

# **COMMITTEE SESSION**

# **AGENDA**

# Fort Wayne Common Council September 9, 2025

COMMITTEE SESSION – 5:30 P.M.
ROOM 035 – COUNCIL CHAMBERS COURTROOM
GARDEN LEVEL – CITIZENS SQUARE

Presiding over the Standing Committee of the Common Council

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**Russ Jehl** 

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# **PUBLIC HEARING**

## **REGULATIONS COMMITTEE**

Thomas Freistroffer, Chair Michelle Chambers, Co-Chair All Council Members

# Action

#### S-25-08-34

An Ordinance Approving the Establishment (Continuation) of an Economic Improvement District for the Downtown Area of the City of Fort Wayne and an Economic Improvement District Board

# **PRESENTATION**

# **Homeless Services Presentation**

# ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

# **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Rohli Booker, Chair Martin Bender, Co-Chair All Council Members

Action

No Ordinance or Resolution for Discussion

# **CITY UTILITIES COMMITTEE**

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## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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This is to be Introduced, Discussed and voted for Passage in the same evening

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
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# Action

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#### G-25-07-22

An Ordinance amending Chapter 157 of the City of Fort Wayne Municipal Code

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BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

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#### Z-25-07-19

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# ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR INTRODUCTION

## **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

Rohli Booker, Chair Martin Bender, Co-Chair All Council Members

## Action

#### R-25-09-09

A Resolution of the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, approving Warranty Deeds for the Conveyance of Property to the City of Fort Wayne for Fee Simple Right-of-Way located along North Calhoun Street

Involving a total cost of \$0.00

Councilmembers' Votes					
BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

# **CITY UTILITIES COMMITTEE**

Paul Ensley, Chair Scott Myers, Co-Chair All Council Members

# Action

#### S-25-09-01

An Ordinance approving Professional Services Agreement – TRFP Modernized Addressing Implementation – Work Order #67562 - between Phoenix Consulting, LLC and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a cost not to exceed \$147,310.00 (funded by Water Revenue)

Councilmembers' Votes					
BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

## **City Utilities Committee Continued**

## Action

#### S-25-09-02

An Ordinance approving Construction Contract – Zulu Septic Elimination – between Krafft Water Solutions, LLC and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

#### Involving a total cost of \$1,133,484.00

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

#### S-25-09-04

An Ordinance approving Construction Contract – WPCP Renewable NaturaL Gas Facilities - between Thieneman Construction, Inc. and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

#### Involving a total cost of \$7,043,000.00

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

#### S-25-09-05

An Ordinance approving Facilities Interconnection Agreement between Northern Indiana Public Service Company, LLC ("NIPSCO") and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana by and through its Board of Public Works

#### Involving a total cost of \$5,178,506.43

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

# Nathan Hartman, Chair Geoff Paddock, Co-Chair All Council Members

# Action

#### A-25-09-06

An Ordinance appropriating monies for the purpose of defraying the expenses of Fort Wayne Public Transportation, for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026, including all outstanding claims and obligations and fixing a time when the same shall take effect

A Public Hearing will take place on Tuesday September 23, 2025 at 5:30 PM

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BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

#### A-25-09-07

An Ordinance appropriating monies for the purpose of defraying the expenses of Allen County Public Library, for the Fiscal Year beginning January 1, 2026, and ending December 31, 2026, including all outstanding claims and obligations and fixing a time when the same shall take effect

A Public Hearing will take place on Tuesday September 23, 2025 at 5:30 PM

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
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This was voted for Introduction in the preceding Committee Session

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

#### Finance Committee Continued

## Action

#### R-25-09-11

A Confirming Resolution designating an "Economic Revitalization Area" under I.C. 6-1.1-12.1 for property commonly known as 2730 East Coliseum Boulevard, Fort Wayne, Indiana 46805 (Filter Sciences LLC/Kenai Associates LLC)

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#### S-25-09-08

An Ordinance amending the not-to-exceed amount of RFP #8572473 for Oxford Street Streetscape by the City of Fort Wayne by and through its Department of Purchasing and Jones Petrie Rafinski for the City of Fort Wayne Division of Community Development

A third change order of \$68,750.00, amending not-to-exceed contract amount to \$456,502.00

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
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HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

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#### G-25-09-03

An Ordinance amending the Thoroughfare Plan of the City Comprehensive ("Master") Plan by vacating public right-of-way

To vacate the 14-foot wide east-west alley between Fairfield and Ewing and between West Wayne and West Berry Streets to allow for loading dock improvements to the Scottish Rite Theatre

A Public Hearing will be held on Tuesday September 23, 2025 at 5:30 PM

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# ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR PASSAGE

## **PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE**

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Action

No Ordinance or Resolution for Passage

# **CITY UTILITIES COMMITTEE**

Paul Ensley, Chair Scott Myers, Co-Chair All Council Members

# Action

#### S-25-08-30 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Service Agreement – 2025 SL-RAT Contracted Inspections – between Infosense, Inc. and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a total cost of \$176,000.00

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
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#### S-25-08-25 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving the increase for Purchase Order #25840012 – Neighborhood Code Weed Program by the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Department of Purchasing and Pierre Kerlegrand for Neighborhood Code Enforcement

Increase Purchase Order by \$40,000.00 for a new total of \$135,000.00

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BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
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#### S-25-08-26 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving the Increase for Purchase Order #25840006 – Neighborhood Code Weed Program by the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Department of Purchasing and Yard Jobs Inc. for Neighborhood Code Enforcement

Increase Purchase Order by \$60,000.00 for a new total of \$155,000.00

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BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

#### S-25-08-35 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving the awarding of Quest #8169529 – 2025 Fall Street and Park Tree Planting Services by the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Department of Purchasing and Shade Trees Unlimited for the Parks & Recreation Department

Involving a total cost of \$189,145.00

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BENDER	BENDER BOOKER CHAMBERS ENSLEY FREISTROFFER				
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

#### S-25-08-36 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving the purchase of data security software through Trace3, LLC. at a total cost of \$995,943.00 over a three-year period by the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana

With a net cost to the City of \$663,962.00, split between Civil City \$331,981.00 and City Utilities \$331,981.00. Allen County will reimburse the City of Fort Wayne \$331,981.00

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#### R-25-08-37 Do Pass

A Resolution amending Resolution R-106-15 establishing a Municipal Riverfront Development Project to be known as the "Downtown Dining District" in the City of Fort Wayne

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