

COMMITTEE SESSION

AGENDA

Fort Wayne Common Council October 28, 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

Secretary of the Committee Session of the Common Council

Legal Advisor to Members of the Common Council

Russ Jehl

Council President

Lana Keesling City Clerk

Joseph G. Bonahoom Council Attorney

Fort Wayne Common Council Members Elected to a 4-year term: 1/1/24 – 12/31/27						
Martin Bender Rohli Booker Michelle Chambers						
Paul Ensley		Thomas Freistroffer		Nathan Hartman		
Russ Jehl		Scott Myers		Geoff Paddock		

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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

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

Action

No Ordinance or Resolution for Discussion

REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

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

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

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Finance Committee Continued

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HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

S-25-09-27 Held from 10/14/25

An Ordinance fixing the salaries of all members of the Division of Public Safety of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana for the year 2026

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HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

S-25-09-28 Held from 10/14/25

An Ordinance fixing the compensation of elected officials for the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, for the year 2026

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BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
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REGULAR SESSION

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ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR INTRODUCTION

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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

Action

S-25-10-20

An Ordinance approving Construction Contract – I-69 Welcome Fort Wayne Signage - Work Order #0830P – between Key Concrete, Inc. and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a total cost of \$815,205.00

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

S-25-10-21

An Ordinance approving Professional Services Agreement – 2025 Southeast Corridors Study - Work Order #0726P –between Lochmueller Group and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a not to exceed engineering fee of \$868,579.27

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
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-25-10-22

An Ordinance approving renewal of Professional Services Agreement for bill print and letter mailing services for the Division of City Utilities between Anthony Wayne Rehabilitation Center for Handicapped and Blind, Inc. D/B/A Tandem Solutions and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involves a total not to exceed cost of \$756,000.00

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

FINANCE COMMITTEE

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

Action

R-25-10-17

A Resolution approving the 2026 budget for the Downtown Fort Wayne Economic Improvement District

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

REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

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

Action

Z-25-10-18

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. V30 (Sec. 22 of St. Joseph Township)

To rezone 1.18 acres from R1/Single Family Residential and C2/Limited Commercial to C2/Limited Commercial at 4800 Maplecrest Road

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -	
BENDER	BENDER BOOKER CHAMBERS ENSLEY FREISTROFFER 1					
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -	

Z-25-10-19

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. M34 (Sec 23 of Washington Township)

To rezone approximately 2.0 acres from C2/Limited Commercial to C3/General Commercial at 322 E Washington Center Rd

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

Regulations Committee Continued

Action

The following ordinances implement the East State Proactive Rezoning Initiative

Z-25-10-14

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. M-14 (Sec. 35 of Washington Township) and N-14 and N-18 (Sec. 36 of Washington Township)

To rezone 3.93 acres from C3/General Commercial to C2/Limited Commercial

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

Z-25-10-15

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map Nos. M-14 and M-18 (Sec. 35 of Washington Township) and N-14 and N-18 (Sec. 36 of Washington Township)

To rezone 9.87 acres from C3/General Commercial and R2/Two-Family Residential to R1/Single Family Residential

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

Z-25-10-16

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map Nos. N-14 and N-18 (Sec. 36 of Washington Township)

To rezone 6.71 acres from R1/Single Family Residential, R3/Multiple Family Residential, C2/Limited Commercial, and C3/General Commercial to UC/Urban Corridor

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

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR PASSAGE

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

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

Action

S-25-10-03 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Construction Contract – Illinois Road Trail and Road Improvements – between Bunn Excavating, Inc. and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a total cost of \$9,097,944.04

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

S-25-10-10 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Construction Contract – Paulding & Hessen Cassel Improvements - Work Order #1000T – between Shambaugh & Son, LP and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a total cost of \$357,629.00

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

CITY UTILITIES COMMITTEE

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

Action

S-25-10-04 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Professional Services Agreement – TRFP SCADA migration – Work Package 2 - Work Order #67290 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 - \$586,520.00 (funded by State Revolving Fund Water Bond)

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

S-25-10-07 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Construction Contract – Tract 6 South Water Main Replacement – between Fox Contractors Corp. and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a total cost of \$829,063.00

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

S-25-10-08 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Construction Contract – Tract 6 North Water Main Replacement–between KLS Underground and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a cost of \$4,928,967.00

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

City Utilities Committee Continued

Action

S-25-10-09 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Construction Contract – Three Rivers Filtration Plant Batch Lime Slaking System – Phase 2 – between Wagner-Meinert, LLC and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a cost of \$1,570,285.00

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -	
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Finance Committee Continued

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S-25-09-27

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S-25-09-28

An Ordinance fixing the compensation of elected officials for the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, for the year 2026

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BENDER BOOKER CHAMBERS ENSLEY FREISTROFFER 1					Total N -
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

R-25-10-13 Do Pass

A Resolution approving a purchase agreement for the acquisition of real property located at 816 Wagner St, Fort Wayne, Indiana, for the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana (Approved and Executed by the Board of Public Works on September 30, 2025)

Purchase Price of \$200,500.00

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

S-25-10-02 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving the increase for purchase order #25230027 for housekeeping duties at Citizens Square and Public Safety Academy by the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Department of Purchasing and Express Services Inc. for the Property Management Department

Involving a projected total cost of \$215,000.00 (original Purchase Order Amount is \$95,000.00)

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

S-25-10-05 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving software maintenance service related to mobile device management from and through JAMF Software, LLC by the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana

At a total cost of \$127,077.00

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
BENDER	BOOKER CHAMBERS ENSLEY FREISTROFFER 7				Total N -
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

S-25-10-06 Do Pass

An Ordinance cloud services for Land Management software from and through Accela, Inc. by the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana

At a total cost of \$3,745,667.52 over 6 years

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

S-25-10-11 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving the purchase of SAN storage from and through Elevate Technology Partners by the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana

At a total cost of \$2,227,918.28

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
BENDER	BOOKER CHAMBERS ENSLEY FREISTROFFER 7				Total N -
HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

Finance Committee Continued

Action

S-25-10-12 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Lease Agreement - 6033 Maplecrest Road - Resolution #112-9-30-25-3 - between St. Joseph Township and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works for the Fort Wayne Police Department

Involving a total cost of \$140,000.00

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
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No Ordinance or Resolution for Passage