



City of Marquette, MI

Meeting Agenda City Commission

300 West Baraga Ave
Marquette, Michigan
49855

Monday, June 29, 2026

6:00 PM

Commission Chambers

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

Approval of the Agenda

Announcements

Public Comments - Comments may not exceed three minutes per person. Please state your name and physical address when making public comments.

Presentation(s)

1. Recognition of City Retiree- Mark O'Neill
2. Lifesaving Efforts, by Fire Chief Ian Davis
3. Marquette Brownfield Redelopment Authority, by Callie New

Consent Agenda

4. Consent Items

- 4.a Approve the minutes of the June 16, 2026 special City Commission meeting
- 4.b Approve the total bills payable in the amount of \$2,955,749.12
- 4.c Cardiac Monitor Contract
- 4.d Freedom Monument — Donation Acceptance
- 4.e Marquette Cultural Trailhead - Construction Contract Change Order
- 4.f Marquette Cultural Trailhead - Grant Award
- 4.g Marquette Cultural Trailhead - Rotary Donation

New Business

- 5 AARP Age Friendly Communities Application — Resolution of Support - Roll Call Vote

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Comments from the Commission

Comments from the City Manager

Adjournment

Kyle Whitney, City Clerk

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Presentation(s)

Recognition of City Retiree- Mark O'Neill

BACKGROUND:

FISCAL EFFECT:

RECOMMENDATION:

ALTERNATIVES:

As determined by the Commission.

ATTACHMENTS:

None

City of Marquette, MI



Meeting Minutes City Commission

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5:00 PM
Commission Chambers

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Special Meeting

Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call

Present: Paul Schloegel, Michael Larson, Cody Mayer, Cary Gottlieb, Jessica Hanley, Jermey Ottaway

Absent: Sally Davis

Jessica Hanley moved to excuse Commissioner Davis for personal reasons, seconded by Cary Gottlieb. The motion carried unanimously.

Approval of the Agenda

Jessica Hanley moved to Approve the agenda as presented, seconded by Michael Larson. The motion carried unanimously.

Announcements

Mayor Schloegel had no announcements.

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Several members of the public offered comments on the proposed ordinance, reflecting a wide range of viewpoints. Many speakers expressed appreciation for the work of the E-bike and Multi-Use Task Force and acknowledged the effort that went into developing the recommendations. Additional suggestions were raised for potential inclusion in the ordinance, such as establishing speed limits for path users, creating training or education requirements for younger riders, and revising the definition of "mobility device."

Consent Agenda

1. Consent Items

- 1.a Approve the minutes of the June 8, 2026 regular City Commission meeting

Michael Larson moved to Approve the consent agenda as presented, seconded by Jermey Ottaway. The motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing

2. Ordinance 26-05: Use of Multi-Use Paths - Roll Call Vote

Prior to the public hearing the City Manager and City staff gave a presentation, providing an overview of the timeline of the development of the taskforce to the point of the ordinance being proposed. City staff presented an in-depth review of each section of the ordinance to provide clarity and reasoning for the specific language being used. Staff stated the ordinance was drafted with State Law in mind and mirrored language from other communities who have adopted similar ordinances.

Following the presentation, the Mayor opened it up for public comments. Public comment was given by Chris Murdock. He stated he wished to see dedicated signage on the path and education given to tourists and Northern Michigan University students.

After receiving no further comments, the public hearing was closed. **Jessica Hanley moved to adopt Ordinance 26-05, seconded by Cary Gottlieb.** A period of discussion followed. During this discussion, Commissioners posed several questions to City staff regarding the need for signage along the multi-use path to clearly communicate the new regulations, as well as how the ordinance would apply to sidewalk use and interactions with pedestrians. Commissioners also sought clarification from City staff about enforcement procedures.

At the conclusion of discussion, the Commission voted on the motion. **The motion passed unanimously.**

Comments from the Commission

Commissioner Gottlieb thanked City staff for the time and effort invested in developing Ordinance 26-05 and recognized the dedication of the Task Force.

Commissioner Hanley also expressed appreciation for City staff and the Task Force. She noted that the ordinance is a positive step forward, while acknowledging that there is always room for improvement. She emphasized the importance of providing training and education for youth riders.

Commissioner Ottaway thanked both the Task Force and City staff, and noted that this ordinance represents the beginning of an ongoing conversation. He highlighted that many staff members contributed to the development and review of the ordinance prior to its consideration by the Commission.

Commissioner Larson echoed the gratitude expressed by his colleagues toward the Task Force and City staff. He also pointed out that one of the ordinance's key strengths is its focus on regulating rider behavior.

Commissioner Mayer recognized the significant amount of staff time dedicated to creating the ordinance and stated that it addresses most of the concerns raised by both the community and the Commission regarding e-bikes and use of the multi-use path.

Mayor Schloegel concurred with the Commissioners' sentiments and echoed their support for the ordinance. He also spoke on the potential for the creation of informational brochures that could be provided to riders by local businesses and the school resource officer.

Public Comments - Comments may not exceed three minutes per person. Please state your name and physical address when making public comments.

Public Commenters acknowledged pedestrians on the sidewalks and the importance of advocating for the safety of all user groups.

Comments from the City Manager

City Manager Kovacs thanked everyone for the collaborative effort throughout the entire process. She recognized that specific concerns that were brought up did not go unheard but will continue to be discussed and addressed through other avenues.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:21 p.m.

Paul Schloegel, Mayor

Kyle Whitney, City Clerk

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Consent Agenda

Cardiac Monitor Contract

BACKGROUND:

The Fire Department has identified the replacement of three cardiac monitors as a multi-year capital need and originally planned to budget for one unit annually over the next three fiscal years. Through Stryker's municipal financing program, the Department has the opportunity to acquire all three units immediately while spreading the cost over the same three-year period with no interest. Acquiring all three units at this time will ensure consistent equipment across front-line apparatus and provide immediate access to the latest monitoring technology for patient care.

The Fire Department recommends waiving the competitive bidding process because Stryker is the sole provider of this equipment and acquiring this equipment will maintain continuity of operational expertise and consistency with the department's existing equipment.

FISCAL EFFECT:

The agreement provides for the purchase of three cardiac monitors through a three-year financing arrangement consisting of three annual payments of \$46,785.84. The first payment is anticipated to occur in FY 2027, with remaining payments due in FY 2028 and FY 2029. Future budgets will include appropriations necessary to satisfy the annual payment obligations.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the Short Form Conditional Sale Agreement with Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC, for the purchase of three Stryker LP35 cardiac monitors through a three-year financing arrangement, and authorize the City Manager to sign the agreement.

ALTERNATIVES:

As determined by the Commission.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. City of Marquette-SFCSA 6.17.26

Date: June 17, 2026

RE: Reference no:2210295703

City of Marquette
418 S 3RD ST
MARQUETTE, Michigan 49855-4739

Thank you for choosing Stryker for your equipment needs. Enclosed please find the documents necessary to enter into the arrangement. Once all of the documents are completed, properly executed and returned to us, we will issue an order for the equipment.

PLEASE COMPLETE ALL ENCLOSED DOCUMENTS TO EXPEDITE THE SHIPMENT OF YOUR ORDER.

- Short Form Conditional Sale Agreement**
- Exhibit A - Detail of Equipment**
- State and Local Government Rider**
- Addendum**

****Conditions of Approval: Accounts Payable Contact Information, State and Local Government Rider**

PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING WITH THE COMPLETED DOCUMENTS:

Federal Tax ID number: _____ **Accounts Payable contact:** _____

Purchase order number: _____ **Accounts Payable Email:** _____

Are you tax exempt? Yes [] No [] **Accounts Payable Phone:** _____

If YES, please provide valid proof of exemption status. **Accounts Payable Address:** _____

Do you have a sales tax direct pay permit? Yes [] No []

If YES, please provide valid authorization letter or certificate.

Administrative Contact(s):

Administrative contact name: _____ **Administrative contact name:** _____

Email address: _____ **Email address:** _____

Phone number: _____ **Phone number:** _____

Please send completed documents to your Stryker team for processing or fax documents to (877) 204-1332.

All electronic chattel paper associated with the enclosed agreement is created, maintained, and controlled exclusively through Stryker's DocuSign process, which is designed to comply with the requirements of Section 9-105 of the Uniform Commercial Code regarding the establishment and maintenance of a single authoritative copy. Customer e-signature platforms are not permitted; only Stryker's DocuSign process is authorized for execution of these documents.

If you have any questions regarding these documents, please contact your Stryker team.

The proposal evidenced by these documents is valid through the last business day of June 2026

Sincerely,
Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC

Notice: To help the government fight the funding of terrorism and money laundering activities, U.S. Federal law requires financial institutions to obtain, verify and record information that identifies each person (individuals or businesses) who opens an account. What this means for you: When you open an account or add any additional service, we will ask you for your name, address, federal employer identification number and other information that will allow us to identify you. We may also ask to see other identifying documents. For your records, the federal employer identification number for Flex Financial, a Division of Stryker Sales, LLC is 38-2902424.

