

**MICHIGAN STRATEGIC FUND
APPROVED MEETING MINUTES
March 24, 2026**

Member Present

Quentin L Messer, Jr.

Members Joined Remotely

Britany Affolter-Caine

Wesley Eklund

Rachael Eubanks

John Groen (on behalf of Director Corbin)

Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Wieferich)

Lynda Rossi

Susan Tellier

Absent

Dimitrius Hutcherson

Dan Meyering

Randy Thelen

I. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

Mr. Messer called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. The meeting was held in person in the Lake Michigan Conference Room at the MEDC headquarters building in Lansing.

Mr. Messer introduced Natalie Davenport, MSF Administrator, who conducted the attendance roll call.

II. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Davenport explained the process for members of the public to participate.

III. COMMUNICATIONS

Ms. Davenport stated that communications were shared with the MSF Board on Friday, March 20th, Monday, March 23rd, and Tuesday, March 24th.

Dr. Affolter-Caine provided updates on MSF Subcommittee activities in March.

IV. CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 2026-027, Approval of Consent Agenda Items

Mr. Messer asked if there were any questions from Board Members regarding items under

the Consent Agenda. There being none, Quentin L. Messer, Jr. motioned for approval of the following:

- a. February 24, 2026, Meeting Minutes
- b. C3 Venture Flint, LLC: MBDP Loan Write-Off **2026-028**
- c. Former AMC Headquarters Redevelopment Project: Act 381 Work Plan Amendment **2026-029**
- d. Public Spaces Community Places Program RFP Award Recommendation **2026-030**
- e. MSF Public Comment Policy Revisions **2026-031**
- f. Michigan Emerging Technology Fund: No-Cost Extension Request **2026-032**

Quentin L. Messer, Jr. motioned for the approval of Resolution 2026-027 to approve the Consent Agenda. Dr. Britany Affolter-Caine. seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 9 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Dr. Britany Affolter Caine, Wesley Eklund, Rachael Eubanks, John Groen (on behalf of Director Corbin, designation attached), Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Wieferich, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Leon Richardson, Lynda Rossi, Susan Tellier; Nays: None; Recused: None.

V. ATTRACT, RETAIN, AND GROW BUSINESS

- a. **Resolutions 2026-033 & 2026-034 LCT Opco LLC (La Colombe) Strategic Site Readiness Program Grand and Michigan Business Development Program Grant**
Michelle Grinnell, Chief Communications & Attraction Officer, provided the Board with information on the requested action. The request involves the consideration of a resolution to approve a Strategic Site Readiness Program Grant in the amount of \$28,000,000 to Muskegon County, and a Michigan Business Development Program Grant in the amount of \$5,000,000 to LCT Opco LLC.

Following discussion, John Groen motioned for the approval of Resolution 2026-033 to approve the Strategic Site Readiness Program Grant to Muskegon County. Lynda Rossi seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 9 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Dr. Britany Affolter Caine, Wesley Eklund, Rachael Eubanks, John Groen (on behalf of Director Corbin, designation attached), Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Wieferich, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Leon Richardson, Lynda Rossi, Susan Tellier; Nays: None; Recused: None.

Quentin L Messer, Jr. motioned for the approval of Resolution 2026-034 to approve the Michigan Business Development Program Grant to LCT Opco, LLC. Leon Richardson seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 9 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Dr. Britany Affolter Caine, Wesley Eklund, Rachael Eubanks, John Groen (on behalf of Director Corbin, designation attached), Michael B.

Kapp (on behalf of Director Wieferich, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Leon Richardson, Lynda Rossi, Susan Tellier; Nays: None; Recused: None.

b. Resolutions 2026-035 & 2026-036 fairlife, LLC Strategic Site Readiness Program Grant and Alternative State Essential Services Assessment Exemption

Michelle Grinnell, Chief Communications & Attraction Officer, provided the Board with information on the requested action. The request involves the consideration of a resolution to approve a Strategic Site Readiness Program Grant in the amount of \$17,000,000 to the City of Coopersville and a 15-year Alternative State Essential Services Assessment Abatement with an estimated value of \$3,932,310 to fairlife, LLC.

