

# Appropriations Requests for Legislatively Directed Spending Items

- 1. The sponsoring representative's first name: Jason
- 2. The sponsoring representative's last name: Morgan
- 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.

Representative Jennifer Conlin, Representative Carrie Rheingans, Representative Morgan Foreman

- 4. Name of the entity that the spending item is intended for: Ann Arbor Downtown Development Authority
- 5. Physical address of the entity that the spending item is intended for: 150 South Fifth Avenue Suite 301, Ann Arbor, MI 48104
- 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: Rep. Jason Morgan (D-23)
- 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. Downtown Ann Arbor is a regional destination, hosting nearly 21 million visitors, and over 30 special events and runs annually. Street closures help drive this important economic activity. The heart of our Main Street hosts over 1.5 million visits to seasonal street closures for outdoor dining and entertainment. At the height of U-M football season, nearly 150,000 U-M fans fill the State Street District street for game watch.

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## 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. 5000000
- 11. Has the legislatively directed spending item previously received any of the following types of funding? Check all that apply.["None"]
- 12. Please select one of the following groups that describes the entity requesting the legislatively directed spending item: Local unit government
- 13. For a non-profit organization, has the organization been operating within Michigan for the preceding 36 months? Not applicable
- 14. For a non-profit organization, has the entity had a physical office within Michigan for the preceding 12 months? Not applicable
- 15. For a non-profit organization, does the organization have a board of directors? Not applicable
- 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.' N/A
- 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: FY26
- 19. "I hereby certify that all information provided in this request is true and accurate."  $_{\rm Yes}$

## Downtown Development Authority of Ann Arbor Bollards and Ballistics Protection FY 2026 Funding Request

#### **Bollards Project Purpose & Detail:**

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#### Total Cost of Projects: \$5 million