



WASHTENAW COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 5, 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 August 5, 2026.

The meeting was called to order at 7:44 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 Derrick Jackson, Interim County Administrator; Andrew DeLeeuw, Deputy County Administrator; Michelle Billard, Corporation Counsel; Catherine Jones-Alther, Finance; Guillermo Hernandez, Director of Human Resources; Terrence Williams, Administration; Jeff Rose, ITS; Ashley Hall, Director of Board Operations; Brenden McArthur, Clerk's Office; and members of the public.

Comm. Sanders presented a Resolution Honoring the Life, Legacy, and Impact of Lorne Brown to his family and friends.

Comm. Beeman presented a Resolution Recognizing and Celebrating the 90th Annual Saline Community Fair to the fair organizers.

III. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Lauren Musla, Washtenaw County, urged support for public health and funding for reproductive healthcare.

Alex Plum, CEO of Corner Health Center, spoke in support of the Healthcare Millage.

Scott Ellis, Interim Co-Executive Director of Avalon Housing, spoke in support of fully funding shelters.

Alyshia Dyer, Washtenaw County Sheriff, spoke in support of the E911 surcharge proposal being placed on the November ballot.

Eric Cradwell, Ann Arbor, spoke about what access to healthcare means.

Monica Miller, Northfield Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.

Robert Muse, Superior Twp, spoke in opposition to bridge funding that was provided to Planned Parenthood.

Claire, Ann Arbor, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.

Evan Peabody, Augusta Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.

A resident from Chelsea spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.

Leanne Wade, Superior Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Thomas Hovey, Ypsilanti, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Jonah Condit, Ypsilanti, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Wyatt Peabody, Ypsilanti, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Veronica Meyers, Ypsilanti, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Katherine Fuerte, Ann Arbor, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Sherry Wander, Ypsilanti, spoke in support of funding shelters and warming centers.
Dave Casner, Lodi Twp, spoke in support of the E911 surcharge proposal and the healthcare millage.
Jim Rockwell, Salem Township Fire Chief, spoke in support of a unified dispatch center with equal structuring for all areas of public safety.
Doug Armstrong, Dexter Area Fire Chief, spoke in support of a unified dispatch center with equal structuring for all areas of public safety.
Shannon Gilroy spoke in support of increasing shelter space in the county.
Nicole Adelman spoke in support of increasing shelter space in the county.
Lauren Rolman, Chelsea, proposed changes to the Road Commission.
A resident spoke about Washtenaw County Community Mental Health.
Sheila Polkowski, Webster, spoke about protecting water from contamination.
Ron Romero, Washtenaw Health Project President, spoke in support of putting the healthcare millage on the ballot.
Gerald Girk, Milan, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Monica Kie, Superior Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Rebecca Lynch, Superior Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Christina Zamron, Ann Arbor, spoke in support of the healthcare millage being placed on the ballot.
Betsy Brandt, Ypsilanti, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Kathy Silkowski, York Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Joanna Bruno, York Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Samuel Silkowski, York Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Melissa Manny, Superior Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Ray Smith, Ypsilanti Township, spoke about concerns with the Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office and Prosecutor.
Leslie McGraw, Scio Twp, spoke about the 65th anniversary of the Freedom Riders and in support of free transportation to the polls, the healthcare millage, and the E911 surcharge proposal.
Charlotte Gibson, Ann Arbor, spoke in support of expanding access to healthcare.
Dominic Brown, York Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Ginger Chase, Scio Twp, spoke in support of putting the E911 Surcharge on the November ballot.
Jen Bolhurski, Northville Twp, spoke about concerns with GFL.
Ann Curry, Ann Arbor, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Francis Corsorolla, Pittsfield Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage and in support of increased funding for shelters.
Valerie Lewis, Northfield Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Rachel, Ypsilanti, spoke in opposition to abortion.
Dustin Stabling, Superior Twp, spoke in opposition of Planned Parenthood funding.
Grace Stabling, Ypsilanti, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.
Desiree Simmon, Ypsilanti, spoke in support of the healthcare millage.
Ian Robinson, Ann Arbor, spoke in support of placing the E911 surcharge and healthcare millage on the ballot.
Terez Budreau, Ann Arbor, spoke requesting more transparency on the healthcare millage.