Following discussion, Dr. Britany Affolter-Caine motioned for the approval of Resolution 2026-035 to approve the Strategic Site Readiness Program Grant to the City of Coopersville. Quentin L Messer, Jr. seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 9 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Dr. Britany Affolter Caine, Wesley Eklund, Rachael Eubanks, John Groen (on behalf of Director Corbin, designation attached), Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Wieferich, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Leon Richardson, Lynda Rossi, Susan Tellier; Nays: None; Recused: None.

Quentin L Messer, Jr. motioned for the approval of Resolution 2026-036 to approve Alternative State Essential Services Assessment Exemption to fairlife, LLC. Dr. Britany Affolter Caine seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 9 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Dr. Britany Affolter Caine, Wesley Eklund, Rachael Eubanks, John Groen (on behalf of Director Corbin, designation attached), Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Wieferich, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Leon Richardson, Lynda Rossi, Susan Tellier; Nays: None; Recused: None.

VI. DEVELOP ATTRACTIVE PLACES

a. Resolutions 2026-037 & 2026-038 Abode Fulton, LLC, Michigan Community Revitalization Program Loan and Act 381 Work Plan

Rachel Elsinga, Community Development Manager for Region 4, provided the Board with information on the requested action. The request involves the consideration of a resolution to approve a Michigan Community Revitalization Program Loan in the amount of \$4,750,000 to Abode Fulton, LLC, and state tax capture for Act 381 eligible activities capped at \$1,798,905, utilizing the current state to local capture ratio, to Abode Fulton, LLC, and the City of Grand Rapids Brownfield Redevelopment Authority.

Following discussion, Quentin L Messer, Jr. motioned for the approval of Resolution 2026-037 to approve the Michigan Community Revitalization Program Loan to Abode

Fulton, LLC. Leon Richardson seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 9 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Dr. Britany Affolter Caine, Wesley Eklund, Rachael Eubanks, John Groen (on behalf of Director Corbin, designation attached), Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Wieferich, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Leon Richardson, Lynda Rossi, Susan Tellier; Nays: None; Recused: None.

Quentin L Messer, Jr. motioned for the approval of Resolution 2026-038 to approve the Act 381 Work Plan to the City of Grand Rapids Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. Leon Richardson seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 9 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Dr. Britany Affolter Caine, Wesley Eklund, Rachael Eubanks, John Groen (on behalf of Director Corbin, designation attached), Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Wieferich, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Leon Richardson, Lynda Rossi, Susan Tellier; Nays: None; Recused: None.

VII. CAPITAL ACCESS

a. Resolution 2026-039 Kraft Avenue Properties, LLC, Private Activity Bonds Inducement & Authorization

Amber Westendorp, Capital Project and Portfolio Manager, provided the Board with information on the requested action. The request involves the consideration of a resolution to approve the authorization and inducement of Private Activity Bonds in the amount not to exceed \$915,000 to Kraft Avenue Properties, LLC.

Quentin L. Messer motioned for the approval of Resolution 2026-039 to approve the inducement and authorization of Private Activity Bonds to Kraft Avenue Properties, LLC. Dr. Britany Affolter Caine seconded the motion. **The motion carried: 9 ayes; 0 nays; 0 recused.**

ROLL CALL VOTE: Ayes: Dr. Britany Affolter Caine, Wesley Eklund, Rachael Eubanks, John Groen (on behalf of Director Corbin, designation attached), Michael B. Kapp (on behalf of Director Wieferich, designation attached), Quentin L. Messer, Jr., Leon Richardson, Lynda Rossi, Susan Tellier; Nays: None; Recused: None.

IX. INFORMATIONAL

- a. Mr. Messer noted that the Michigan Strategic Fund Delegation of Authority Report from February 1, 2026, to February 28, 2026, was included in the meeting packet. There were no questions regarding the report.

Mr. Messer adjourned the meeting at 10:14 a.m.



STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION
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GRETCHEN WHITMER
GOVERNOR

BRADLEY C. WIEFERICH, P.E.
ACTING DIRECTOR

January 3, 2023

Ms. Rhonda Bishop
Board Relations Liaison
Michigan Strategic Fund Office
300 N. Washington Square
Lansing, Michigan 48913

Dear Ms. Bishop:

I hereby confirm and ratify my designation of Michael B. Kapp, Administrator, Michigan Department of Transportation, as the person authorized and empowered to act in my stead for Michigan Strategic Fund meetings that I am unable to attend.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Bradley C. Wieferich".

Bradley C. Wieferich, P.E.
Acting Director

cc: M. Kapp
Executive File



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STATE OF MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY
LANSING

SUSAN CORBIN
DIRECTOR

March 14, 2025

Ms. Natalie Davenport
Michigan Strategic Fund Administrator
300 North Washington Square
Lansing, Michigan 48913

Re: Michigan Strategic Fund Board Meeting Designee

Dear Ms. Davenport,

Pursuant to MCLA 16.51, I hereby confirm my designation of John Groen as the person authorized and empowered to act in my stead as a member of the Michigan Strategic Fund Board for scheduled meetings or portions thereof that I am unable to attend.

If you need anything additional, please contact Amaya Durkee at 616-522-7772 or DurkeeA4@michigan.gov.

If you need

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Susan R. Corbin".

Susan R. Corbin
Director

March 23, 2026

Michigan Strategic Fund Board
300 N. Washington
Lansing, MI 48913

Dear Strategic Fund Board Members:

On behalf of Dairy Farmers of America, I am pleased to provide a letter of support for the La Colombe project in Norton Shores, Mich. and the fairlife project in Coopersville, Mich.

Michigan's robust agriculture sector contributes over \$125 billion annually to the state's economy, making it the second largest industry in the state. Of that \$125 billion, the dairy industry is the largest economic contributor. These two projects will help continue the upward trajectory of dairy processing in the state and help ensure the longevity of Michigan dairy farms for generations to come.

Not long ago, Michigan dairy farmers were forced to ship their milk out of state to be processed, lowering milk value and raising transportation costs paid by farmers. Thanks to the state's efforts to attract strategic investments into dairy processing, Michigan dairy farmers now benefit from expanded and more profitable market opportunities. The La Colombe and fairlife investments will build on this momentum, keeping more food production within Michigan and strengthening the competitiveness of the state's dairy farmers.

Furthermore, the state's roughly 800 dairy farms are located in rural communities where dairy farmers support local businesses, many of which they rely on for their daily needs. These projects are a win, not only for the communities of Norton Shores and Coopersville but Michigan's rural communities as well.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions or would like to discuss these comments further.

Sincerely,



Scott Corrin
Director of Operations and Business Development
Dairy Farmers of America- Mideast Area

Cc: La Colombe/Chobani representatives
Fairlife representatives
MDARD executive office
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March 20, 2026

Quentin L. Messer, Jr.
CEO, Michigan Economic Development Corporation
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Lansing, MI 48913

Re: Letter of Support – Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) Grant Request

Dear Director Messer,

On behalf of the Michigan Dairy Foods Association (MDFA), I write in support of the City of Coopersville's request for \$17 million in Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) assistance to advance critical public water infrastructure and strengthen long-term site readiness in the Ottawa County region.

The SSRP-backed improvements—including a new transmission main and increased water storage—are essential investments. These upgrades will strengthen potable water service, benefit residents, agriculture, and employers, and improve system reliability and resilience.

As the trade organization representing dairy processors from across our state, we recognize the importance of public infrastructure investments that pave the way for sustainable economic development in communities. While these improvements support a major employer's growth, they also enhance the entire region. By increasing water capacity and system redundancy, the project will unlock development potential for industrial parcels, support agriculture and food processing related industries, enable future housing development tied to workforce growth, and strengthen regional competitiveness.

For small communities like Coopersville, these costs exceed what local rates can cover. State participation through SSRP is essential to advancing this project in a fiscally responsible manner that benefits the broader public.

