



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 4, 2026

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

I. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

II. ROLL CALL

A session of the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners was held at the Administration Building, in the City of Ann Arbor, Michigan, on March 4, 2026.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 PM by Comm. Scott, Chair of the Board of Commissioners.

Members Present: Comms. Shannon Beeman, Justin Hodge, Andy LaBarre, Crystal Lyte, 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; Brady Peck, Director of Operations; Catherine Jones-Alther, Finance; 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; Latitia Lamelle Sharp, County Treasurer; and members of the public.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Luke Woodward, Ann Arbor, spoke in support of the Townie Homes Brownfield plan and expressed the need for affordable housing in Ann Arbor.

Jen Baherski, Northville Township, spoke about the Materials Management Planning Committee process around the Arbor Hills Landfill expansion project.

Lee, City of Ypsilanti, expressed concerns surrounding recent actions and events involving the Sherriff's Office.

Erica Tebbens, Ypsilanti Township, expressed concerns surrounding the resolution about the U of M data center location.

Jeremy Haley, Ypsilanti Township, spoke about increasing U of M enrollment and the population density in Ann Arbor.

KJ Pedri, City of Ypsilanti, expressed concerns about the U of M data center and support for funding the CoC housing services.

Jada Weatherspoon introduced herself to the Commissioners as a representative of Comcast.

J Krueger, Ypsilanti Township, expressed concerns surrounding the U of M data center.

Jo Ann McCollum, thanked the commissioners.

DaRon Weatherspoon, Ypsilanti, expressed opposition to the U of M data center.

Trische Duckworth thanked the Commissioners for bringing attention to the conditions at the Women's Huron Valley Correctional Facility.

Marla J, Ypsilanti, spoke in opposition of the U of M data center.

IV. COMMISSIONER FOLLOW-UP TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Comm. Hodge addressed comments made about the data center and encouraged people to continue to engage with the U of M regents. He also acknowledged comments made about the Sheriff, seniors and homelessness, and the landfill.

Comm. Lyte thanked all those who made public comment and addressed the comments made about the proposed landfill expansion. She also thanked the resident who spoke about concerns surrounding the Sheriff's Office, acknowledged the concerns surrounding data centers as well as the comment made about the conditions at the Womens Huron Valley Correctional Facility, and expressed frustration with ICE.

Comm. Sanders addressed concerns about data centers and spoke about the need for all residents to have easy access to public meetings. She also addressed concerns about the proposed landfill expansion and the Sheriff's Office. She also spoke about the level of service provided by Comcast.

Comm Somerville expressed her eagerness to address issues surrounding seniors and homelessness.

Comm. Rabhi thanked all those who made public comment and expressed his opposition to the landfill expansion and data centers. He also expressed his support for providing housing for seniors.

Comm. Scott thanked all those who made comments.

V. LIAISON REPORTS

None.

VI. REPORT FROM THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Administrator Dill spoke about the status of the Eastern Washtenaw Community Recreation Center. He also stated that the County is in the process of finding a new IT Director and will soon begin the search for a new CFO.
2. Matt MacDonnell, Managing Director of the Washtenaw County Road Commission, provided an update on the Werkner Road Project. Commissioner questions and comments followed.

VII. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Chair Scott moved discussion for agenda Item B, a resolution to borrow against anticipated delinquent 2025 real property taxes, under "Single Reading" to this time. County Treasurer Latitia Lemelle Sharp, along with the Deputy Treasurer and legal counsel, were available to answer questions from the Commissioners.

VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Comm. Scott opened (and closed) a public hearing to receive comment on the proposed Transformational Brownfield Plan for 350 S. Fifth in the City of Ann Arbor at 9:05 PM (with no public comment).

IX. APPOINTMENTS

None.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that the minutes of the February 18, 2026, meeting of the Board of Commissioners be approved as presented. Voice vote - motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)
2. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that the communications be received and dealt with as recommended. Voice vote - motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

R-0021 RECEIVED: February 11, 2026: City of Ann Arbor: Resolution to Approve a Brownfield Plan for the Arbor South Project

R-0022 RECEIVED: February 11, 2026: Washtenaw County DHHS: January 14, 2026 Social Services Board Meeting Minutes

3. None.

4. None.

- 5.

- A. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that the following reports be received: A report on contracts in the amount of \$25,000 and under from February 2, 2026 through February 24, 2026. Voice vote - motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)

6. None.

XI. RESOLUTIONS

- 1.

- A. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution to approve compensation adjustments for non-union employees from County Administration be approved. Voice vote - motion carried.

- 2.

- A. **26-030** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution adopting the Townie Homes Brownfield Plan, Ann Arbor, MI 48103/4, from the Office of Community and Economic Development be approved. Commissioner comment regarding this item ensued. Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 0 NAYS 1(Lyte) ABSENT. Motion carried.
- B. **26-031** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution adopting the Transformational Brownfield Plan for 350 S. Fifth Ave, Ann Arbor, MI 48104, from the Office of Community and Economic Development be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- C. **26-032** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution authorizing the Strategic Traffic Enforcement grant from the Sheriff's Office be approved. Commissioner comment regarding this item occurred.

Chair Scott called for recess at 9:47 PM due to technical difficulties. The meeting reconvened at 9:55 PM

Commissioner comment regarding this item continued. Roll Call Vote: 7 YEAS 2(Lyte, Sanders) NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

- D. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution authorizing the Secondary Road Patrol and Traffic Accident Program Grant from the Sheriff's Office be approved. Commissioner comment regarding this item occurred.

Comm. Lyte, seconded by Comm. Beeman, moved to adjourn this item until the 3/18/26 meeting. Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 1(Rabhi) NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

- E. **26-033** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution creating 1.0FTE Program Manager position for the Youth Assessment and Resource Center (YARC) from the Racial Equity Office be approved. Commissioner comment regarding this item occurred. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- F. **26-034** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution approving the agreement with POAM, Washtenaw County and Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office for the Wage Re-Opener for 2026-2028 be approved. Commissioner comment regarding this item occurred. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- G. **26-035** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution approving the Tentative Agreement with TPOAM Clerical and Supervisors for it's 2026-2027 Compensation be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

3.

- A. **26-036** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution authorizing the County Administrator to sign the 2024 Homeland Security Grant Program Inter-local Fiduciary Agreement and delegate contracts from the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office be approved. Commissioner comment regarding this item occurred. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- B. **26-037** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution to borrow against anticipated delinquent 2025 real property taxes from the County Treasurer be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

- C. **26-038** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution authorizing the signature of the Administrator on the Marihuana Operation and Oversight grant from the Health Department be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- D. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution recommending the University of Michigan locate its proposed high performance computing center at Willow Run be approved.
- Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. LaBarre, moved to postpone this item until the 3/18/26 meeting. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- E. **26-039** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution amending the 2026 Board of Commissioners Annual Calendar of Meetings be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- F. **26-040** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution authorizing a temporary appropriation to maintain Continuum of Care (CoC) Housing Services during HUD contract renewal delays be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

4.

- A. **26-041** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution authorizing the payment of claims commencing with the last previously approved claim and continuing through the date of February 24, 2026 be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

XII. ITEMS FOR CURRENT/FUTURE DISCUSSION

Comm. Hodge spoke about the NACO Conference he recently attended.

XIII. PENDING

None.

XIV. ADJOURN TO NEXT SESSION

Comm. Rabhi, seconded by Comm. LaBarre, moved to adjourn. Voice vote - motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 10:35 PM.

Katie Scott, Chair of
the Board of
Commissioners

Lawrence
Kestenbaum,
Clerk/Register

By: Brenden McArthur, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: March 18, 2026