



**Official Proceedings of the City Council
City of Lansing
April 7, 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 8:16 p.m. by President Kost.

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

ABSENT: Council Member Garza

A quorum was present.

Council Member Spadafore and Mayor Schor asked people to remember Jodi Ackerman, who recently passed away, during the moment of Meditation. Council Member Hussain asked people to remember Eldridge "Cookie" Cook, who recently passed away, during the moment of Meditation. Vice President Carter asked people to remember Danielle Deon (Bingham) Hinkle, 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 24, 2025

Motion Carried

Special Ceremonies

Tribute; in recognition of the Lansing Reading is Fundamental (RIF) Program 50th Anniversary

Resolution #2025-083

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

WHEREAS, Reading is Fundamental (RIF) has been a cornerstone of youth literacy in the City of Lansing since 1975, dedicated to inspiring a passion for reading by providing free books and literacy resources to children throughout the community; and

WHEREAS, over the past five decades, the Lansing RIF program has placed tens of thousands of books into the hands and homes of local children, helping to foster lifelong learners and nurturing generations of curious minds; and

WHEREAS, Lansing RIF has partnered with schools, libraries, and community organizations to ensure access to engaging, age-appropriate reading material for all children, particularly those from underserved populations; and

WHEREAS, the success of Lansing RIF is a testament to the dedication of volunteers, educators, librarians, and generous donors who understand that reading is not only fundamental—it can also be a whole lot of fun; and

WHEREAS, as Lansing celebrates the golden anniversary of this impactful program, we reaffirm our commitment to promoting literacy, closing opportunity gaps, and ensuring that every child experiences the joy of discovering a great story.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lansing City Council hereby celebrates the 50th Anniversary of the Lansing Reading is Fundamental (RIF) Program, recognizes its profound impact on literacy and education in our city, and commends all those who have made its success possible over the past fifty years.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City of Lansing encourages continued support for RIF and all efforts that help make reading both fundamental—and fun—for every child in our community.

By Council Member Spadafore

Motion Carried

Council Member Spadafore recognized Melanie Baker who spoke in support of the tribute.

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

Resolution #2025-084

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

WHEREAS, the Mayor has made the recommendation for appointment of Melissa Riba as an At-Large member of the Historic District Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor's office has confirmed with this resolution, that they have vetted the applicant based on the original application and believes that the applicant meets the qualifications as required by the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Development & Planning met on March 26, 2025 and took affirmative action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the appointment of Melissa Riba as an At-Large member of the Historic District Commission for a term to expire June 30, 2026.

By Council Member Hussain

Motion Carried

City Clerk Chris Swope administered the Oath of Office to Melissa Riba as a member of the Historic District Commission.

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

Resolution #2025-085

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

WHEREAS, the Mayor has made the recommendation for appointment of 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; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor's office has confirmed with this resolution, that they have vetted the applicant based on the original application and believes that the applicant meets the qualifications as required by the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Development & Planning met on March 26, 2025 and took affirmative action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the appointment of 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.

By Council Member Hussain

Motion Carried

City Clerk Chris Swope administered the Oath of Office to Bryan Britten as a member of the Economic Development Corporation / Tax Increment Finance Authority / Lansing Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board of Directors.

Appointment; Michael Owsley as a Resident member of the South Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard Corridor Improvement Authority Board of Directors.

Resolution #2025-086

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

WHEREAS, the Mayor has made the recommendation for appointment of 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; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor's office has confirmed with this resolution, that they have vetted the applicant based on the original application and believes that the applicant meets the qualifications as required by the City Charter; and

WHEREAS, the Committee on Development & Planning met on March 26, 2025 and took affirmative action.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, confirms the appointment of 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.

By Council Member Hussain

Motion Carried

City Clerk Chris Swope administered the Oath of Office to Michael Owsley as a member of the South Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard Corridor

Improvement Authority Board of Directors.