For these reasons, MDFA strongly supports the approval of SSRP funding for Coopersville's infrastructure improvements. Thank you for your consideration. If additional information would be helpful, please feel free to contact me on my cell at (517) 648-9274 or via email at jason@kdafirm.com.

Sincerely,

Jason Wadaga
Executive Director
Michigan Dairy Foods Association



Since 1911

Ottawa County Road Commission

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March 17, 2026

Quentin L. Messer, Jr.
CEO, Michigan Economic Development Corporation
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Lansing, MI 48913

Re: Letter of Support – Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) Grant Request

Dear Director Messer,

On behalf of the Ottawa County Road Commission, I write in support of the City of Coopersville's request for \$17 million in Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) assistance to advance critical public water infrastructure and strengthen long-term site readiness in the Ottawa County region.

The SSRP-backed improvements, including a new transmission main and increased water storage, are essential investments. These upgrades will strengthen potable water service, benefit residents, agriculture, and employers, and improve system reliability and resilience.

As the Public Utilities Director, we recognize the importance of public infrastructure investments that pave the way for sustainable economic development in communities. While these improvements support a major employer's growth, they also enhance the entire region. By increasing water capacity and system redundancy, the project will unlock development potential for industrial parcels, support agriculture and food processing related industries, enable future housing development tied to workforce growth, and strengthen regional competitiveness.

For small communities like Coopersville, these costs exceed what local rates can cover. State participation through SSRP is essential to advancing this project in a fiscally responsible manner that benefits the broader public.

For these reasons, the Ottawa County Road Commission strongly supports the approval of SSRP funding for Coopersville's infrastructure improvements. Thank you for your consideration. If additional information would be helpful, please feel free to contact me at 616-850-7208 or pstaskiewicz@ottawacorc.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Patrick J. Staskiewicz".

Patrick J. Staskiewicz, P.E.
Public Utilities Director
Ottawa County Road Commission



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March 20, 2026

Quentin L. Messer, Jr.
CEO, Michigan Economic Development Corporation
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Lansing, MI 48913

Re: Letter of Support – Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) Grant Request

Dear Director Messer,

I am pleased to extend my strong support for the City of Coopersville's request for \$17 million in Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) assistance to advance critical public water infrastructure and strengthen long-term site readiness in the Ottawa County region.

The SSRP-backed improvements—including a new transmission main and increased water storage—are essential investments. These upgrades will strengthen potable water service, benefit residents, agriculture, and employers, and improve system reliability and resilience. Importantly, this project will also support the Muskegon County Resource Recovery Center through incremental user fees generated by increased usage of the Southeast Regional Force Main, a project I supported in 2022.

I recognize the importance of public infrastructure investments that pave the way for sustainable economic development in our local communities. While these improvements will support a major employer's growth, they also enhance the entire three-county region: Ottawa, Muskegon and Kent. By increasing water capacity and system redundancy, the project will unlock development potential for industrial parcels, support agriculture and food processing related industries, enable future housing development tied to workforce growth, and strengthen regional competitiveness along its route.

For small communities like Coopersville, upgrade costs exceed what local rates can cover. State participation through SSRP is essential to advancing this project in a fiscally responsible manner that benefits the broader public.

Therefore, it is a pleasure to write this letter in support of the City of Coopersville SSRP funding request. If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact my office by phone at (517) 373-1635 or by email at SenJBumstead@senate.michigan.gov.

Best regards,

Jon Bumstead
State Senator
Michigan Senate District 32



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STATE SENATOR
30TH DISTRICT

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DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND ECONOMIC
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March 20, 2026

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Re: Letter of Support – Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) Grant Request

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I recognize the importance of public infrastructure investments that pave the way for sustainable economic development in our local communities. While these improvements will support a major employer's growth, they also enhance the entire three-county region: Ottawa, Muskegon and Kent. By increasing water capacity and system redundancy, the project will unlock development potential for industrial parcels, support agriculture and food processing related industries, enable future housing development tied to workforce growth, and strengthen regional competitiveness along its route.

For small communities like Coopersville, upgrade costs exceed what local rates can cover. State participation through SSRP is essential to advancing this project in a fiscally responsible manner that benefits the broader public.

