



**Official Proceedings of the City Council
City of Lansing
March 24, 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 President Kost.

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

ABSENT: Council Members Hussain, Jackson

A quorum was present.

Clerk Swope asked people to remember Mary Jackson, who recently passed away, during the moment of Meditation. The Council observed a moment of Meditation followed by the Pledge of Allegiance led by President Kost.

Approval of Printed Council Proceedings

By Vice President Carter

To approve the printed Council Proceedings of March 10, 2025

Motion Carried

Special Ceremonies

Tribute; in recognition of Cesar E. Chavez Memorial Observance

Resolution #2025-072

By Council Members Brown, Carter, Garza, Hussain, Jackson, Kost, Pehlivanoglu, Spadafore
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, César Chávez was born on March 31, 1927, in the North Gila River Valley in Arizona, on the small family farm his grandfather homesteaded. César Chávez's father lost the farm during the Great Depression, forcing the family to join some 30,000 farmworkers who followed the crops throughout California and lived in tents and makeshift housing that often lacked a bathroom, electricity, or running water. He was 10 years old when he began working in the fields and was forced to leave school after the 8th grade to help support his family; and

WHEREAS, César Chávez became an organizer for the Community Service Organization (CSO), a barrio based group, where he coordinated voter registration drives, fought racial and economic discrimination, organized new CSO chapters across California and Arizona, and rose to become the CSO's national director from 1958 to 1962. After leaving the CSO, Chavez co-founded the United Farm Workers (UFW) and, under his leadership, the UFW organized strikes and boycotts to protest for, and later win, higher wages for those farm workers in the grape and vegetable industries. The UFW was instrumental in the passage of the Agricultural Labor Relations Act, which became the first law governing farm labor in the continental United States; and

WHEREAS, for more than three decades, César Chávez led the first successful farm workers union in American history, achieving dignity, respect, fair wages, medical coverage, and pension benefits. His motto in life "Si se puede" (It can be done) embodies the uncommon and invaluable legacy he left for the world's benefit; and

WHEREAS, March 31st is now Cesar Chavez Day in the United States, a national holiday honoring the life and memory of this great labor leader, role model and hero of our United States of America and should be greatly recognized by all for his unwavering efforts of assuring fair wages, good living and humane working conditions, health care, education, and respect for American farm workers continuing to this very day; and

WHEREAS, Monday, March 31, 2025, marks the 16th Annual Cesar E. Chavez Memorial Observance "To make a great dream come true, the first requirement is a great capacity to dream; the second is persistence," and

WHEREAS, the keynote speaker for the event is Lansing School Board of Education Secretary, Dr. Deyanira Nevárez Martínez.

BE IT RESOLVED, the Lansing City Council encourages the residents of Lansing to attend the 16th Annual Cesar E. Chavez Memorial Observance "To make a great dream come true, the first requirement is a great capacity to dream; the second is persistence," held on Monday, March 31, 2025, at 12:00 noon.

By Council Member Pehlivanoglu

Motion Carried

Council Member Pehlivanoglu recognized Guillermo Lopez who spoke in support of the tribute.

Comments by Council Members and the City Clerk

City Clerk Swope spoke about an upcoming election for Lansing residents who reside in Eaton County only.

Community Event Announcements

Nicklas Zande spoke about an Old Evertt Neighborhood Association meeting, and about a neighborhood picnic.

Guillermo Lopez spoke about the Cristo Rey Fiesta.

Tirstan Walters spoke about an open house for the Parks Master Plan.

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 new paramedics in training, a delay in the Michigan Ave. construction, Groesbeck Golf Course being open, the next edition of Lansing Living, the Human Relations and Community Services housing fair, the Board of Water and Light resource fair, Crosstown Showdown, Human Relations and Community Services homeless study public meeting, and the Fire Department's partnership with 311.

Mayor Schor provided a summary of the budget proposal that was referred to City Council tonight that includes: \$307 million total budget, \$173 million general fund budget which is a 4.7% increase from previous years. The budget includes \$150,000 for a new firefighter, \$300,000 to continue Advanced Peace, \$3.5 million expected from the Public Safety revenue sharing, an additional \$75,000 for façade improvement, a total of \$17.5 million in road funding, \$1 million for sidewalks, \$50,000 for temporary speedbumps, \$200,000 for liquid brine for anti-icing and deicing, \$4 million for city fleet, \$700,000 for playground equipment, \$385,000 for tennis and pickle ball courts, \$500,000 to repair the Reutter Park fountain, \$75,000 for a study of a community center in Southeast Lansing, \$20,000 extra in the neighborhood advisory board, and \$250,000 that is available to be allocated by Council.

