries
Date & Time	08/08/2022 5:20 PM (EDT)
Receive an email copy of this form.	Yes

ELLEN JEFFRIES BIOGRAPHY

Ellen Jeffries began working for the Michigan Senate Fiscal Agency (a nonpartisan office that provides fiscal and economic information and analysis to the Michigan Senate) in 1977. She started as a fiscal analyst, moved up to Chief Analyst for seven years, was Deputy Director for 20 years, and retired as the Director of the Agency, after a 41-year career there.

Ellen graduated from Hillsdale College with a degree in Political Economy, and received a Master's degree in Political Science from the University of Chicago. While at Hillsdale, she was the Sports Information Director for men's varsity basketball and she worked as a research assistant for the University of Chicago's Billings Hospital when she was a graduate student.

While working for the Senate Fiscal Agency, Ellen served as the Staff Chair for the National Conference of State Legislatures' Assembly on the Legislature Education Committee, was a charter member of both Women in State Government and the Lansing Women's Economic Club, and was a member of the Michigan Higher Education Database Advisory Committee. She also served as a member and Chairwoman of the Lansing Entertainment and Public Facilities Authority.

BY THE COMMITTEE ON WAYS AND MEANS
RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF LANSING

WHEREAS, the Mayor has made the appointment of Mary Ellen Jeffries as a Lansing Resident Non-Retiree member of the Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees for a term to expire June 30, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the nominee has been vetted by the Mayor's Office and meets the qualifications as required by the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Ways and Means met on December 12, 2022 and took affirmative action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the appointment of Mary Ellen Jeffries as a Lansing Resident Non-Retiree member of the Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees for a term to expire June 30, 2024.

Resolution #2022-###

By the Committee on Ways and Means
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, it is proposed that a claim be resolved by virtue of entering into a settlement agreement with claimant 2062876-01325, in which, the City of Lansing would agree to pay Plaintiff the sum of Sixty Four Thousand One hundred Sixty Two Dollars and Fifty Four Cents (\$64,162.54) in exchange for a complete redemption and release of the City from any past, present, and future liability regarding any alleged injuries/illnesses whatsoever;

WHEREAS, the proposed settlement is recommended by the Mayor, the Department of Human Resources Director, the City of Lansing's Fund Administrator, and the City Attorney;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council hereby approves the payment of Sixty Four Thousand One hundred Sixty Two Dollars and Fifty Four Cents (\$64,162.54) pursuant to said proposed settlement agreement as a full and final settlement of said action.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the City Attorney is authorized to prepare and execute the requisite documents to complete settlement of the aforementioned lawsuit.

ORDINANCE NO. _____

An Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan, to amend the Lansing Codified Ordinances by repealing Chapter 844, Sections 844.27 through 844.99, to eliminate City permitting requirements for solicitors of charitable and religious donations.

The City of Lansing Ordains:

Section 1. That Chapter 844, Sections 844.27 through 844.99, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lansing, Michigan be and is hereby repealed in their entirety and shall be null and void and of no effect.

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.