MLK CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY MEETING AGENDA

DATE: Thursday, June 26, 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. Presentation- Consumers Energy-Kayla Haines

V. Citizen Comments (3-Minute Limit)

VI. Approval of Meeting Minutes from the May 22, 2025 Board Meeting (Exhibit A)

VII. Old Business

   a. Marketing and Communications Update- JTV
   b. Entrepreneurial Fund- Round 4 Update

VIII. New Business

IX. Staff Report

X. Director's Comments

XI. Adjournment

CITY OF JACKSON MICHIGAN

MLK CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES

May 22, 2025

CALL TO ORDER:

The Martin Luther King Corridor Improvement Authority (MLKCIA) Board of Directors met in-person at the Kings Recreation Center, 1107 Adrian St., Jackson, MI 49203. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 pm by Anthony Parker.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: John Willis, Anthony Parker, Daniel Mahoney, James Johnson, Diane Washington, Arlene Robinson, Mindy Bradish-Orta

EXCUSED: Philicia Richmond

ABSENT: Thaddeus Williams

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

ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:

A motion was made by James Johnson to adopt the agenda. The Motion carried.

CITIZEN COMMENTS:

There were two citizen comments made. Topics included compliments the board regarding the upcoming and current developments on MLK Drive and the results of the community clean up.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was made by Diane Washington to approve the minutes from the April 24, 2025 Board of Directors Meeting. The Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

David Barker provided an update on MLKCIA marketing, communications, and upcoming events. The Board discussed modifying the use of $375,000 budgeted for the Entrepreneurial Fund-Round IV. Daniel Mahoney made a Motion to allocate $250,000 of the budget amount of $375,000 specifically for grant awards and for the remaining $125,000 to be used to support targeted redevelopment activities in the development area. The Motion carried. James Johnson made a motion to allocate an additional $125,000 to Entrepreneurial Fund budget for the purpose of supporting targeted redevelopment activities in the development area, thereby increasing the total budgeted line item for the Entrepreneurial Fund- Round IV to $500,000. The Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS:

There was no new business.

STAFF REPORT:

Malik Goodwin provided an update regarding the development plans for the Cooper-Biddle site. Daniel Mahoney made a motion to have the Board Chair submit a letter to the City Council on behalf of the MLKCIA expressing support of the land option agreement between the City and Gillespie Group being approved. The Motion carried.

DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:

Thanked the public for attending and holding us accountable. Board members reiterated the upcoming Consumers Community engagement session is scheduled for June 26, 2025 from 4pm-7:00pm, at the MLK Recreation Center. Board members expressed that community clean up event was considered a success. The Mayor and Board Chair are excited about the upcoming Entrepreneurial Funding Round, and the targeted investment projects.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 6:17 pm.