



Andy Schor, Mayor

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

September 19, 2024

UA Local 333 Plumbers and Pipefitters
5405 S Martin Luther King Jr Blvd
Lansing, MI 48911

Members Present: Amanda Defrees, Kristina Schmidgall, Don
"Moose" Sober

Members Absent: Teresa Stokes, Dustin Howard

Facilitator Present: Kahleea Washington (Lansing EDC)

Guests Present: Alex Watkins, Paul Anderson

Public: Pastor Coye Boyer, Ki'yanna Winfield, Erin
Buitendorp, Max Matchet, Ali Bennett, Jazmin
Anderson, Mohamed Musleh, James Defrees

Recorded by: Kahleea Washington (Lansing EDC)

Call to Order/ Roll Call

Vice Chair Defrees called the meeting to order at 1:04

Approval of Meeting Minutes - Action

MOTION: Schmidgall motioned to approve the amended minutes, and Sober seconded.

YEAS: Unanimous

Updates on the Board Administration

Watkins updated the board on the management transition.

Updates on CATA Bus Shelters Murals

The board discussed reaching out to a contact at the Lansing School District to solicit art submissions from students. In order to utilize the TCP match dollars, the board asked Kingdom Life Church to host the art competition. The board will establish an art installation committee to manage and review the submissions.

Updates on Corridor Street Sign Toppers

Washington updated the board on the fabrication of the street sign toppers. The toppers are expected to be installed by the end of October

Discussion on Corridor TCP Projects

The board discussed the potential project for the TCP match program and what projects would be most feasible. Paul provided updates on the Malcolm X school project north of the corridor. Defrees suggested using some of the ARPA funds allocated to “beautification efforts” to help with the purchase and upgrading the parcels.

Other Business

Sober introduced his guest, Mohammad Musleh, and discussed the issues related to the strip mall on 3107 S. MLK. The current tenants have experienced a series of robberies, homeless encampments, trash, and there are also parking issues with the properties.

Sober and Musleh discussed purchasing the lot next to the strip mall for additional parking and possibly fencing off the property, which the Housing Commission currently owns.

Washington informed the board that she is pursuing EIN for each of the CIA

Public Comment

The group discussed issues related to homelessness, taxes, and unique circumstances related to the City of Lansing.

Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 2:23

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Amanda Defrees
Chairperson, South Marting Luther King Jr. Blvd. Corridor Improvement Authority