For these reasons, I support the approval of SSRP funding for Coopersville's infrastructure improvements. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Mark E. Huizenga
State Senator, 30th District

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March 17, 2026

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Re: Letter of Support – Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) Grant Request

Dear Director Messer,

On behalf of the City of Coopersville, I write in support of the City of Coopersville's request for \$17 million in Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) assistance to advance critical public water infrastructure and strengthen long-term site readiness in the Ottawa County region.

The SSRP backed improvements – including a new transmission main and increased water storage are essential investments. These upgrades will strengthen potable water service, benefit residents, agriculture, and employers, and improve system reliability and resilience.

As the Coopersville City Manager, we recognize the importance of public infrastructure investments that pave the way for sustainable economic development in communities. While these improvements support a major employer's growth, they also enhance the entire region. By increasing water capacity and system redundancy, the project will unlock development potential for industrial parcels, support agriculture and food processing related industries, enable future housing development tied to workforce growth, and strengthen regional competitiveness.

For small communities like Coopersville, these costs exceed what local rates can cover. State participation through SSRP is essential to advancing this project in a fiscally responsible manner that benefits the broader public.

For these reasons, the City of Coopersville strongly supports the approval of SSRP funding for Coopersville's infrastructure improvements. Thank you for your consideration. If additional information would be helpful, please feel free to contact me at (616) 997-2119 or at dluce@cityofcoopersville.com.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Dennis Luce', is written over a light blue horizontal line.

Dennis Luce
City Manager



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Quentin L. Messer, Jr.
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Letter of Support – Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) Grant Request

Dear Director Messer,

I write in support of the City of Coopersville's request for \$17 million in Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) assistance to advance critical public water infrastructure and strengthen long-term site readiness in the Ottawa County region.

The SSRP-backed improvements—including a new transmission main and increased water storage—are essential investments. These upgrades will strengthen potable water service, benefit residents, agriculture, and employers, and improve system reliability and resilience.

I recognize the importance of public infrastructure investments that pave the way for sustainable economic development in our local communities. While these improvements will support a major employer's growth, they also enhance the entire three-county region: Ottawa, Muskegon and Kent. By increasing water capacity and system redundancy, the project will unlock development potential for industrial parcels, support agriculture and food processing related industries, enable future housing development tied to workforce growth, and strengthen regional competitiveness along its route.

For small communities like Coopersville, upgrade costs exceed what local rates can cover. State participation through SSRP is essential to advancing this project in a fiscally responsible manner that benefits the broader public.

For these reasons, I support the approval of SSRP funding for Coopersville's infrastructure improvements. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Representative Carol Glanville
House District 84
Michigan House of Representatives



Patrick B. Waterman
County Administrator

Brian Dissette
Deputy County Administrator

March 17, 2026

Quentin L. Messer, Jr.
Chief Executive Officer
Michigan Economic Development Corporation
300 N. Washington Square
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Subject: Letter of Support – Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) Grant Request

Dear Mr. Messer,

On behalf of Ottawa County, I am pleased to offer strong support for the City of Coopersville's application for \$17 million in Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) funding to enhance public water infrastructure and promote site readiness throughout our region.

The proposed SSRP-supported upgrades, including installation of a new transmission main and expansion of water storage capacity, are essential investments in regional infrastructure. These improvements will significantly strengthen potable water service, benefiting residents, agricultural operations, and employers, while also improving system reliability and resilience.

Ottawa County values its partnership with the City of Coopersville and recognizes the critical role that public infrastructure plays in facilitating sustainable economic development. These enhancements not only accommodate the growth of major employers but also positively impact the broader community. By increasing water capacity and redundancy, this project will unlock development opportunities for industrial parcels, support agricultural and food processing industries, enable future housing related to workforce expansion, and boost overall regional competitiveness.

Given the scale of these improvements, small communities such as Coopersville cannot reasonably cover these costs through local revenues alone. Therefore, state involvement via the SSRP is vital to ensuring this initiative proceeds in a fiscally prudent manner that serves the wider public interest.