Comments by Council Members and the City Clerk

Council Member Hussain spoke about the Southwest Action group (SWAG) quarterly meeting and cleanup event, Pleasant Grove Rd. public meeting, the cancellation of the 3rd Ward Constituent Contact meeting, and announced that the Lansing Economic Development Corporation and CATA are searching for artists.

Council Member Brown recognized an international student that was in attendance.

Council Member Pehlivanoglu spoke about the Eastside Neighborhood Organization neighborhood cleanup event and announced that the At-Large Council Members are hosting their constituent contact meetings quarterly.

Council Member Spadafore spoke about the Lansing Easter Egg Hunt and Bunny Hop.

Community Event Announcements

Nicklas Zande spoke about Old Everett and Scott Woods Neighborhood meetings.

Loretta Stanaway spoke about multiple cemetery cleanups.

Alyssa Turcsak spoke about a 4th Ward cleanup event and a group hike for Sober in Lansing

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 those involved with New Vision Lansing, congratulated Dunkin Donuts and Plush Beauty Salon on opening locations in Lansing. He spoke about yard waste pick up, the return of the income tax drop box, the Capital City Film Festival, the Housing Rehab Plan, two public service open houses, a neighborhood resource summit, a Lansing Path Forward meeting, the Mayors Ramadan Unity Dinner, and a flashlight easter egg hunt.

Public Comment on Legislative Matters

Legislative Matters included the following public hearings:

Repealing Section 684.04, restroom use regulations

Council Member Jackson gave an overview of the public hearing.

Public Comment on Legislative Matters:

Anna Stouffer-Hopkins spoke in support of repealing Section 684.04.

Verena Courtney spoke in support of repealing Section 684.04

Linda Lee Tarver spoke about repealing Section 684.04.

Ivan Droste spoke in support of repealing Section 684.04.

Alyssa Turcsak spoke in support of repealing Section 684.04.

Joseph Fawaz spoke about 5625 Kaynorth Rd.

Vearl Green spoke about 1723 Osband Ave.

Clerk Swope acknowledged several written communications in support of repealing Section 684.04.

Kimberly Glass spoke in support of repealing Section 684.04.

Nicklas Zande spoke about various legislative matters

Bridget McConaughy spoke in support of repealing Section 684.04.

Kelsey Brianne spoke in support of repealing Section 684.04.

Tai Heitzeg spoke in support of repealing Section 684.04.

Loretta Stanaway spoke about the budget.

Farhan Sheikh-Omar spoke in support of the CDDM Cabaret License revocation.

Legislative Matters

Consent Agenda

By Vice President Carter

To approve the remaining items on the Consent Agenda.

Resolution #2025-087

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

WHEREAS, Missionary Mother Ruth Juanita Fox was born on April 8, 1945, at home by a midwife in Vanderburgh County, Evansville, Indiana. Ruth was the seventh child of nine children born to the late William and Molly Stewart. God blessed this union with five daughters and four sons; and

WHEREAS, Ruth was baptized at the early age of 8-years-old at the Dove Chapel Missionary Baptist Church, where she later served as a Youth Choir Director and corresponding Secretary of the Local District Association of Baptist Churches in Indiana; and

WHEREAS, Ruth graduated from Francis Joseph Reitz High School in 1963. She was one of four black students in her entire graduation class. Ruth loved to sing and was a member of the Girls Glee Club and the Concert Choir. After working 40 years, Ruth retired from the Michigan Education Association/MESSA Insurance Company on April 13, 2003; and

WHEREAS, in 1965 Ruth married Nathaniel F. Fox; they had three beautiful children, Bryan K. Fox of Maryland, Laverne D (Fox) Redd of Ypsilanti, Michigan and Pamela R. Fox of Lansing, Michigan. Also, in 1965 Ruth and Nathaniel became faithful members of the Galilee Missionary Baptist Church. She served 10 years as Youth Choir Director and member of the Gospel Choir; she was also President, Vice President and Teacher of the Mission Ministry and a Vacation Bible School Teacher. In total, Ruth served this faith community for 34 years; and

