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TO: Detroit City Council
FROM: David Whitaker, Director
Legislative Policy Division Staff
DATE: June 17, 2025
RE: Resolution extending the Detroit Reparations Task Force

Council President Mary Sheffield requested the Legislative Policy Division (LPD) provide a resolution granting an extension of time for the Detroit Reparations Task Force. We have provided the attached resolution for Council's consideration.

Please contact our office if we can be of further assistance.

Attachment

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**RESOLUTION EXTENDING THE REPARATIONS TASK FORCE
TO OCTOBER 31, 2025**

BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT MARY SHEFFIELD

- WHEREAS** City Council established the Detroit Reparations Task Force as a result of the overwhelming support received by the ballot initiative which garnered over 80% of the vote to help further exploration of the feasibility and ability of the City of Detroit to create processes, develop, and implement community reparations for mass historic unjust treatment of Detroit's majority Black population by making recommendations for housing and economic development programs that address historical discrimination against the Black community in Detroit; and
- WHEREAS** The Detroit Reparations Task Force has been working to meet its mandate of providing recommendations to the City Council on meaningful and viable initiatives to provide Detroit residents with reparations to redress harms resulting from discrimination and racism; and
- WHEREAS** Given the nature of this work and the need to be historically accurate, critically conscious and contemporarily relevant, the Task Force membership finds it necessary to request an extension of time to complete the work; and
- WHEREAS** In the effort to accomplish this historic and groundbreaking mission, the Reparations Task Force would like to request an extension of time be granted until October 31, 2025, for the completion of the report; and
- WHEREAS** The Reparations Task Force additionally request that their existing remaining budget for fiscal year 2025 be allowed to be rolled over to the next fiscal year to cover the cost for staffing, community meetings and office space rental, until October 31, 2025; **Now therefore be it**
- RESOLVED** That the Detroit Reparations Task Force shall be extended and the current fund balance rolled over into fiscal year 2026, until October 31, 2025, by which date the Reparation Task Force shall submit a Written report of its findings and recommendations to the City Council.