For these reasons, Ottawa County fully endorses the approval of SSRP funding for Coopersville's infrastructure advancements. Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 616-738-4898 or pwaterman@miottawa.org.

Sincerely,

Patrick B. Waterman
County Administrator



Water System
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March 17, 2026

Quentin L. Messer, Jr.
CEO, Michigan Economic Development Corporation
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Re: Letter of Support – Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) Grant Request

Dear Director Messer,

On behalf of the City of Grand Rapids, I write in support of the City of Coopersville’s request for \$17 million in Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) assistance to advance critical public water infrastructure and strengthen long-term site readiness in the Ottawa County region.

The SSRP-backed improvements—including a new transmission main and increased water storage—are essential investments. These upgrades will strengthen potable water service, benefit residents, agriculture, and employers, and improve system reliability and resilience.

As the Utilities Director for the City of Grand Rapids, it is our responsibility to treat and pump water throughout Ottawa and Kent Counties to numerous partner and customer communities. Through Ottawa County, the City of Coopersville is one of those communities we take great pride in serving. The City of Grand Rapids recognizes the importance of public infrastructure investments that pave the way for sustainable economic development in communities. While these improvements support a major employer’s growth, they also enhance the entire region. By increasing water capacity and system redundancy, the project will unlock development potential for industrial parcels, support agriculture and food processing related industries, enable future housing development tied to workforce growth, and strengthen regional competitiveness.

For small communities like Coopersville, these costs exceed what local rates can cover. State participation through SSRP is essential to advancing this project in a fiscally responsible manner that benefits the broader public.

For these reasons, the City of Grand Rapids strongly supports the approval of SSRP funding for Coopersville’s infrastructure improvements. Thank you for your consideration.

If additional information would be helpful, please feel free to contact me at 616-456-4055 or wjernberg@grcity.us.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Wayne Jernberg". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Wayne" and last name "Jernberg" clearly distinguishable.

Wayne Jernberg, PE
Utilities Director



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PROTECTING MICHIGAN EMPLOYEES
AND SMALL BUSINESSES

March 19, 2026

Quentin L. Messer, Jr.
CEO, Michigan Economic Development Corporation
300 N. Washington Square
Lansing, MI 48913

Re: Letter of Support – Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) Grant Request

Dear CEO Quentin L. Messer, Jr.,

I write in support of the City of Coopersville's request for \$17 million in Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) assistance to advance critical public water infrastructure and strengthen the long-term economic opportunities in the region. The SSRP-backed improvements, including a new transmission main and increased water storage, are essential investments.

I recognize the importance of public infrastructure investments that pave the way for sustainable economic development in our local communities. By increasing water capacity and system redundancy, the project will unlock development potential for industrial parcels, support the agriculture and food processing industries, enable future housing development tied to workforce growth, and strengthen regional competitiveness along its route.

In small communities like Coopersville, upgrade costs exceed what local rates can cover. State participation through SSRP is essential to advancing this project in a fiscally responsible manner.

For these reasons, I support the approval of SSRP funding for Coopersville's infrastructure improvements. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Will Snyder
State Representative, 87th District

March 20, 2026

Quentin L. Messer, Jr.
CEO, Michigan Economic Development Corporation
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Lansing, MI 48913

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For these reasons, I support the approval of SSRP funding for Coopersville’s infrastructure improvements. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Roger Victory
Michigan State Senator



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March 20, 2026

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The SSRP-backed improvements—including a new transmission main and increased water storage—are essential investments. These upgrades will strengthen potable water service, benefit residents, agriculture, and employers, and improve system reliability and resilience.

I recognize the importance of public infrastructure investments that pave the way for sustainable economic development in our local communities. While these improvements will support a major employer's growth, they also enhance the entire three-county region: Ottawa, Muskegon and Kent. By increasing water capacity and system redundancy, the project will unlock development potential for industrial parcels, support agriculture and food processing related industries, enable future housing development tied to workforce growth, and strengthen regional competitiveness along its route.

For small communities like Coopersville, upgrade costs exceed what local rates can cover. State participation through SSRP is essential to advancing this project in a fiscally responsible manner that benefits the broader public.

