



**Official Proceedings of the City Council
City of Lansing
January 23, 2023**

Tony Benavides Lansing City Council Chambers
Lansing, Michigan

The City Council of the City of Lansing met in regular session and was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Wood

PRESENT: Council Members Brown, Garza, Hussain, Jackson, Kost, Spadafore, Wood

ABSENT: Council Member Spitzley

A quorum was present.

Council Member Spadafore asked people to keep the victims of the Monterey Park mass shooting, during the moment of Meditation. Council Member Hussain asked people to remember Doug Miller, who passed away, during the moment of Meditation. The Council observed a moment of Meditation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Wood.

Approval of Printed Council Proceedings

By Vice President Garza

To approve the printed Council Proceedings of January 9, 2023

Council Member Jackson requested the proceedings be held over to the next meeting. Without objection the motion to approve was withdrawn.

Comments by Council Members and the City Clerk

Council Member Jackson announced the upcoming 4th Ward Constituent Contact Meeting.

Council Member Hussain announced the upcoming meeting for Rejuvenating South Lansing, and that there is a meeting with the Lansing Economic Development Corporation. Finally, he thanked the participants of the last Participatory Budget Meeting, as well as the 3rd Ward Constituent Contact Meeting.

Council Member Kost announced the upcoming 1st Ward Constituent Meeting, and the upcoming Eastside Neighborhood Organization monthly meeting.

President Wood announced at the next Council of the Whole Meeting with have the Lansing Housing Commission Director in attendance to discuss their audits.

Community Event Announcements

Prince Jerold Solis spoke about upcoming event called *An Apology for the Sin of Slavery and its Aftermath*.

Speaker Registration for Public Comment on Legislative Matters

City Clerk Swope announced that the public comment registration form(s) for those intending to address Council on legislative matters will be collected and that only those persons who have fully completed the form(s) will be permitted to speak.

Mayor's Comments

Mayor Schor spoke about a new grant for Childhood Obesity and Sustainability to help children grow food and recreate gardens, and a new grant for training and tutoring returning citizens from prison. He announced that Ellison Brewery opened recently, Lansing Shuffleboard will be opening soon. He gave information about the next Neighborhood Round Table meeting, the final Participatory Budget Meeting, upcoming family movie night, and the Lansing Juneteenth Celebration Committee jazz brunch. Finally, He announced the Neighborhood Advisory Board Grant applications are available online, as well as openings on the board.

President Wood and Mayor Andy Schor discussed CART auto pay billing error issue.

Public Comment on Legislative Matters

Public Comment on Legislative Matters:

Jody Washington spoke about the Right to Work resolution.

Nicklas Zande spoke about right to collective bargaining.

Legislative Matters

Consent Agenda

By Vice President Garza

To approve all items on the Consent Agenda.

Motion Carried

Resolution #2023-019

By the Committee on City Operations
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, Capital Area Blues Society has requested a resolution of recognition as a Local Nonprofit Organization operating in the City of Lansing for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license pursuant to MCL 432.103a ; and

WHEREAS, the City Attorney has reported that, based on a review of the documentation submitted, the applicant qualifies as a Local Nonprofit Organization;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, recognizes the Capital Area Blues Society as a Local Nonprofit Organization operating in the City of Lansing for the purpose of obtaining a charitable gaming license.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED the City Clerk is requested to provide a copy of this resolution to the Capital Area Blues Society of PO Box 1004, Okemos MI 48805.

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

Resolutions

Resolution #2023-020

By the Committee on Equity Diversity and Inclusion
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, the Mayor has made the appointment of Prince Jerold Solace as the 2nd Ward member of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Board for a term to expire June 30, 2026; 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 Equity Diversity and Inclusion met on January 18, 2023 and took affirmative action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the appointment of Prince Jerold Solace as the 2nd Ward member of the Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion Advisory Board for a term to expire June 30, 2026.

By Council Member Spadafore

Motion Carried

Resolution #2023-021

By the Committee on City Operations
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, the Mayor has made the appointment of Hugh McNichol as the 2nd Ward member of the Board of Public Service for a term to expire June 30, 2026; 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 City Operations met on January 23, 2023, and took affirmative action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the appointment of Hugh McNichol as the 2nd Ward member of the Board of Public Service for a term to expire June 30, 2026.

By Council Member Spadafore

Motion Carried

Resolution #2023-022

By the Committee on City Operations

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, the Mayor has made the appointment of Melissa Horste as an At-Large member of the Human Relations and Community Services Advisory Board for a term to expire June 30, 2026; 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 City Operations met on January 23, 2023, and took affirmative action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the appointment of Melissa Horste as an At-Large member of the Human Relations and Community Services Advisory Board for a term to expire June 30, 2026.