Show Cause Hearings

Orders to Make Safe or Demolish to the owners of 1033 Shepard St.

Council Member Pehlivanoglu gave an overview of the Show Cause Hearing

Comment on Scheduled Show Cause Hearings:

William Russell spoke about 1033 Shepard St.

Referral of Show Cause Hearings

Orders to Make Safe or Demolish to the owners of 1033 Shepard St.

Referred to the Committee on Public Safety

Public Comment on Legislative Matters

Legislative Matters included the following public hearing:

Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate; transfer from Ultium Cells, LLC to LG Energy Solution Michigan, Inc. at 8100 Davis Hwy

Vice President Carter gave an overview of the public hearing.

Public Comment on Legislative Matters:

Nick Counseller spoke about 204 E. Cavanaugh.

Brian McNamara spoke about 1616 S. Cedar St.

Erik Almquist spoke in support of the repeal of Section 684.04.

Nicklas Zande spoke in support of the repeal of Section 684.04.

Legislative Matters

Referral of Public Hearings

Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate; transfer from Ultium Cells, LLC to LG Energy Solution Michigan, Inc. at 8100 Davis Hwy
Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Consent Agenda

By Vice President Carter

To approve the remaining items on the Consent Agenda

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-073

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

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing has been contracted by the Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund to be a FEC Expert Partner (Contract 2024-000316) through the work of its Financial Empowerment Center (FEC);

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing's Office of Financial Empowerment, which is part of the Department of Economic Development and Planning, was notified on February 24, 2025 that it has been awarded an unsolicited grant to add Legacy Planning to its FEC offerings;

WHEREAS, the award for \$50,000.00 does not require a local match and is for the following: Implementation of Legacy Planning beginning on March 1, 2025 (beginning of year 1 of 2) and ending on February 28, 2027 (end of year 2 of 2);

WHEREAS, the award contract will be a contract amendment to the existing FEC Expert Partner contract referenced above;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Lansing City Council approves acceptance of the Office of Financial Empowerment funding in the total amount of \$50,000.00 for the period beginning on the date of council approval for the City of Lansing and ending on February 28, 2027.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Administration is authorized to create appropriate accounts and to make the necessary operating transfers for the expenditure and control of the balance of the grant funds, noting that an account number for this contract already exists.

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

Resolution #2025-074

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

Resolution in Support of the City of Lansing's Community Funded Project Requests to the City's Federal Representatives

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing is committed to enhancing the quality of life for its residents using all avenues that become available; and

WHEREAS, our federal representatives are accepting applications for Congressionally Directed Spending requests through the appropriations process; and

WHEREAS, to promote the quality of life in the city, public safety continues to be a priority. Expanding the police department's real time crime operations center will bring in more camera feeds monitored in real-time while providing advanced statistical analysis of crime patterns for residential areas and businesses. The result is a strategic response from uniformed patrol, community policing, and intelligence to support projects which engage business owners to incorporate crime prevention through environmental design efforts in addition to police related problem solving strategies; and

WHEREAS, the City is applying for \$2 million for this project out of Account #4, Department of Justice; Office on Justice Programs; State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance; Byrne Discretionary of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies; and WHEREAS, the City is applying for \$2 million out of the same account to fund the ALS 360 program. This project updates all the patient stretchers, heart monitors, patient transfer stair chairs, Lucas CPR devices and installs power load systems in all ambulances. This will give the Lansing Fire Department EMS providers the most up to date equipment to provide the highest level of patient care to citizens and visitors to the Lansing Area; and

WHEREAS, it will create seamless interoperability with all of our neighboring EMS providers and create safer working conditions for the EMS providers; and

WHEREAS, the City is applying for \$1.5 million out of the same account to fund the Advance Peace gun violence prevention program for an additional three years; and

WHEREAS, this program has proven effective in reducing the amount of gun violence the city has seen since its inception; and

WHEREAS, the City is applying for \$1 million out of the same account to fund crisis intervention training for law enforcement officers. This training better equips our officers to respond to situations in the field in the most professional way which leads to a higher level of service to our residents and a lower likelihood of litigation; and

WHEREAS, access to safe affordable housing is a challenge facing many cities in the post pandemic era; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing proposes a rental home renovation revolving fund, where landlords who meet certain requirements and stipulations would be eligible for loan funds that could be used to upgrade their units to make them more energy efficient and provide a higher standard of living for the tenant; and