For these reasons, I support the approval of SSRP funding for Coopersville's infrastructure improvements. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

State Representative
89th House District



March 18, 2026

Quentin L. Messer, Jr.
CEO, Michigan Economic Development Corporation
300 N. Washington Square
Lansing, MI 48913

Re: Letter of Support – Strategic Site Readiness Program (SSRP) Grant Request

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The SSRP-backed improvements—including a new transmission main and increased water storage—are essential investments. These upgrades will strengthen potable water service, benefit residents, agriculture, and employers, and improve system reliability and resilience.

As a neighboring community that is also part of this water system, we recognize the importance of public infrastructure investments that pave the way for sustainable economic development in communities. While these improvements support a major employer's growth, they also enhance the entire region. By increasing water capacity and system redundancy, the project will unlock development potential for industrial parcels, support agriculture and food processing related industries, enable future housing development tied to workforce growth, and strengthen regional competitiveness.

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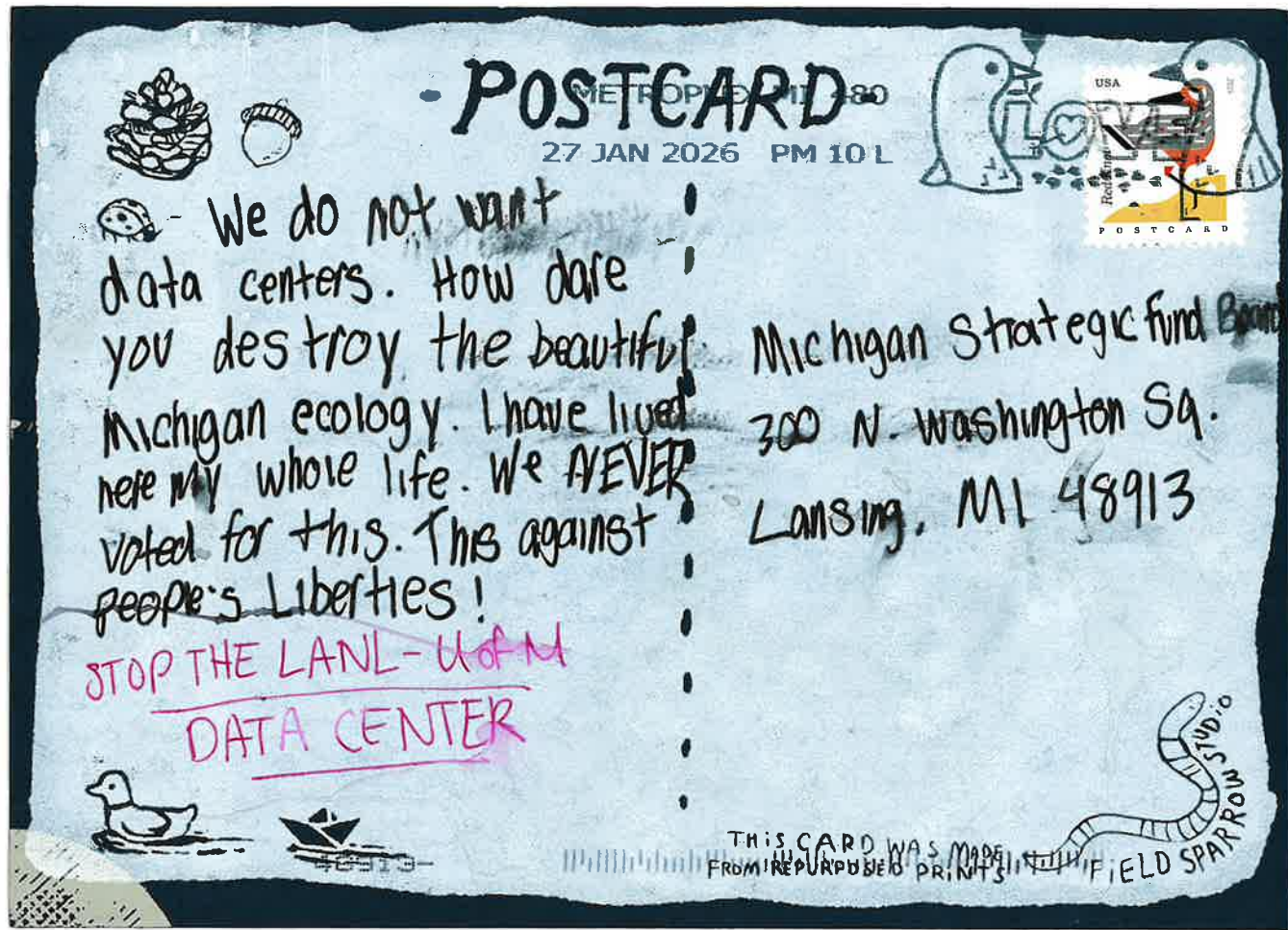
For these reasons, Polkton Charter Township strongly supports the approval of SSRP funding for Coopersville's infrastructure improvements. Thank you for your consideration. If additional information would be helpful, please feel free to contact me at supervisor@polktontownship.com