Jeremy Haley, Ypsilanti Twp, spoke about mental health.

Keith Galry, Webster Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.

Pat Vaillienecourt, City of Manchester Mayor, spoke about concerns regarding the E911 surcharge proposal.

Andrew Manny, Superior Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.

Brenda Stumbo, Ypsilanti Twp Supervisor, spoke against adding the E911 surcharge to the agenda and about concerns with data centers.

Stan Eldridge, Ypsilanti Twp Treasurer, spoke against adding the E911 surcharge to the ballot this November.

Dirk Mayhew, Ann Arbor, spoke requesting free buses on Election Day.

Haiyan Shin, Ann Arbor, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.

Joe Hood, Ann Arbor, spoke in opposition of abortion.

Joseph Lindman, Superior Twp, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.

Bob McGill, Webster Twp, spoke about proposed amendments to the healthcare millage.

Timothy Blake, Ann Arbor, spoke in opposition to the healthcare millage.

Emily Hawkins, Ypsilanti, spoke in support of funding for the Daytime Warming Center.

Emy Deshotel spoke in support of the healthcare millage and putting the E911 surcharge on the November ballot.

Corn Williams, Ypsilanti Township, spoke about services provided by LEAF Harm Reduction and the need for more collaboration with the County.

Trische Duckworth spoke in support of putting the healthcare millage and the E911 surcharge on the ballot.

Ryan Yaple, Scio Twp Treasurer, spoke in support of the E911 surcharge being placed on the November ballot.

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IV. COMMISSIONER FOLLOW-UP TO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Commissioners Scott, Hodge, Somerville, Beeman, Maciejewski, Sanders, Lyte, LaBarre, and Rabhi provided follow-up to public participation.

Chair Scott called for recess at 11:53 PM

Chair Scott Reconvened the meeting at 12:08 AM

V. LIAISON REPORTS

None.

VI. REPORT FROM THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

Interim County Administrator Derrick Jackson spoke about issues the county has faced over the past few weeks, such as poor air quality and extreme temperatures.

VII. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

1. Chair Scott acknowledged the resolutions on the agenda that were prepared by interns.

VIII. SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

IX. APPOINTMENTS

1. **26-129** Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. Beeman, moved that A Resolution Appointing Members to the Washtenaw County Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

X. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Rabhi, moved that the minutes of the July 1, 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. Rabhi, 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-0050** RECEIVED: June 23, 2026: City of Ann Arbor: Resolution to Order Election and to Determine Ballot Question for Charter Amendment to Modify the Terms of Office
 - R-0051** RECEIVED: June 23, 2026: City of Ann Arbor: Resolution to Order Election and to Determine Ballot Question for Charter Amendment to Modify the Method for Counting Signatures of Nomination Petitions
 - R-0052** RECEIVED: June 30, 2026: Saline Township: Written Notice of an Industrial Facilities Exemption Certificate Application by Oracle America Cloud Services, LLC for a Facility to be Built in Saline Industrial Development District No. 2025-001
 - R-0053** RECEIVED: July 1, 2026: Community Mental Health Partnership of Southeast Michigan (CMHPSM): Notice that the CMHPSM Oversight Policy Board Bylaws Have Been Amended
 - R-0054** RECEIVED: July 14, 2026: City of Ann Arbor: Resolution to Approve the 2080 South State Street Annexation
 - R-0055** RECEIVED: July 22, 2026: City of Ann Arbor: Notice of Public Hearing: 315 West Huron PUD Rezoning
 - R-0056** RECEIVED: July 22, 2026: City of Manchester: Resolution Opposing the Proposed Increase to the Washtenaw County E911 Surcharge Until Greater Transparency, Equity, and Financial Accountability Are Provided
 - R-0057** RECEIVED: July 22, 2026: Dexter Township: A Resolution Urging a Slower and More Collaborative Process Before Approving the Proposed Increase to the Washtenaw County E911 Surcharge Until Greater Transparency, Equity, and Financial Accountability Are Provided
 - R-0058** RECEIVED: July 27, 2026: City of Ypsilanti Police Department: Letter in Support of E911 Surcharge
 - R-0059** RECEIVED: July 27, 2026: Milan Police Department: Letter in Support of E911 Surcharge
 - R-0060** RECEIVED: July 27, 2026: City of Saline Police Department: Letter in Support of E911 Surcharge Proposal
 - R-0061** RECEIVED: July 28, 2026: Pittsfield Township: Letter in Support of E911 Surcharge Proposal
 - R-0062** RECEIVED: July 28, 2026: City of Chelsea Police Department: Letter in Support of E911 Surcharge Proposal
 - R-0063** RECEIVED: July 28, 2026: City of Chelsea Mayor: Letter in Support of E911 Surcharge Proposal
 - R-0064** RECEIVED: July 28, 2026: City of Saline: Letter in Support of E911 Surcharge Proposal
 - R-0065** RECEIVED: July 28, 2026: Dexter Area Fire Department: Letter regarding E911 Surcharge Proposal
3. None.
4. None.
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- A. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Rabhi, moved that the following reports be received: August 4, 2026 Primary Election Report - Clerk Register Lawrence Kestenbaum. Voice vote - motion carried.
- B. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Rabhi, moved that the following reports be received: A report on contracts in the amount of \$25,000 and under from June 23, 2026 through July 27, 2026. Voice vote - motion carried. (Complete report is on file in the County Clerk/Register's Office.)
6. None.

