

**AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 33: “DEPARTMENTS,
BOARDS AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE BODIES” OF THE FORT
WAYNE CODE OF ORDINANCES**

WHEREAS, in August 2022, the Fort Wayne Common Council passed a resolution requesting consideration on a more equitable division of board and commission appointments between the Mayor and the Common Council; and

WHEREAS, many of these boards are created by State Code, and would require state approval to modify the appointment structure; and

WHEREAS, some of the boards and commissions which exist in the City have been created through the legislative process and can therefore be modified in the same manner; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor’s Commission on Domestic Violence, Rape, and Sexual Harassment (Commission) is one of these boards which does need appropriate leadership; and

WHEREAS, it is imperative to good government that diverse voices are considered on all matters.

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

SECTION 1.

Amend § 33.122 (A) as follows:

- (A) The Commission shall consist of 23 members. Membership of the Commission and initial terms shall be as follows. All members shall be appointed by the specific agency or entity named below. If no specific agency or entity is named, the Common Council shall make the appointment.

<i>Representation</i>	<i>Initial term</i>
Fort Wayne Common Council (4)	2 yrs.
Mayor's Office (4)	2 yrs.
Fort Wayne Police Dept.	2 yrs.
Allen County Sheriff Dept.	2 yrs.
Metropolitan Human Relations Commission	2 yrs.
Allen County Prosecuting Attorney's Office	2 yrs.
Center for Non-Violence	1 yr.
Fort Wayne YWCA Women's Shelter	1 yr.
Fort Wayne Urban League	1 yr.
Fort Wayne NAACP	1 yr.
Fort Wayne Women's Bureau	1 yr.
Director of Victim's Assistance	2 yrs.
A member of a related social service organization, or a mental health agency	1 yr.
A member of the mental health agency	1 yr.
A member of the religious community or a representative of business/industry	1 yr.
A member of the Allen County Family and Children's Division, Department of Child Protective Services	1 yr.

SECTION 2. That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and any and all necessary approval by the Mayor.

Russell Jehl, Council Member

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

Joseph G. Bonahoom, City Council Attorney