



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 6, 2026

WORKING SESSION

I. ROLL CALL

A Working Session of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners was held at the Administration Building, in the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, on February 6, 2026.

The meeting was called to order at 9:34 AM by Comm. LaBarre, Chair of the Working Session.

Members Present:	Comms. Shannon Beeman, Justin Hodge, Andy LaBarre, Crystal Lyte(10:18 AM), Jason Maciejewski, Yousef Rabhi, Caroline Sanders, Katie Scott, Annie Somerville
Members Absent:	Comms.
Others Present	Greg Dill, County Administrator; Andrew DeLeeuw, Deputy County Administrator; Michelle Billard, Corporation Counsel; Tina Gavalier & Catherine Jones-Alther, Finance; Guillermo Hernandez, Director of Human Resources; Terrence Williams, Administration; Jeff Rose, ITS; Ashley Hall, Director of Board Operations; Tabatha Reynolds, Board of Commissioners Constituent Outreach Coordinator; Brenden McArthur, Clerk's Office; Gretchen Driskell, Water Resources Commissioner; and members of the public.

II. REPORT FROM THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

None.

III. REPORT FROM THE DIRECTOR OF BOARD OPERATIONS

Ashley Hall, Director of Board Operations, thanked those in attendance and introduced the Board Retreat Facilitators, Pam Smith and Bridget Hermann.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS

Comm. Scott set the intentions of the Board Retreat.

- A. Pam Smith, Facilitator, gave an overview of the Board Retreat, which focused on Human Services Funding.

Bridget Hermann, Facilitator, discussed group norms and shared values with the Commissioners.

Pam discussed both the 2025 Retreat results and the pre-retreat survey results with the Commissioners.

The Commissioners broke into small groups to further discuss their ideas.

The Commissioners reconvened from their small groups and heard from various Human Services Department Heads. The Commissioners had an opportunity to ask questions.

The small groups shared what they discussed.

The Commissioners broke for lunch at 12:07 PM.

Comm. LaBarre, Chair of the Working Session, left during lunch.

Comm. Beeman, Vice-Chair of the Working Session, reconvened the retreat at 12:49 PM.

The Commissioners heard about consensus building from Bridget and further discussed what they heard from the small groups.

The Commissioners identified internal and external stakeholders and discussed the engagement process.

For the closing discussion, the commissioners heard a recap of the meeting from the facilitators and shared final reflections.

V. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Shonagh Taruza thanked the hospitality team for the food and for donating what was left to Alpha House.

Bruce Astrein, Commission on Aging, congratulated the Commissioners on a productive day and shared his experiences.

VI. ITEMS FOR CURRENT/FUTURE DISCUSSION

None.

VII. ADJOURN TO NEXT SESSION

Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. Lyte, moved to adjourn. Voice vote - motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 3:21 PM.

Andy LaBarre, Chair of the Working Session
Lawrence Kestenbaum, Clerk/Register

By: Brenden McArthur, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: February 18, 2026