



# CITY OF GRAND RAPIDS AGENDA ACTION REQUEST

Item Number: 2

**DATE:** June 10, 2025

**TO:** Mark Washington, City Manager

**COMMITTEE:** Committee of the Whole

**LIAISON:** Mark Washington, City Manager

**FROM:** Sarah Rainero, Economic Development Director  
Economic Development

**SUBJECT:** **Resolution Approving a First Amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement with the State Land Bank Authority and the City of Grand Rapids to modify the Grand Rapids Land Bank Board Authority composition**

This memo accompanies a resolution seeking Mayoral signature to approve a first amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City of Grand Rapids and the Michigan State Land Bank Authority. The amendment increases the number of directors appointed by the Mayor on the Grand Rapids Land Bank Authority Board from **five (5)** to **seven (7)** members.

**Background:**

In November 2024 the City of Grand Rapids entered into an intergovernmental agreement with the Michigan Land Bank Fast Track Authority to create a local land bank authority. That agreement established a Grand Rapids Land Bank board to oversee the governance and activities of the authority that would be comprised of either five members appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Commission or the City's Brownfield Redevelopment Authority, the latter of which has served as the Grand Rapids Land Bank Authority board since that time.

**Summary of Amendment:**

The resolution approves a first amendment to the original IGA to amend the relevant section as follows:

The Local Authority shall be governed by the Local Authority Board which shall consist of either a) seven (7) directors appointed by the Mayor of the City and approved by the City Commission, or b) the board of directors of the Brownfield Redevelopment Authority Board of the City of Grand Rapids, if approved by resolution of the City Commission."

No other provisions of the IGA are affected by this amendment.

**Next Steps:**

Upon Commission approval and Mayoral signature, the City will forward the executed resolution and executed first amendment to the IGA to the State Land Bank for countersignature.

Your COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE recommends the adoption of the following resolution approving a first amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement with the State Land Bank Authority and the City of Grand Rapids to modify the Grand Rapids Land Bank Board membership for mayoral appointments from five (5) to seven (7) members.

RESOLVED that the City enter into a first amendment to the Intergovernmental Agreement with the State Land Bank Authority to modify the number of board members for mayoral appointments and that, upon approval as to form by the City Attorney, the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to execute the same on behalf of the City.

CORRECT IN FORM  
  
CITY ATTORNEY