



**Official Proceedings of the City Council
City of Lansing
January 6, 2025**

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 City Clerk Chris Swope.

PRESENT: Council Members Brown, Carter, Garza, Hussain, Jackson, Kost, Pehlivanoglu, Spadafore

ABSENT: None

A quorum was present.

Council Member Hussain asked people to remember Gloria Banks, who recently passed away, during the moment of Meditation. The Council observed a moment of Meditation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by City Clerk Chris Swope.

Resolution #2025-001

By the Committee of the Whole
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, a nomination for President and Vice President for the Lansing City Council in 2025 was made on January 6, 2025; and

WHEREAS, Councilmember Hussain nominated Councilmember Kost as President; and

WHEREAS Councilmember Brown nominated Councilmember Carter as Vice President.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council elects Councilmember Kost as President and Councilmember Carter as Vice President for the Lansing City Council year of 2025.

By Council Member Hussain

Motion Carried

Approval of Printed Council Proceedings

By Vice President Carter

To approve the printed Council Proceedings of December 16, 2024

Motion Carried

Comments by Council Members and the City Clerk

Council Member Hussain shared that he is looking forward to working with Council President Kost and spoke about the Third Ward community meeting.

Council Member Spadafore shared that he is looking forward to working with Council President Kost and spoke about the At Large community meeting.

Community Event Announcements

Nicklas Zande spoke about the Old Everett Neighborhood Association meeting.

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 congratulated President Kost and Vice President Carter; spoke about the Neighborhood Grants portal and process; provided an update on the Police Academy; announced the upcoming Police Promotion Ceremony and Fire Department Awards Ceremony, and update on construction of Fire Station 2 and Public Safety Complex.

Public Comment on Legislative Matters

Clerk Swope acknowledged one written communication.

Speaker Registration for Public Comment on City Government Related Matters

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

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

Motion Carried

- Reports from City Officers, Boards and Commissions:

Item(s) from the City Clerk re:

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

Placed on File

Non-Profit Recognition, Communities in Schools of Michigan Inc.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Item(s) from the Mayor re:

Grant Acceptance; Letts Tennis Courts rehabilitation and construction, MNRTF

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

Grant Acceptance; Office of Financial Empowerment, OS Reentry Program

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

- Communications and Petitions, and Other City Related Matters:

Affidavit of Disclosure; Jason Davis, Lansing Police Department

Referred to the Board of Ethics

Public Comment on City Government Related Matters

Linda Keefe spoke about various City matters.

Nicklas Zande spoke about various City matters.

David Ellis spoke about various City matters.

Claire West thanked Council Members who donated to Churchill Downs Party.

Loretta Stanaway spoke about various City matters.

Nate Ford spoke about enforcement of entheogen and psychedelic laws.

David Hockenson spoke about his claim appeal.

Adjourned Time 7:26 P.M.



Chris Swope, City Clerk