



Lansing Economic Development Corporation

Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, January 10, 2025 – 8:30 A.M.

Lansing EDC Office - 401 S. Washington Sq. Suite 101, Lansing, MI 48933

MINUTES

Members Present:	Chair - Shelley Davis Boyd, Vice-Chair - Calvin Jones, Treasurer - Catherine Rathbun, Sandra Lupien, Jonathan Smith
Members Absent:	Dr. Alane Laws-Barker, Chaz Carrillo, Jordan Sutton, Rawley Van Fossen
Staff Present:	Kris Klein, Brandy Standler, Aurelius Christian, Alex Watkins, Chelsea Dowler, Kahleea Washington, and Shay Manawar
Guests:	None

Call to Order/Roll Call

Chair Davis Boyd called the Lansing Economic Development Corporation meeting to order at 8:33 A.M.

Approval of LEDC Board Meeting Minutes – Friday, December 13, 2024 (ACTION)

MOTION: Member Jones moved to approve the LEDC meeting minutes from the Friday, December 13, 2024, Board of Directors meeting, as presented. Motion seconded by member Smith.

YEAS: Unanimous, motion carried.

Corridor Updates

Washington discussed that the corridors will begin meeting for the new year next week. LGCIA is recruiting board members. MLKCIA is focusing on an art competition and a Thriving Communities Grant. The SSCIA marketing RFP closes next week. MACIA will be pursuing development efforts with a contractor. The City of Lansing Façade Improvement program applications open next week. Full applications due March 31st.

The Lansing EDC's Mission is to improve the Lansing community by fostering economic growth that is strategic, sustainable and equitable.

LEED Initiative Update

Christian noted that January 29th will be the second Empower Cohort Graduation at The View. The Developer Diversification Program steering committee will also meet on January 29th.

Project Updates

Klein updated the board on the Ovation and Neogen Projects. Manawar discussed SSRP/Plant 6. Stakeholder meetings have been taking place, with a focus on community outreach and engagement. The LEDC Site Committee has been meeting and making progress.

Committee Reports

Site Committee: The purpose is to identify key vacant, underutilized, or blighted sites in Lansing to focus on Redevelopment efforts. Board members discussed the various committees and their focus. The Site and Incentive Committees will now be one Committee.

Governance Committee: The committee chair was not in attendance to provide an update.

Chair Davis Boyd tabled the LEDC board meeting at 9:04 A.M.

Chair David Boyd called the meeting back to order at 9:13 A.M.

2025 LEDC/LBRA/TIFA Board Meeting Schedule Approval

MOTION: Member Jones moved to approve the presented 2025 LEDC/LBRA/TIFA Board Meeting Schedule. Motion supported by member Rathbun.

YEAS: Unanimous, motion carried.

2025 Election of Officers

Klein revealed nominations received for 2025 Board officers. It was presented that Shelley Davis Boyd was nominated as Chair, Calvin Jones and Chaz Carrillo for Vice Chair, Dr. Alane Laws-Barker as Secretary, and Catherine Rathbun as Treasurer. Discussion took place. No other nominations were presented. The 2025 Board of Directors ballot was provided. Chair Davis Boyd read the results.

Elections Results: Chair: Shelley Davis-Boyd. Vice-Chair: Calvin Jones. Secretary: Dr. Alane Laws-Barker. Treasurer Catherine Rathbun.

MOTION: Member Lupien motioned to approve the results of the election of officers. Smith supported the motion.

YEAS: Unanimous, motion carried.

Open Forum for LEDC Board Members

Member Sandra Lupien resigned her position on the board. She thanked everyone for the opportunity to serve. Board members and staff thanked her for her dedication and service.

Chair Davis Boyd will present recommendations for HR Consulting at the February meeting. At the next meeting, Dorshimer will provide an update regarding leadership training.

Other Business

None.

Public Comment

Watkins commented on behalf of Dr. Laws-Barker, announcing there will be a Melanated Business Alliance event hosted at the Lansing Shuffle on February 6th at 6:30 P.M.

Adjournment

Chair Davis Boyd called the Lansing Economic Development Corporation meeting to adjournment at 9:25 A.M.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Kris Klein", is written above a horizontal line.

Kris Klein, Vice-President

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