WHEREAS, Ruth led by example to parenting her children as she stressed the importance of completing their education and securing employment. Raising her children and grandchildren in the Church, she taught them that God was first and foremost in their lives; and

WHEREAS, Ruth has a heart of gold and extends herself fully as she exemplifies the character of a Missionary. Ruth takes pride in helping people in need and she sincerely loves people. She has helped to feed, clothe, and provide financial assistance for housing and shelter for the homeless. Being a Missionary is not just a title for Ruth, she strives daily to live her life serving, praying and trusting in God for her sustainability; and

WHEREAS, On December 7, 2014, Missionary Ruth Juanita (Stewart) Fox was re-baptized at her current church, True Light Missionary Baptist Church by Pastor Mark Williamson. Ruth, being a woman of great faith, loves the Lord and finds immense joy in singing praises to the Lord. Some of Ruth's hobbies include bowling, puzzles, collecting angels, reading, cooking, and participating in community meetings throughout Lansing as she endeavors to make Lansing the best place possible to live, grow a family, and age in place.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Lansing City Council acknowledges Mother Ruth Juanita Fox as a person devoted to her church, family, friends, and community, and wishes her a very happy 80th birthday!

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

Resolution #2025-088

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

WHEREAS, Council President Kost recommends the Lansing City Council set the public hearing for the City of Lansing Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget for Monday, May 5, 2025.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the Lansing City Council hereby sets the public hearing for the City of Lansing Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget on Monday, May 5, 2025, at the regularly scheduled City Council meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Tony Benavides Lansing City Council Chambers, 124 W. Michigan Avenue, Lansing for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed City of Lansing Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget.

Persons with disabilities who need an accommodation to fully participate in these meetings should contact the City Council Office at 517-483-4177 (TTY 711) 24-hour notice may be needed for certain accommodations. An attempt will be made to grant all reasonable accommodation requests.

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

Resolution #2025-089

By the Committee of the Whole
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 City Council Chambers, Tenth Floor,

Lansing City Hall, 124 West Michigan Avenue, Lansing, Michigan, for the purpose of receiving comments on the proposed Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME and Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) resources for the Annual Action Plan submission to HUD for FY 2025-2026.

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

Resolution #2025-090

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

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing is a recipient of the 2025 Kroger Tree Planting Grant, which will help fund the purchase and installation of a minimum of 30 trees to be planted in Cavanaugh Park; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing has held the distinction of being named a "Tree City" by the Arbor Day Foundation for more than 35 years and the city's tree canopy provides approximately \$21 million saved by reducing stormwater runoff, air pollution, and carbon in the atmosphere; and

WHEREAS, Kroger and the Arbor Day Foundation have awarded the City of Lansing \$18,750 to further our efforts in maintaining and growing our tree canopy to provide greater coverage and even more benefit to our residents;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Lansing City Council approves acceptance of the Spring 2025 Kroger Tree Planting Arbor Day grant in the amount of \$18,750 for the purpose of tree planting.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, the Administration is authorized to receive the funds, create the necessary accounts, make necessary transfers for administration in accordance with the requirements of the grantor, and execute any necessary documents or agreements subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney.

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

Resolution #2025-091

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

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, hereby, appropriates the following grant award amounts for the following purpose:

\$30,000 State Grant Revenue	273.000000.730000.17221
\$29,920.00 Contractual Services	273.132201.743000.17221
\$80.00 Supplies	273.132201.742000.17221
\$0.00 Training	273.132201.747000.17221

To assist in the basic funding of 54A District Court's Specialty Court, for things such as testing and treatment, with grant resources from Michigan Drug Court Grant Program administered by the State Court Administrative Office. The grant period is October 1, 2024 through September 30, 2025.

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 awarded grant funds.

