



COMMITTEE SESSION

AGENDA

Fort Wayne Common Council January 27, 2026

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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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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PUBLIC HEARINGS

REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

Scott Myers, Chair

Rohli Booker, Co-Chair

All Council Members

Action

G-26-01-09

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

To vacate the 12-foot alley (0.067 acres) running north and south between lots 61 through 67 in Northside Addition

G-26-01-10

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

To vacate a portion (0.511 acres) of the right of way of Cass Street located between lots 56 & 58, and 60-62 in Northside Addition, and parts of lot 7 in Wells Reserve Subdivision

G-26-01-11

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

To vacate a portion (0.313 acres) of the right of way of Wells Street located north of the St. Mary's River within Wells Reserve Lot 7

G-26-01-12

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

To vacate two portions (0.327 acres) of the right of way of 1st Street located west of Cass Street between lots 47 & 49, and east of Cass Street between lots 69-71 and 66/68 in Northside Addition

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Michelle Chambers, Chair

Paul Ensley, Co-Chair

All Council Members

Action

No Ordinance or Resolution for Discussion

CITY UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Russ Jehl, Chair

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HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

R-26-01-18

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The Philharmonic Center

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HARTMAN	JEHL	MYERS	PADDOCK		Total A -

Regulations Committee Continued
Action

Z-25-11-17 Held from 01/13/26

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. G02 (Sec. 8 of Wayne Township)

To rezone 0.275 acres from RP/Planned Residential to C1/Professional Office and Personal Services at 3919 W Jefferson Blvd (Section 8 of Wayne Township)

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BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
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**ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR
INTRODUCTION**

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Michelle Chambers, Chair

Paul Ensley, Co-Chair

All Council Members

Action

No Ordinance or Resolution for Introduction

CITY UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Russ Jehl, Chair

Thomas Freistroffer, Co-Chair

All Council Members

Action

No Ordinance or Resolution for Introduction

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Geoff Paddock, Chair

Nathan Hartman, Co-Chair

All Council Members

Action

S-26-01-28

An Ordinance approving the 2026 Agreement for Economic Development Services between Fort Wayne – Allen County Economic Alliance, Inc., and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana by and through the Division of Community Development

Involving a total cost of \$300,000.00

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

S-26-01-29

An Ordinance approving Kenney Machinery Corp. Purchase Agreement between Kenney Machinery Corporation and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Park Commissioners

Involving a total cost of \$112,500.00

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

S-26-01-30

An Ordinance approving the Multimodal Biometric Identification System (AFIS) Annual Maintenance - quote dated January 7, 2026 - between NEC Corporation of America and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, as a Special Procurement under I.C. 5-22-10 by and through its Fort Wayne Police Department

Involving a total cost of \$120,000.00

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

REGULATIONS COMMITTEE

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Rohli Booker, Co-Chair

All Council Members

Action

G-26-01-25

An Ordinance amending Section 153.05 of Chapter 153 "Planning & Development" of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, Code of Ordinances

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

G-26-01-26

An Ordinance amending Section 153.05 of Chapter 153 "Planning & Development" of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, Code of Ordinances

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

G-26-01-33

An Ordinance amending Chapter 32: Common Council in the City of Fort Wayne Municipal Code of Ordinances

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

R-26-01-31

A Resolution approving the amendment of Fort Wayne's Comprehensive Plan, All In Allen, to update the future growth and development map

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

R-26-01-32

A Resolution approving the amendment of Fort Wayne's Comprehensive Plan, All In Allen, to update the future land use map

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

Regulations Committee Continued

Action

Z-26-01-19

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. S14 (Sec. 32 of Saint Joseph Township)

To rezone 0.49 acres from R3/Multiple Family Residential to C1/Professional Office and Personal Services at 4207 Lake Ave

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

Z-26-01-20

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. BB02 (Sec. 10 of Aboite Township)

To rezone 1.75 acres from AR/Low Intensity Residential to C1/Professional Office and Personal Services at 9729 Illinois Rd

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

Z-26-01-21

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. O30 (Sec. 24 of Washington Township)

To rezone 1.21 acres from R3/Multiple Family Residential to C1/Professional Office and Personal Services at 1320 Medical Park Dr

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

Z-26-01-22

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. ZZ34 (Sec. 24 of Saint Joseph Township)

To rezone 1.72 acres from SC/Shopping Center to C3/General Commercial at 10320 Maysville Rd

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

Regulations Committee Continued

Action

Z-26-01-23

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. N46 (Sec.12 of Washington Township)

To rezone 0.96 acres from R1/Single Family Residential to C2/Limited Commercial at 8126 Coldwater Road

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

Z-26-01-24

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. N42 (Sec.13 of Washington Township)

To rezone 10.0 acres from R1/Single Family Residential to C3/General Commercial at 6910 Elderberry Drive

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

Z-26-01-27

An Ordinance amending the City of Fort Wayne Zoning Map No. K18 (Sec. 34 of Washington Township)

To rezone 0.3 acres from R1/Single Family Residential to R3/Multiple Family Residential at 2500 Blk of Lawn Ave

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

ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS FOR PASSAGE

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Michelle Chambers, Chair

Paul Ensley, Co-Chair

All Council Members

Action

R-26-01-14 Do Pass

A Resolution approving the acquisition of Right of Way for the Poka-Bache Connector: Lower Huntington Rd to Ferguson Rd Project – for the City Of Fort Wayne, by and through its Division of Public Works, Resolution #0765N

McIntosh Energy Company, Inc. is donating said parcel, valued at \$80,000.00

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

S-26-01-04 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Construction Contract – East Lewis Street Lighting Improvements - Harmar Street to South Anthony Blvd - Work Order #1030L – between Upper Cumberland Utility Solutions LLC and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a total cost of \$233,190.44

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

Public Works Committee Continued
Action

S-26-01-13 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Professional Services Agreement – Paser Study Asphalt - Work Order #0913P – between PaveX, LLC and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a lump sum fee of \$159,000.00

Councilmembers' Votes					Total Y -
BENDER	BOOKER	CHAMBERS	ENSLEY	FREISTROFFER	Total N -
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CITY UTILITIES COMMITTEE

Russ Jehl, Chair

Thomas Freistroffer, Co-Chair

All Council Members

Action

S-26-01-01 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Construction Contract – Upstream Bullerman Wetland Detention (Ashbrook Dr) – WO #83770 – between Crosby Excavating and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a total amount of \$2,977,911.65

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

City Utilities Committee Continued

Action

S-26-01-02 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Construction Contract – St. Joe Center Road Lift Station – WO #76923 – between Fleming Excavating, Inc. and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a total cost of \$454,390.94

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

S-26-01-03 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving WPCP Aeration Basin Diffuser Improvements Phase II Procurement - Work Order Number 77482 – between Environmental Dynamics International and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, as a Special Procurement under I.C. 5-22-10 by and through its Department of City Utilities

Involving a total cost of \$404,700.00

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

S-26-01-15 Do Pass

An Ordinance approving Professional Services Agreement for GIS Implementation Support Services – ESRI Water Utility Network Implementation Support – WO #92123 - between Environmental Systems Research Institute, Inc. and the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, by and through its Board of Public Works

Involving a total cost of \$295,000.00

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FINANCE COMMITTEE

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Nathan Hartman, Co-Chair

All Council Members

Action

R-26-01-16 Do Pass

A Resolution approving a Purchase Agreement for the acquisition of Real Property located at 614 Wagner St, Fort Wayne, Indiana, for the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana (Approved and Executed by the Board of Public Works on December 16, 2025).

Purchase price of \$154,900.00

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