

CITY OF EAST GRAND RAPIDS

RESOLUTION NO 2026-01

RESOLUTION TO ALLOW LOCAL RESIDENTS TO PROTEST TO THE BOARD OF REVIEW IN WRITING

At a regular meeting of the Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids, Kent County, Michigan, held in the City of East Grand Rapids on the 20th day of January 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Commissioners Burdick, Groff-Blaszak, Hunter, Schwartz, Skaggs and Mayor Favale.

ABSENT: Commissioner Wessely.

WHEREAS, the General Property Tax Act, MCL 211.30(4) states that, when appealing to the Board of Review, “a nonresident taxpayer may file his or her appearance, protest, and papers in support of the protest by letter, and his or her personal appearance is not required”; and

WHEREAS, MCL 211.30(8) states that “The governing body of the township or city may authorize, by adoption of an ordinance or resolution, a resident taxpayer to file his or her protest before the board of review by letter without a personal appearance by the taxpayer or his or her agent. If that ordinance or resolution is adopted, the township or city shall include a statement notifying taxpayers of this option in each assessment notice under section 24c and on each notice or publication of the meeting of the board of review”; and

WHEREAS, that, in order to ease the burden on taxpayers, the assessor and the Board of Review, and to ensure that all taxpayers have an equal opportunity to be heard by the Board of Review, the City of East Grand Rapids Board hereby resolves, according to provisions of MCL 211.30(8) of the General Property Tax Act, that the Board of Review shall receive letters of protest regarding assessments from resident taxpayers from the first Tuesday in March until it adjourns from the public hearings for which it meets to hear such protests.

Letters from both residents and nonresidents may include those submitted by letter or email.

All notices of assessment change and all advertisements of the board of review meetings must include a statement that the resident taxpayers may protest by letter to the board.

UPON A VOTE FOR THE ADOPTION OF SAID RESOLUTION, THE VOTE WAS:

AYES: Commissioners Burdick, Groff-Blaszak, Hunter, Schwartz, Skaggs and Mayor Favale.

NAYES: None.

ABSTAINED: None.

RESOLUTION DECLARED ADOPTED.

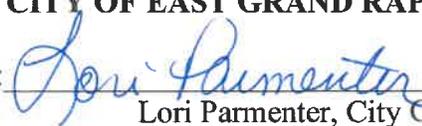
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BY:  _____
Katie Favale, Mayor

BY:  _____
Lori Parmenter, City Clerk

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, the duly qualified and acting Clerk of the City of East Grand Rapids, County of Kent, State of Michigan, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and complete copy of a resolution adopted by the City Commission of the City of East Grand Rapids at a regular meeting held on the 20th day of January, 2026, the original of which resolution is on file in my office and available to the public. Public notice of said meeting was given pursuant to and in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, Act No. 267 of the Michigan Public Acts of 1976, including the case of a special or rescheduled meeting, notice by posting at least 18 hours prior to the time set for said meeting.

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BY:  _____
Lori Parmenter, City Clerk