

The Kalamazoo City Commission met as a Committee of the Whole on Monday, May 11, 2026 at 5:02 p.m. in the City Commission Chambers at City Hall.

Roll Call

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: Mayor David Anderson
 Vice Mayor Drew Duncan
 Jeanne Hess
 Stephanie Hoffman
 Jacqueline Slaby
 Alonzo Wilson

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Chris Praedel*

Also present were City Manager Malcolm Hankins, City Attorney Aaron Leal, and City Clerk Scott Borling.

Commissioner Excused

Commissioner Hess, seconded by Vice Mayor Duncan, moved to excuse the absence of Commissioner Praedel. With a voice vote the motion passed.

Public Comments

An opportunity was given for general public comments, but no comments were offered.

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 Presentation by the
 Kalamazoo County
 Childcare Coalition

Dr. Kenlana Ferguson, Executive Director of the Michigan Transformation Collective, and Beth Berglin, Policy & Strategy Director, delivered a presentation entitled *The Current State of Kalamazoo Child Care*. A copy of the slides from the presentation was filed with the papers for this meeting.

*Commissioner Praedel arrived at 5:30 p.m.

Commissioner Questions:

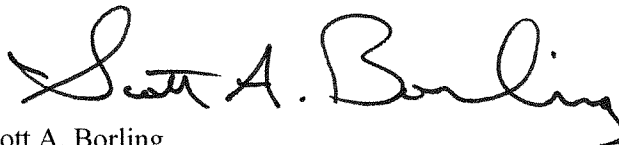
Following the presentation, the presenters responded to Commissioner questions regarding the City's participation in the Tri-Share program for its employees, the evaluation of programs funded by the childcare millage, participation by local institutions of higher education in the governance and oversight of millage-funded programs, similar initiatives by Kalamazoo's regional partners, and the number of children whose families might receive assistance from the childcare millage.

Commissioner
 Comments

Finally, an opportunity was given for Commissioner comments, but no comments were offered.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.



Scott A. Borling
 City Clerk

Approved by the City Commission on: 5/18/2026

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