CITY OF ANN ARBOR Administrator's Report

The city's mission is to deliver exceptional services that sustain and enhance a vibrant, safe and diverse community.

City Administrator's Report March 2, 2026 prepared for City Council. Kindly forward questions, comments, or suggestions for input to *mdohoney@a2gov.org*, *mwalton@a2gov.org*, *or shiggins@a2gov.org*.

SAFETY NOTES

Safety Update ***Crosswalks and Pedestrian Safety***

The City of Ann Arbor has a crosswalk ordinance that requires all drivers to stop and yield for pedestrians at, or in, a crosswalk. Every driver plays a role in keeping our streets safe. Please ensure that you stop for pedestrians and set an example for other drivers on the road.

When driving, make sure to:

- Yield to pedestrians in crosswalks and at intersections.
- Be prepared to stop at all marked crosswalks. Stay alert and reduce speed in areas where crosswalks are present.
- Come to a complete stop if pedestrians are crossing or preparing to cross.
- Wait until pedestrians have crossed at least one lane past the lane you are in before proceeding.
- Never pass another vehicle that has stopped or is slowing down at a crosswalk.

Thank you for your time and cooperation, and thanks for making ***A2 Be Safe!***

SUSTAINABILITY & INNOVATIONS

Sustainability & Innovations Corner Catch up on the latest information submitted from the Ann Arbor Office of Sustainability and Innovations (OSI). For further details, including registration links, visit OSI online.

- **The Vaduva Family are March's Climate Action Heroes!** The Vaduva family takes direct action in their home, neighborhood, and school district to foster community resilience, improve quality of life, preserve natural features, and advance climate action. Timotei and Ashley cited their children as the motivation for their work. Team Vaduva, we congratulate and recognize you as our March Climate Action Hero! Residents are encouraged to submit Climate Action Heroes from their community at osi.a2gov.org/hero.
- **Electronics Collection Drop-Off Bin Coming to City Hall March 9 – 24**. Household electronics such as laptops, cell phones, tablets, keyboards, hard drives, hot spots, GPS units, routers & modems, cords & cables, media (CDs, DVDs, disks, tapes), consoles will all be accepted. Please note that the bin opening is

1.5 inches tall, and items that do not fit cannot be accepted. Registration is not required. The drop-off bin will be open during City Hall's regular business hours. Learn more at a2gov.org/electronics.

- **Completed installation of solar carport at Fire Station 3**. This system was relocated from 4th and Catherine, a former DDA parking lot now the site of AAHC's Dunbar Tower. The system isn't yet online as we're waiting for some other electrical work to be completed at the station before final system tie in. But when it is live, check out the Block M that's included in the design!
- **OSI welcomed Sam Kachuck to the team as our new Commercial Sustainability Analyst!** In this new role, Sam will be working with commercial organizations in our community to support and advance sustainability in their buildings and business practices. Welcome to the team, Sam!
- **Monthly Clothing Swap, March 19, 4-7 PM, City Hall:** Join the Office of Sustainability and Innovations for monthly clothing swaps on the third Thursday of each month! These are a perfect way to give your gently used clothes a new home. And you might just find an item of clothing you have been looking for, without having to buy it new.
- **Save the Date: Earth Day.** Join the Office of Sustainability and Innovations on Sunday, April 19 at the Leslie Science and Nature Center for this annual celebration!
- **Save the Date: Climate Teach-In**. Returning for its fourth year, this year's annual Climate Teach-In will be Sunday, April 25. This free event provides residents the opportunity to learn not only from local sustainability leaders but other community members as they create and innovate climate solutions.
- **Save the Date**: **A^{2}ZERO Week**. Celebrate the sixth anniversary of the A^{2}ZERO Plan with a week – May 31-June 6 – of events, resources, action, and fun. Learn more about last year's A^{2}ZERO Week to get a taste for this year's at osi.a2gov.org/a2zeroweek.
- KEEP IT "REEL" WITH OSI. We are delighted to share that OSI launched a weekly video series looking back on some of the highlights of activities undertaking the week before. These videos will appear regularly throughout the year on our socials!
- FB: A2Zero | IG: @a2zero2030 JOIN OUR MAILING LIST | YOUTUBE | a2zero.org
  For more information on our upcoming events, please visit
  https://www.a2gov.org/sustainability-innovations-home/newsletter-events/

COUNCIL PRIORITIES/INITIATIVES

Ordinance Chapter 14, 1:316 Sole/Best Source Data. Pursuant to changes approved by City Council on July 15, 2019, to Chapter 14, 1:316, attached is the Sole/Best Source data for February 2026 for purchases over $5,000.