Owner ("we" or "us"):
 Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC
 1941 Stryker Way
 Portage, MI 49002

Customer name and address ("You" and "Your"): City of Marquette 418 S 3RD ST MARQUETTE ,Michigan 49855-4739	Equipment Location: 418 S 3RD ST MARQUETTE,Michigan 49855-4739 Supplier: Stryker Sales, LLC, 3800 E. Centre Avenue, Portage, MI 49002 Equipment description: see Exhibit A (and/or as described in invoice(s) or equipment list attached hereto and made a part hereof)
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Payment information

Number of payments	Payment frequency	Payment amount
3	Annual	\$46,785.84(First payment due 30 days after the Commencement Date), (plus applicable sales/use taxes - see "Taxes" section below)

Terms and conditions:

1. Purchase agreement/ acceptance/ payments: You agree to purchase from us the Equipment and services, if any, described above and on any attached schedule (the "Equipment") in accordance with the terms of this Agreement (this "Agreement"). You shall be deemed to have accepted the Equipment for purchase under this Agreement on the date that is ten (10) days after the date it is shipped to you by the Supplier ("Acceptance Date") and, at our request, you shall confirm for us such acceptance in writing. No acceptance of any item of Equipment may be revoked by you. You agree to pay the Payments described above ("Payments") beginning on the Acceptance Date or any later date we designate and thereafter until all fully paid. Unless otherwise instructed by us in writing, all Payments and other amounts due hereunder shall be made to our address above. This Agreement is non-cancelable and may not be prepaid. Your obligations under this Agreement (your "Obligations") are absolute, unconditional, and are not subject to cancellation, defense, recoupment, reduction, setoff or counterclaim. If a Payment is not made when due, you will pay us a late charge of 5% of each Payment or \$10.00, whichever is greater, but only to the extent permitted by law. We may charge you a fee of \$55.00 for any check that is returned. You authorize us to adjust the Payments at any time if taxes included in the Payments differ from our estimate. You agree that the Payments were calculated by us based, in part, on an interest rate equivalent as quoted on Bloomberg under the SOFR Swap Rate, that would have a repayment term equivalent to the Term (or an interpolated rate if a like-term is not available) as reasonably determined by us (and if the SOFR Swap Rate is no longer provided by Bloomberg, such rate shall be determined in good faith by us from such sources as we shall determine to be comparable to Bloomberg [or any successor]) and in the event the Term of this Agreement starts more than 30 days after we send this Agreement to you, we may adjust the Payments once to compensate us, in good faith, for any increase in such rate. "SOFR" with respect to any day means the secured overnight financing rate published for such day by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, as the administrator of the benchmark, (or a successor administrator) on the Federal Reserve Bank of New York's Website as quoted by Bloomberg.

2. Ownership/security interest/laws/use/maintenance: Upon acceptance of the Equipment by you, you shall hold title to and be the owner of the Equipment for all purposes including, without limitation, tax purposes. The purchase of the Equipment by you under this Agreement shall be "AS IS, WHERE IS", without representation or warranty of any kind from us, provided that this Agreement shall not impair any express warranties or indemnifications, written service agreements or other obligations of Stryker Corporation or any of its subsidiaries to you regarding the Equipment and we hereby assign all of our rights in any Equipment warranties to you. As security for all of your Obligations, you hereby grant to us a first priority security interest in all of your rights, title and interests in the Equipment, all replacements, additions, accessions, accessories and substitutions thereto or therefore and all proceeds and products thereof, including, without limitation, all proceeds of insurance. Upon timely payment of all amounts due hereunder (plus all applicable Taxes), our security interest in the Equipment shall terminate and you shall be the owner of the Equipment, free and clear of any interest created by us. You agree not to permit any lien, security interest (except ours), claim or encumbrance to be placed upon the Equipment. You shall comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations and manufacturer's specifications and instructions concerning the operation, ownership, use and/or possession of the Equipment. You must, at your cost, keep the Equipment in good working condition. If Payments include maintenance and/or service costs, you agree that (i) no Assignee (as defined below) is responsible to provide the maintenance or service, (ii) you will make all maintenance and service related claims to the persons providing the maintenance, service or warranty, and (iii) any maintenance, warranty or service claims will not impact your Obligations. The Equipment cannot be moved from the location above without our prior written consent.

3. Taxes: You shall pay when and as due all sales, use, property, excise and other taxes, and all license and registration fees now or hereafter imposed by any governmental body or agency upon this Agreement or the ownership, use, or sale of the Equipment, together with all interest and penalties for their late payment or non-payment ("Taxes"). You shall indemnify and hold us harmless from any such Taxes. You shall prepare and file all tax returns relating to Taxes for which you are responsible hereunder. If we receive any tax bill pertaining to the Equipment from the appropriate taxing authority, we may, without obligation, pay such tax and if we pay such tax bill we will invoice you for the expense. Upon receipt of such invoice, you will promptly reimburse us for such expense.

4. Assignment: You agree not to transfer, sell, lease, assign, pledge or encumber the Equipment or any rights under this Agreement without our prior written consent, which consent shall not be unreasonably withheld, and if you do, even with our consent, you will still be fully responsible for all your Obligations. You shall provide us with at least 45 days' prior written notice of any change to your principal place of business, organization or incorporation. You agree that we may, without notice to you, sell, assign, or transfer ("Transfer") this Agreement to a third party (each, an "Assignee"), and each Assignee will have our Transferred rights, but none of our obligations, and such rights will not be subject to any claims, recoupment, defenses, or setoffs that you may have against us or any supplier even though an Assignee may continue to bill and collect all of your Obligations in the name of "Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC."

5. Risk of loss, insurance and reimbursement: Effective upon delivery to you, you shall bear all risk of Equipment loss or damage. If any such loss or damage occurs you still must satisfy all of your Obligations. You will (i) keep the Equipment insured against all risks of loss or damage for an amount equal to its replacement cost, (ii) list us as the insurance sole loss payee and (iii) give us written proof of the insurance. If you do not provide such insurance, we have the right, without obligation, to obtain such insurance and add an insurance fee (which may include a profit) to the amount due from you. You will obtain and maintain comprehensive public liability insurance naming us as an additional insured with coverages and amounts acceptable to us. To the extent not expressly prohibited by applicable law, you will reimburse and defend us, including each Assignee for and against any losses, injuries, damages, liabilities, expenses, claims or legal proceedings asserted against or incurred by us, including any Assignee, relating to the Equipment and which relate to or arise out of your act or omission or the act or omission of your agents or employees or others (excluding us) with access to the Equipment. The terms of this paragraph will continue after the termination of this Agreement.

6. Default remedies: You are in default under this Agreement if: a) you fail to pay a Payment or any other amount when due; or b) you breach any other obligation under this Agreement; or c) your principal owner or any guarantor of this Agreement dies; or d) you or any guarantor dissolves, ceases to do business as a going

concern, becomes insolvent, bankrupt, merges, or is sold; or e) you or any guarantor fails to pay any other material obligation owed to us or any of our affiliates. Upon default, we may: a) declare the entire balance of unpaid Payments immediately due and payable; b) sue you for and receive the total amount due with future Payments discounted to the date of default at a rate of 3% per annum; c) charge you interest on all monies due at the rate of 18% per year or the highest rate permitted by applicable law from the date of default until paid; and/or d) require you to immediately return the Equipment to us or we may peaceably repossess it. Upon default, you will also pay all expenses including but not limited to reasonable attorneys' fees, legal costs, cost of storage and shipping incurred by us in the enforcement and attempted enforcement of any remedies under this Agreement. If the Equipment is returned or repossessed we will, if commercially reasonable, sell or otherwise dispose of the Equipment at terms we determine, at one or more public or private sales, with notice as required by law, and apply the net proceeds (after deducting any related expenses) to your Obligations. You remain liable for any deficiency with any excess being retained by us or applied as required by applicable law.

7. Miscellaneous: This Agreement shall be governed and construed in accordance with the laws of Michigan. You agree that the Equipment will only be used for business purposes and not for personal, family or household use. This Agreement may be executed in counterparts and any facsimile, photographic or other electronic transmission and/or electronic signing or manual signing of this Agreement by you and when manually countersigned by us or attached to our original signature counterpart shall constitute the sole original chattel paper as defined in the UCC for all purposes and will be admissible as legal evidence thereof; provided, however, that if this Agreement constitutes "electronic chattel paper" or "an electronic record evidencing chattel paper" under the UCC and both you and we have signed electronically, the version identified by us as the "single authoritative copy" is the chattel paper for purposes of perfection by control. You agree not to raise as a defense to the enforcement of this Agreement or any related documents hereto the fact that such documents were executed by electronic means. We may inspect the Equipment at any time prior to payment in full of your Obligations. No failure to act shall be deemed a waiver of any rights hereunder. If you fail to pay (within thirty days of invoice date) any freight, sales tax or other amounts related to the Equipment which are not financed hereunder and are billed directly by us to you, such amounts shall be added to the Payments set forth above (plus interest or additional charges thereon) and you authorize us to adjust such Payments accordingly. If you are required to report the components of your payment obligations hereunder to certain state and/or federal agencies or public health coverage programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, SCHIP or others, and such amounts are not adequately disclosed in any attachment hereto, then Stryker Sales, LLC will, upon your written request, provide you with a detailed outline of the components of your payments which may include equipment, software, service and other related components. You acknowledge that you have not received any tax or accounting advice from us. You agree that you shall upon request from us, promptly provide to us a copy of your most recent annual financial statements and any of your other financial information (including interim financial statements) that we may request. You authorize us to share such information with our affiliates, subsidiaries and Assignees. This Agreement, any schedules hereto, any attachments to this Agreement or any schedules and any express warranties made by Stryker Sales, LLC constitute the entire agreement between the parties hereto regarding the Equipment and its use and possession and supersede all prior agreements and discussions regarding the Equipment and any prior course of conduct. You waive all rights to any indirect, punitive, special or consequential damages in connection with the Equipment or this Agreement. There are no agreements, oral or written, between the parties which are contrary to the terms of this Agreement and such other documents. **YOU AGREE THAT THIS IS A NON-CANCELLABLE AGREEMENT AND WAIVE TRIAL BY JURY.**

