

City of Hartford * County of Van Buren * State of Michigan

TO: Mayor Hall and the Hartford Commission

FROM: Nicol Brown, City Manager M

DATE: July 28, 2025

RE: APPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY BUILDING OFFICIAL

ITEM BEFORE THE COMMISSION:

The item before the Commission is to approve the appointment of Municipal Inspection Authority, LLC, Troy Gano, as the city of Hartford's building official.

DISCUSSION:

The city manager was notified that Randall Aldering does not possess the proper license to serve as a building official. He is licensed as a plan reviewer and site inspector. The state's website, LARA, can be confusing when looking up an individual's license. Randall has signed up to take the Building Official's exam on August 5th.

I reached out to Troy Gano, founder/owner of Municipal Inspection Authority, LLC (MIA). Troy has agreed to step in temporarily as the city's building official. I will extend the conversation with MIA if Randall is unable to receive his building official license. I have negotiated that Troy will receive 80% of the fees invoiced, with the city retaining 20% to maintain building department records and provide administrative and management support.

The city shall receive fees directly from applicants or residents for the building department's activities.

RECOMMENDATION:

The City of Hartford City Commission approves the appointment of Troy Gano of Municipal Inspection Authority, LLC, as the city's building official temporarily.