WHEREAS, the City is applying for \$5 million out of Account #6, Community Development Fund for Economic Development Incentives of the Appropriations Subcommittee on Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies to fund this initiative; and

WHEREAS, the City is applying for \$7 million for a workforce housing project in Old Town out of the same account; and

WHEREAS, the City is applying for \$2 million for further development in the Pleasant Grove and Holmes Neighborhood as these funds will strengthen the local economy and bring in more investment out of the same account; and

WHEREAS, the City is applying for \$3 million to install a splash pad adjacent to the Play Michigan universally accessible playground in Adado Riverfront Park; and

WHEREAS, Lansing is uniquely positioned to lead in the area of equitable business development through the Lansing Equitable Economic Development Program offered through the Lansing Economic Development Corporation; and

WHEREAS, the City is applying for \$1 million out of Account #1, Small Business Administration, Administrative Provision, to further expand its reach and its impact in the Lansing community; and

WHEREAS, the City faces the same challenges as many local units in terms of relying on aging infrastructure during times of extreme weather; and

WHEREAS, the City is applying for \$500,000 out of Account #1, Federal Emergency Management Agency Pre-Disaster Mitigation Projects within the Subcommittee on Homeland Security to replace its aging flood mitigation pumps located adjacent to Pennsylvania Ave. at Potter Park Rd.; and

WHEREAS, as Michiganders, we value clean and accessible water more than any other state in the union; and

WHEREAS, as a regional facility, our wastewater treatment plant needs significant upgrades to modernize equipment to enhance reliability and efficiency; and

WHEREAS, the City is applying for \$5 million out of Account #1, EPA, STAG, Clean Water SRF, Clean Water CDS within the Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies to address the most urgent needs at the plant; and

WHEREAS, public support has been shown for all of these proposals through letters of support and resolutions from Boards or Commissions; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council fully and completely supports these funding proposals and respectfully requests that our federal legislators strongly advocate for their funding.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Lansing City Clerk forward a copy of this resolution to our federal representatives' Lansing and Washington, DC offices.

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

Resolutions

Resolution #2025-075

By the Committee on Public Safety
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Officer has determined that the building located at 204 E. CAVANAUGH RD, 33-01-01-33-401-171, LOT 2 & E 10 FT LOT 1 SUPERVISORS PLAT NO 2 LANSING TOWNSHIP, is an unsafe or dangerous building as defined in Section 108.1 of the International Property Maintenance Code as adopted by Lansing Codified Ordinance 1460.01, and the Housing Law of Michigan, and the building was red tagged on JUNE 27TH 2022; and

WHEREAS, a hearing was held by the Lansing Demolition Hearing Officer on AUGUST 22ND, 2024, at which the Hearing Officer determined that said building was an unsafe and dangerous building and ordered the building demolished or made safe by OCTOBER 21ST, 2024 and

WHEREAS, said Hearing Officer filed a report of their findings and order with the City Council and requested the City Council to take appropriate action under the Lansing Codified Ordinances and the Housing Law of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Law of Michigan and Lansing Codified Ordinances require a hearing be conducted to give the property owner an opportunity to show cause why a dangerous structure should not be demolished or otherwise made safe; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public show cause hearing on March 10, 2025, to review the findings and the order of the Hearing Officers, and the owners were notified in writing of said hearing and had an opportunity to appear and show cause why said building should not be demolished or otherwise made safe; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Code Enforcement has determined that compliance with the order of the Lansing Demolition Hearing Officer has not occurred.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the owner(s) of 204 E, CAVANAUGH RD, as legally described above, are hereby directed to comply with the order of the Hearing Officer to demolish or otherwise make safe the said building within 21 days from the date of this resolution, March 24, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the property owner(s) is hereby notified that this order must be appealed within twenty days pursuant to MCL 125.542 and should the owners fail to comply with the Hearing Officers' order for demolition or make safe, the Code Enforcement Officer is hereby directed to proceed with demolition of said building.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, whether demolition is accomplished by said property owner or the City, that appropriate seeding and restoration of property take place to avoid run-off to adjacent properties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the demolition is accomplished by the City, the cost of such demolition shall be a lien against the real property and shall be reported to the City Assessor.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the owners in whose name the property appears upon the last local tax assessment record shall be notified by the City Assessor of the amount of such cost by first class mail at the address shown on the records. Upon the owner's failure to pay the same within thirty (30) days after mailing by the City Assessor of the notice of the amount thereof, the amount of said costs shall be a lien and shall be filed and recovered as provided by law and the lien shall be collected and treated in the same manner as provided for property tax liens under the general property tax act.