I CERTIFY THAT I AM AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THIS AGREEMENT FOR CUSTOMER

Customer signature	
Signature:	Date:
Print name:	
Title:	

Accepted by Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC	
Signature:	Date:
Print name:	
Title:	

Exhibit A to Short Form Conditional Sale Agreement Number 2210295703

Description of equipment

Customer name: City of Marquette

Delivery Location: 418 S 3RD ST, MARQUETTE, Michigan , 49855-4739

Part I - Equipment/Service Coverage (if applicable)

Model number	Equipment description	Quantity
SHIP TO:		
MARQUETTE FIRE DEPT, 418 S 3RD ST, MARQUETTE, Michigan, 49855-4739, United States		
70335-000042	LP35,EN-US,MAS-SP/CO,MED-CO2,SUN-NIBP,12L,WIFI/CELL/LN/CPRIN,STD,BT	3
41335-000003	SHIP KIT, POWER SUPPLY,LP35	3
11140-000131	POWER CORD,C13 ST,10FT,HOSPITAL GRADE	3
11996-000093	ELECTRODE ASSEMBLY-PEDIATRIC RTS	3
11996-000017	ASSEMBLY,ELECTRODE-ADULT,PRE-CONNECT	3
11996-000519	SENSOR,LNCS-II RAINBOW DCI 8-LAMBDA SPCO,ADULT M	3
11171-000063	SENSOR,RD SET DISPOSABLE,NEO-NATE,20-BOX,MASIMO	3
MVAO	FILTERLINE,ADV, AD, ORAL-N, O2, STD, S-TERM, 25	3
11335-000005	KIT, PRINTER, LP35	3
11260-000073	KIT, SHOULDER STRAP, LP35	3
11335-000008	KIT, STORAGE BAGS, LP35	3
11160-000013	NIBP CUFF-REUSEABLE,CHILD, BAYONET	3
11111-000041	ASSY, CABLE, ECG, 15 LEAD, 3 WIRE PRECOR	3
TR-LP15H-LP35	TRADE IN LP15 V4 HIGH FOR LP35	3

Total equipment: \$140,357.53

Total Amount: \$140,357.53

Customer signature	
Signature:	Date:
Print name:	
Title:	

Accepted by Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC	
Signature:	Date:
Print name:	
Title:	

State and Local Government Customer Rider

This State and Local Government Customer Rider (the "Rider") is an addition to and hereby made a part of **Short Form Conditional Sale Agreement No. 2210295703 (the "Agreement") between Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC ("Owner") and City of Marquette ("Customer") to be executed simultaneously herewith and to which this Rider is attached. Capitalized terms used but not defined in this Rider shall have the respective meanings provided in the Agreement. Owner and Customer agree as follows:**

1. Customer represents and warrants to Owner that as of the date of, and throughout the Term of, the Agreement: (a) Customer is a political subdivision of the state or commonwealth in which it is located and is organized and existing under the constitution and laws of such state or commonwealth; (b) Customer has complied, and will comply, fully with all applicable laws, rules, ordinances, and regulations governing open meetings, public bidding and appropriations required in connection with the Agreement, the performance of its obligations under the Agreement and the acquisition and use of the Equipment; (c) The person(s) signing the Agreement and any other documents required to be delivered in connection with the Agreement (collectively, the "Documents") have the authority to do so, are acting with the full authorization of Customer's governing body, and hold the offices indicated below their signatures, each of which are genuine; (d) The Documents are and will remain valid, legal and binding agreements, and are and will remain enforceable against Customer in accordance with their terms; and (e) The Equipment is essential to the immediate performance of a governmental or proprietary function by Customer within the scope of its authority and will be used during the Term of the Agreement only by Customer and only to perform such function. Customer further represents and warrants to Owner that, as of the date each item of Equipment becomes subject to the Agreement and any applicable schedule, it has funds available to pay all Agreement payments payable thereunder until the end of Customer's then current fiscal year, and, in this regard and upon Owner's request, Customer shall deliver in a form acceptable to Owner a resolution enacted by Customer's governing body, authorizing the appropriation of funds for the payment of Customer's obligations under the Agreement during Customer's then current fiscal year.
2. To the extent permitted by applicable law, Customer agrees to take all necessary and timely action during the Agreement Term to obtain and maintain funds appropriations sufficient to satisfy its payment obligations under the Agreement (the "Obligations"), including, without limitation, providing for the Obligations in each budget submitted to obtain applicable appropriations, causing approval of such budget, and exhausting all available reviews and appeals if an appropriation sufficient to satisfy the Obligations is not made.
3. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary provided in the Agreement, if Customer does not appropriate funds sufficient to make all payments due during any fiscal year under the Agreement and Customer does not otherwise have funds available to lawfully pay the Agreement payments (a "Non-Appropriation Event"), and provided Customer is not in default of any of Customer's obligations under such Agreement as of the effective date of such termination, Customer may terminate such Agreement effective as of the end of Customer's last funded fiscal year ("Termination Date") without liability for future monthly charges or the early termination charge under such Agreement, if any, by giving at least 60 days' prior written notice of termination ("Termination Notice") to Owner.
4. If Customer terminates the Agreement prior to the expiration of the end of the Agreement's initial (primary) term, or any extension or renewal thereof, as permitted under Section 3 above, Customer shall (i) on or before the Termination Date, at its expense, pack and insure the related Equipment and send it freight prepaid to a location designated by Owner in the contiguous 48 states of the United States and all Equipment upon its return to Owner shall be in the same condition and appearance as when delivered to Customer, excepting only reasonable wear and tear from proper use and all such Equipment shall be eligible for manufacturer's maintenance, (ii) provide in the Termination Notice a certification of a responsible official that a Non-Appropriation Event has occurred, (iii) deliver to Owner, upon request by Owner, an opinion of Customer's counsel (addressed to Owner) verifying that the Non-Appropriation Event as set forth in the Termination Notice has occurred, and (iv) pay Owner all sums payable to Owner under the Agreement up to and including the Termination Date.
5. Any provisions in this Rider that are in conflict with any applicable statute, law or rule shall be deemed omitted, modified or altered to the extent required to conform thereto, but the remaining provisions hereof shall remain enforceable as written.

Customer signature	
Signature:	Date:
Print name:	
Title:	

Accepted by Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC	
Signature:	Date:
Print name:	
Title:	

**ADDENDUM TO SHORT FORM CONDITIONAL SALE AGREEMENT
NO. 2210295703 BETWEEN FLEX FINANCIAL (“FLEX FINANCIAL”), A DIVISION
OF STRYKER SALES, LLC AND CITY OF MARQUETTE (“CUSTOMER”)**

This Addendum is hereby made a part of the agreement described above (the "Agreement"). In the event of a conflict between the provisions of this Addendum and the provisions of the Agreement, the provisions of this Addendum shall control.

The parties hereby agree as follows:

1. The second sentence of Section 3 of the Agreement is hereby amended to read as follows:

“To the extent permitted under the laws of the State of Michigan, and specifically without waiving governmental immunity, you shall indemnify and hold us harmless from any such Taxes.”

2. The following language is hereby added to the end of Section 3 of the Agreement:

"Notwithstanding anything herein to the contrary, to the extent that you maintain a tax exempt status and such status exempts us and/or Equipment described therein from otherwise applicable property, sales and/or use taxes, and you provide us with proof of the same reasonably satisfactory to us, then we shall not charge you for such property, sales and/or use taxes regarding us and/or Equipment. You acknowledge and agree that: (i) even though you are exempt from certain taxes, such status may not exempt us and/or Equipment from applicable property, sales and/or use taxes and you will be liable to pay or reimburse us for all such applicable taxes, as billed; and (ii) if you disagree with any determination by us that a tax exemption is not available for a certain tax, you shall pay or reimburse us for such tax, as billed, until such time as you obtain a ruling or other written determination from the appropriate state or local agency (in a form reasonably satisfactory to us) stating that the tax exemption is available for such tax."

Customer signature	
Signature:	Date:
Print name:	
Title:	

Accepted by Flex Financial, a division of Stryker Sales, LLC	
Signature:	Date:
Print name:	
Title:	

City of Marquette, MI

300 West Baraga Ave
Marquette, Michigan 49855

Monday, June 29, 2026

Consent Agenda

Freedom Monument — Donation Acceptance

BACKGROUND:

On November 24, 2025, the City Commission signed an agreement with Fassbender Swanson Hansen Funeral Home for the creation of a new public artwork entitled the Freedom Monument. The monument consists of two marble podiums engraved with selected excerpts from the United States Constitution and the Declaration of Independence. The monument was completed and was installed in Veterans Memorial Mall at Harlow Park on June 5, 2026.

Iris Katers has submitted a charitable donation in the amount of \$34,632.56 to fully fund the Freedom Monument. Acceptance of this donation is consistent with the City's Donation Policy. The City gratefully acknowledges Ms. Katers' generosity and commitment to enhancing public spaces and commemorating the nation's founding principles through public art.

The monument has been successfully installed and is now available for public viewing.

FISCAL EFFECT:

This project is fully funded through the charitable donation and will have no net fiscal impact on the City.