PREVIEWS

March 2 Council Meeting will feature the following items of interest:

Consent Agenda (27). There are 27 items on the consent agenda.

Public Hearings (1). Public Hearing is listed under Second Reading.

Ordinances – Second Reading (1).

- A Public Hearing and An Ordinance to Amend the Zoning Map of Chapter 55 (Unified Development Code), Rezoning of 0.95 Acres from R4C (Multiple-Family Dwelling) and M1 (Limited Industrial) to D1 (Downtown Core), Midtown Character Overlay, Secondary Street Frontage with Conditions, The Dean, 558 S Fifth Ave (CPC Recommendation: Approval - 8 Yes, 0 No) (ORD-26-06)

Ordinances – First Reading (none).

OTHER

Winter Compost Pickup. The city is performing once-monthly pickup of compost carts throughout the winter, however no bags or bundles will be collected. The remaining monthly curbside compost cart pickup will take place during the week of March 2, 2026. Carts will be collected on residents' regular solid waste collection day.

Residents who do not have a compost cart can obtain one for free by contacting the city customer service center at 734.794.6320 or **customerservice@a2gov.org**. For information on winter composting and tips on how to prevent material from freezing to carts, such as lining the cart with a paper lawn and leaf bag, visit **www.a2gov.org/wintercompost**.

Ann Arbor Seeks Artist to Create Bronze Statue Honoring LGBTQ+ Trailblazer Kathy Kozachenko. The City of Ann Arbor is inviting experienced bronze artists and artist teams to apply to design, fabricate and install a life-sized bronze figure honoring Kathy Kozachenko, the first openly LGBTQ+ person elected to public office in the United States. The sculpture will be installed in front of Larcom City Hall, 301 E. Huron St.

The artist call is being managed by the **Ann Arbor Art Center** in collaboration with the City of Ann Arbor. The selected artist or team will create a permanent work recognizing Kozachenko's historic election to the Ann Arbor City Council in 1974 and her lasting impact on civil rights and public service. The total budget for the project is $75,000.

Project timeline:

- Call submission deadline: March 8 at 11:59 p.m.
- Semi-finalists selected: April
- Semi-finalists interviews: May
- Finalist awarded: June
- Project completion and installation: Spring/Summer 2027

More information is available via https://www.a2gov.org/news/posts/ann-arbor-seeks-artist-to-create-bronze-statue-honoring-lgbtqplus-trailblazer-kathy-kozachenko/.

Ann Arbor SEU Invites Residents to Express Interest in Local Renewal Energy. Ann Arbor's Sustainable Energy Utility is soliciting expressions of interest from residents and businesses as the city plans to hook its first customers up to clean, renewable energy later this year.

To encourage people to sign up, the city has released a brief, animated video produced by Ann Arbor's Kohlitz Animation and Production that provides an overview of the Sustainable Energy Utility.

Residents can watch the video and express their interest, commitment-free, at **www.A2SEU.com**.

Ann Arbor Launches Community Engagement on Possible Decommissioning of Outdoor Warning Siren System. The City of Ann Arbor is inviting community members to share feedback on the possible decommissioning of the city's outdoor warning siren system.

Ann Arbor is considering retiring its 22 outdoor warning sirens because newer emergency alert technologies provide clearer, more detailed instructions to residents during emergencies. The city has launched a public engagement webpage where residents can complete a community survey and ask questions at engage.a2gov.org/siren-review.

From March through October, Ann Arbor's sirens are tested at 1 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month with a one-minute wail (testing resumes March 10). The sirens are an outdoor warning system only and are not intended to be heard indoors. When activated, they serve as an attention-getting tool and instruct residents to "go in and tune in" to other information sources for details. In the past five years, the sirens have been activated twice — both in July 2023 — to alert people to severe weather, including during the Ann Arbor Art Fair. The current system is aging and requires ongoing investment. The city expects to spend approximately $60,000 annually over the next three years on repairs, followed by roughly $17,000 per year in maintenance costs. Community members may complete the survey, ask questions and learn more about the project at https://engage.a2gov.org/siren-review.

A2 Snow Match Snow-covered sidewalks can be hazardous for everyone. But there's something you can do for your neighbors, on either side of the snowbank: Sign up for the A2 Snow Match program, by becoming a volunteer OR, if eligible, receiving snow/ice-removal assistance to keep walkways passable. The A2 Snow Match program pairs residents in need with nearby neighbors who volunteer to assist with snow removal.