By Council Member Pehlivanoglu

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-076

By the Committee on Public Safety
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Officer has determined that the building located at 1612 MARTIN ST, 33-01-01-21-451-023, N 34.5 FT LOT 21 & E 17 FT OF N 34.5 FT LOT 22 ORCHARD HOME ADD, City of Lansing, is an unsafe or dangerous building as defined in Section 108.1 of the International Property Maintenance Code as adopted by Lansing Codified Ordinance 1460.01, and the Housing Law of Michigan, and the building was red tagged on AUGUST 25TH 2023; and

WHEREAS, a hearing was held by the Lansing Demolition Hearing Officer on AUGUST 22ND, 2024, at which the Hearing Officer determined that said building was an unsafe and dangerous building and ordered the building demolished or made safe by NOVEMBER 19TH, 2024 and

WHEREAS, said Hearing Officer filed a report of their findings and order with the City Council and requested the City Council to take appropriate action under the Lansing Codified Ordinances and the Housing Law of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Law of Michigan and Lansing Codified Ordinances require a hearing be conducted to give the property owner an opportunity to show cause why a dangerous structure should not be demolished or otherwise made safe; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public show cause hearing on March 10, 2025, to review the findings and the order of the Hearing Officer, and the owners were notified in writing of said hearing and had an opportunity to appear and show cause why said building should not be demolished or otherwise made safe; and

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Office has determined that compliance with the order of the Lansing Demolition Hearing Officer has not occurred.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the owner(s) of 1612 MARTIN ST, as legally described above, are hereby directed to comply with the order of the Hearing Officer to demolish or otherwise make safe the said building within 21 days from the date of this resolution, March 24, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the property owner(s) is hereby notified that this order must be appealed within twenty days pursuant to MCL 125.542 and should the owners fail to comply with the Hearing Officer's order for demolition or make safe, the Code Enforcement Officer is hereby directed to proceed with demolition of said building.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, whether demolition is accomplished by said property owner or the City, that appropriate seeding and restoration of property take place to avoid run-off to adjacent properties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the demolition is accomplished by the City, the cost of such demolition shall be a lien against the real property and shall be reported to the City Assessor.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the owners in whose name the property appears upon the last local tax assessment record shall be notified by the City Assessor of the amount of such cost by first class mail at the address shown on the records. Upon the owner's failure to pay the same within thirty (30) days after mailing by the City Assessor of the notice of the amount thereof, the amount of said costs shall be a lien and shall be filed and recovered as provided by law and the lien shall be collected and treated in the same manner as provided for property tax liens under the general property tax act.

By Council Member Pehlivanoglu

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-077

By the Committee on Public Safety
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

WHEREAS, the Code Enforcement Officer has determined that the building located at 1616 S. CEDAR ST, 33-01-01-21-476-085, LOT 5 & N 8 IN LOT 6 EXC LAND USED FOR ST PURPOSES BLOCK 2 AMENDED PLAT OF HALLS SOUTH SIDE ADD, City of Lansing, is an unsafe or dangerous building as defined in Section 108.1 of the International Property Maintenance Code as adopted by Lansing Codified Ordinance 1460.01, and the Housing Law of Michigan, and the building was red tagged on MAY 10TH 2011; and

WHEREAS, a hearing was held by the Lansing Demolition Hearing Officer on AUGUST 22ND, 2024, at which the Hearing Officer determined that said building was an unsafe and dangerous building and ordered the building demolished or made safe by NOVEMBER 19TH, 2024 and

WHEREAS, said Hearing Officer filed a report of their findings and order with the City Council and requested the City Council to take appropriate action under the Lansing Codified Ordinances and the Housing Law of Michigan; and

WHEREAS, the Housing Law of Michigan and Lansing Codified Ordinances require a hearing be conducted to give the property owner an opportunity to show cause why a dangerous structure should not be demolished or otherwise made safe; and

WHEREAS, the City Council held a public show cause hearing on February 24, 2025, to review the findings and the order of the Hearing Officer, and the owners were notified in writing of said hearing and had an opportunity to appear and show cause why said building should not be demolished or otherwise made safe; and