By Council Member Spadafore

Motion Carried

Resolution #2023-023

By Council Members Kost, Hussain, Spadafore, Garza, Wood
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, Michigan has strong roots in the labor movement dating back over a hundred years. The Unions are essential in protecting the workers from unfair labor practices and abuse from employers, and the employees deserve a strong voice at the table for better working conditions and a safety net; and

WHEREAS, the Lansing City Council supports the rights of all citizens to join a workers union and believes the unions built the middle class in Lansing, which is critical to the health of Lansing; and

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan, under Act 348 of 2012, repealed workers' rights to collectively bargain in the State of Michigan; the so-called "right to work bill"; and

WHEREAS, a contract negotiated in good faith can be edited or undone without consent from the workers or unions and has caused the average workers pay in Michigan to fall below its non-right-to-work state neighbors by a wide margin.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lansing City Council supports the efforts of other elected officials in the State of Michigan to announce and support unions and freedoms of all Individuals to be able to collectively bargain in good faith.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Lansing City Council is dedicated to the health and well-being of all residents and strongly urges the State Legislature to pass HB 4004 and HB 4005 or SB 0005 and SB 0006 of 2023 in the State of Michigan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council encourages the administration to review its policies on relationships with our public union employees and the City Clerk transmit a copy of this Resolution to the State Legislature and the Governor's Office upon adoption by City Council.

By Council Member Kost

Motion Carried

Ordinances for Passage

Passage of Ordinance

An Ordinance of the City of Lansing , Michigan, to amend the Lansing Codified Ordinances by amending Chapter 872, Section 872.01, and repealing Chapter 872, Sections 872.10 through 872.23, to eliminate City licensing, regulating, and operating requirements for wreckers.

Was read a second time by its title and adopted by the following roll call vote:

Yeas: Council Members Brown, Daniels, Garza, Hussain, Jackson, Spadafore, ,Wood

Nays: None

By Vice President Garza to give the Ordinance immediate effect.

Motion Carried

Ordinance #1311

An Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan, to amend the Lansing Codified Ordinances by amending Chapter 872, Section 872.01, and repealing Chapter 872, Sections 872.10 through 872.23, to eliminate City licensing, regulating, and operating requirements for wreckers.

The City of Lansing Ordains:

Section 1. That Chapter 872, Section 872.01, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lansing, Michigan be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

872.01. - Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

Dockless electric scooter company means a person, as defined in Section 202.03(18) of this Code, that owns, operates, provides, or otherwise makes electric scooters available to the public to use on a temporary basis for payment, where such electric scooters are not required to be parked or docked in physically fixed locations or docks.

Electric scooter means a two-wheeled transportation device, with the wheels in tandem, that has a stem, handlebars and a floorboard that is designed to be stood upon while riding, and is powered by an electric motor of less than 750 watts; and any device that otherwise fits the definition provided for electric skateboards in Section 13F of the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code, MCL 257.13F.

Horse-drawn carriage means a horse-drawn vehicle operating for hire.

Limousine means a chauffeured motor vehicle not equipped with a taximeter, which transports individuals for hire at an hourly and/or daily rate.

~~*Nonconsent tow* means a tow of a motor vehicle without the knowledge or consent of the owner or person in possession of such motor vehicle, including the following:~~

~~(a) A tow from public property without consent of the owner thereof;~~

~~(b) A tow from private property at the request of the property owner or a person lawfully in possession or control of such property; or~~

~~(c) A tow at the request of the Manager of the Code Compliance Division of the Department of Planning and Neighborhood Development, or his or her designee, when the owner of the vehicle has no knowledge of or has not consented to the tow.~~

~~*Nonpreference police calls* means requests by the Police Department to tow vehicles immobilized or incapacitated on public streets and vehicles illegally parked, whether on public or private property.~~

Owner's agent means a natural person who possesses a signed and notarized statement, or some other reliable written evidence or documentation, from a vehicle owner that authorizes said person to take possession of the owner's vehicle.

Shuttle bus means any motor vehicle which transports individuals between pre-established fixed points for established fixed fees, not including taxicabs, limousines, publicly owned or church or school buses, buses utilized for living or camping purposes or motor vehicles utilized exclusively for funeral purposes-

~~*Wrecker* means a motor vehicle designed for or engaged in the business of towing, transporting, conveying and/or removing all kinds of vehicles.~~

Section 2. That Chapter 872, Sections 872.10 through 872.23, of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Lansing, Michigan be and are hereby repealed in their entirety and shall be null and void and of no effect.

Section 3. All ordinances, resolutions or rules, parts of ordinances, resolutions or rules inconsistent with the provisions are repealed.

Section 4. 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 5. This ordinance shall take effect on the 30th day after enactment, unless given immediate effect by City Council, and shall expire December 31, 2031.

Speaker Registration for Public Comment on City Government Related Matters

City Clerk Swope announced that the public comment registration form(s) for those intending to address Council on City government matters will be collected and that only those persons who have fully completed the form(s) will be permitted to speak.

