

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING DETROIT REPARATIONS TASK FORCE EXPENDITURE  
REQUEST**

**BY COUNCIL PRESIDENT MARY SHEFFIELD**

**WHEREAS;** The Detroit City Council established the Detroit Reparations Task Force (DRTF) as a result of the overwhelming support received by a ballot initiative that garnered over 80% of the vote in favor of 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 populations; and

**WHEREAS;** DRTF completed this historic and groundbreaking task by submitting the final written report of its findings and recommendations entitled “2025 City of Detroit Reparations Recommendations Report” to the City Council by the agreed upon date of October 31, 2025 as required; and

**WHEREAS;** While the Task Force concludes its work DRTF, has identified a few additional next steps that must occur in order to wind-down its work; and

**WHEREAS;** The funds specified for these purposes are already approved in DRTF’s budget as previously funded by Council, and the sole purpose of this Resolution is to authorize the expenditure of funds to support winding up activities, including limited staff work; and

**WHEREAS;** In order to conduct these remaining final activities, DRTF requests an authorized budget allocation to be used for the following purposes:

- Funding for the Project Manager to institute partnerships with community stakeholders, philanthropic organizations, and other public groups, and manage finalization of any remaining task, and the closure of any open issues;
- Funding to allow a facility rental to hold a November community meeting to serve as an introduction of the report and its findings to the public; and
- Travel costs for four (4) task force members to attend the First Repair Evanston Conference where leaders from across the country are eager to hear from DRTF representatives.

**WHEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED;** The Detroit City council recognizes that DRTF possesses the required funds in its budget to cover the requested expenditures; and request Council only authorize the expenditure and use of funds for the specific purposes identified; **AND THEREFORE, BE IT FURTHER**

**RESOLVED;** That the Detroit City Council hereby authorizes the Detroit Reparations Task Force to make the following expenditures and enter into a wind-down period ending December 31, 2025

\$9000	Project Manager Salary (November 1 <sup>st</sup> to December 31 <sup>st</sup> )
\$1000	November Community Meeting (Rental Space)
\$3000	First Repair Evanston Conference (December 3 <sup>rd</sup> -5 <sup>th</sup> )