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CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY**

A G E N D A
COMMON COUNCIL – IN PERSON - REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, April 1, 2025

Meeting to be held at **6:30 p.m.**, local time,
in the Council Chambers, City Hall 100 E. Michigan Blvd.
and Hosted by "Hybrid/Zoom" and **streaming live on the**
Access LaPorte County Facebook page
See attached to connect to "Hybrid/Zoom."

**CALL TO ORDER BY COUNCIL
PRESIDENT**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG and PRAYER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council (Hybrid/Zoom) March 18, 2025

Mikki Webb, Executive Director of LaPorte County Drug Free Partnership,
Proposed Development of a Certified Recovery Residence Facility in LaPort County, Partner
Leadership Recovery Team

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING (Cancelled due to there being no claims for April 1, 2025)

CLAIMS DOCKET

April 1, 2025

| | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----------|-------------|
| Fund #2235 – Riverboat – Claims - | \$ | 0.00 |
| EFT | \$ | 0.00 |
| Fund #2504 – Boyd Development - | \$ | 0.00 |
| EFT | \$ | 0.00 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | \$ | 0.00 |

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

REPORTS OF SPECIAL or SELECT COMMITTEES

REPORTS from MAYOR OR OTHER CITY OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS

Chief Marty Corley, Michigan City Police Department – 2024 Crime Annual Report

PETITIONS

COMMUNICATIONS

A notice was received in the Clerk's Office on March 18, 2025, from IDEM regarding an air permit approval.

Correspondence was received in the Clerk's Office on March 26, 2025, from Rodney McCormick regarding over flow parking at Burn'em Brewery.

RESOLUTIONS

**WAIVING THE BUILDING PERMIT FEE AND INSPECTION FEES
FOR HOMEWARD BOUND VILLAGES "KARWICK VILLAGE
PROJECT" (\$16,030.00)**

Introduced by: Nancy Moldenhauer

ORDINANCES

**ORDINANCE APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN THE BUDGET OF THE
1st Reading GENERAL FUND #0101 FOR THE VECTOR CONTROL DEPARTMENT**

**Introduced by: Nancy Moldenhauer
Don Przybylinski
Tracie Tillman**

(DECREASE- General Fund #0101 \$ 95,000.00 Unappropriated balance
INCREASE ACCOUNT #1101.401.014 \$75,000.00. Seasonal/Salaries & Wages
INCREASE ACCOUNT #1101.401.413.001 \$5,000.00 FICA. INCREASE
ACCOUNT #1101.401.423.021 \$ 5,000.00 Supplies Repair Parts. INCREASE
ACCOUNT #1101.401.423.031. \$10,000.00 Small Tools and Minor Equipment)

**ORDINANCE
2nd Reading**

**AMENDING SEC. 102-1 IN THE MICHIGAN CITY MUNICIPAL CODE
TO COMMONLY KNOWN "REMOVAL OF WEEDS, GRASS, AND
RANK VEGETATION"**

Introduced by: Nancy Moldenhauer

**(NOTE: This proposed ordinance was TABLED on second reading at
the March 18, 2025 Council meeting until April 1, 2025 Council
meeting)**

NEW BUSINESS

**FYI: The Council has one (1) appointment to the Michigan City
Commission on Sustainability – Incumbent Andrea Jahn Davis
term expires May 1, 2025**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

**NOMINATION: The Council has one (1) appointment to Michigan City
Scholarship Review Committee – Incumbent Aaliyah King
term expires May 1, 2025**

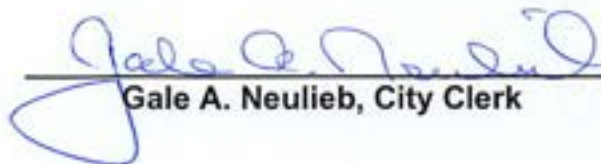
Applications Received

- Kameesha Williams

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL

ADJOURNMENT



Gale A. Neulieb, City Clerk

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: **Tuesday, April 1, 2025, 6:30 PM** Central Time (US and Canada)

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84298000057?pwd=RXVRUkhobXI2aVE2R1IIR0VEVTI3dz09>