RECOMMENDATION:

The Marquette Public Art Commission recommends that the City Commission accept the donation from Iris Katers in the amount of \$34,632.56 and authorize payment to Fassbender Swanson Hansen Funeral and Cremation Services in the amount of \$34,632.56 upon acceptance of the donation.

ALTERNATIVES:

As determined by the Commission.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Donation Letter
2. Donation Policy
3. Funeral Home Contract
4. Podium Invoice

Iris Katers
15 Specker Circle
Marquette, MI 49855

Jun 26, 2026

City of Marquette
Attn: City Treasurer
300 W. Baraga Ave.

Re: Donation of The Freedom Monument honoring the Declaration of Independence and U.S. Constitution at Harlow Park

Dear City of Marquette:

I, Iris Katers, on behalf of my deceased husband Ron Katers, am pleased to provide this letter confirming our donation for the creation and installation of the Freedom Monument for the City of Marquette. This Monument has been approved by the Marquette Public Art Commission and the City Commission and has been installed at Harlow Park with the oversight of the Marquette Public Art Commission.

1. Donor Information

Iris and Ron Katers (deceased)
15 Specker Circle
Marquette, MI 49855

2. Donation Amount

\$34,632.56

3. Purpose of Donation

The purpose is for creation and installation of the monument.

4. Restrictions

As above

5. Ongoing costs/maintenance

Per the contract the Freedom Monument's maintenance will be funded by Iris Katers' and heirs'

6. Recognition

Recognition is included on the monument.

7. Donation Receipt

The receipt should be made to Iris Katers.

8. Authorized Signature:

Iris Katers

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Iris Katers". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Iris Katers

June 15, 2026

City of Marquette, MI

300 West Baraga Avenue
Marquette, MI 49855

Agenda Date: 2/9/2026

Consent Agenda - Roll Call Vote **City's Acceptance of Donations - Policy Adoption**

BACKGROUND:

The City of Marquette periodically receives offers of monetary and non-monetary donations for residents, organizations, and community partners to support City programs, facilities and equipment, and other public assets. While the City has previously accepted donations on a case-by-case basis, City staff have identified the need for a consistent policy to clarify acceptance, documentation, accounting and reporting requirements.

This proposed policy for accepting donations establishes clear approval thresholds, ensures donations are recorded and appropriated in compliance with the Michigan Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act (PA 2 of 1968), and helps prevent donations from creating unintended obligations, conflicts of interest, or ongoing costs for the City. Adoption of this policy will improve consistency, strengthen internal controls, and support transparency in how donations are managed.

FISCAL EFFECT:

Adoption of this policy has no direct fiscal impact, but establishes clear procedures for how donations are accepted, documented, and used.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the policy for the City's Acceptance of Donations.

ALTERNATIVES:

As determined by the Commission.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- Policy: City's Acceptance of Donations

**CITY OF MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN
CITY COMMISSION POLICY**

Policy Number: 2026-01	Revision Date(s):
Date Approved: February 9, 2026	
Department: Finance	Original Policy Number:

SUBJECT: CITY’S ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS

PURPOSE: This Policy is to establish procedures for the acceptance, documentation, and use of donations made to the City of Marquette. Its purpose is to ensure transparency, accountability, and compliance with State law—including the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act (MCL 141.421 et seq)—while supporting community engagement, public trust, and legitimate public purpose.

All donations must be recorded into the appropriate fund and appropriated in accordance with the Uniform Budgeting and Account Act and generally accepted accounting principles.

SCOPE: This policy applies to both monetary and non-monetary donations, including but not limited to:

- Cash or other financial contributions
- Equipment, vehicles, supplies, or materials
- Land, easements, or buildings
- Artwork or monuments
- Services or in-kind support

Donations must support a legitimate public purpose and may not create unfunded liabilities or obligations for the City.

POLICY:

Legal Authority

Under the Michigan Home Rule City Act (MCL 117.4e) and the City Charter, the City of Marquette may acquire property or funds by gift, donation, devise, or bequest. Donations may only be accepted when they support a legitimate public purpose, and acceptance must follow the procedures in this policy.

General Requirements

1. **Public Purpose Requirement:** All donations must clearly support a governmental function or community benefit consistent with City goals, plans, operations, city charter and state law.

2. Right of Refusal: The City will decline any donation that:
 - a. Creates a conflict of interest, appearance of impropriety or political favoritism
 - b. Creates obligations or future expenditures, unless the Commission has approved the donation with knowledge of the obligation created
 - c. Increases employee overtime, wages, or benefits
 - d. Is intended to fund employee overtime, wages or benefits
 - e. Creates legacy costs (including pension or OPEB impacts)
 - f. Includes conditions the City cannot meet
 - g. Does not serve a legitimate public purpose, or is illegal
 - h. The City may decline any donation for any reason, including if acceptance of the donation is not recommended by City staff because of legal or other concerns.
3. Exemption for De Minimis Consumable Donations: Donations with an objective monetary value of \$50.00 or less, and which can be consumed within 48 hours, are exempt from this policy.

Donation Acceptance Procedures

1. Donations under \$1,000
 - a. May be accepted administratively by the City Treasurer or City Manager, subject to review.
 - b. Must meet the public purpose requirement.
 - c. If there are any concerns regarding suitability, restrictions, or appropriateness, the donation must be forwarded to the City Commission for review.
2. Donations of \$1,000 and above
 - a. Donations with a value of \$1,000.00 or greater will receive a written donation receipt.
 - b. A written list of donations accepted in this category will be maintained and include:
 - i. Donor name
 - ii. Type and amount/value of donation
3. Donations requiring City Commission approval

The following donations may only be accepted by majority vote of the City Commission at a public meeting:

 - a. Donations with an objective monetary value exceeding \$1,000.00
 - b. Donations whose monetary value cannot be determined
 - c. Donations of less than \$1,000.00 that have been referred by City staff to the Commission due to concerns

In reviewing whether a donation should be accepted, the City Commission must consider the factors listed under Right of Refusal within the General Requirements section of this policy.

Monetary Donations and Use of Funds

1. Monetary donations will be deposited into the General Fund unless otherwise designated and approved for a specific public purpose.
2. Donations with restrictions must be:
 - a. Approved by the City Commission if more than \$1,000, or if referred to the Commission because of concerns
 - b. Documented in writing
 - c. Used strictly for the approved purpose
3. Any unspent balance will remain in the same fund and be carried forward for intended purpose.
4. All monetary donations must be receipted promptly upon approval.

Non-Monetary Donations and Public Asset Purchases

1. Donations of property or equipment become City property upon acceptance.
2. Donations toward the purchase, construction, or installation of public assets must comply with:
 - a. City purchasing policies
 - b. State procurement laws
3. Title to assets purchased with donated funds remains with the City.
4. Proposed installations (public art, park amenities, benches, etc.) must meet City design and safety standards.

Accounting , Reports and Records

1. All donations will be receipted and recorded in the City's accounting system in accordance with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act and GAAP.
2. Restricted donations will be recorded in the appropriate fund consistent with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act.
3. A monthly listing of all donations \$1,000.00 and above (those receiving receipts) will be reported to the City Commission.
4. Donation activity will be included in the annual audit.
5. All donation records will comply with the City's records retention schedule.

Donation Receipts and Acknowledgments

The City Treasurer will issue written donation receipts for contributions valued at \$1,000.00 or above, including:

- a. Donor name
- b. Description and value (if provided by donor)
- c. Date received
- d. Statement that no goods or services were provided in exchange (if applicable)
- e. Statement that the City makes no representation as to tax deductibility
 - i. Donors must consult their own tax professionals.

Policy Administration and Review

This policy will be administered by the City Manager and City Treasurer, who shall review the policy as deemed appropriate.

For City Clerk's Office Use
 File Number: A 25-61



Binding Document Checklist

Entity Name Fassbender, Swanson, Hansen Funeral Home

Today's Date: 11-24-25 CC Approval Date: 11-24-25 N/A

Document Type Artwork Agreement - Freedom Monument
Description Monument Fabrication/Delivery/Installation
Effective Date November 7, 2025
Termination Date May 24, 2026

External Contact Jeremy S. Hansen
Contact Title President
Contact Phone 906-228-3040
Contact Email fassbenderswanson@gmail.com
Mailing Address

Department Community Services/Arts and Culture
Internal Contact Tiina Morin
Secondary Contact Jon Swenson

Street: 926 N. Third Street
City: Marquette
State/ZIP: MI 49855

Payment Amount \$34,632.56
Payment Frequency one time
Deposit Required \$
 N/A Received
Account: 211.000.801
 Revenue Expense

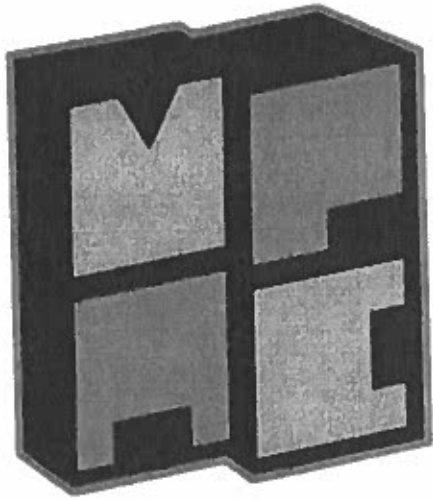
Insurance Exp. Date 12-10-26
 Insurance N/A
Verify Document Includes:
 Necessary Exhibits Required Sketches/ Maps
 Title VI Language

