

## Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

- 1. The sponsoring representative's first name: Emily
- 2. The sponsoring representative's last name: Dievendorf
- 3. The cosponsoring representatives' names. All cosponsors must be listed. If none, please type 'n/a.' A signed letter from the sponsor approving the co-sponsorship and a signed letter from the member wishing to co-sponsor are required. Attach letters at question #9 below.

State Representative Penelope Tsernoglou State Representative Kara Hope State Representative Julie Brixie

- 4. Name of the entity that the spending item is intended for: Lansing Entertainment & Public Facilities Authority (LEPFA)
- Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for: 333 E. Michigan Avenue, Lansing, MI 48933
- 6. If there is not a specific recipient, the intended location of the project or activity:  $\rm N/A$
- Name of the representative and the district number where the legislatively directed spending item is located: State Representative Emily Dievendorf, District 77
- 8. Purpose of the legislatively directed spending item. Please include how it provides a public benefit and why it is an appropriate use of taxpayer funding. Please also demonstrate that the item does not violate Article IV, S 30 of the Michigan Constitution. The purpose of the proposed legislatively directed spending item is to help fund and address issues for the Lansing Center related to Exhibit Hall Improvements, Facilities Upgrades, and Safety Upgrades in concourses and public spaces. The Lansing Center is centrally located in the state of Michigan and has nearly 100,000 square feet of meeting space, including almost 75,000 square feet of column-free exhibit space and over 20,000 square feet of meeting space with full-service audiovisual, food service, and event planning. With 275+ events annually and nearly 600 event days and over 280,000

attendees from throughout the state and country to the Lansing Center, it is a gem of the mid-Michigan region and city of Lansing, and service citizens and visitors from across the state.

The Lansing Entertainment & Public Facilities Authority (LEPFA) manages and operates the Lansing Center along with Jackson Field Stadium and Groesbeck Golf Course. A total facility improvement project is likely to cost between \$40-\$47M to remain in the competitive meeting market, and to improve the facility for attendee safety, attractiveness to the customer, and enhanced technology to meet current industry standards while meeting event expectations. This request is a solid start and addressing facility needs.

Exhibit Hall Improvements

Lighting: System is 30+ years old, hard to find parts, upgrade to LED lights, which improve energy usage, allows for combination setting for customer usage. Sound: System is 30+ years old, hard to find parts, need to have the ability to make announcements in the event of emergency Floors: refinish exhibit hall floor, repair cracks and seal Operable Walls: Repair tracking system, replace the fabric, repair the doors locks and

Operable Walls: Repair tracking system, replace the fabric, repair the doors locks and locking mechanism.

## Concourses & Public Spaces

Safety: Card key door access, with the capability to lock the Lansing Center currently on an allen wrench system, doors are aging, it is old hard to find parts, upgrade of the ADA door switches.

Structural: Sealing, crack repairs, of the internal limestone wall, repair of expansion joints.

Flooring: Carpeting is 15+ years old.

9. Attach documents here if needed:

Attachments added to the end of this file.

- 10. The amount of state funding requested for the legislatively directed spending item. 10000000
- 11. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received any of the following types of funding? Check all that apply.["State"]
- Please select one of the following groups that describes the entity requesting the legislatively directed spending item: Non-profit organization
- 13. For a non-profit organization, has the organization been operating within Michigan for the preceding 36 months? Yes

- 14. For a non-profit organization, has the entity had a physical office within Michigan for the preceding 12 months? Yes
- 15. For a non-profit organization, does the organization have a board of directors? Yes
- 16. For a non-profit organization, list all the active members on the organization's board of directors and any other officers. If this question is not applicable, please type 'n/a.' Tristan Wright, President & CEO of LEPFA. LEPFA Board of Commissioners: Maureen McNulty Saxton, Danielle Lenz, Paul M. Collins, Kenric Hall, Dustin Howard, Desiree A. Kirkland, Larry Leatherwood, Charles Mickens, Charles Randall, Rawley Van Fossen.
- 17. "I certify that neither the sponsoring representative nor the sponsoring representative's staff or immediate family has a direct or indirect pecuniary interest in the legislatively directed spending item."

Yes, this is correct

- 18. Anticipated start and end dates for the legislatively directed spending item: Start October 1, 2025 and end September 30, 2026
- 19. "I hereby certify that all information provided in this request is true and accurate." Yes