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MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**WAIVING THE BUILDING PERMIT FEE AND INSPECTION FEES FOR
HOMEWARD BOUND VILLAGES “KARWICK VILLAGE PROJECT”**

WHEREAS, Sec. 22-83 of the Michigan City Municipal code currently states that “*the City Common Council, may waive, by resolution of the City Common Council, any and all building permit fees and inspection fees for non-profit corporations (501c3) that are engaged in the acquisition, creation, and construction of decent and adequate housing for those who would not otherwise qualify under normal means;*” and

WHEREAS, Homeward Bound Villages (hereinafter referred to as “Homeward Bound”) is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation whose mission is to provide affordable housing; and

WHEREAS, Homeward Bound will be constructing the Karwick Village Project, which will create twelve (12) affordable housing units for up to (24) residents and will be located at 316 S. Karwick Road, Michigan City, Indiana (hereinafter referred to as “the Project”); and

WHEREAS, the City has previously provided Homeward Bound with \$50,000.00 of COVID-19 funding from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) toward the Project; and

WHEREAS, Homeward Bound wishes to have the City lessen the financial burden for Homeward Bound by waiving the building permit fee and inspection fees for the Project; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan City Planning & Inspection Department has advised that the building permit fee for the Project is \$15,030.00 with additional inspections not expected to exceed \$1,000.00 for an anticipated total waiver amount not to exceed \$16,030.00; and

WHEREAS, the Michigan City Common Council, having considered the request, has determined that the waiving of the building permit fee and inspection fees will encourage and assist Homeward Bound in serving the homeless families of Michigan City in their journey to permanent housing and sustainable self-sufficiency, creating a net benefit to the City of Michigan City, Indiana.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Common Council of Michigan City, Indiana, as follows:

1. The aforementioned “Whereas” sections are incorporated herein as if fully set forth herein.
2. The building permit fees and inspection fees for the Project in the amounts as set forth above are hereby waived.

This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after passage by the Michigan City Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

INTRODUCED BY:

Nancy Moldenhauer, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Michigan City, Indiana this _____
day of _____, 2025.

Tracie Tillman, President
Michigan City Common Council

Approved/Veto (circle one) by me, this _____ day of _____,
2025.

Angie Nelson-Deutch, Mayor
Michigan City, Indiana

ATTEST:

Gale A. Neulieb, Clerk
City of Michigan City, Indiana

Prepared by Corporation Counsel Upon Request

MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

ORDINANCE NO. _____

APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN THE BUDGET OF THE
GENERAL FUND #0101 FOR THE VECTOR CONTROL DEPARTMENT

WHEREAS, the Michigan City Redevelopment Commission (hereinafter referred to as "Commission") has entered into an Agreement with the City to pay the City for the Vector Control Department to mow and maintain various parcels of properties owned by the Commission and pay the City \$95,000.00 for said service (A copy of the proposed Agreement is attached hereto and incorporated herein as "Exhibit A"); and

WHEREAS, it has been demonstrated to the Common Council of the City of Michigan City that it is necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the 2025 Annual Budget for the General Fund #0101 for additional salaries & wages and equipment & supplies for the Vector Control Department resulting from the aforementioned Agreement; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council of the City of Michigan City, La Porte County, Indiana, that for the expenses of the City the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the fund named and for the purpose specified above, subject to the laws governing the same:

| | <u>AMOUNT REQUESTED</u> | <u>AMOUNT APPROPRIATED</u> |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|
| DECREASE- General Fund #0101 Unappropriated balance | \$ 95,000.00 | |
| INCREASE ACCOUNT #1101.401.014 Seasonal/Salaries & Wages | | \$75,000.00 |
| INCREASE ACCOUNT #1101.401.413.001 FICA | | \$ 5,000.00 |
| INCREASE ACCOUNT #1101.401.423.021 Supplies Repair Parts | | \$ 5,000.00 |
| INCREASE ACCOUNT #1101.401.423.031 Small Tools and Minor Equipment | | \$10,000.00 |
| TOTAL FOR FUND | \$ 95,000.00 | |

This Ordinance to be effective upon passage by the Council, approval by the Mayor, any necessary publication, and any necessary approval by the Indiana Department of Local Government Finance.

