



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

May 6, 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 May 6, 2026.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 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; Tina Gavalier & Catherine Jones-Alther, Finance; Guillermo Hernandez, Director of Human Resources; Brady Peck, Director of Operations; Terrence Williams, Administration; Jeff Rose, ITS; Tabatha Reynolds, Board of Commissioners Constituent Outreach Coordinator; Brenden McArthur, Clerk's Office; Eli Savit, Prosecutor; and members of the public.

Comm. LaBarre presented a resolution a small business resolution

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

1. Mary Campbell, AFSCME 2733 President, spoke in support of the Work from Home Policy.
Nancy Hine, Local 3052 President, spoke in support of the Work from Home Policy.
Courtney Aldridge, MSU Extension, thanked Commissioners for their support of the MSU Extension program.
Dirk Mayhew, Ann Arbor, spoke about Poll Worker training.
Wendy Albers, Augusta Township, spoke about the County permitting process.
Dave Davarti, Ann Arbor, spoke in opposition of the Arbor South Redevelopment Brownfield Plan.
Rodney Taylor, Augusta Township, spoke about issues with the Township Supervisor.
Dan Rubenstein spoke in opposition of the Arbor South Redevelopment Brownfield Plan.
Tom Weiner spoke in opposition of the Arbor South Redevelopment Brownfield Plan.
Jeremy Haley, Ypsilanti Township, spoke in opposition of the Arbor South

Redevelopment Brownfield Plan.

Linda Brower, Ann Arbor, spoke in opposition of the Arbor South Redevelopment Brownfield Plan.

IV. COMMISSIONER FOLLOW-UP TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Commissioners Hodge, LaBarre, Rabhi, and Scott provided follow-up to public participation.

Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. LaBarre, moved to enter closed session to review pending litigation USA V. Washtenaw County. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried at 8:06 PM.

The Commissioners returned from closed session at 8:57 PM.

V. LIAISON REPORTS

Comm. Hodge provided a liaison report.

VI. REPORT FROM THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

1. Deputy County Administrator Andrew DeLeeuw spoke about a meeting they attended with the Western Washtenaw Regional Advisory Group.
2. CFO Tina Gavalier provided a presentation on proposed funding for the Eastern Washtenaw Community Recreation Center. Commissioner questions and comments followed.

VII. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Chair Scott spoke about forming a Women's Commission.

VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Comm. Scott opened (and closed) a Public Hearing on the 2026-27 Urban County Annual Action Plan at 9:43 PM (with no public comment).
2. **26-071** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Beeman, moved that a resolution to set a Public Hearing on the 2026 millage rate be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

IX. APPOINTMENTS

1. **26-072** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing members to the Remonumentation and Land Survey Peer Review Group be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
2. **26-073** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution appointing a member to the Washtenaw County Community Action Board be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that the minutes of the April 15, 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-0034 RECEIVED: April 9, 2026: Washtenaw County DHHS: March 11, 2026, Social Services Board Meeting Minutes
R-0035 RECEIVED: April 14, 2026: Pittsfield Charter Township: Public Hearing Notice
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 April 7, 2026 through April 28, 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 the negotiation and execution of a purchase agreement contract for two residential properties from Community Mental Health be approved. Voice vote - motion carried.
 - B. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution setting the 2026 Washtenaw County Millage Rate at 7.3230 from Finance be approved. Voice vote - motion carried.
 - C. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution to authorize the above midpoint hiring of Thomas Klee as a Business Application Analyst from Information Technology be approved. Voice vote - motion carried.
 - D. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution to ratify the tentative agreement with the Assistant Prosecutor's Association be approved. Voice vote - motion carried.
2.
 - A. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution adopting the Arbor South Redevelopment Brownfield Plan in Ann Arbor, MI, from the Office of Community and Economic Development be approved. Commissioner comment regarding this item occurred.

Comm. Rabhi, seconded by Comm. Sanders moved to postpone this item to the May 20, 2026 meeting. Commissioner comment regarding this motion occurred. Roll Call Vote: 6 YEAS 3(LaBarre, Scott, Somerville) NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
 - B. **26-074** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution authorizing the Board of Public Works to renew the Western Washtenaw Recycling Authority (WWRA) operating and maintenance assessment from Public Works be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

3.

- A. **26-075** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution for authorization to exceed the \$10,000 maintenance limit on the Whitmore Lake Level District for repairs from Water Resources be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- B. **26-076** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a Resolution Honoring National Small Business Week As May 3–9, 2026 be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- C. **26-077** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution authorizing acceptance of the DTE Energy Community Support Funds to the Barrier Busters Program, from the Office of Community and Economic Development be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- D. **26-078** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a resolution honoring Tina Gavalier upon her retirement and celebrating her distinguished service to Washtenaw County be approved. Commissioner comment regarding this item occurred. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- E. **26-079** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a Proclamation Recognizing May As Asian American And Pacific Islander Heritage Month; May 10th - 17th As Taiwanese American Heritage Week; And Celebrating The 24th Anniversary Of The Michigan Taiwanese American Organization be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- F. **26-080** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that a Resolution Recognizing National Nurses Week, May 6–12, 2026, And Honoring The Contributions Of Nurses In Washtenaw County And Beyond be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

4.

- A. **26-081** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. None, moved that a resolution authorizing the payment of claims commencing with the last previously approved claim and continuing through the date of April 27, 2026 be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

XII. ITEMS FOR CURRENT/FUTURE DISCUSSION

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XIII. PENDING

- 1. **26-082** Chair Scott brought forward a proposed motion from the April 15, 2026 Board of Commissioners meeting that was moved by Comm. Hodge, and seconded by Comm. LaBarre to approve a resolution adopting a Work from Home Policy from Human Resources. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

XIV. ADJOURN TO NEXT SESSION

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

The meeting adjourned at 10:06 PM.

Katie Scott, Chair of
the Board of
Commissioners

Lawrence
Kestenbaum,
Clerk/Register

By: Brenden McArthur, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: May 20, 2026