Sincerely,

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Supervisor
Polkton Charter Township



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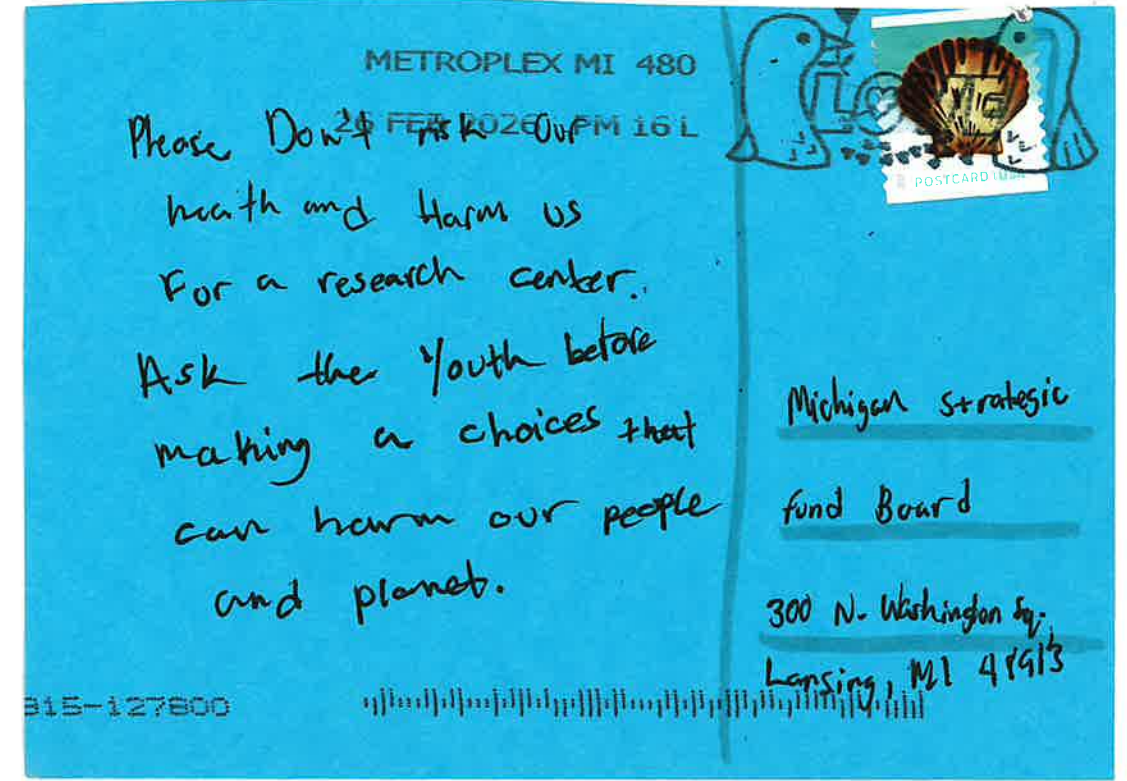
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