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

Resolution #2025-092

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

WHEREAS, on March 24, 2025, Lansing City Council passed Ordinance #1329, prohibiting unregistered vehicles from parking on the roadway; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance #1329 provides for parking fines to be set by Council resolution.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that parking fines pursuant to Ordinance #1329 be set as follows:

Fines and Costs

Unregistered Vehicle in Roadway	Paid Within 14 Days	\$30.00
	Paid After 14 Days	\$40.00
	Paid After 28 Days	\$50.00

Adopted as part of the Consent Agenda

Resolutions

Resolution #2025-093

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

WHEREAS, the Lansing City Council has previously established an Industrial Development District (IDD) on May 8, 2000, that included the property commonly known as 8100 Davis Hwy., Lansing, MI. 48917; and

WHEREAS, the City of Lansing received and filed an application from LG Energy Solution Michigan, Inc. requesting transfer of an existing Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate (2022-006) from Ultium Cells, LLC, for real property investments pursuant to Public Act 198 of 1974, as amended; and

WHEREAS, a hearing was held March 24, 2025 at 7:00pm on the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate (2022-006) transfer request filed by LG Energy Solution Michigan, Inc., at which the applicant, the assessor, and the representatives of the legislative body of each taxing unit that levies ad valorem taxes for the IDD had the opportunity to appear and be heard; and

WHEREAS, the current Certificate holder, Ultium Cells, LLC, executed a written Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate Agreement with the City of Lansing, and LG Energy Solution Michigan, Inc. has agreed to assume and assign all duties and obligations under the Agreement from Ultium Cells, LLC; and

WHEREAS, LG Energy Solution Michigan, Inc. has substantially met all of the requirements for the amendment of the Exemption Certificate as required by Public Act 198 and by the policies of this Council; and

WHEREAS, the application for transfer also contains an amendment to increase the total project costs related to real and personal property to reflect the improvements made by the current certificate holder; and

WHEREAS, the aggregate SEV of real and personal property exempt from ad valorem taxes within the City of Lansing, after granting this certificate, will continue to not exceed 5% of an amount equal to the sum of the SEV of the unit, plus the SEV of real property thus exempted, and

WHEREAS, the Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate, when transferred, shall continue to be and remain in force for a period of twelve (12) years after completion of the facility.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council finds and determines that the granting of this Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate considered together with the aggregate amount of certificates previously granted and currently in force under Act No. 198 of the Public Acts of 1974, shall not have the effect of substantially impeding the operation of the City of Lansing, nor impairing the financial soundness of any taxing unit which levies ad valorem taxes in the City of Lansing.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council hereby approves the application of LG Energy Solution Michigan, Inc. for transfer of an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate (2022-006), for real and personal property investments in the areas of the IDD legally described as:

ENTIRE SEC 32, EXC E 350 FT OF SEC 32, ALSO EXC COM 405 FT W OF SE COR SEC 32, TH N 665.5 FT, W 2236.43 FT TO W LINE OF SE 1/4 SAID SEC, S 676.5 FT TO S LINE SAID SEC, E 2236.75 FT TO BEG, AND ALSO EXC LANDS USED FOR GUINEA AND NIXON RDS & MILLETT & DAVIS HWYS; 548 ACRES +/- ; SEC 32 T4N R3W, 23-50-40-32-250-001,

for a period of 12 years, after project completion, provided that this resolution shall be effective upon the execution of an amendment to the written Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate Agreement between Ultium Cells, LLC and the City of Michigan, transferring all duties and obligations to LG Energy Solution Michigan, Inc., subject to the City Attorney's prior approval as to form and correction of minor technical revisions, if any.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council approves the amendment to increase in total project costs contained in the application of LG Energy Solution Michigan, Inc.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the Mayor, on behalf of the City, is authorized to execute the afore stated amendment to the agreement, or a new agreement with LG Energy Solution Michigan, Inc. containing the exact same terms as the original, subject to prior approval thereof as to form by the City Attorney.