WHEREAS, the Office of Code Enforcement has determined that compliance with the order of the Lansing Demolition Hearing Officer has not occurred.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the owner(s) of 1616 S. CEDAR ST, as legally described above, are hereby directed to comply with the order of the Hearing Officer to demolish or otherwise make safe the said building within 60 days from the date of this resolution, March 24, 2025.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the property owner(s) is hereby notified that this order must be appealed within twenty days pursuant to MCL 125.542 and should the owners fail to comply with the Hearing Officer's order for demolition or make safe, the Code Enforcement Officer is hereby directed to proceed with demolition of said building.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, whether demolition is accomplished by said property owner or the City, that appropriate seeding and restoration of property take place to avoid run-off to adjacent properties.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that if the demolition is accomplished by the City, the cost of such demolition shall be a lien against the real property and shall be reported to the City Assessor.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the owners in whose name the property appears upon the last local tax assessment record shall be notified by the City Assessor of the amount of such cost by first class mail at the address shown on the records. Upon the owner's failure to pay the same within thirty (30) days after mailing by the City Assessor of the notice of the amount thereof, the amount of said costs shall be a lien and shall be filed and recovered as provided by law and the lien shall be collected and treated in the same manner as provided for property tax liens under the general property tax act.

By Council Member Pehlivanoglu

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-078

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

WHEREAS, the Transportation and Non-Motorized Section of the Public Service Department received a request from the staff at Post Oak Elementary School to change the times for existing parking prohibition and traffic flow restrictions along Post Oak Lane and Darien Drive, due to the change in school dismissal time from 3:49 pm to 3:40 pm; and

WHEREAS, the Transportation and Non-Motorized Section recommends that times for these restrictions, including the one-way operation of Post Oak Lane, be changed to be in effect on days when school is in session, for the hour preceding the school start and end time, for the hour succeeding the school start and end time, as long as the hours are between the hours of 6:30 am to 8:30 am and 2:30 pm to 4:30 pm., but specifically within the start and end times as signed on the street; and

WHEREAS, the Public Service Board, concurs with the recommendation of the Public Service Department; and

WHEREAS, the minutes containing the Public Service Board's recommendation on this matter are on file with the City Clerk's office; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on City Operations met on March 20, 2025, and reviewed the report and concurs with the recommendation of the Public Service Board.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lansing City Council approves Traffic Control Order No. 25-05, 25-06 and 25-07, thereby authorizing the Transportation Engineer to change the times for existing parking prohibition and traffic flow restrictions along Post Oak Lane and Darien Drive.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that Traffic Control Order No. 25-05, 25-06 and 25-07 shall become effective when signed by the Assistant City Engineer and filed with the City Clerk and the appropriate signs are installed.

By Council Member Brown

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-079

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

WHEREAS, Haider Al-Sultan sought to eliminate a special assessment of \$585 for board up fees, on the property tax bill for 2423 Dunlap Street, Lansing, MI 48911, (Tax ID #33-01-01-30-476-511); and

WHEREAS, upon filing a claim to the Committee on City Operations, the Committee met on March 20, 2025, and denied the claim in the amount of \$585.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council, hereby denies the claim in the amount of \$585 for board up fees on the property tax bill for 2423 Dunlap Street, Lansing, MI 48911, (Tax ID #33-01-01-30-476-511).

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Attorney shall take the appropriate steps to process this claim.

By Council Member Brown

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-080

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

WHEREAS, the City Clerk has forwarded an application for City Licenses, which have been routinely processed without objection, and is ready for final action by this Council; and

WHEREAS, all required signatures have been obtained supporting the application for multiple fireworks display licenses;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Lansing City Council, hereby, approves the application for City Licenses as follows:

FIREWORKS DISPLAY LICENSE:

Pyrotecnico Fireworks Inc. for public displays of fireworks in the City of Lansing at Jackson Field to be held on the following dates:
May 16, May 17, May 31, June 13, June 14, June 27, June 28, July 4, July 5, July 18, July 19, August 1, August 2, August 15, August 16, August 30, 2025 and rain date of August 29, 2025.

By Council Member Brown

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-081

By the Committee on Development and Planning
Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing that a public hearing be set for Monday, April 21, 2025, at 7 p.m. in the Tony Benavides Lansing City Council Chambers, 124 W Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan for the purpose of:

Approving or opposing the adoption of a form-based code and zoning map that would repeal and replace the current zoning ordinance/map, being Part 12, Title 6 of the City of Lansing Codified Ordinances in its entirety, except for Chapter 1300 – Marihuana Operations.