Recipients of volunteer services must be city residents age 55+ or self-identify as having a disability, and without other resources available to help with snow removal (i.e., financial, family, friends or neighbors). Volunteers are matched with homes within about a 10-minute walk of their location. Residents can register to volunteer or receive help! Questions? Email a2snowmatch@a2gov.org.

MEMORANDUM

TO: Milton Dohoney Jr., City Administrator

FROM: Colin Spencer, Procurement and Risk Manager

DATE: 2/27/2026

SUBJECT: Sole/Best Source Data for February 2026

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cc: Marti Praschan, Chief Financial Officer
Sara Higgins, Director of Operations

Sole/Best Source for February 2026

Unit	Amount	Vendor/Source	Item	Description	Type
Parks & Rec	$ 19,500.00	Penchura, LLC	*AP Invoice	BICENTENNIAL PARK - MECH20 STORAGE	Sole Source
Solid Waste	$ 23,105.00	Metrostor Inc.	GARBAGE AND REFUSE CONTAINERS.99849	FOOD SCRAP DROP-OFF CONTAINERS	Best Source
Fleet & Facilities	$ 8,690.45	Heritage Collision Ann Arbor	TRUCK AND VAN MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR (NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFI.92886	CAR 56 FRONT END DAMAGE	Best Source
IT	$ 12,872.38	Centurylink	*AP Invoice	LUMEN SBC UPGRADE	Best Source
Fleet & Facilities	$ 50,000.00	Ann Arbor Fire Protection	FIRE DETECTING EQUIPMENT.34020	ELECTION CENTER - 3-YEAR FLOW TRIP TEST DRY SPRINKLER SYSTEM	Sole Source
WWTP	$ 10,680.00	Kennedy Industries	VALVE PARTS, MISCELLANEOUS.67076	DEZURIK PLUG PARTS FOR REPAIR	Sole Source
Financial Services	$ 11,550.00	Covalence Consutling	*AP Invoice	UKG PRO DEDICATED SUPPORT	Best Source
Parks & Rec	$ 57,625.00	Insite Design Studio	*AP Invoice	FULLER PAVILION SITE DEVELOPMENT	Sole Source
15th District Court	$ 15,487.00	Axon Enterprise	AMMUNITION, EXPLOSIVES, AND WEAPONS (LICENSED DEALERS ONLY).99806	BALIFF TASERS & EQUIPMENT	Sole Source
Parks & Rec	$ 66,470.00	Fischer Bros LLC	*AP Invoice	VETS POOL - WATERSLIDE REPAIR	Best Source
Parks & Rec	$ 88,000.00	OHM Advisors	*AP Invoice	PARKS PLANNING - AS NEEDED PROJECT MANAGEMENT	Best Source
Transportation	$ 73,740.00	Urban SDK, INC	DATABASE SOFTWARE.20837	LICENSE AGREEMENT FOR TRAFFIC SPEED/VOLUME DATA	Sole Source
Fleet & Facilities	$ 14,550.00	Chargepoint	*AP Invoice	FAST CHARGER 5 YEAR WARRANTY EXTENSION	Sole Source
Fleet & Facilities	$ 14,000.00	Fastenal Company	AUTOMOBILE, TRUCK AND BUS PARTS AND EQUIPMENT.99809	PARTS	Best Source
Parks & Rec	$ 59,985.24	Turnkey Network Solutions	*AP Invoice	BICENTENNIAL PARK-FIBER BUILD OUT	Best Source
City Admin	$ 7,000.00	MGT of America Consulting	*AP Invoice	EXECUTIVE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION	Best Source
Public Works	$ 6,672.22	Infosense, Inc	SEWER INSPECTION EQUIPMENT.89064	REPAIR OF SI RAT UNITS	Sole Source
Fleet & Facilities	$ 9,633.52	Heritage Collision Ann Arbor	TRUCK AND VAN MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR (NOT OTHERWISE CLASSIFI.92886	CAR 56 FRONT END DAMAGE	Best Source
City Admin	$ 25,000.00	Ann Arbor Art Center	*AP Invoice	KATHY KOZACHENKO STATUTE PROJECT	Best Source
Public Works	$ 45,000.00	Egantix Inc	SEWER ANALYZING, MONITORING, PROBE AND RELATED EQUIPMENT.89063	FATS OILS GREASE COMPLIANCE PROGRAM	Sole Source