

1 **BILL NO. G-12-10-11**

2 **GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. _____**

3 **AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF**
4 **THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE, INDIANA**
5 **AMENDING THE "CITY OF FORT WAYNE**
6 **COMMUNITY TRUST"**

7 WHEREAS, on July 22, 1975, the Common Council of the City of Fort
8 Wayne passed General Ordinance G-21-75 authorizing the establishment of a trust with the
9 purposes of administering monies to be received from the Lease of the City of Fort Wayne
10 Light and Power Utility to the Indiana and Michigan Electric Company ("I&M") and
11 providing for the use of such monies; and

12 WHEREAS, General Ordinance G-21-75 directed the proper officers of the
13 City of Fort Wayne ("City") to execute the Trust Agreement establishing the City of Fort
14 Wayne Community Trust ("Trust"), which Trust Agreement was attached as "Exhibit A" in
15 said Ordinance; and

16 WHEREAS, such Trust Agreement was thereafter duly executed; and

17 WHEREAS, on May 4, 1978, the City of Fort Wayne executed a Light
18 Lease Agreement ("Lease Agreement") with Lincoln National Bank and Trust Company of
19 Fort Wayne for the purposes of administering and investing the assets of the Trust; and

20 WHEREAS, to facilitate a greater return on the investments of the Trust and
21 to increase the growth of the assets of the Trust, on August 10, 1994, the Common Council
22 of the City of Fort Wayne passed General Ordinance G-16-94, amending to the Trust
23 Agreement and the Lease Agreement to change the investment policy of the Trust; and

24 WHEREAS, on October 11, 1994, the Allen Superior Court, in Cause No.
25 89TR2, issued an order approving the amendment to the Trust Agreement, and authorizing
26 the Lease Agreement to be amended to reflect the change to the investment policy of the
27 Trust; and

28 WHEREAS, on October 15, 2009, I&M filed a Complaint for Declaratory
29 and Injunctive Relief in the Allen Superior Court under the Cause No. 02D01-0910-PL-400
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1 (the "Lawsuit"), requesting certain relief against the City with respect to the Lease
2 Agreement; and

3 WHEREAS, on November 20, 2009, the City filed with the Allen Superior
4 Court a counterclaim against I&M in the Lawsuit; and

5 WHEREAS, the City and I&M thereafter began negotiations to resolve their
6 respective disputes and differences arising in the litigation then pending before the Allen
7 Superior Court; and

8 WHEREAS, as a result of those negotiations and mediation, the City and
9 I&M reached a settlement agreement ("Settlement Agreement") resolving all disputes and
10 other matters between the parties relating to the Lease Agreement; and

11 WHEREAS, in November 2010, the Common Council passed General
12 Ordinance G-18-10, which approved the Settlement Agreement; and

13 WHEREAS, the Settlement Agreement was approved by the Indiana Utility
14 Regulatory Commission on August 10, 2011; and

15 WHEREAS, the Settlement Agreement provides, among other things, for
16 continuing payments ("Settlement Funds") to the City over a fifteen year period; and

17 WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne and the Mayor
18 believe it is in the best interests of the City of Fort Wayne that the Settlement Funds be
19 placed into the Trust, for reasons including, but not limited to, the benefit to residents of the
20 City of Fort Wayne from permitting the Settlement Funds to be administered by the Trustees
21 of the Trust according to the investment policies adopted by General Ordinance G-16-94;
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23 WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne and the Mayor
24 also believe that the funds placed in the Trust should henceforth be distributed for purposes
25 and activities determined to be in the public interest according to duly enacted resolutions of
26 the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne.

27 **NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON**
28 **COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE, INDIANA:**

1 **SECTION 1.** That the Trust Agreement, attached as "Exhibit A" to General
2 Ordinance No. G-21-75, as amended by General Ordinance G-16-94, is further amended by
3 interlineated revisions as provided in "Exhibit A" attached to this Ordinance.