Internal Routing: Date and initial next to each step below as it is completed. If a step is not required, write N/A instead.
 DH: Department Head; CM: City Manager, CA: City Attorney; M: Mayor; CC: City Clerk

Date	Initials	
<u>11/24</u>	<u>JH</u>	(DH) Reviews proposed contract/agreement with City Attorney, who approves document. If discussion leads to changes being proposed, they must be coordinated with Attorney.
<u>11/24</u>	<u>JH</u>	(DH) Print one copy of document and obtain signature from entity. If the entity needs an original, print two copies and have the entity sign both copies. Notify the Manager's office if there is more than one copy. DH creates agenda item.
<u>11/24</u>	<u>JH</u>	(DH) Delivers original signed agreement to Manager's Office, during agenda review.
<u>11/24</u>	<u>✓</u>	(CM) Reviews with Department Head; document goes to commission meeting.
<u>11/24</u>	<u>see</u>	(CA) At meeting, City Attorney approves as to form and signs, passes to Mayor.
<u>11/24</u>	<u>✓</u>	(M) At meeting, signs for City of Marquette, leaves at dais or with Manager's Office.
<u>11/25</u>	<u>WT</u>	(CM) Verifies necessary signatures are completed. Manager approves as to substance and signs. Delivers to Clerk.
<u>11/25</u>	<u>kw</u>	(CC) Finalizes/signs/executes document, and does the following:

Scan document and email internal contact Retain electronically File the original

This form must accompany any binding document signed by officials of the City of Marquette



MARQUETTE PUBLIC ART COMMISSION

Agreement for Sculpture Design, Fabrication, and Installation: "Freedom Monument"
ARTWORK FOR MARQUETTE PUBLIC ARTS COMMISSION (MPAC):

Agreement, and correspondence to:
City of Marquette Community Services Dept. Arts and Culture Division
Contact: Tiina Morin, *Arts & Culture Manager, City of Marquette*
Email: Tiina Morin, tmorin@marquettemi.gov

ARTWORK AGREEMENT

Freedom Monument - Veterans Memorial Mall, Harlow Park

This Agreement is entered into this day of November, 2025, by and between the City of Marquette, Michigan (the "City") and Fassbender Swanson Hansen Funeral Home (the "Vendor") for the fabrication, delivery and installation of the "Freedom Monument" (the "Monument") at the Veterans Memorial Mall in Harlow Park, Marquette, Michigan.

RECITALS

WHEREAS, the *Freedom Monument*, fabricated and installed with funds donated to the City by Iris Katers, has been reviewed and recommended by the Marquette Public Art Commission ("MPAC") and approved by the City Commission;

WHEREAS, the design and fabrication of the Monument have been completed;

WHEREAS, the City desires that the Vendor deliver and install the completed Monument at the approved site in accordance with applicable professional standards; and

WHEREAS, all parties are in agreement that the Vendor, City staff, contractors, and MPAC shall establish a close and cooperative relationship that will be maintained throughout the project to best ensure the proper installation of the Monument.

NOW THEREFORE, the City and the Vendor, for the consideration and under the conditions hereinafter set forth, agree as follows:

SECTION 1. SCOPE OF SERVICES

1.1 Vendor's Obligations.

The Vendor shall provide all services and furnish all labor, supplies, materials, tools, transportation, and equipment necessary for the delivery and installation of the approved Monument at the Project site, unless otherwise agreed to in writing by both parties.

1.2 Coordination.

The Vendor shall coordinate all work with City staff and shall perform the installation in a manner that minimizes disruption and protects all existing park features and surrounding areas.

1.3 Site Protection.

The Vendor shall take all necessary precautions to prevent damage to the Monument and to the Veteran's Memorial Mall, including but not limited to landscape, fountain, and pavement areas. Any damage occurring during delivery or installation shall be repaired or replaced by the Vendor at no cost to the City.

1.4 Compliance.

The Vendor shall comply with all applicable federal, state, and local laws, ordinances, and regulations in performing the services required under this Agreement.

1.5 Subcontracting.

The Vendor may subcontract portions of the installation services at its expense, provided that said subcontracting shall not negatively affect the safety or quality of the work and shall be carried out under the supervision of the Vendor. The Vendor shall remain fully responsible for the actions of any subcontractor.

SECTION 2. COMPENSATION AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE

2.1 Compensation.

The City shall pay the Vendor a fixed fee of Thirty-Four Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Two Dollars and Fifty-Six Cents (\$34,632.56), which shall constitute full compensation for all services and materials performed and furnished by the Vendor under this Agreement, including all labor, equipment, delivery, installation, transportation, fees, services, expenses, taxes, and any other costs associated with the installation of the Monument.

2.2 Payment.

Payment shall be made upon final installation and acceptance of the Monument by the City staff and receipt by the City of an approved invoice. Payment shall be processed after review and approval by the City Manager and City Commission in accordance with City procedures.

2.3 Vendor's Expenses.

All expenses incurred by the Vendor are included in the fixed compensation set forth above. The Vendor will not be reimbursed separately for any expense incurred in connection with the performance of this Agreement.

SECTION 3. TIME OF PERFORMANCE

3.1 Duration.

Installation dates shall be mutually agreed upon and scheduled between the Vendor and the City. The

services required of the Vendor shall be completed by May 24, 2026, unless extended by mutual written agreement.

3.2 Time Extensions.

The Vendor may request a reasonable extension of time from the City in the event of delay caused by conditions beyond the Vendor's control or acts of God rendering timely performance impossible or unduly burdensome.

SECTION 4. WARRANTIES

4.1 Warranties of Title and Quality.

The Vendor represents and warrants that it has the right, power, and authority to enter into this Agreement, and that all work will be performed in a professional and workmanlike manner consistent with generally accepted installation standards.

4.2 Condition and Workmanship.

The Vendor further warrants that the Monument will be properly installed in accordance with approved plans, and that reasonable maintenance will not require procedures substantially more than those customary for such materials.

4.3 Length of Warranty.

These warranties shall remain in effect for a period of one (1) year following final acceptance. The Vendor shall, at the request of the City and at no cost to the City, promptly correct any defects due to faulty materials or workmanship that become apparent during that period.

SECTION 5. INSURANCE AND INDEMNIFICATION

5.1 Insurance.

The Vendor shall maintain insurance coverage to protect the Vendor from claims for bodily injury, death, or property damage arising out of the performance of services under this Agreement. Proof of such insurance shall be provided to the City prior to commencement of work.

5.2 Indemnification.

The Vendor shall indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees, and agents from and against all claims, damages, losses, and expenses, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from the performance of the work, provided that such claim, damage, loss, or expense is caused in whole or in part by the negligent act or omission of the Vendor or anyone directly or indirectly employed by the Vendor.

SECTION 6. INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR

The Vendor shall perform all work under this Agreement as an independent contractor and not as an agent or employee of the City. The Vendor shall have exclusive control over the means and methods of performing the work.

SECTION 7. FINAL ACCEPTANCE

Upon completion of the installation, the Vendor shall advise the City in writing that all services required under this Agreement have been completed. The City shall inspect the work and shall notify the Vendor in writing within thirty (30) days of its final acceptance. Final acceptance shall constitute the City's acknowledgment that the Monument has been properly delivered and installed in accordance with this Agreement. Ownership and maintenance responsibilities for the Monument shall rest solely with the City upon acceptance.

SECTION 8. TERMINATION

If either party shall fail to fulfill any of the covenants, agreements, or stipulations of material to this Agreement, the other party shall have the right to terminate by giving thirty (30) days of written notice, specifying the grounds for termination. In the event of termination by the City, the Vendor shall be paid for work performed to the date of termination.


SECTION 9. ENTIRE AGREEMENT AND MODIFICATION

This Agreement embodies the entire understanding between the parties and supersedes all prior agreements relating to the subject matter hereof. No alteration, modification, or change shall be valid unless made in writing and signed by both parties and approved by appropriate City action.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have made and executed this Agreement as of the day and year first written above.


CITY OF MARQUETTE, OWNER


Paul Schloegel, Mayor



Kyle Whitney, Clerk

APPROVED AS TO SUBSTANCE:



Karen M. Kovacs, City Manager

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



Suzanne C. Larsen, City Attorney

FASSBENDER SWANSON HANSEN FUNERAL HOME, VENDOR

By: 

Name & Title: Jeremy S Hansen

Address: 926 N. Third St Marquette MI 49855

Phone: (906) 226-6589

Email: fassbenderswanson@gmail.com

Date: 11/20/2025

Fassbender Swanson Hansen Funeral & Cremation Services

926 N. Third Street Marquette, Michigan 906-226-6589

STATEMENT OF FUNERAL GOODS AND SERVICES SELECTED

Date of Birth: _____ Date of Death: 2/3/2025 Date of Service: _____
 Name of Client: Iris Katers
 Client Last Address: _____
 Buyer Name: Iris Katers
 Buyer's Address: City of Marquette ATTN: Tiina Morin 300 W. Baraga Avenue Marquette, Michigan 49855 SSN: _____ Phone: 906-362-8932

In this Agreement the words you and your refer to the Buyer and Co-Buyer, if any, signing this Agreement. The words we, us and our refer to the Funeral Provider or Seller whose name and address appear above. For good and valuable consideration, which each party acknowledges receiving, you agree to buy the goods and services described below. You authorize us to prepare and care for the body of the decedent named in this Agreement and to conduct the funeral and services and incurred the charges listed in said agreement. We have the right to collect the total amounts due under this Agreement from any person who signs this agreement as buyer or Co-buyer.

