

Roll Call

The Kalamazoo City Commission met as a Committee of the Whole on Monday, March 3, 2025 at 5:01 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT:

Mayor David Anderson
Vice Mayor Jeanne Hess
Don Cooney
Stephanie Hoffman
Chris Praedel
Alonzo Wilson

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT:

Qianna Decker

Also present were City Manager Jim Ritsema, City Attorney Aaron Leal, and City Clerk Scott Borling.

Commissioner Excused

Commissioner Hoffman, seconded by Commissioner Cooney, moved to excuse the absence of Commissioner Decker. With a voice vote the motion passed.

Public Comments

When an opportunity was given for general public comments, the following people addressed the City Commission:

An anonymous speaker, regarding the City's poor communication during a recent boil water advisory.

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Streets for All
Presentation

Christina Anderson, Community Planning and Economic Development Deputy Director, and James Baker, Public Services Director, delivered a presentation entitled *Streets for All: City of Kalamazoo, March 3, 2025*. A copy of the slides from this presentation was filed with the papers for this meeting.

Commissioner Questions:

At the conclusion of the presentation, Deputy Director Anderson and Director Baker responded to Commissioner questions regarding community outreach related to street projects; a mitigation fund for business losses due to City projects; the improvement projects on Portage Street and Kalamazoo Avenue; ways to help businesses that did not use City funds; funding delays for the federal RAISE and PROTECT grants; plans for the West Main/Michigan/Stadium/Michikal intersection; water main breaks; the status of grants for planning and engineering work; funding for local streets; and the connection between the event center timeline and the City's timeline for downtown infrastructure projects.

Commissioner Comments

Next, an opportunity was given for general comments from City Commissioners.

Commissioner Hoffman noted that Commissioner Decker had suffered a loss in her family and was travelling.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:00 p.m.



Scott A. Borling
City Clerk

Approved by the City Commission on: _____

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