By Vice President Carter

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-094

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

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Renaissance Zone Act, being Public Act 376 of 1996 (PA 375 of 1996), LG Energy Solution Michigan, Inc. (the "New Developer"), has filed an application (the "Application") to the Michigan Strategic Fund (MSF) to transfer the benefits and obligations of an existing Designated Renaissance Zone from Ultium Cells, LLC (the "Current Developer"), involving a partially completed redevelopment project in Lansing with an estimated cost of two billion five hundred million dollars (\$2,500,000,000) (the "Project"), being constructed on the property more commonly known as

8100 Davis Hwy., Lansing, MI. 48917, (the "Property"); and

WHEREAS, the MSF has requested the Lansing City Council, as the governing body of the local governmental unit, to provide its support of the application to transfer the Designated Renaissance Zone;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council hereby states its support for the application and transfer of benefits and obligations

of the existing Designated Renaissance Zone and recommends the MSF approve the transfer for the property more commonly known as 8100 Davis Hwy., Lansing, MI. 48917, legally described as:

LAND SITUATED IN SECTION 32, TOWNSHIP 4 NORTH, RANGE 3 WEST IN THE CITY OF LANSING IN THE COUNTY OF EATON IN THE STATE OF MICHIGAN, MORE PARTICULARLY DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID SECTION 32; THENCE NORTH 00°10'09" EAST, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION, 2637.76 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER THEREOF; THENCE NORTH 00°29'19" EAST, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION, 141.48 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 89°56'14" EAST, PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION, 33.00 FEET TO THE EASTERLY RIGHT-OF-WAY LINE OF NIXON ROAD (66' WIDE RIGHT-OF-WAY), THENCE CONTINUING SOUTH 89°56'14" EAST, PARALLEL WITH THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION, 3962.27 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 00°03'46" WEST, PERPENDICULAR TO THE SOUTH LINE OF THE NORTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION, 2102.77 FEET TO THE NORTH LINE OF THAT PARCEL CONVEYED TO DANIEL D. CREYTS ET UX. BY THAT QUIT CLAIM DEED, RECORDED IN LIBER 2101, AT PAGE 1165, RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY; THENCE NORTH 89°52'05" WEST, ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SAID QUIT CLAIM DEED, 1361.77 FEET TO THE NORTHWEST CORNER THEREOF; THENCE SOUTH 00°08'52" WEST, ALONG THE WEST LINE OF SAID QUIT CLAIM DEED, 676.50 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER THEREOF AND THE SOUTHEAST CORNER OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SAID SECTION; THENCE NORTH 89°58'19" WEST, ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID SOUTHWEST QUARTER, 2638.45 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING.

CONTAINING APPROXIMATELY 233.9 ACRES.

for the remaining period of eighteen (18) consecutive years that began on December 31, 2022, or such other start date as was set by the Michigan Strategic Fund.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Lansing City Council, in supporting the New Developer's application by this resolution, finds and determines all of the following:

1. The applicant is not delinquent in any taxes related to the properties.
2. All of the items described in the Application for Michigan Strategic Fund Designated Renaissance Zone have been provided to the City of Lansing by the applicant.
3. The commencement of rehabilitation activities of the facility did not occur prior to the establishment of the Renaissance Zone, but rehabilitation activities have commenced and continued since establishment of the Renaissance Zone.
4. The application relates to the Renaissance Zone property more commonly known as 8100 Davis Hwy., Lansing, MI. 48917 for a proposed redevelopment project in Lansing with an estimated cost of two billion five hundred million dollars (\$2,500,000,000).
5. The completion of the Project is calculated to and will at the time of issuance of the certificate, have the reasonable likelihood to, increase commercial activity, create employment, and revitalize an urban area.
6. If the renaissance zone transfer is granted, persons and property within the renaissance zone are exempt from taxes levied by the city, as provided in the Renaissance Zone Act.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall cause a certified copy of resolution to be transmitted to the Michigan Strategic Fund.

By Vice President Cater

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-095

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

WHEREAS, Chapter 808 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances regulates cabaret licenses within the City of Lansing; and

WHEREAS, CDDM Corporation, 5910 S. Pennsylvania, Lansing, Michigan, was previously issued a cabaret license by the City of Lansing, effective 5/14/2024; and

WHEREAS, Section 808.08 provides that a cabaret license may be revoked if the licensee "...operates his or her business in violation of any other provision of this chapter, other ordinances of the City or State, or Federal Law"; and

WHEREAS, Section 808.08 further requires a hearing by City Council or its designated hearing officer before recommending the revocation of an already

existing cabaret license; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Rawley Van Fossen, acting as Lansing City Council's designated Hearing Officer pursuant to Resolution #2025-066, conducted a hearing on March 25, 2025, as required by Section 808.08; and

WHEREAS, the Licensee failed to appear at the revocation hearing despite being provided timely notice of same via certified mail; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Van Fossen has provided a transcript of the hearing, findings of fact, and recommendation to City Council, pursuant to the requirements of Section 808.08;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that Lansing City Council, has been fully informed of the Hearing Officer's findings of fact and proposed recommendation revocation of Licensee's cabaret license for violations of Chapter 808 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Lansing City Council hereby affirms the Hearing Officer's proposed findings of fact and recommendation. The revocation is effective immediately.

By Vice President Carter

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-096

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

WHEREAS, Chapter 830 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances regulates liquor licenses within the City of Lansing, and;

WHEREAS, CDDM Corporation, 5910 S. Pennsylvania, Lansing, Michigan was issued a liquor license by the Michigan Liquor Control Commission; and

WHEREAS, Section 830.07 provides that, "Council may recommend nonrenewal or revocation of a license, upon a determination by it that, based upon a preponderance of the evidence presented at hearing, either of the following exists: (1) A violation of any of the restrictions on licenses set forth in Section 830.06; or (2) Maintenance of a nuisance upon the premises."

WHEREAS, Section 830.07 further provides for a hearing by City Council or its designated hearing officer before recommending the revocation of an already existing license; and,

WHEREAS, it is alleged that CDDM Corporation/Centerfolds, has violated Section 830.07 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances by "violat[ing] any of the restrictions on licenses set forth in Section 830.06 and by maintenance of a nuisance upon the premises" and;

WHEREAS, Mr. Rawley Van Fossen, acting as Lansing City Council's designated Hearing Officer pursuant to Resolution #2025-066, conducted a hearing on March 25, 2025 as provided by Section 830.07(a); and

WHEREAS, the Licensee failed to appear at the revocation hearing despite being provided timely notice of same via certified mail; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Van Fossen has provided a transcript of the hearing, findings of fact, and recommendations to City Council, in compliance with the requirements of Section 830.07 of the Lansing Codified Ordinances.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Lansing, has been fully informed of the Hearing Officer's findings of fact and proposed recommendation for revocation of CDDM Corporation's liquor license and/or conditional liquor license for violations of Section 830.06.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Lansing City Council finds by a preponderance of the evidence that CDDM Corporation/Centerfolds has violated the restrictions on licenses set forth in Section 830.06 and has maintained a nuisance upon the premises.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that Lansing City Council, hereby affirms the Hearing Officer's proposed findings of fact and recommendation. The revocation is effective immediately.

BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED, that a written statement of Lansing City Council's findings and conclusions, along with a certified copy of this resolution, shall be submitted to the license holder and the Liquor Control Commission by the City Clerk.

By Vice President Carter

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-097

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

WHEREAS, the Code Compliance Officer has determined that the building located at , 1033 Shepard Street, 33-01-01-22-230-151, Lot 187 and 188, City Park Subdivision, City of Lansing, Ingham County, Michigan, as recorded in Liber 5 of Plats, Page 12, Ingham County Records, 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 JANUARY 01st, 2022; and

WHEREAS, a hearing was held by a Lansing Demolition Hearing Officer on SEPTEMBER 26th, 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 25th, 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 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 Compliance 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 1033 Shepard Street, 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, April 7, 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 #2025-098