Charges are only for those items that you selected or that are required. If we are required by law or by a cemetery or crematory to use any items, we will explain the reasons in writing below. If you selected a funeral that may require embalming, such as funeral with viewing, you may have to pay for embalming. You do not have to pay for embalming you did not approve if you selected arrangements such as direct cremation or immediate burial. If we charged for embalming we will explain why below.

SERVICES

TOTAL SERVICES \$ 0.00

CASH ADVANCES - MERCHANDISE

CHARGES TO BE INCURRED BY US FOR YOU
 We may charge you for our services in obtaining these items.

TOTAL CASH ADVANCES - MERCHANDISE \$ 0.00

CASH ADVANCES - OTHER

CHARGES TO BE INCURRED BY US FOR YOU
 We may charge you for our services in obtaining these items.

Cemetery Monument - Marker	\$ 39,276.00
Cemetery Marker Installation - Delivery/Installation	\$ 3,000.00
Tax	\$ 2,356.56

TOTAL CASH ADVANCES \$ 44,632.56

TAX SUMMARY

State Tax 6.000% of \$0.00	\$ 0.00
Local Tax 0.000% of \$0.00	\$ 0.00

TOTAL TAX \$ 0.00

CONTRACT SUMMARY

Funeral Home Charges	\$ 44,632.56
Less Other Credits	\$ 10,000.00

BALANCE DUE \$ 34,632.56

Method of Payment :

NOTES:

Client Name: Iris Katers

TOTAL CHARGES

\$44,632.56

Less assignment of

Unpaid balance due by:

6/1/2025

PAYMENT TERMS: You understand that no extension of credit by us, subject to federal or state credit disclosure, installment sales, or other consumer credit statues is contemplated by this Agreement. You have no right to defer payment of any amount due under this Agreement. You agree that you are personally liable for payment of this applicable balance due shown on the Statement of Funeral Goods and Services Selected by the date indicated on the Statement. Such payment will be made to us at the address set forth in this Agreement. If you have not paid the principal balance in full within seven days after the date indicated, a one-time default charge of 10% of the unpaid portion of the principal balance will be imposed or the maximum amount allowed by law, if less. Where the full amount due will not be paid prior to the performing of the services called for by this agreement, you authorize us to inquire into your credit history.

IDENTIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION OF MANDATORY ITEMS AND EXPLANATION OF EMBALMING CHARGE: We have identified and described below any legal, cemetery or crematory requirements which compel the purchase of any items listed in the contract and we have explained our charge for embalming. You acknowledge and agree that embalming and/or preparation of the remains may be performed at the facility of the above-referenced funeral home or at another facility that is duly licensed and equipped to provide such services.

You confirm that you have examined the above-stated items and found them to be correct and according to the arrangements selected and that prior to signing this Statement, you reviewed and approved a completed copy of this Statement. You also confirm that you have been informed of your right to select only such services and merchandise as you desire, and that you have the legal right to arrange the funeral services for the deceased named above.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF DISCLOSURE/DISCLAIMER

The Federal Trade Commission Trade Regulation Rule on "Funeral Industry Practices" requires certain disclosures and prohibits misrepresentations. The following is a checklist we ask those we serve to read and sign to verify that the funeral arrangement conference was conducted in compliance with the Rule. You who made the arrangements for funeral and final disposition of the above-named decedent do hereby attest to the following:

- 1. You were given a General Price List effective on 06/24/15 prior to discussing funeral arrangements or the selection of any funeral goods and services.
2. You were shown a Casket Price List effective on 06/24/15 prior to discussing caskets.
3. You were shown an Outer Burial Container Price List effective on 06/24/15 prior to discussing burial containers.
4. You were advised that the law does not require embalming except in certain special cases.
5. You were not advised that embalming is required for direct cremations, immediate burial, or a closed casket funeral without viewing or visitation if refrigeration is available, where state or local law does not require embalming in such cases.
6. You were not advised that any law require a casket for direct cremation or that a casket, other than an unfinished wood box, is required for direct cremation.
7. You were advised that state law does not require the purchase of an outer burial container of any of the funeral goods or services you selected except as set forth on your Statement of Funeral Goods and Services Selected/Purchase Agreement.
8. No claims were made to you as to the merchandise or services (embalming, casket, outer burial container) to the effect that embalming or the use of any merchandise available from us would delay the decomposition of the remains for a long term of indefinite time, or that any such merchandise would protect the body from gravesite substance. No representations or warranties were made to you about the protective features of caskets or outer burial containers other than those made by the manufacturer. The only warranties, expressed or implied, granted in connection with goods sold with the funeral service we arranged were the expressed written warranties, if any, extended by the manufacturers of such goods. No other warranties were extended to you.
9. You were advised that funeral firm's cost may be different based on volume or cash discounts or other professional/trade customs where permitted by state or local law.

NOTICE TO THE BUYER/CO-BUYER: SEE THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THIS AGREEMENT, INCLUDING DISCLAIMER OR WARRANTIES THAT ARE PART OF THIS AGREEMENT. DO NOT SIGN THIS CONTRACT BEFORE YOU READ IT OR IF IT CONTAINS ANY BLANK SPACES. YOU ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF AN EXACT COPY OF THIS AGREEMENT.

NOTICE: BY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, YOU ARE AGREEING THAT ANY CLAIM YOU MAY HAVE AGAINST THE SELLER SHALL BE RESOLVED BY ARBITRATION AND YOU ARE GIVING UP YOUR RIGHT TO A COURT OR JURY TRIAL AS WELL AS YOUR RIGHT OF APPEAL.

ACCEPTED FOR SELLER:

Signature _____
Name: Jeremy S Hansen

Executed this _____ day of _____, 20____
Signature: _____
SSN: _____
DOB: _____
Address: City of Marquette ATTN: Tiina Morin 300 W. Baraga Avenue
Signature: _____
SSN: _____
DOB: _____
Address: _____

License Number: 4501007005

City of Marquette, MI

300 West Baraga Ave
Marquette, Michigan 49855

Monday, June 29, 2026

Consent Agenda

Marquette Cultural Trailhead - Construction Contract Change Order

BACKGROUND:

On May 2, 2025, the City Commission awarded the construction bid for the new Marquette Cultural Center and Trailhead to Premeau Construction in the amount of \$1,024,041.

There have been two change orders to date totaling \$163,027.65.

During construction, City staff identified an opportunity to enhance the Cultural Center and Trailhead project with the addition of a deck feature that was not included in the original construction scope. This work represents an enhancement to the original project scope fully funded through a local grant.

To accommodate this enhancement, Premeau Construction has submitted a third change order request totaling \$241,118.90 for a total contract amount of \$1,428,187.55. This change order is to add a deck on the east side of the building.

This portion of the project is made possible by a grant made in partnership with the Community Foundation of Marquette County and a generous private donor.

FISCAL EFFECT:

A budget amendment will be required prior to construction. This change to the contract is fully funded through a grant from the Community Foundation of Marquette County.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve change order three totaling \$241,118.90 and authorize the City Manager or her designee to execute the change order.

ALTERNATIVES:

As determined by the Commission.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Change Order 3
2. City of Marquette grant letter 6.12.26

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Change Order

PROJECT: <i>(Name and address)</i> 2024-013 Marquette Cultural Center 501 S Front St Marquette, MI 49855	CONTRACT INFORMATION: Contract For: Marquette Cultural Center & Trailhead BP24-10 Date: 04-21-2025	CHANGE ORDER INFORMATION: Change Order Number: 03 Date: 05-18-2026
OWNER: <i>(Name and address)</i> City of Marquette a Municipal Corporation 1100 Wright St Marquette, MI 49855	ARCHITECT: <i>(Name and address)</i> Locus Architecture 4453 Nicollet Avenue Minneapolis, MN 55419	CONTRACTOR: <i>(Name and address)</i> Premeau Construction 904 W Baraga Ave. Marquette, MI 49855

THE CONTRACT IS CHANGED AS FOLLOWS:

(Insert a detailed description of the change and, if applicable, attach or reference specific exhibits. Also include agreed upon adjustments attributable to executed Construction Change Directives.)
Deck addition.

The original Contract Sum was	\$ 1,024,041.00
The net change by previously authorized Change Orders	\$ 163,027.65
The Contract Sum prior to this Change Order was	\$ 1,187,068.65
The Contract Sum will be increased by this Change Order in the amount of	\$ 241,118.90
The new Contract Sum including this Change Order will be	\$ 1,428,187.55

The Contract Time will be unchanged by (0) days.
The new date of Substantial Completion will be

NOTE: This Change Order does not include adjustments to the Contract Sum or Guaranteed Maximum Price, or the Contract Time, that have been authorized by Construction Change Directive until the cost and time have been agreed upon by both the Owner and Contractor, in which case a Change Order is executed to supersede the Construction Change Directive.

NOT VALID UNTIL SIGNED BY THE ARCHITECT, CONTRACTOR AND OWNER.

DocuSigned by:  826DCF68E6D479	Signed by:  D95764B0B4CA45A	DocuSigned by:  67A24B543472482
ARCHITECT <i>(Signature)</i>	CONTRACTOR <i>(Signature)</i>	OWNER <i>(Signature)</i>
BY: Constance Chen <i>(Printed name, title, and license number if required)</i>	BY: Pete Premeau <i>(Printed name and title)</i>	BY: <i>(Printed name and title)</i>
5/19/2026	5/18/2026	
<i>Date</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Date</i>



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 12, 2026

Thomas Blake
Chair

City of Marquette
Attn: Karen Kovacs, City Manager
300 West Baraga
Marquette, MI 49855

Judy Vonck
Vice-Chair

Andy Herro
Treasurer

Dear Karen,

Maura Davenport
Secretary

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Community Foundation of Marquette County (CFMC), I am pleased to inform you that a grant in the amount of \$285,399.87 has been awarded to the City of Marquette (the "Grantee") for the purposes outlined below.

