



MLK CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY MEETING AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, February 27, 2025

TIME: 5:30 p.m.

LOCATION: King Recreation Center, 1107 Adrian St., Jackson, MI 49203

- I. Call to Order
- II. Roll Call
- III. Election of 2025 Officers & Confirmation of 2025 Meeting Schedule
- IV. Adoption of the Agenda
- V. Citizen Comments (3-Minute Limit)
- VI. Approval of Meeting Minutes from the January 23, 2025 Board Meeting (Exhibit A)
- VII. Presentation: City Manager Jonathan Greene
- VIII. Old Business
 - a. Marketing and Communications Update- JTV
 - b. Review of Grant Summary
- IX. New Business
 - a. Commercial Development Project at Biddle and Cooper St.
 - b. Commercial Mixed- Use Project at East Prospect St.
- X. Staff Report
- XI. Director's Comments
- XII. Adjournment



2025 Martin Luther King Corridor Improvement Authority Meeting Schedule

GENERALLY OCCURS EVERY 4TH THURSDAY OF EVERY MONTH AT 5:30PM
1107 Adrian Street, Jackson Michigan 49203

January 23rd

February 27th

March 27th

April 24th

May 22nd

June 26th

July 24th

August 28th

September 25th

October 23rd

November 20th

December 18th

Martin Luther King Corridor Improvement Authority (MLKCIA)
Entrepreneurial and Real Estate Grant Summary
February 27, 2025

Tranche 1 – December 2023

The MLKCIA approved a budget of \$250,000

42 grant applications were received requesting \$2,034,000

5 Grantees awarded \$249,999.95

- Pryor's BBQ House in the amount of \$49,999.99
- Jack's Takeout in the amount of 49,999.99
- Mikey's Barbershop in the amount of 49,999.99
- The Hampton's Place Barber Shop in the amount of 49,999.99
- M Power Fitness LLC in the amount of 49,999.99

Tranche 2 – April 2024

The MLKCIA approved a budget of \$500,000

40 grant applications were received requesting \$1,984,000

10 Grantees awarded \$407,493

- Mikey's Barbershop in the amount of \$25,000
- Pharoah's Rest in the amount of \$25,000
- Pretty Distinct Beauty in the amount of \$ 49,999
- Stop One Party Store in the amount of \$49,999
- *DaRealTv Productions dba Catch My Vibe Radio in the amount of \$25,000
- TaeLynn's Ice Cream in the amount of \$49,999
- Carl's Coffee and Cream in the amount of \$49,999
- Nutton But Love in the amount of \$49,999
- McCranie Activity Center in the amount of \$49,999
- *Hope Health Services in the amount of \$49,999

**\$5,000 of total grant amount reserved for Technical Assistance*

Tranche 3 – November 2024

The MLKCIA approved an original budget of \$250,000

40 grant applications were received requesting \$1,895,000

9 Grantees were awarded \$385,000 (additional \$135K approved by BOD)

- MGM Cleaning (Technical Assistance amount TBD)
- Angel of Mine in the amount of \$49,999
- Chelsea Cakes in the amount of \$49,999
- Ductz of Mid-Michigan in the amount of \$49,999
- Hammond Hardware/Kelly Fuels in the amount of \$49,999
- New Smiles New Beginnings in the amount of \$49,999
- Pryor's BBQ House in the amount of \$49,999
- S & G Mini-Mart in the amount of \$49,999
- Strawberries Play Den in the amount of \$35,000

NOTE: This list contains only the total amounts awarded to participants. This does not include amounts used for technical assistance providers, clean-ups, or contractual obligations for the MLKCIA.



MLK CORRIDOR AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

January 23, 2025

CALL TO ORDER:

The Martin Luther King Corridor Improvement Authority (MLK CIA) Board of Directors met in-person at the Jackson King Center Recreation Center, 1107 Adrian St., Jackson, MI 49203. The meeting was called to order at 5:35 pm by Anthony Parker.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: John Willis, Anthony Parker, Daniel Mahoney, Diane Washington, Arlene Robinson, Thaddeus Williams,

EXCUSED: James Johnson, Mindy Bradish-Orta

ABSENT: Philicia Richmond,

ALSO PRESENT: Malik Goodwin- GWJ; David Barker- JTV

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

A motion was made by John Willis to adopt the agenda. The Motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

Citizens were heard and the meeting continued.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by John Willis to approve the minutes from the December 19, 2024 Board of Directors Meeting, with a correction made to identify Director James Johnson as 'excused'. The Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Director John Willis provided a status report on the financial position of the MLK CIA. Director Diane Washington made a motion to accept the financial report. The Motion passed. Moving forward the Board Chair Anthony Parker asked the staff to include a simplified one-page summary of the financial position of the MLK CIA in the next Board of Directors Meeting in February.

OLD BUSINESS:

David Barker from JTV provided an update on the status of the media channels and the new content it manages for the MLK CIA.

NEW BUSINESS:

Director John Willis reported that his office has been contacted about properties within the MLK CIA development area that are or will soon be for sale. Some of the sellers would like the MLK CIA to consider purchasing the properties. The Board discussed the possibility of the MLK CIA purchasing the properties for the purpose of generating revenue to pay for its operation.

STAFF REPORT:

Malik Goodwin from GWJ reported out on the progress of the planning of the third MLK CIA Business Resource Fair.

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:

The Directors provided parting comments.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 pm.