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WHEREAS, alternate projects that meet all appropriated funding requirements and that will mitigate the risks of river and stormwater flooding for the benefit of local residents have been identified, now, therefore

RESOLVED, the Midland City Council commits to reallocating \$10 million of the funds administered by MEDC to complete the remaining storm sewer upsizing and culvert replacement projects recommended and approved from the Infrastructure Options Analysis Report, and pump station improvements at Emerson, Wyman, and Valley Drive. (Motion ADOPTED)

**MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUNDS**

The following resolution was then offered by Councilman Soler and seconded by Councilman Pasek:

WHEREAS, the State of Michigan has appropriated \$10 million to the City of Midland for the purpose of flood mitigation efforts within the City of Midland; and

WHEREAS, the allocation of funds is to be administered through the Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity (LEO); and

WHEREAS, having considered the funding requirements put forth by LEO as well as counsel provided by the United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE); now, therefore

RESOLVED, that the Midland City Council commits to fund the Saginaw Road Bridge Reconstruction Project and the Culvert Replacement at Sugnet Road and Snake Creek utilizing \$10 million in funds appropriated by the State of Michigan to the City of Midland through the Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, that the City Manager is authorized to execute necessary agreements with the Department of Labor and Economic Opportunity to commit the appropriated \$10 million in flood mitigation funding to the execution of the selected projects listed above, subject to review by the City Attorney. (Motion ADOPTED)

**STATE OF MICHIGAN ZONING PREEMPTION/HOUSING BILLS 5529-5532 AND 5581-5585**

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Brown Wilhelm and seconded by Councilman Soler:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MIDLAND, MICHIGAN, IN OPPOSITION TO HOUSE BILLS 5529-5532 AND 5581-5585 AS WRITTEN

WHEREAS, the City of Midland is a municipal corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Michigan and is charged with protecting the health, safety, and welfare of its residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of Midland supports local decision-making that strengthens accountability, empowers residents, and enables policies that align with and reflect the specific needs of the community; and

WHEREAS, local governance provides a transparent and participatory process where citizens and elected leaders can engage in discussion on matters that impact their daily lives; and

WHEREAS, House Bills 5529 through 5532, and 5581 through 5585 have been introduced in the Michigan House Regulatory Reform Committee and are currently before the Government Operations Committee; and

WHEREAS, this legislation introduces language that is unclear and subject to varying interpretation; and

WHEREAS, if enacted, this legislation would override and significantly undermine local zoning authority; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that state policies should not preempt local control, but instead reflect community priorities and allow zoning decisions aligned with long-range planning, local infrastructure, public safety, and economic growth; now, therefore

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RESOLVED, that the City Council of the City of Midland stands united in opposition to House Bills 5529 through 5532 and 5581 through 5585 as written; and  
RESOLVED FURTHER, that the City Council strongly urges our state legislative delegation and the members of the House Government Operations Committee to oppose this zoning preemption legislation as written; and  
RESOLVED FURTHER, that the City of Midland urges members of the Michigan Legislature to engage collaboratively with local governments and the Michigan Municipal League to develop housing policies that promote the provision of needed housing options while preserving local planning authority and protecting public infrastructure systems.  
RESOLVED FURTHER, that a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to our State Representative, State Senator, the Chair of the House Government Operations Committee, and the Governor of the State of Michigan. (Motion ADOPTED)

**SPECIAL LIQUOR LICENSE WITHIN DOWNTOWN MIDLAND'S SOCIAL DISTRICT COMMONS AREA – MIDLAND CANCER SERVICES**

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Brown Wilhelm and seconded by Councilman Soler:

WHEREAS, the Downtown Midland Social District and the Commons Area were approved by Midland City Council on March 21, 2021; and  
WHEREAS, a recent revision to the Social District legislation now allows for Midland City Council to approve an outside organization to apply for a special event liquor license that may be used in an identified space within The Commons; and  
WHEREAS, a request has been received from Midland Cancer Services to hold the annual *Dinner on Main – Gather for Good* event on Main Street between Gordon Street and Ashman Street on Thursday, August 20, 2026, which is located within the Downtown Midland Social District identified Commons area; and  
WHEREAS, any alcohol distributed as part of the *Dinner on Main – Gather for Good* event must remain inside the identified event area, and any alcohol purchased from a Commons provider must not enter the special event liquor license space; now, therefore  
RESOLVED, that Midland City Council hereby approves the request from Midland Cancer Services for a special event liquor license for the *Dinner on Main – Gather for Good* event, to take place in the Downtown Midland Social District Commons area on Main Street between Gordon Street and Ashman Street on Thursday, August 20, 2026. (Motion ADOPTED)

**TRAFFIC CONTROL ORDER NO. P-26-01**

The following resolution was offered by Councilman Brown Wilhelm and seconded by Councilman Soler:

RESOLVED, that Traffic Control Order P-26-01 filed January 26, 2026, pursuant to Chapter 24 of the Code of Ordinances to establish traffic control as follows:

That there shall be NO STOPPING, NO STANDING, NO PARKING 8AM TO 4PM SCHOOL DAYS ONLY on the east side of Congress Drive from Mt. Vernon Drive to 140 feet north of Mt. Vernon Drive.

That there shall be NO STOPPING, NO STANDING, NO PARKING 8AM TO 4PM SCHOOL DAYS ONLY on the north side of Mt. Vernon Drive from Congress Drive to 145 feet east of Congress Drive.

is hereby made permanent and previous Traffic Control Orders for parking within these limits be rescinded. (Motion ADOPTED)