Kyle Aho

Purpose

To support development and infrastructure projects associated with the Cultural Trail Project.

Mark Canale

Grant Term

June 2026 – December 2027

Shannon Edmark

Grant Conditions

By accepting this grant, the Grantee agrees to the following terms:

Marcia Gonstead

1. Grant funds must be used solely for the purpose described above unless prior written approval is obtained from CFMC.
2. Any request to reallocate funds must be submitted in writing and is subject to CFMC's discretion and approval.
3. CFMC must be notified promptly of any significant changes in the Grantee's legal or tax status, key personnel, or ability to carry out the funded project.
4. The Grantee must maintain accurate financial records demonstrating the use of grant funds and retain such records for a minimum of four (4) years following project completion.
5. CFMC reserves the right to reasonable access to records for purposes of verification, audit, or compliance review.
6. Any unexpended or improperly used funds must be returned to CFMC.
7. All public communications related to this grant must be reviewed and approved by CFMC in advance. CFMC must be acknowledged in all materials. While the donor is not anonymous, they have requested that their name not be included in any public-facing materials.
8. CFMC reserves the right to include information about this grant in its publications, including reports, newsletters, social media, and website content.
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300 West Baraga Ave
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Monday, June 29, 2026

Consent Agenda

Marquette Cultural Trailhead - Grant Award

BACKGROUND:

The Cultural Trailhead Capital Project has been awarded an additional grant from the Community Foundation of Marquette County in the amount of \$285,399.87. This grant provides funding for value-added improvements and infrastructure enhancements associated with the Cultural Trailhead project, including construction of a fully accessible deck and installation of internet fiber.

While additional elements have been incorporated into the project design, it is important to note that these enhancements have been made possible exclusively through private and grant funding sources. No City general fund dollars are being requested or expended for these improvements.

The grant allows the City to integrate a deck design extending the length of the trailhead facility, a feature requested and funded through the Community Foundation and a private donor. The deck will expand public access, increase usable gathering space, and provide enhanced views of the surrounding garden areas, adding significant value to a community asset that will be available to residents and visitors alike.

The Cultural Trailhead Capital Project continues to be funded through a combination of external grants and partner contributions, including the DNR SPARK Grant, MEDC Revitalization and Placemaking (RAP) Grant, Superior Watershed Partnership, Innovate Marquette SmartZone, and the Community Foundation of Marquette County. This award represents the Foundation's second contribution to the project, providing both required matching funds and additional enhancements that were not feasible under the original project budget.

Approval of this grant will ensure full funding of Premeau Construction's change order and fund City Information Technology expenses related to project infrastructure. All project expenses will be reimbursed through grant funding.

FISCAL EFFECT:

A budget amendment will be required for this action.

RECOMMENDATION:

Amend the budget and accept the grant from the Community Foundation of Marquette County in the amount of \$285,399.87.

ALTERNATIVES:

As determined by the Commission.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. City of Marquette grant letter 6.12.26 (1)



BOARD OF TRUSTEES

June 12, 2026

Thomas Blake
Chair

City of Marquette
Attn: Karen Kovacs, City Manager
300 West Baraga
Marquette, MI 49855

Judy Vonck
Vice-Chair

Andy Herro
Treasurer

Dear Karen,

Maura Davenport
Secretary

On behalf of the Board of Trustees of the Community Foundation of Marquette County (CFMC), I am pleased to inform you that a grant in the amount of \$285,399.87 has been awarded to the City of Marquette (the "Grantee") for the purposes outlined below.

Kyle Aho

Purpose

To support development and infrastructure projects associated with the Cultural Trail Project.

Mark Canale

Grant Term

June 2026 – December 2027

Shannon Edmark

Grant Conditions

By accepting this grant, the Grantee agrees to the following terms:

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1. Grant funds must be used solely for the purpose described above unless prior written approval is obtained from CFMC.
2. Any request to reallocate funds must be submitted in writing and is subject to CFMC's discretion and approval.
3. CFMC must be notified promptly of any significant changes in the Grantee's legal or tax status, key personnel, or ability to carry out the funded project.
4. The Grantee must maintain accurate financial records demonstrating the use of grant funds and retain such records for a minimum of four (4) years following project completion.
5. CFMC reserves the right to reasonable access to records for purposes of verification, audit, or compliance review.
6. Any unexpended or improperly used funds must be returned to CFMC.
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Consent Agenda

Marquette Cultural Trailhead - Rotary Donation

BACKGROUND:

The Marquette Harbor Rotary has awarded the City \$1,000 towards the Cultural Trailhead deck furniture. This donation will allow the City to purchase one outdoor rocking chair.

FISCAL EFFECT:

A budget amendment will be required for this action.

RECOMMENDATION:

Amend the budget and accept the donation of \$1,000 in accordance with the City's acceptance of donation policy and authorize the Treasurer to provide a receipt.

ALTERNATIVES:

As determined by the Commission.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Donation Policy
2. Rotary Donation

City of Marquette, MI

300 West Baraga Avenue

Marquette, MI 49855

Agenda Date: 2/9/2026

Consent Agenda - Roll Call Vote **City's Acceptance of Donations - Policy Adoption**

BACKGROUND:

The City of Marquette periodically receives offers of monetary and non-monetary donations for residents, organizations, and community partners to support City programs, facilities and equipment, and other public assets. While the City has previously accepted donations on a case-by-case basis, City staff have identified the need for a consistent policy to clarify acceptance, documentation, accounting and reporting requirements.

This proposed policy for accepting donations establishes clear approval thresholds, ensures donations are recorded and appropriated in compliance with the Michigan Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act (PA 2 of 1968), and helps prevent donations from creating unintended obligations, conflicts of interest, or ongoing costs for the City. Adoption of this policy will improve consistency, strengthen internal controls, and support transparency in how donations are managed.

FISCAL EFFECT:

Adoption of this policy has no direct fiscal impact, but establishes clear procedures for how donations are accepted, documented, and used.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the policy for the City's Acceptance of Donations.

ALTERNATIVES:

As determined by the Commission.

ATTACHMENTS:

Description

- Policy: City's Acceptance of Donations

**CITY OF MARQUETTE, MICHIGAN
CITY COMMISSION POLICY**

Policy Number: 2026-01	Revision Date(s):
Date Approved: February 9, 2026	
Department: Finance	Original Policy Number:

SUBJECT: CITY’S ACCEPTANCE OF DONATIONS

PURPOSE: This Policy is to establish procedures for the acceptance, documentation, and use of donations made to the City of Marquette. Its purpose is to ensure transparency, accountability, and compliance with State law—including the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act (MCL 141.421 et seq)—while supporting community engagement, public trust, and legitimate public purpose.

All donations must be recorded into the appropriate fund and appropriated in accordance with the Uniform Budgeting and Account Act and generally accepted accounting principles.

SCOPE: This policy applies to both monetary and non-monetary donations, including but not limited to:

- Cash or other financial contributions
- Equipment, vehicles, supplies, or materials
- Land, easements, or buildings
- Artwork or monuments
- Services or in-kind support

Donations must support a legitimate public purpose and may not create unfunded liabilities or obligations for the City.

POLICY:

Legal Authority

Under the Michigan Home Rule City Act (MCL 117.4e) and the City Charter, the City of Marquette may acquire property or funds by gift, donation, devise, or bequest. Donations may only be accepted when they support a legitimate public purpose, and acceptance must follow the procedures in this policy.

General Requirements

1. **Public Purpose Requirement:** All donations must clearly support a governmental function or community benefit consistent with City goals, plans, operations, city charter and state law.

2. Right of Refusal: The City will decline any donation that:
 - a. Creates a conflict of interest, appearance of impropriety or political favoritism
 - b. Creates obligations or future expenditures, unless the Commission has approved the donation with knowledge of the obligation created
 - c. Increases employee overtime, wages, or benefits
 - d. Is intended to fund employee overtime, wages or benefits
 - e. Creates legacy costs (including pension or OPEB impacts)
 - f. Includes conditions the City cannot meet
 - g. Does not serve a legitimate public purpose, or is illegal
 - h. The City may decline any donation for any reason, including if acceptance of the donation is not recommended by City staff because of legal or other concerns.
3. Exemption for De Minimis Consumable Donations: Donations with an objective monetary value of \$50.00 or less, and which can be consumed within 48 hours, are exempt from this policy.

Donation Acceptance Procedures

1. Donations under \$1,000
 - a. May be accepted administratively by the City Treasurer or City Manager, subject to review.
 - b. Must meet the public purpose requirement.
 - c. If there are any concerns regarding suitability, restrictions, or appropriateness, the donation must be forwarded to the City Commission for review.
2. Donations of \$1,000 and above
 - a. Donations with a value of \$1,000.00 or greater will receive a written donation receipt.
 - b. A written list of donations accepted in this category will be maintained and include:
 - i. Donor name
 - ii. Type and amount/value of donation
3. Donations requiring City Commission approval

The following donations may only be accepted by majority vote of the City Commission at a public meeting:

 - a. Donations with an objective monetary value exceeding \$1,000.00
 - b. Donations whose monetary value cannot be determined
 - c. Donations of less than \$1,000.00 that have been referred by City staff to the Commission due to concerns

In reviewing whether a donation should be accepted, the City Commission must consider the factors listed under Right of Refusal within the General Requirements section of this policy.