Reports From City Officers, Boards, and Commissions; Communications and Petitions; and Other City Related Matters

By Vice President Garza that all items be considered as being read in full and that President Wood make the appropriate referrals

Motion Carried

- Reports from City Officers, Boards and Commissions:

Letter(s) from the City Clerk re:

Minutes of Boards and Commissions placed on file in the Clerk's Office

Placed on file

Comprehensive Financial Report Fiscal Year 2022

Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Letter(s) from the Mayor re:

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Amendment to FY 2019-2020 and FY 2020-2021 Annual Action Plan (PEND-3151)

Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Setting a Public Hearing in consideration of the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Amendment to FY 20 and 21 Annual Action Plan (PEND-3152)

Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Grant Acceptance; 54A District Court's Specialty Court (PEND-3091)

Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Appointment; Sandra Lupien as an At-Large member of the Economic Development Corporation / Tax Increment Finance Authority / Lansing Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board of Directors for a term to expire February 28, 2029 (PEND-3147)
Referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

Appointment; Nicholas Miller as the 3rd Ward member of the Planning Board for a term to expire June 30, 2023 (PEND-3148)
Referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

Grant Acceptance; US Conference of Mayors Dollarwise Innovation Grant (PEND-3149)
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

City of Lansing 2022 Annual Report
Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Sole Source Purchase; Lansing Police Department requests Advanced Security Technologies LLC as the vendor for Modular Vehicle Barrier
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Sole Source Purchase; Finance Department requests BS&A Software as the vendor for conversion of City's accounting systems
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Sole Source Purchase; Fire Department requests Center For Public Safety Excellence as the vendor for Consulting for Community Driven Strategic Planning Process
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Sole Source Purchase; Department of Information Technology requests Collective Data Inc as the vendor for Fleet Asset Management System - Barcode Scanner
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Sole Source Purchase; Lansing Police Department requests DJ's Auto Sales as the vendor for Vehicle for Special Operations
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Sole Source Purchase; Lansing Police Department requests LaFontaine Dodge as the vendor for Vehicle for Special Operations 1
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Sole Source Purchase; Lansing Police Department requests LaFontaine Dodge as the vendor for Vehicle for Special Operations 2
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Sole Source Purchase; Lansing Police Department requests LaFontaine Dodge as the vendor for Vehicle for Special Operations 3
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Sole Source Purchase; Lansing Police Department requests L-Tron Corporation as the vendor for CSCR360 Capture Camera for CSI
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Sole Source Purchase; Public Service Department - Fleet Division requests MTech Company - The Safety Company as the vendor for 2021 Ford F550 - Cues Mainline Sewer Inspection Truck
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Sole Source Purchase; City of Lansing Finance Department requests Plante Moran as the vendor for Consulting Services for Assistance in Filing Federal E Filing and Printing/Mail Services
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Sole Source Purchase; Public Service Department requests TMI Air Compressed Systems as the vendor for TMI Air Compressed Systems
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

- Communications and Petitions, and Other City Related Matters:

Claim Appeal; Claim #1927, Fox Land Holdings, LLC for \$5,118.00 in Trash Violation fees at 1714 Olds Ave. (PEND-3154)
Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Claim Appeal; Claim #1906, Abdoulaye Ndiaye for \$2,304.00 in trash removal fees at 4630 Christiansen Rd. (PEND-3153)
Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Claim Appeal; Claim #1914, Hameed Katawazi for \$75.00 in 2nd Notice fees at 1017 Hillsdale (PEND-3155)
Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Motion of Excused Absence

By Council Member Garza to excuse Council Member Spitzley from tonight's proceedings.

Motion Carried

Remarks by Council Members

President Wood announced the new Council Member attendance spreadsheet on the City Council Member, the reposting of the internal auditor position, finally the work being done to solve the issue of streaming the committee meetings.

Public Comment on City Government Related Matters

Jody Washington spoke about various City matters.

Stan Shuck spoke about chip seal road issues.

David Ellis spoke about pedestrian safety.

Tyrone Davis spoke about various City matters.

Eric Gaines spoke about a Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

Mitch Rice spoke about a Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

Loretta Stanaway spoke about various City matters.

Robert Shearon of Haslett spoke about a Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

Nicklas Zande spoke about various city matters.

Carter Brown spoke about various city matters.

Grace Haley spoke about a Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

Mariah Le-Rolland Wagner of Jackson spoke about a Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

Rita Dunlop of Grand Blanc spoke about Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

John Morin spoke about political accountability.

Rich spoke about Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

Roselyn Williams spoke a about Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

Tony Gant spoke about a Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

Karen Schultz of Haslett spoke about a Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

William Walker spoke about a Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

Ashia Wilson spot about a Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

Nicole Austin spoke about a Fair Chance Housing Ordinance.

Adjourned Time 8:38 P.M.



Chris Swope, City Clerk