INTRODUCED BY: _____
Nancy Moldenhauer, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Don Przybylinski, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Tracie Tillman, President
Michigan City Common Council

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Michigan City, Indiana, this _____
day of _____, 2025 by a vote of _____ to _____.

Tracie Tillman, President
Michigan City Common Council

Approved/Vetoed (circle choice) by me, this _____ day of _____
_____, 2025.

Angie Nelson Deutch, Mayor
City of Michigan City, Indiana

ATTEST:

Gale A. Neulieb, Clerk
City of Michigan City, Indiana

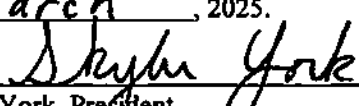
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Board of Works Clerk
City of Michigan City

**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA
AND
THE MICHIGAN CITY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION FOR LANDSCAPING SERVICES TO BE
RENDERED BY THE VECTOR CONTROL DEPARTMENT**

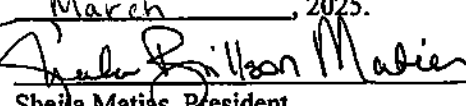
This Memorandum of Understanding ("MOU") is entered into by and between THE MICHIGAN CITY REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION (hereinafter referred to as "REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION") and the City of Michigan City, by and through the MICHIGAN CITY BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS AND SAFETY, regarding landscaping services to be rendered by the City's Vector Control Department to the REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.

1. **LANDSCAPING SERVICES/DURATION & COMPENSATION:** The Michigan City Vector Control Department shall provide landscaping services to various parcels of properties owned by the REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, which are further set forth in Exhibit A, which is attached hereto and incorporated herein. In consideration for said landscaping services, the REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION will pay Ninety-Five Thousand Dollars (\$95,000.00) to the City of Michigan City, Indiana upon execution of this MOU (\$15,000.00 allocated to equipment/supplies and \$80,000.00 allocated toward wages/salaries). The parties understand that the City must seek an additional appropriation in the amount of \$95,000.00 to fund the increase in wages and equipment/supplies required in the Vector Control Department's 2025 Budget to comply with this MOU. If for some reason the additional appropriation is not approved, this Agreement may be considered null and void and the funding returned to the REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION.
2. **AMENDMENTS:** This MOU may be amended at any time by mutual written agreement of the parties.
3. **GOVERNING LAW:** This MOU shall be governed by, construed and applied in accordance with the laws of the State of Indiana. This MOU was executed in LaPorte County, Indiana.
4. **SEVERABILITY:** In the event any portion of this MOU shall be held by a Court to be invalid, such holding shall not invalidate the remainder of this MOU.
5. **ASSIGNMENT:** This MOU or any interest herein, shall not be assigned, transferred or otherwise encumbered without the prior written consent of both parties herein.
6. **ENTIRE AGREEMENT:** This MOU embodies the entire agreement between the parties. It may not be amended or terminated except as provided herein. It is further understood and agreed that this document incorporates and includes all prior negotiations, correspondence, conversations, agreements, or understandings applicable to the matters contained herein and the parties agree that there are no commitments, agreements, or understandings concerning the subject matter of this Agreement that are not contained in this document. Accordingly, it is agreed that no deviation from the terms hereof shall be predicated upon any prior representation or agreements, whether oral or written.

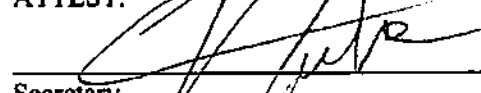
Approved by the Michigan City Board of
Public Works and Safety on 17th day of
March, 2025.

Skyler York, President
Michigan City Board of Public Works and Safety

ATTEST:


Board of Works Clerk

Approved by the Michigan City Redevelopment
Commission on 10th day of
March, 2025.