4 **SECTION 2.** That the Mayor shall authorize legal counsel for the City to
5 submit the aforesaid amendment to the City of Fort Wayne Community Trust to the Allen
6 Superior Court in Cause No. 89TR2 for the Court's approval.

7 **SECTION 3.** That the Mayor is authorized and directed to take all other
8 appropriate legal action to cause the Settlement Funds to be placed in the Trust.

9 **SECTION 4.** That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and
10 after its passage and any and all necessary approval by the Mayor.

11 _____
12 Councilmember

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14 APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

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17 Carol Helton, City Attorney

EXHIBIT "A"

TRUST AGREEMENT (AS AMENDED BY GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. G-16-94 AND BY GENERAL ORDINANCE NO. G-XX-12)

1. Name. The trust hereby provided shall be known as "The City of Fort Wayne Community Trust."
2. Beneficiaries. This trust shall be administered for the general welfare and in the best interests of the citizens and residents of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana. Although they are the beneficiaries hereof, the citizens and residents of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, do not acquire any personal or individual legal interest in, or any right to anticipate, alienate, assign, or otherwise encumber the income or principal of this trust, the trust being intended for the benefit of the citizens and residents as a whole City rather than for the benefit of any individuals. However, this provision does not impair the statutory liability of the trustees to the beneficiaries per Indiana Code 30-4-3-11, or the statutory remedies of the beneficiary against the trustee per Indiana Code 30-4-3-22.
3. Board of Trustees. The Board of Trustees of The City of Fort Wayne Community Trust shall consist of the duly elected or appointed persons holding the following public offices at any given time:
 - a) President of the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana;
 - b) Chairperson of the Finance Committee of the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana;
 - c) Chairperson of the Public Works Committee of the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana;
 - d) Chairperson of the City Utilities Committee of the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana;
 - e) Mayor of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana;
 - f) Deputy Mayor of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana;
 - g) Controller of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana;
 - h) Corporation Counsel of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana; and
 - i) Director of Community Development of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana.

The Chairperson of the Board of Trustees shall be the Mayor of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana. The Mayor shall exercise a vote only in the event of a tie vote of the other members of the Board of Trustees.

All members of the Board of Trustees shall serve without compensation in other than salary and benefits to which they are legally entitled as holders of the respective public offices.

4. Responsibilities of Trustees. To accomplish the purposes of this trust, the Board of Trustees shall:

- a) Fulfill all of its duties in the administration of this trust, according to the provisions set forth herein;
- b) Consult with, and where necessary employ, the best qualified and most able investment specialists from the Fort Wayne banking and investment communities for guidance in the investment of the Corpus of this trust; and
- c) Prepare and publish, on a semi-annual basis, a full report and accounting of this trust, indicating all income, distributions, and investments thereof. This report shall be a matter of public record.

5. Investment of Trust Funds and Authority of Board of Trustees. Subject to the restrictions set forth in subsection 9 or as otherwise noted herein, the Trustees shall have the power with regard to all property in the Trust and all income therefrom from time to time or at any time:

- a) To invest and reinvest the same in such tangible and intangible property as may be from time to time authorized by the Investment Policy of the Trust.
- b) To sell, exchange, convey, transfer, mortgage, pledge, borrow, lease, or otherwise dispose of any tangible or intangible property held by it, without the necessity of approval of any court therefor or notice to any person. No person dealing with the Board of Trustees shall be bound to see to the application of the purchase money or to inquire into the validity, expediency, or propriety or any such sale or other disposition.
- c) To vote, either in person or by proxy, any share of stock held as part of Corpus of the trust; to exercise any and all rights or options pertaining thereto and to enter into agreements and consent to or oppose the reorganization, consolidation, merger, readjustment of financial structure or sale of assets of any corporation or organization of the securities of which may be held in the Corpus of the trust.
- d) To collect the principal and income of such property as the same shall become due and payable and to give binding receipt therefor.
- e) To take such action, whether by legal proceedings, compromise, abandonment or otherwise, as the Board of Trustees, in its discretion, shall deem to be in the best interests of the Trust.

f) To retain in, or convert to, cash or readily marketable securities without liability for interest or any other return thereon except as shall be actually realized. To lend money to the City of Fort Wayne at a reasonable rate of interest.

