

AGENDA REPORT

TO: Mayor Pat Humphrey & Clare City Commissioners
FROM: Laurie Jackson, Deputy Clerk
DATE: December 30, 2025
RE: *Professional & Education Training Opportunities

For the Agenda of January 5th, 2026.

***Note: This is a Consent Agenda item and is considered as routine by the City Commission. As such, this matter shall be automatically enacted by one motion with all other Consent Agenda items unless a Commissioner or citizen requests this item be individually discussed, in which event it shall be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered and acted upon in its designated sequence on the approved Clare City Commission agenda of January 5th, 2026**

Commissioners are encouraged to attend educational and training events. Please submit the attached Professional Development Training Request to the City Clerk if you are interested in attending any educational or training event(s).

1. Michigan Municipal League Upcoming Events. The MML also provides many opportunities for training and professional development to include a vast selection of webinars available for viewing. The current offerings are attached for review & consideration.
2. American Planning Association-Michigan Chapter. The Michigan APA likewise offers training sessions and onsite workshops for city officials. If you are interested in having the City host an onsite workshop, please contact the City Clerk. The most current opportunities for professional development are attached for your consideration.

Attachments: as outlined above.

Clearly another way of life.



CITY OF CLARE
Professional Development Training Request

Today's Date: _____

Your Name & Title: _____

Name of Training Event: _____

Location of Training Event: _____

Date(s) & Times of Training Event: _____

If you are required to sign up for break-out sessions, which break-out sessions & times would you like to attend:

Do you have and special food requirements (if the event is serving food)?

Will you need a city vehicle to attend this event? Yes No
(If the answer is no, a mileage reimbursement form will be provided)

Will you need overnight accommodations? Yes No

Do you have special needs regarding accommodations? _____

Please return this completed form to: Diane Lyon, City Clerk
202 W. Fifth St.
Clare, MI 48617
Or you may email the form to: dlyon@cityofclare.gov



MON

LEAGUE VIRTUAL EVENT | JANUARY 12, 2026 @ 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

12

Live with the League

Join the League's State and Federal Affairs team on the second and fourth Mondays of each month to learn about the latest legislative movements in Lansing.

[Register here](#)

Free

WED

NON-LEAGUE JANUARY 21, 2026 @ 8:00 AM - JANUARY 23, 2026 @ 11:30 AM

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GRAND TRAVERSE RESORT AND SPA 100 GRAND TRAVERSE VILLAGE BLVD, ACME, MI, UNITED STATES

2026 MME Winter Institute



learn and grow as municipal executives.

[Register here](#)

\$450

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LEAGUE VIRTUAL EVENT | JANUARY 22, 2026 @ 5:30 PM

22

Newly Elected Officials Training

Congratulations on your new position and welcome to the Michigan Municipal League! For more than 100 years, the League has provided advocacy, education, and assistance to local officials to help them provide improved services and administration. Your municipality's membership in the League provides you with access to these services, designed...



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LEAGUE VIRTUAL EVENT | JANUARY 26, 2026 @ 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

26

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[Register here](#)

Free

FEBRUARY 2026

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LEAGUE VIRTUAL EVENT | FEBRUARY 7, 2026 @ 8:30 AM - 12:15 PM

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Newly Elected Officials Training



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[Register](#)

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LEAGUE VIRTUAL EVENT | FEBRUARY 9, 2026 @ 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

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FRI LEAGUE VIRTUAL EVENT | FEBRUARY 20, 2026 @ 5:30 PM - FEBRUARY 21, 2026 @ 12:30 PM

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2026 Elected Officials Academy Winter Advanced Summit

Elevate your leadership journey with the Elected Officials Academy (EOA) Advanced Summit, an exclusive opportunity for elected officials committed to furthering their expertise beyond the Core Summit. Building on the solid foundation established in the Core Summit, the Advanced Summit offers a rotating schedule of topics, ensuring officials access fresh...

[Register here](#)

\$155

FRI LEAGUE VIRTUAL EVENT | FEBRUARY 20, 2026 @ 5:30 PM - FEBRUARY 21, 2026 @ 12:30 PM

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Join us for a transformative experience at the Elected Officials Academy (EOA) Core Summit, a premier training seminar designed to empower local elected officials with the foundational knowledge, skills, and strategies needed to navigate the dynamic landscape of public service. This summit is your gateway to a comprehensive curriculum that...

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\$155

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Free

MARCH 2026

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LEAGUE VIRTUAL EVENT | MARCH 9, 2026 @ 12:00 PM - 1:00 PM

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Free

TUE

FEATURED



CapCon

The Michigan Municipal League's CapCon brings together municipal leaders to learn, network, and advocate, connecting them with policymakers and equipping them with timely state and federal policy insights, along with tactical legislative tools that strengthen local governance and elevate civic leadership across the state. CapCon provides municipal leaders with opportunities ...

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American Planning Association
Michigan Chapter

Creating Great Communities for All

Upcoming Events

January 2026

The Past and Future of Planning in Michigan

Thu
8
2026

January 8, 2026
12:00PM - 1:30PM

Part One

Virtual

[view event details](#) ▶

The Past and Future of Planning in Michigan

Thu
15
2026

January 15, 2026
12:00PM - 1:30PM

Part Two

Virtual

[view event details](#) 

February 2026

Student MAP Conference

Sat

7

2026

February 7, 2026

East Lansing

[view event details](#) 

Transportation Bonanza 17

Tue

10

2026

February 10, 2026

East Lansing

[view event details](#) 

Data Center Know How for Planners and Officials

Thu

12

2026

February 12, 2026

12:00PM - 2:00PM

Virtual

[view event details](#) 

Planning and Zoning Toolkit for Inclusive Design

Wed
18
2026

February 18, 2026
3:00PM - 5:00PM

Virtual

[view event details](#) 

March 2026

Making Renewables Add Up

Thu
5
2026

March 5, 2026
3:00PM - 4:30PM

Virtual

[view event details](#) 

Building Your Community's Leadership Pipeline - NEW

Wed
11
2026

March 11, 2026
3:00PM - 4:30PM

Virtual

[view event details](#) 

Call for Sessions

Fri
13
2026

March 13, 2026
5:00PM

Michigan Transportation Planning Association

[view event details](#) ▶

Planning and Zoning Essentials

Wed
18
2026

March 18, 2026
11:30AM - 4:30PM

Frankenmuth, Bavarian Inn Lodge

[view event details](#) ▶

Capital Improvement Planning

Wed
18
2026

March 18, 2026
5:30PM - 8:30PM

Frankenmuth, Bavarian Inn Lodge

[view event details](#) ▶

Getting the Development You Want

Tue
24

2026

March 24, 2026

11:30AM - 1:30PM

St. Joseph City Hall

[view event details](#) 

Parking Best Practices -- NEW

Tue

24

2026

March 24, 2026

5:30PM - 8:00PM

St. Joseph City Hall

[view event details](#) 

Planning and Zoning Essentials

Wed

25

2026

March 25, 2026

6:00PM - 8:00PM

Part One

Virtual

[view event details](#) 

Planning and Zoning Essentials

Thu

26

2026

March 26, 2026

6:00PM - 8:00PM

Part Two

Virtual

[view event details](#) 

Zoning Board of Appeals

Tue

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2026

March 31, 2026

12:30PM - 3:30PM

Washtenaw Community College

[view event details](#) 

Advanced ZBA: Beyond the Fundamentals

Tue

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2026

March 31, 2026

5:30PM - 8:30PM

Washtenaw Community College

[view event details](#) 

April 2026

Streamlining the Site Plan Review Process

Tue

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2026

April 14, 2026

3:00PM - 4:30PM

Virtual

[view event details](#) 

2026 APA's National Planning Conference

Sat

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2026

April 25 - 28, 2026

Detroit

[view event details](#) 

June 2026

5th International Placemaking Week

Wed

24

2026

June 24 - 26, 2026

Detroit

[view event details](#) 

July 2026

Michigan Transportation Planning Association Conference

Tue

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2026

July 28 - 31, 2026

Port Huron