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 1723 OSBAND AVE, 33-01-01-21-357-041, N 41 FT OF S 85 FT LOTS 6 & 7 BLOCK 13 PARK PLACE, 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 JUNE 26TH 2015; 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 Officer 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 1723 OSBAND AVE, 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 60 days from the date of this resolution, April 7, 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 with Council Member Jackson voting "nay"

Resolution #2025-099

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 5625 Kaynorth Rd, 33-01-05-04-427-012, LOT 2 EXC E 165 FT SUPERVISORS PLAT NO 3 T3N R2W, 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 MARCH 13TH, 2009; and

WHEREAS, a hearing was held by a 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 SEPTEMBER 23RD, 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 5625 KAYNORTH 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 60 from the date of this resolution, April 7, 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.

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By Council Member Pehlivanoglu

Motion Carried

Resolution #2025-100

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. Potter Ave, 33-01-01-33-406-491, LOT 84 SUPERVISORS PLAT OF EVERETT-DALE NO 2 SUB, 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 NOVEMBER 30TH, 2017; 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 204 E. POTTER AVE., 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, April 7, 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.

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By Council Member Pehlivanoglu

Motion Carried with Council Member Jackson voting "nay"

Ordinances for Introduction

Introduction of Ordinance

Council Member Kost introduced:

An Ordinance of the City of Lansing, Michigan, Re-Adopting the Codified Ordinances of the City of Lansing.

The Ordinance is read a first time by its title and referred to the Committee of the Whole.

Resolution #2025-101

By the Committee of the Whole
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, May 12, 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 readoption of the Codified Ordinances of the City of Lansing

By Vice President Carter

Motion Carried

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

Fireworks Display License; Pyrotecnico Fireworks Inc. for the City's Independence Day Celebration, July 4, 2025

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Item(s) from the Mayor re:

Development Area Liquor License; La Mulata at 5334 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Traffic Control Order No. 23-30; install a yield sign on Chadburne Dr. at Seaway Dr.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Traffic Control Order No. 24-13; regulate parking along the 500 block of W. Ionia St.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Traffic Control Order Nos. 23-31 and 23-32; regulate parking along the 100 to 500 blocks of N. Verlinden Ave.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Traffic Control Order No. 24-12; regulate parking along the 1200 block of N. Grand River Ave.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Traffic Control Order Nos. 24-59 and 24-60; regulate parking along the 600 to 800 blocks of W. Genesee St.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Traffic Control Order No. 24-65; regulate parking along Strathmore Rd.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Traffic Control Order No. 24-64; regulate parking along Wakefield Ave.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Traffic Control Order No. 25-03T; temporarily regulate parking along the 100 block of S. Capitol Ave.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Traffic Control Order No. 25-04; install yield signs on Thackin Dr. at Bayview Dr.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Traffic Control Order No. 25-08; install a yield sign on Fairfax Rd. at Cooper Ave.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Traffic Control Order No. 25-09; install a stop sign on Regent St. at Elizabeth St.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Traffic Control Order No. 25-10; regulate parking along Tranter St.

Referred to the Committee on City Operations

Item from Hearing Officer Rawley Van Fossen re:

Determination on Cabaret License Revocation and Request for Liquor License Revocation to the Michigan Liquor Control Commission; CDDM Corporation dba Dreamgirls at 5910 S. Pennsylvania Ave.

Referred to the Committee of the Whole and Placed on File

Item from City Council President Kost re:

Fines; unregistered vehicles parking in the roadway

Referred to the Committee of the Whole and Placed on File

Motion of Excused Absence

By Vice President Carter to excuse Council Member Garza from tonight's proceedings.

Motion Carried

Remarks by Council Members

Council Member Hussain talked about the budget being presented at Committee of the Whole

President Kost gave a reminder that Michigan Ave. is still under construction but the businesses are still open

Public Comment on City Government Related Matters

Daniel K. Arnold spoke about various City matters.

Michelle Lalone spoke about boarded up houses.

Loretta Stanaway spoke about flooding.

Linda Appling spoke about various City matters.

Nicklas Zande spoke about various City matters.

Adjourned Time 9:49 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