6. In all other respects except as herein specifically provided this Trust Agreement shall be governed by the trust laws of the State of Indiana.

7. Income of the Trust. The income of the trust to be administered by the Board of Trustees, shall be the payments ("Settlement Funds") made from Indiana and Michigan Electric Company to the City of Fort Wayne pursuant to terms of the settlement agreement between those parties executed on October 28, 2010, and approved by General Ordinance No. G-18-10, resolving, among other things, the case in the Allen Superior Court filed under Cause No. 02D01-0910-PL-400.

8. Purposes of the Trust. The Board of Trustees shall in each calendar year distribute the income of the trust in such manner as to:

- a) Distribute the Settlement Funds into the Corpus of the trust, in accordance with the provisions of Section 9 below; and
- b) Pay the reasonable and necessary expenses incurred by the Board of Trustees in administering the trust.

9. Corpus of the Trust. The Corpus of the trust shall be (a) the monies existing in the Corpus as of the date of the first distribution under Section 8(a) of this trust, which is the sum of the annual payments segregated into the trust from the lease of the Fort Wayne Light and Power Utility to the Indiana & Michigan Electric Company pursuant to General Ordinance No. G 18 74, and the income derived from the investment of the Corpus prior to that date; (b) the monies distributed according to Section 8(a) of this Trust Agreement; and (c) the income derived from the investment of the Corpus funds. The Corpus shall remain secure from invasion and distribution by the Board of Trustees, with the following exception: that the Corpus shall be made available to the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, to be utilized in accordance with the following:

i) Community Trust Fund Corpus; Fund A

Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000) of the existing Corpus ("Fund A") shall be distributed in accordance with this Section 9(a). Any use of Fund A must be introduced by the Mayor or Common Council for purposes that take into consideration the Guiding Principals set forth on Schedule 1 attached hereto, described below, and must be approved by the Mayor and not less than six (6) members of Common Council.

ii) Legacy Fund; Fund B

The balance of the current Corpus (i.e., the amount in excess of Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000) (approximately Seventeen

Million Dollars (\$17,000,000)) shall be distributed in accordance with this Section 9(b) as part of "Fund B". Any investment earnings thereon, all additional settlement payments made by Indiana and Michigan Electric Company to the City of Fort Wayne, along with any investment earnings on such settlement payments shall be distributed in accordance with Fund B.

- iii) Any distributions from Fund B must be approved by the Mayor or Common Council for purposes that take into consideration the Guiding Principles set forth on Schedule I and must be approved by the Mayor and not less than six (6) members of Common Council.

10. Severability. If any section of this trust agreement or part thereof is for any reason held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion or portions of this trust agreement, which shall remain in full force and valid.

11. Payment of Expenses and Taxes. The Board of Trustees shall be reimbursed for any reasonable expenses, including reasonable accounting and reasonable counsel fees, incurred by it in the administration of the Trust. Such compensation and expenses may be paid by the City of Fort Wayne but until paid shall constitute a charge upon the Corpus of the trust. All taxes of any and all kinds whatsoever that may be levied or assessed under existing or future laws, upon, or in respect of, the Trust or the income thereof shall be paid from income of the trust.

SCHEDULE 1

Guiding Principles

- The collective impact of Legacy Fund distribution should provide **transformational investment** and **leverage additional resources**. Candidates for investment should be projects, programs or policies that will have positive long-term community impacts, and support or acts as catalysts for other positive and desired change.
- Legacy Fund investments should:
 - be used in the **long term best interest of the community**;
 - be a catalyst for private investment;
 - be committed to align with the City of Fort Wayne Comprehensive Plan; and
 - not be used for any debt incurred by the City of Fort Wayne prior to the effective-date of this Ordinance, unless funds saved by such retirement of debt would be spent on projects that meet the guiding principles outline above.
 - Be used to maintain or increase property values.