Agenda
City Commission Business Meeting
City of Kalamazoo

Monday, April 6, 2026 7:00 PM

City Commission Chambers – 241 West South Street

A. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

B. OPENING CEREMONY

1. Invocation: Pastor Jermaine Gayle, Kalamazoo Seventh-Day Adventist Church

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Introduction of Guests

4. Proclamations

    a. Choices for Change - 35th Anniversary

C. ADOPTION OF FORMAL AGENDA

D. COMMUNICATIONS

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

G. CONSENT AGENDA

(Action: Motion to approve items "1-16" and authorize the City Manager to sign all documents on behalf of the City)

1. Approval of a contract extension with Earthworks Lawn and Landscape for 13 and 26 frequency 2026 property mowing in the amount of $168,760.

2. Approval of a contract supplemental and change order with Prein & Newhof for engineering services related to the 2024 Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Edison Non-Copper Service Replacement Project in the amount of $270,000.

3. Approval of a sole source purchase with Centrifuge-Systems LLC for centrifuge equipment rehabilitation in the amount of $301,040.

4. Approval of contract supplemental/change order with MES for Firefighter Turnout Gear in the amount of $527,142.

5. Approval of a contract supplemental and change order with Michigan Office Environments for office furniture associated with the 150 East Crosstown Facility Renovation Project in the amount of $976,623.39.

6. Adoption of a RESOLUTION recommending approval of a Social District Permit for Old Skool Bars, LLC located at 125 S Kalamazoo Mall.

7. Adoption of a RESOLUTION approving the Act 381 Brownfield Plan for the B on Burdick Redevelopment Project located at 802 S Burdick Street.

8. Approval of Amendment to Services Agreement with United Way of South Central Michigan for Kalamazoo Micro-Enterprise Grant program and to adjust funding sources for the KMEG program 2026 funding.

9. Approval of a Housing Development Fund deferred loan in the amount of $350,000 to Kalrecovery I Limited Dividend Housing Association Limited Partnership to construct a new 48-unit housing project to include 46 permanent supportive housing units for those recovering from opiate and methamphetamine use disorders.

10. Approval of an *Addendum to Subrecipient Agreement* with Kalrecovery I Limited Dividend Housing Association Limited Partnership for the conversion of an ARPA grant to a deferred loan in the amount of $700,000 to construct a new 48-unit housing project to include 46 permanent supportive housing units for those recovering from opiate and methamphetamine use disorders.

11. Acceptance of a Redevelopment Ready Communities technical assistance grant in the amount of $25,000 through the Community Economic Development Association of Michigan, and approval of the grant terms and a sole source agreement with MDDL for a housing development analysis in the amount of $25,000.

12. Acceptance of funding from the State of Michigan in the amount of $500,000 to purchase firefighter turnout gear; and approval of a budget amendment in the amount of $500,000 to enable expenditure of the funds.

13. Approval of the Mayor's appointments to boards, commissions, and committees:

- the appointment of **Connor Sampson** to the Downtown Development Authority and Downtown Economic Growth Authority Boards for a partial term expiring March 31, 2028.

- the appointment of **Harvin Sandhu** to the Downtown Development Authority and Downtown Economic Growth Authority Boards for a full term expiring March 31, 2030.

- the appointment of **Nelson Nave** to the Historic District Commission for a partial term expiring on January 1, 2027.

- the appointment of **Sarah Munchow** to the Natural Features Protection Review Board for a partial term expiring on March 31, 2028.

- the appointment of **Drew Duncan** to the Planning Commission for a full term expiring March 31, 2029. Included with this recommendation is a request to waive City Commission Rule 12k regarding dual board membership.

- the appointment of **Diego Sandoval** to the Planning Commission for a full term expiring March 31, 2029.

- the appointment of **Sakhi Vyas** to the Planning Commission for a full term expiring March 31, 2029.

14. Approval of the following reappointments to the Zoning Board of Appeals:

- the reappointment of **Gary Wark** for a full term expiring March 31, 2029.

- the reappointment of **Allison Hahn** for a full term expiring March 31, 2029.

- the reappointment of **Jack Urban** for a full term expiring March 31, 2029.

15. Approval of an easement agreement with Kalamazoo Public Schools (KPS) for watermain installed as part of the KPS school project on South Westnedge Avenue.

16. Approval of the minutes from the City Commission meetings on March 16, 2026.

H. REGULAR AGENDA

1. Approval of the sale of 808 Simpson Street to Kalamazoo Neighborhood Housing Services for the sale price of $500 and amend the Housing Programs budget for $970. **(Action: Motion to postpone until April 20, 2026)**

2. Approval of the purchase of Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus from MacQueen Emergency through the Sourcewell cooperative purchasing program in the amount of $1,012,900. **(Action: Motion to approve)**

3. Acceptance of a 2025 COPS Hiring Program Award from the U.S. Department of Justice in the amount of $1,250,000; authorization for the City Manager to sign the grant award and special conditions documents; approval of 10 new officer positions; and approval of a budget amendment in the amount of $1,520,000. **(Action: Motion to accept the grant award, authorize the City Manager to sign the grant award and special conditions documents, and approve the new positions and budget amendment)**

I. REPORTS AND LEGISLATION

1. City Manager's Report

J. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

K. POLICY ITEMS

L. NEW BUSINESS

M. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

N. CLOSED SESSION

O. ADJOURNMENT

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