



## **MLK CORRIDOR AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES**

March 24, 2023

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The MLK Corridor Authority (MLK CIA) met in-person at the Jackson King Center Recreation Center, 1107 Adrian St., Jackson, MI 49203. The meeting was called to order at 5:33 pm by Anthony Parker.

### **ROLL CALL:**

**PRESENT:** George Brown, Thaddeus Williams, Philicia Richmond, John Willis, Arlene Robinson, Daniel Mahoney, Diane Washington, Anthony Parker, Mindy Bradish-Orta (via Zoom)

**ABSENT:** James Johnson

**EXCUSED:** None

**ALSO PRESENT:** Malik Goodwin- City Representative, Shane LaPorte- City of Jackson- Community Development Department, Pastor Chris McCoy- New Level Sports Ministries.

### **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA:**

A motion was made by James Johnson and seconded by Thaddeus Williams to adopt the agenda. Motion carried, and the agenda was adopted.

### **PRESENTATION**

A presentation was made by Pastor Chris McCoy from New Level Sports Ministries in Battle Creek, Michigan. Pastor McCoy shared New Level Sports Ministries's reinvestment plans for their campus, and its associated opportunities and challenges with undertaking community development.

Another presentation was made by Shane Laporte, Director of the City of Jackson- Community Development Department. Shane shared some information about upcoming initiatives being led by his department geared to help eliminate blight, increase housing options, and strengthen relationships in the southside community.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS:**

At the discretion of Board Chair Anthony Parker, various citizen comments were made during and after the presentations we given by Pastor McCoy and Shane LaPorte.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

A motion was made by Daniel Mahoney and seconded by George Brown to adopt the minutes from the March 9, 2023, Board of Directors meeting. Motion carried.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

Malik Goodwin provided a brief overview of the discussions had regarding the strategic planning session that was held on February 28, 2023, and requested that the Board review and comment on the 2023 strategic plan summary sheet that was distributed at the Board meeting and via e-mail.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There was no new business.

**REPORT:**

Malik Goodwin reported that there would be outreach to the Board forthcoming about scheduling a kick-off meeting with the marketing and communications consultant, Idea39.

**DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS:**

The Directors provided parting comments.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

A Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by James Johnson, seconded by George Brown. The Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 pm.