

**RACIAL EQUITY COMMISSION**

**Meeting Agenda**

DATE: Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026  
TIME: 6:00pm  
LOCATION: City Hall, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor Conference Room  
161 W. Michigan Avenue, Jackson, MI 49201

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call – current membership is at seven. Four voting members for quorum.

Commissioners

Jackie Barber  
Keshia Hamilton  
David Hammontree  
Shaquay Selby

Ex-Officio - Appointed

Freddie Dancy Vice Mayor & Ward 2 Council Member  
Daveda Quinn NAACP Delegate  
J. Willis Chief Equity Officer

Ex-Officio - Statutory

Vacant  
Vacant  
Vacant

Active committee Members (non-voting)

A. Yoshida  
I. Hathaway  
C. Heydenburg

Staff

K. Dickenson

- III. Reading of Land & Labor Acknowledgement
- IV. Adoption of the Agenda

- V. Community Liaison Police Officer Report
- VI. Citizen Comments (3-Minute Limit)
- VII. Approval of March 2026 Minutes
- VIII. Unfinished Business / Working Items
  - A. Listening sessions
  - B. Board Development
- IX. New Business
  
- X. City/Community Updates
  - A. City Council
  - B. MLK/CIA
  - C. JPS
  - D. NAACP
  - E. JHC
  - F. CPOC
  - G. Affordable Housing
  - H. Other Updates
  
- XI. Committee Reports – *Paused*
  - A. Board Development Committee (Barber, Hamilton, Dancy, *Heydenburg*)
  - B. Grants/Education Committee (Albarran, Barber, Hamilton, Willis)
  - C. Policy and Procedure Committee (Hammontree, Dancy, Hamilton, Willis, *Hathaway*)
  - D. Public Equity Committee (Hamilton, Quinn, *Heydenburg*)
  - E. Nominations (Hamilton, Dancy, Hammontree)
  
- XII. Review of Action Items for next meeting
- XIII. Commissioner Comment
- XIV. Adjournment

Next Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, 2026 at 6pm.

**RACIAL EQUITY COMMISSION**

**Meeting Minutes**

DATE: Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2026  
TIME: 6:36 pm  
LOCATION: City Hall, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor City Council Chambers  
161 W. Michigan Avenue, Jackson, MI 49201

**AGENDA ITEMS:**

- I. Call to Order – Chair Kesha Hamilton
- II. Roll Call – current membership is at eight. Five voting members for quorum.

**Commissioners**

Leticia Albarran - absent  
Jackie Barber - present  
Kesha Hamilton - present  
David Hammontree - present  
Shaquay Selby - absent

**Ex-Officio - Appointed**

Freddie Dancy Vice Mayor & Ward 2 Council Member - present  
Daveda Quinn NAACP Delegate - present  
J. Willis Chief Equity Officer - present

**Ex-Officio - Statutory**

Vacant  
Vacant  
Vacant

**Active committee Members (non-voting)**

C. Heydenburg - absent  
A. Yoshida - absent

**Staff**

K. Dickenson - present

- III. Reading of Land & Labor Acknowledgement – John Willis

- IV. Adoption of the Agenda – motion by, John Willis, supported by, David Hammontree, motion carried
- V. Community Liaison Police Officer Report – none
- VI. Citizen Comments (3-Minute Limit) – none
- VII. Approval of October 2025 and February 2026 Minutes
  - A. (quorum not reached in December or January) – motion by, John Willis supported by, David Hammontree, motion carried
- VIII. Unfinished Business / Working Items
  - A. Community Listening Sessions
    - Commissioners reviewed the Fact Sheet & Social Media Post for these events
    - **Trusted Ambassador’s Listening Session, March 23, 2026, at 6:00 pm.** (Location for this session is forthcoming)
    - **City-wide Listening Session Wednesday, April 22, 2026, at 6:30 pm. At Jackson Symphony Orchestra Hall**
    - **King Center Weekly Senior Group Meeting, Tuesday, April 21, 2026, at 11:00 am, at MLK Community Center**
    - Attendees are encouraged to RSVP
    - Leaning towards light refreshments served at each session
    - Tables and chairs are provided at each venue.
    - Advertisement – Motion made by John Willis to set aside **\$750** for advertising. David Hammontree supported the motion, motion carried.
      - 1) Blazer News
      - 2) MLive
      - 3) Jackson Exponent
      - 4) Legal News
      - 5) Christina Crouch (City Hall)
      - 6) JTV Events page
      - 7) Marc Daly Show
      - 8) PSAs on radio shows
- IX. Board Development
  - Deferred to later this year.
- X. New Business
  - A statement from City Hall addressing ICE
  - Over Site Committee meeting will be held at the Ella Sharp Park, Golf Club House, March 12

- XI. City/Community Updates
- XII. A. City Council
- B. MLK/CIA
  - 2 Community Clean-ups, dates are forthcoming
  - Food Incubator
- C. NAACP
  - Currently addressing complaints
  - Pageant is coming up for the Juneteenth celebration
- D. JHC
- E. CPOC
  - Working to address Eleven Complaints for 2026
  - Concerns were shared regarding the Greenwood Apts. and police calls
- F. Affordable Housing
- G. Other Updates

**Committee Reports – On Hold**

- XIII. Review of Action Items for next meeting
  - Contact a caterer for the Listening Sessions
- XIV. Commissioner Comment
- XV. Adjournment at 8:08 pm

**Next Meeting scheduled for Tuesday, April 7<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 6pm.**