



February 12, 2026

House Appropriations Committee  
Chair Ann Bollin  
Capitol Building Room 351  
100 N. Capitol Aven.  
Lansing, Michigan 48933

House Appropriations Chair Ann Bollin:

In State of Michigan Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Cycle with the assistance of State Representative Nate Shannon of the 58<sup>th</sup> House District, the City of Warren was appropriated \$1 million in State appropriations funding for the purpose of funding ADA improvements to play structures and infrastructure at Halmich Park.

As of July 22, 2025, Warren Parks and Recreation contractually committed the promised \$1 million in State appropriation funding with the purchase of accessible and inclusive playground equipment with the support of Warren City Council. The City of Warren does not have additional revenue dedicated to this project. Our community is depending on the State of Michigan to meet their commitment to funding the appropriations.

Since committing these State Appropriation funds for the improvement of Halmich Park infrastructure the City of Warren received notification that the Michigan House of Representatives stopped funding previously budgeted projects.

Furthermore, Warren City Council was instructed that the State of Michigan House of Representatives would restore previously legislatively directed spending provided representation from the City of Warren submits an official letter stating that the City rules, policies, and ordinances do not include language that requires, encourages, or supports subverting immigration enforcement or refusing to comply with federal immigration enforcement measures consistent with House Resolution 19 of 2025.

Together the elected leadership of Warren City Council and Mayor of Warren do attest in this official letter.

Respectfully Submitted,

Signed by:

*Lori M Stone*

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Lori M. Stone  
Mayor

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Members of the Warren City Council,

I have attached the adopted language of House of Representatives Resolution 19 of 2025. In reviewing the language, I was made aware that elected boards such as the City Council have the authority to submit a letter to the House of Representatives requesting legislatively directed spending.

The direction of funding and approving ordinances is per City Charter is the authority of City Council. The daily operation of the city is the purview of the executive. The letter requested by the House of Representatives restore the State of Michigan Fiscal Year 2024 Budget Appropriations requires municipalities to attest that the City of Warren rules, policies and ordinances do not include language that requires, encourages or supports subverting immigration enforcement or refusing to comply with federal immigration enforcement measures consistent with House Resolution 19.

Since as Mayor, I cannot speak for or direct Warren City Council on the matter of rules, policies and ordinance. So, I provided the attached language that I will sign on to provided City Council joins me in signing on to the letter upholding their City Charter responsibilities. At tonight's Special Meeting, I invite City Council to sign a letter signifying their mutual adherence to House Resolution 19. I have included a Docusign letter that can be provided to our State Legislative delegation as well as House Speaker, Matt Hall, and Appropriations Chair Ann Bollin. I anxiously await City Council's decision.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Lori M. Stone", is written over a faint, larger blue ink signature that is partially obscured.

Lori M. Stone  
Mayor

**SUBSTITUTE FOR  
HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 0019**

1           A resolution to amend the Standing Rules of the House of  
2 Representatives.

3           Resolved by the House of Representatives, That Rule 52 of the  
4 Standing Rules of the House of Representatives is hereby amended to  
5 read as follows:

6 **"Appropriations.**

7           Rule 52. **(1)** No appropriations bill **or conference report**  
8 containing ~~enhancement grants~~ **a legislatively directed spending**  
9 **item** shall be brought for a vote without proper disclosure of the  
10 sponsor and the intended recipient, and a description of the ~~grant~~  
11 **legislatively directed spending item** in a form and manner  
12 established by the House by resolution.

13           **(2) An appropriations bill or conference report shall not be**

1 brought for a vote if it contains a legislatively directed spending  
2 item for which the intended recipient is a municipality or a  
3 university, including any official, department, or board of a  
4 municipality or university, that actively maintains any rule,  
5 policy, ordinance, or resolution that would subvert immigration  
6 enforcement in any way or that refuses to comply with federal  
7 immigration enforcement measures.

8 (3) No appropriations bill or conference report containing a  
9 legislatively directed spending item for which the intended  
10 recipient is a municipality or university shall be brought for a  
11 vote unless the municipality or university has submitted the  
12 following information to the House:

13 (a) The municipality's or university's rules, policies,  
14 ordinances, and resolutions related to federal immigration law and  
15 immigration enforcement measures. This includes, but is not  
16 limited to, any rules, policies, ordinances, and resolutions  
17 regarding U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, U.S.  
18 Immigration and Customs Enforcement detainer requests, and the  
19 municipality's or university's intent to work with federal  
20 authorities or actively harbor or shield illegal aliens from  
21 federal enforcement authorities or operations.

22 (b) In the case of a municipality, an official letter from  
23 the municipality, signed by the municipality's chief executive  
24 officer, the municipality's duly elected board, or an individual  
25 who is legally authorized to act on behalf of the municipality,  
26 certifying the following:

27 (i) The municipality's rules, policies, ordinances, and  
28 resolutions do not include language that requires, encourages, or  
29 supports subverting immigration enforcement in any way or refusing

1 to comply with federal immigration enforcement measures.

2 (ii) The municipality will comply with federal immigration  
3 law.

4 (c) In the case of a university, an official letter from the  
5 university, signed by the university's president, the university's  
6 governing board, board of directors, or board of trustees, or an  
7 individual who is legally authorized to act on behalf of the  
8 university, certifying the following:

9 (i) The university's rules, policies, ordinances, and  
10 resolutions do not include language that requires, encourages, or  
11 supports subverting immigration enforcement in any way or refusing  
12 to comply with federal immigration enforcement measures.

13 (ii) The university will comply with federal immigration law.

14 (4) As used in this rule:

15 (a) "Legislatively directed spending item" means an  
16 appropriation that authorizes or obligates a specific amount of  
17 money for a contract or other expenditure with a grant, loan, or  
18 other economic assistance or incentive to a specific person,  
19 organization, unit of local government, or project or activity in a  
20 unit of local government, other than through a formula-driven or  
21 competitive award process.

22 (b) "Municipality" means a county, city, village, township,  
23 or authority established under the laws of this state.

24 (c) "University" means a state university described in  
25 Article VIII, § 4, 5, or 6 of the Michigan Constitution, or an  
26 independent college or university incorporated under 1931 PA 327,  
27 MCL 450.170 to 450.177."