XI. RESOLUTIONS

1. None.
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- A. Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution to Submit to the Electorate a Millage Question Authorizing Funding for Healthcare Access on the November 3, 2026 Ballot and Certifying Ballot Language be approved.

Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. Somerville, moved to amend the resolution to increase the proposed millage amount from 0.2 mil to 0.25 mil with the additional amount being used to equalize the amount received by the Washtenaw Health Plan and the Health Department. Roll Call Vote: 5 YEAS 4(Beeman, Lyte, Maciejewski, Sanders) NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. Beeman, moved to table this item. Roll Call Vote: 5 YEAS 4(LaBarre, Lyte, Rabhi, Somerville) NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

3.

- A. **26-130** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Directing the County Administrator to Develop Recommendations to Fund Healthcare Access Services and Programs be approved.

Interim County Administrator Derrick Jackson provided an overview of the options. Commissioner comment regarding this item occurred.

Comm. Maciejewski, supported by Comm. Lyte moved to amend the resolution to: NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Washtenaw County Board of Commissioners hereby directs the interim County Administrator to present a proposal, by November 4, 2026, to fund expansion of the operations of, and services delivered by, WCHD and WHP. The proposal shall not include a millage proposal or the utilization of any current county millage as a funding source. Roll Call Vote: 7 YEAS 2(LaBarre, Somerville) NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

Roll call vote on the amended resolution: 6 YEAS 3(LaBarre, Rabhi, Somerville) NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

- B. **26-131** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Adopting the Updated and Certified Washtenaw County Investment Policy from the County Treasurer be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- C. **26-132** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Ratifying the Interim County Administrator's Signature on the State of Michigan Appropriation Grant from the Prosecutor be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- D. **26-133** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Executing the Purchase Agreement Contract for Residential Property from Community Mental Health be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- E. **26-134** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Authorizing the Signature of the Interim County Administrator on the Contract Between the State of Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy for Water and Washtenaw County Health Department on the Amended Inland Lake Beach Monitoring Grant from the Health Department be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

- F. **26-135** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution to Authorize the Above Midpoint Hire of Katilyn Asher as the Immunization Nurse Coordinator from the Health Department be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- G. **26-136** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Authorizing the 2026-27 Washtenaw County Indigent Public Defense Budget and Compliance Plan from the Public Defender's Office be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- H. **26-137** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Creating 1.0 FTE Recreation Facility Superintendent Position for the Eastern Washtenaw Community Recreation Center (EWCRC), from Parks and Recreation be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- I. **26-138** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Authorizing the Innovative Fund Grant from Michigan Community Action, from the Office of Community and Economic Development be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- J. **26-139** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution to Authorize the Urban County Designation Renewal Process, from the Office of Community and Economic Development be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- K. **26-140** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Ratifying the 2026 Marine Safety Grant Through the State of Michigan Department of Natural Resources, from the Sheriff's Office be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- L. **26-141** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Setting the 2026 Washtenaw County Millage Rate for Huron-Clinton Metropolitan Authority from Finance be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- M. **26-142** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Approving the Tentative Agreement with the Public Defenders Association and Washtenaw County for 2026 and 2027 Compensation from Corporation Counsel be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- N. **26-143** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Ratifying the Employment Agreement with Interim County Administrator Derrick Jackson be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- O. **26-144** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Approving an Amendment to the Employment Agreement of Corporation Counsel Michelle Billard be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- P. **26-145** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Allocating Budgeted Housing and Homelessness Dollars to Support the Continuum of Care Winter Sheltering Task Force in their 2026-2027 Sheltering Plan be approved.

Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Somerville, moved that the resolution be amended to increase the funding allocated by \$580,560, bringing the total amount of the Washtenaw County funding for the 2026-2027 Winter Sheltering Allocation to

\$2,355,560, to be funded from the General Fund through either fund balance or current year surplus should there be enough at the end of the Q3 budget report to cover the allocation as determined by the Q3 Budget Update.

I further move that the resolution be amended to increase the expenditures authorized to support winter sheltering include the following:

1. Rental of Hotel Rooms for Overflow Emergency Sheltering - \$608,400
2. Third Party Security at Hotel- \$123,000
3. Transit for individuals and families to travel to and from hotel- \$50,000
4. Meals for individuals and families staying overnight at hotel- \$61,000

Comm. Somerville, supported by Comm. LaBarre moved to amend the amendment to add \$100,000 in funding for Daytime Warming Center. Comm. Somerville moved to withdraw this motion, Comm. LaBarre agreed.

Comm. Somerville, seconded by Comm. LaBarre, moved to amend the amendment to add \$100,000 in funding to Mission for the Daytime Warming Center. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

Roll Call Vote on the amended amendment: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

Comm. Sanders, seconded by Comm. Beeman, moved to amend the resolution allotting a minimum of \$50,000 for the Western side of the County for homelessness. Commissioner comment regarding this amendment occurred.

Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. Somerville called the question on the motion to amend. Roll Call Vote: 8 YEAS 0 NAYS 1(Lyte) ABSENT. Motion carried.

Roll call vote on the amendment: 8 YEAS 0 NAYS 1(Lyte) ABSENT. Motion carried.

Comm. Hodge, seconded by Comm. Somerville, moved to call the question of the original motion. Roll Call Vote: 7 YEAS 1(Rabhi) NAYS 1(Lyte) ABSENT. Motion carried.

Roll call vote on the resolution as amended: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

- Q. **26-146** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Recognizing August 2–8, 2026, as National Farmers Market Week be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- R. **26-147** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Recognizing and Celebrating the 90th Annual Saline Community Fair be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.
- S. **26-148** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Honoring the Life, Legacy, and Impact of Lorne Brown be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

- T. **26-149** Comm. LaBarre, seconded by Comm. Hodge, moved that A Resolution Acknowledging August 26th as Women's Equality Day be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

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- A. **26-150** 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 July 27, 2026 be approved. Roll Call Vote: 9 YEAS 0 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion carried.

XII. ITEMS FOR CURRENT/FUTURE DISCUSSION

Comm. Somerville spoke about the Space Plan Committee and the discussions they are having regarding an East Side Shelter. Discussion about this occurred.

Comm. Rabhi, seconded by Comm. LaBarre, moved that A Resolution Authorizing Submission of an Emergency 9-1-1 Surcharge Increase Question to the November 6, 2026 Ballot. Commissioner discussion regarding this item occurred. Sherriff Dyer answered questions. Roll Call Vote: 4(Hodge, LaBarre, Rabhi, Somerville) YEAS 5 NAYS 0 ABSENT. Motion failed.

XIII. PENDING

None.

XIV. ADJOURN TO NEXT SESSION

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

The meeting adjourned at 2:40 AM.

Katie Scott, Chair of
the Board of
Commissioners

Lawrence
Kestenbaum,
Clerk/Register

By: Brenden McArthur, Deputy Clerk

Board Approved: