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MLK CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY MEETING AGENDA

DATE: Thursday,April 24, 2025
TIME: 5:30 p.m.
LOCATION: King Recreation Center, 1107 Adrian St., Jackson, MI 49203

I. Call to Order

II. Roll Call

III. Adoption of the Agenda

IV. Citizen Comments (3-Minute Limit)

V. Approval of Meeting Minutes from the March 27, 2025 Board Meeting (Exhibit A)

VI. Old Business

   a. Marketing and Communications Update- JTV
   b. Business Resource Fair Update
   c. Neighborhood Clean-Up Day Update
   d. Financial Review

VII. New Business
   a. Entrepreneurial Fund- Round 4 Draft Evaluation Process

VIII. Staff Report

IX. Director's Comments

X. Adjournment

CITY OF JACKSON MICHIGAN

MLK CORRIDOR AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

March 27, 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 5:37 pm by Anthony Parker.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: John Willis, Anthony Parker, Daniel Mahoney, James Johnson, Philicia Richmond, Diane Washington, Arlene Robinson, Thaddeus Williams,

EXCUSED:

ABSENT: Mindy Bradish-Orta

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

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

A motion was made by Daniel Mahoney to adopt the agenda. The Motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

There were three citizen comments made. Topics included desires to see more affordable housing in the neighborhood, compliments to Consumer's Energy regarding infrastructure investments being made in the neighborhood, requests for more information about the upcoming streetscape improvements, and a desire to know when the next round of business resources may be awarded.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Philicia Richmond to approve the minutes from the February 27, 2025 Board of Directors Meeting. The Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Malik Goodwin and John Willis provided an overview of the financial report and activities for the month ended February 2025. The Board provided comments to staff on the report format. John

Willis made a motion to amend the 2024- 25 amended budget by moving $1 million from the contractual services line item to the land acquisition line item. The Motion carried. John Willis made a motion to amend certain expenses found in the 2024- 25 amended budget by moving $375,000 from the contractual services line item to the Entrepreneurial Fund- Tranche 4. The Motion carried. Both Board actions will result in an overall reduction of the contractual services line item to $2,457,100.00.

OLD BUSINESS:

David Barker from JTV provided an update on the status of the media efforts content it manages for the MLK CIA. Malik Goodwin provided an overview of the final draft of the Strategic Plan Summary document, and requested Board approval. Daniel Mahoney made a motion to adopt the 2025 Strategic Plan. The Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

No new business items were provided.

STAFF REPORT:

Malik Goodwin provided an update on the progress on a potential commercial development project (with a grocery use included) currently proposed at Cooper & Biddle streets.

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:

The Directors provided parting comments. Board members thanked the public for attending the meeting, thanked JTV, and GWJ for their work thus far. Arlene Robinson plans to have a Ward 1 informational session for the public, would like to see more public communication provided by the City related to the S. MLK Drive streetscape project. Daniel Mahoney would like to see an impact report prepared pertaining to the results of grants awarded through previous rounds of the Entrepreneurial Fund and shared with the Board.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 pm.