Monetary Donations and Use of Funds

1. Monetary donations will be deposited into the General Fund unless otherwise designated and approved for a specific public purpose.
2. Donations with restrictions must be:
 - a. Approved by the City Commission if more than \$1,000, or if referred to the Commission because of concerns
 - b. Documented in writing
 - c. Used strictly for the approved purpose
3. Any unspent balance will remain in the same fund and be carried forward for intended purpose.
4. All monetary donations must be receipted promptly upon approval.

Non-Monetary Donations and Public Asset Purchases

1. Donations of property or equipment become City property upon acceptance.
2. Donations toward the purchase, construction, or installation of public assets must comply with:
 - a. City purchasing policies
 - b. State procurement laws
3. Title to assets purchased with donated funds remains with the City.
4. Proposed installations (public art, park amenities, benches, etc.) must meet City design and safety standards.

Accounting , Reports and Records

1. All donations will be receipted and recorded in the City's accounting system in accordance with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act and GAAP.
2. Restricted donations will be recorded in the appropriate fund consistent with the Uniform Budgeting and Accounting Act.
3. A monthly listing of all donations \$1,000.00 and above (those receiving receipts) will be reported to the City Commission.
4. Donation activity will be included in the annual audit.
5. All donation records will comply with the City's records retention schedule.

Donation Receipts and Acknowledgments

The City Treasurer will issue written donation receipts for contributions valued at \$1,000.00 or above, including:

- a. Donor name
- b. Description and value (if provided by donor)
- c. Date received
- d. Statement that no goods or services were provided in exchange (if applicable)
- e. Statement that the City makes no representation as to tax deductibility
 - i. Donors must consult their own tax professionals.

Policy Administration and Review

This policy will be administered by the City Manager and City Treasurer, who shall review the policy as deemed appropriate.

Marquette Harbor Rotary Club

PO Box 266

Marquette, MI 49855

June 15, 2026

City of Marquette

Attention City Treasurer

300 W. Baraga Ave.

Marquette, MI

RE: Award of \$1,000 Grant from the Marquette Harbor Rotary Club

Dear City of Marquette:

On behalf of the Marquette Harbor Rotary Club, we are pleased to provide this letter confirming the grant award of \$1000 to the City of Marquette.

1. Donor information

Marquette HARBOR ROTARY CLUB
PO BOX 266
Marquette, MI 49855

Primary Contact:

Iris Katers, Marquette Harbor Rotary Member
906-362-8932
grandparentsteach@gmail.com

2. Donation Amount

Grant Award Amount \$1000 for rocking chair for Trailhead deck only
EIN 800-92-2655

3. Purpose of Donation

Grant Award Amount \$1000 for rocking chair for Trailhead deck only

4. Restrictions

Grant Award Amount \$1000 for rocking chair for Trailhead deck only

5. Ongoing costs

This donation does not include funding for ongoing maintenance or future replacement costs.

6. Recognition


The chair must visibly include the Rotary International Logo and Marquette Harbor Rotary name.

7. Donation Receipt

The donation receipt should be made out to: Marquette Harbor Rotary Club.

8. Authorized Signature

Grant recipient and Marquette Harbor Rotary Club Member.



Iris Katers **June 15, 2026**

City of Marquette, MI

300 West Baraga Ave
Marquette, Michigan 49855

Monday, June 29, 2026

New Business

AARP Age Friendly Communities Application — Resolution of Support - Roll Call Vote

BACKGROUND:

The City of Marquette is seeking designation as an AARP Age-Friendly Community, joining a global network of communities committed to improving livability for residents of all ages, particularly older adults.

Participation in the AARP Network provides a structured framework for assessing community needs, engaging residents, and developing strategies that support healthy aging, accessibility, housing, transportation, social participation, and community engagement.

As part of the designation, the City commits to:

- Engaging older adults and community stakeholders in the planning process.
- Conducting a community assessment to identify strengths, opportunities, and priorities through our Senior Center.
- Developing and implementing an action plan based on assessment findings.
- Monitoring progress and reporting outcomes to AARP.
- Sharing best practices and collaborating with other Age-Friendly communities.

The designation does not create a regulatory requirement or financial obligation. Instead, it provides access to planning resources, technical assistance, and a nationally recognized framework for continuous improvement. This initiative aligns with the City of Marquette's strategic goals of supporting residents' quality of life and creating a community where individuals can age safely, actively, and independently.

FISCAL EFFECT:

None with this action.

RECOMMENDATION:

Approve the resolution of support for the City's AARP Age-Friendly Communities Application, and authorize the Mayor and Clerk to sign it and the corresponding letter of support.

ALTERNATIVES:

As determined by the Commission.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Resolution AARP Age Friendly Community Application 2026
2. AARP Letter of Support Age Freindly Community Application



RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE AARP NETWORK OF AGE-FRIENDLY STATES AND COMMUNITIES

WHEREAS, the City of Marquette is committed to promoting the health, safety, independence, and quality of life of residents of all ages; and

WHEREAS, as the population of older adults continues to grow, communities must adapt to ensure residents can age safely, actively, and with dignity in the community of their choice; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marquette recognizes that planning efforts related to housing, transportation, public spaces, health services, civic engagement, recreation, and economic development should consider the needs of individuals of all ages and abilities; and

WHEREAS, community decisions regarding land use, housing, transportation, accessibility, and public infrastructure should support a livable community that promotes healthy aging and social connectedness; and

WHEREAS, the AARP Network of Age-Friendly States and Communities, an affiliate of the World Health Organization's Global Network for Age-Friendly Cities and Communities, provides a framework for communities to assess, plan, and implement improvements that benefit residents throughout the lifespan; and

WHEREAS, membership in the AARP Network of Age-Friendly States and Communities provides access to technical assistance, best practices, educational resources, and collaboration opportunities with communities committed to enhancing livability for all residents; and

WHEREAS, the City of Marquette, through its Community Services Department, Marquette Senior Center, community partners, and residents, seeks to develop and implement an Age-Friendly Community Action Plan aligned with the Eight Domains of Livability identified by AARP and the World Health Organization; and

WHEREAS, participation in the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities supports the City's strategic goals of fostering inclusive, accessible, and vibrant neighborhoods where residents can live, work, recreate, and thrive throughout their lives;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Commission of the City of Marquette supports the application for membership in the AARP Network of Age-Friendly States and Communities and commits to engaging residents, stakeholders, and community partners in the development and implementation of an Age-Friendly Community Action Plan.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor is authorized to execute all necessary documents associated with the City's participation in the AARP Network of Age-Friendly States and Communities.

Vote

Aye: _____

Nay: _____

Absent: _____

Duly adopted by the Marquette City Commission on June 29, 2026.

Paul Schloegel, Mayor

Certified to be a true copy on June 30, 2026.

Kyle Whitney, City Clerk



6/22/26

Mr. Bill Johnston
AARP Michigan State Director
AARP Michigan
309 N. Washington Square, Suite 110
Lansing, MI 48933

Dear Mr. Johnston,

On behalf of the City of Marquette, we are honored to submit this letter expressing our commitment to the values, mission, and practices of the AARP Network of Age-Friendly States and Communities. Please accept this letter as the City of Marquette's formal commitment to creating a more livable community for residents of all ages and abilities, and our enthusiastic request to join the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities.

The City of Marquette recognizes that an age-friendly community benefits everyone, from young families and working adults to older residents aging in place. As our population ages, it is increasingly important that we proactively plan for housing, transportation, health services, social participation, outdoor spaces, and community supports that enable residents to remain active, engaged, and independent throughout their lives.

Through the leadership of the Marquette Senior Center, the Community Services Department, local stakeholders, healthcare partners, nonprofit organizations, and community members, the City of Marquette is committed to developing and implementing an Age-Friendly Community Action Plan that aligns with AARP's Eight Domains of Livability and the World Health Organization's Age-Friendly Community Framework.

The following objectives demonstrate the City of Marquette's commitment to becoming a more age-friendly and inclusive community:

Objective 1: Build community awareness and engagement around age-friendly principles by fostering collaboration among local government, healthcare providers, businesses, community organizations, and residents of all ages.

Objective 2: Conduct a comprehensive community assessment to identify existing strengths, opportunities, and barriers impacting older adults and individuals with disabilities, while ensuring diverse community voices are represented throughout the planning process.

Objective 3: Develop an Age-Friendly Community Action Plan informed by community input and data that includes measurable goals, strategies, and initiatives to improve livability across the Eight Domains of Livability.

Objective 4: Promote and implement the Age-Friendly Action Plan through ongoing community partnerships, public education, and accountability measures that track progress and celebrate achievements.

The City of Marquette has a longstanding commitment to supporting healthy aging through innovative programming, social services, outdoor recreation opportunities, and partnerships that enhance quality of life for older adults primarily funded through our local senior millages and the hard work of our Community Services Department. Participation in the AARP Network of Age-Friendly Communities will provide valuable guidance, resources, and collaboration opportunities as we continue this important work.

We are excited to take this next step in the application process and toward ensuring that the City of Marquette remains a welcoming, accessible, and vibrant place where people of all ages can live, work, play, and thrive.

Sincerely,

Paul Schloegel

Mayor
City of Marquette