By Council Member Garza

Motion Carried

Ordinances for Introduction

Introduction of Ordinance

Council Member Spadafore introduced:

An ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan, to repeal Chapter 684, Section 684.04 - Use of restrooms intended for opposite sex.

The Ordinance is read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Equity Diversity & Inclusion.

Resolution #2025-082

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

Resolved by the City Council of the City of Lansing that a public hearing be set for Monday, April 7, 2025, at 7 p.m. in the Tony Benavides Lansing City Council Chambers, 124 W. Michigan Avenue, Lansing Michigan, for the purpose of:

An Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan, to repeal Chapter 684, Section 684.04 - Use of restrooms intended for opposite sex.

By Council Member Spadafore

Motion Carried

Ordinances for Passage

Passage of Ordinance

An Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan, Amending Chapter 404 to add Section 404.15, prohibit unregistered vehicles from parking on public roadways

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

Yeas: Council Members Brown, Carter, Garza, Kost, Pehlivanoglu, Spadafore

Nays: None

By Vice President Carter to give the Ordinance immediate effect

Motion Carried

Ordinance #1329

An Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan, to amend Chapter 404 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances to add Section 404.15 to prohibit unregistered vehicles from parking on any public roadway, including but not limited to any alley, street, or highway.

THE CITY OF LANSING ORDAINS:

Section 1. That Chapter 404 Section 404.15 of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Lansing, Michigan, be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

a. Parking Prohibitions

No person shall park an unregistered motor vehicle on any public roadway, including but not limited to an alley, street, or highway.

b. Violations

Any person who violates subsection (a) hereof shall be responsible for a civil infraction and subject to penalties as established in Section 404.03.

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, 2033.

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 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

Item(s) from the Mayor re:

Appointment; Ashley Smith as an At-Large member of the Historic District Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2027
Referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

Appointment; Brigitte Booser as a At-Large member of the Historic District Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2025
Referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

Appointment; Melissa Riba as an At-Large member of the Historic District Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2026
Referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

Appointment; Michael "Melik" Brown as a member of the Lansing Public Media Authority for a term to expire June 30, 2025
Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Appointment; Michael Owsley as a Resident member of the South Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard Corridor Improvement Authority Board of Directors for a term to expire July 31, 2025
Referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

Appointment; Bryan Britten 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, 2027
Referred to the Committee on Development and Planning

Appointment; Linda Sanchez Gazella as a Citizen Retiree member of the Employees' Retirement System Board of Trustees for a term to expire June 30, 2025
Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Act 51 Street Certification; Colchester Rd., Risdale Ave., Perkins St. for a total of 685.56 feet
Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Setting a Public Hearing on Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026
Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2025-2026
Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget
Referred to the Committee of the Whole and to the Internal Auditor

Grant Acceptance; Michigan Drug Court Grant for Sobriety Court
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Sole Source Purchase; Lansing Police Department request for Dr. David Carter as the vendor for the Management Analysis of Traffic Stops (MATS) data analysis project
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Façade Improvement Program 2023 - 2024 Report
Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Grant Acceptance; Kroger Tree Planting Arbor Day Grant for Cavanaugh Park
Referred to the Committee on Ways and Means and to the Internal Auditor

Items from Council President Kost
Re-Adopting the Codified Ordinances
Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Setting a Public Hearing on Re-Adopting the Codified Ordinances
Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Setting a Public Hearing on Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget
Referred to the Committee of the Whole

Amending Chapter 1615 to allow fireworks on Juneteenth, June 19, of each year
Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Setting a Public Hearing on Amending Chapter 1615 to allow fireworks on Juneteenth, June 19, of each year
Referred to the Committee on City Operations

- Communications and Petitions, and Other City Related Matters:

Tri-County Office on Aging Consortium Financial Statements for Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2024

Placed on File

Communication from Erica Lynn about her Complaint filed with the Churchill Down Community Association
Referred to Administration

Communication from Mary Irvine in support of demolishing Metro Bowl
Placed on File

Motion of Excused Absence

By Vice President Carter to excuse Council Members Hussain and Jackson from tonight's proceedings.

Motion Carried

Remarks by the Mayor Or Executive Assistant

Mayor Schor spoke about the status of the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate would be removed from the Michigan Strategic Fund agenda for tomorrow.

Public Comment on City Government Related Matters

Nicklas Zande spoke about various City matters.

Adjourned Time 7:58 P.M.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Chris Swope". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Chris Swope, City Clerk