Sheila Matias, President
Michigan City Redevelopment Commission

ATTEST:


Secretary

Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance



City of Michigan City ~ City Hall ~ 100 East Michigan Boulevard, Michigan City, IN 46360

Planning Department ~ Skyler Y. York, Planning Director ~ ph: 219-873-1419 ~ fax: 219-873-1580 ~ syork@emichigancity.com

Planning Department ~ Sylvia L. Collins, Assit-Planning Director ~ ph: 219-873-1419 ~ fax: 219-873-1580 ~ scollins@emichigancity.com

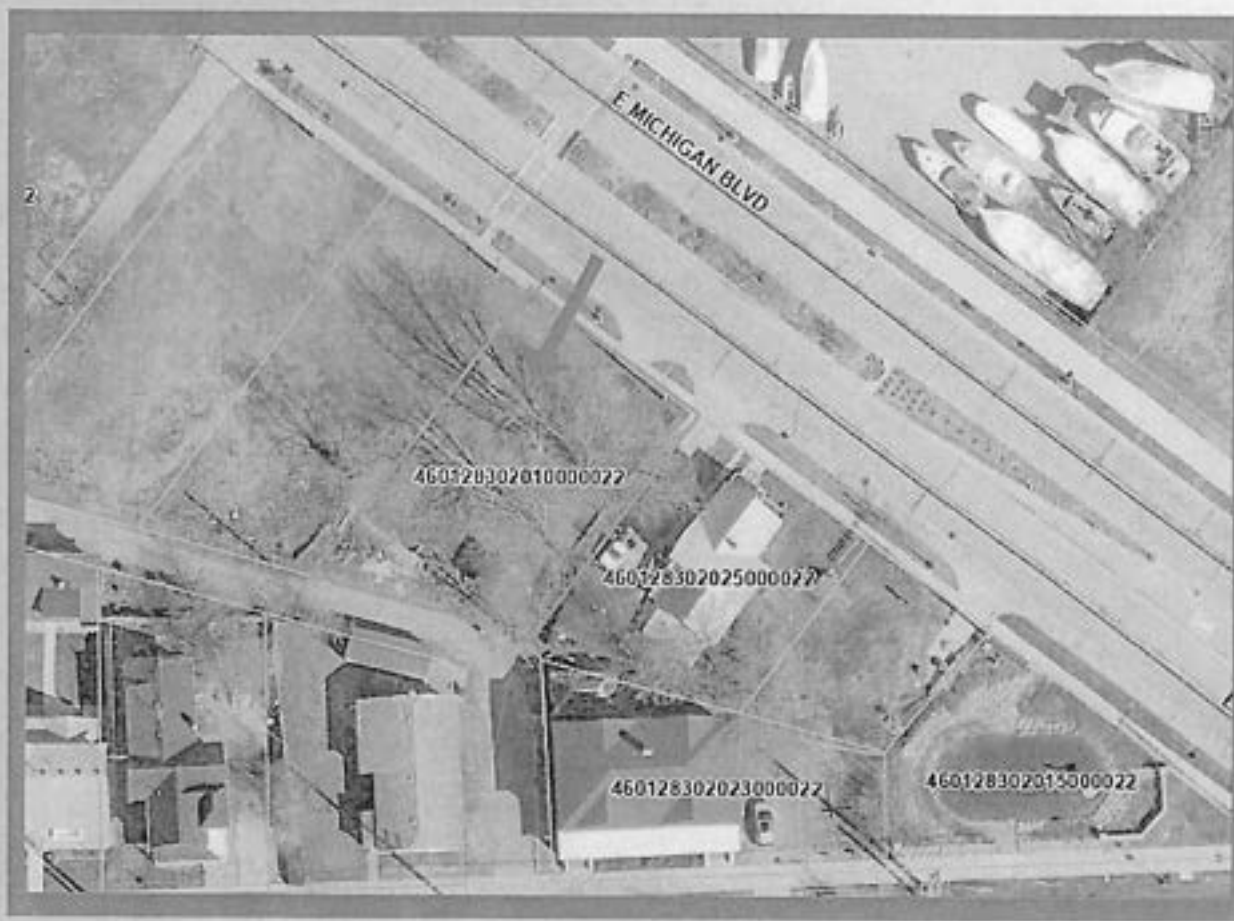
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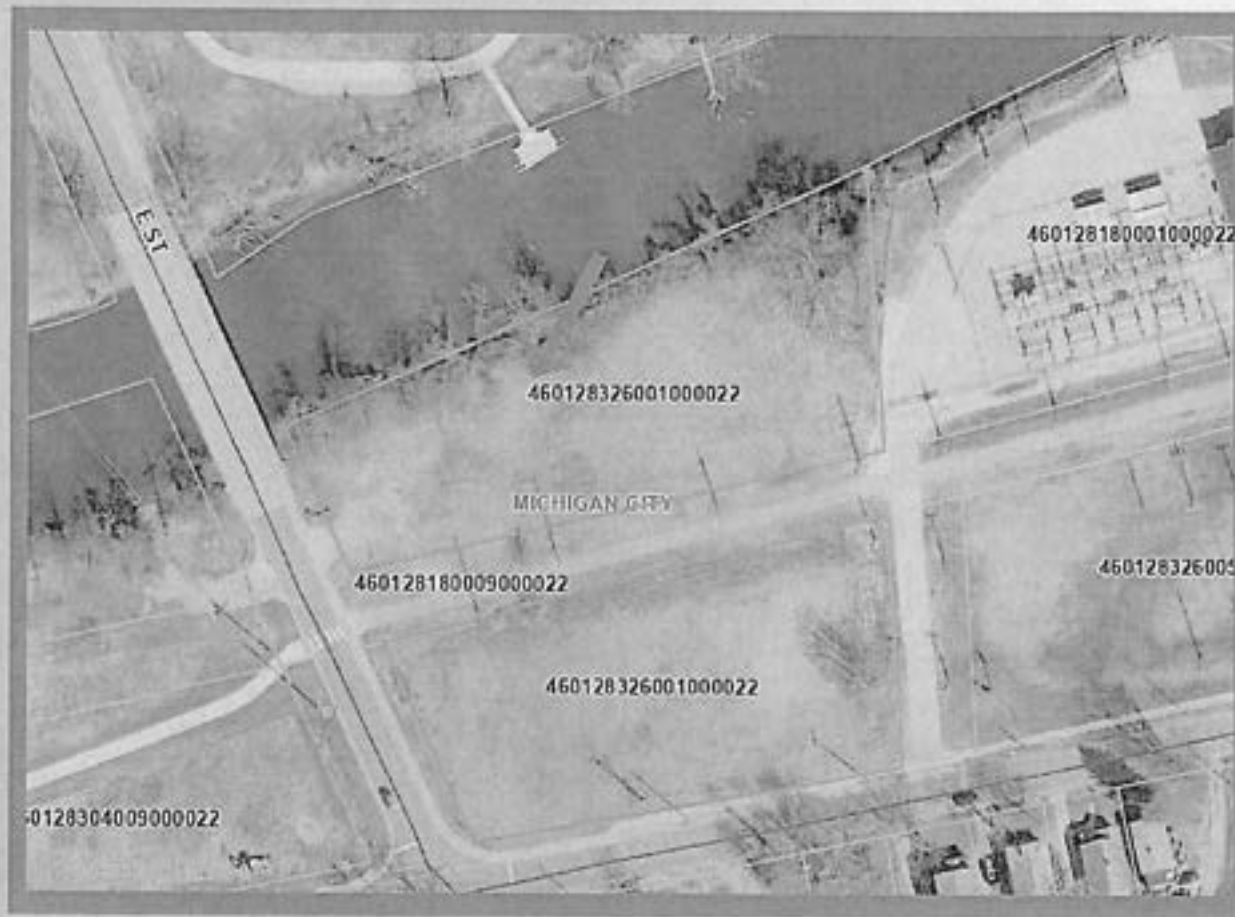
**Redevelopment- Owned Property
Annual
Landscape Maintenance**



Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance



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Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance



Initial Spring Clean up

Step 1

- Walk the property, and remove any trash and debris accumulated over the winter months
- Load, haul, and Dispose of Debris

Weekly Mowing

Step 2

- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs blowing Debris from sidewalks following mowing.

Old Memorial Hospital Corridor



Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance

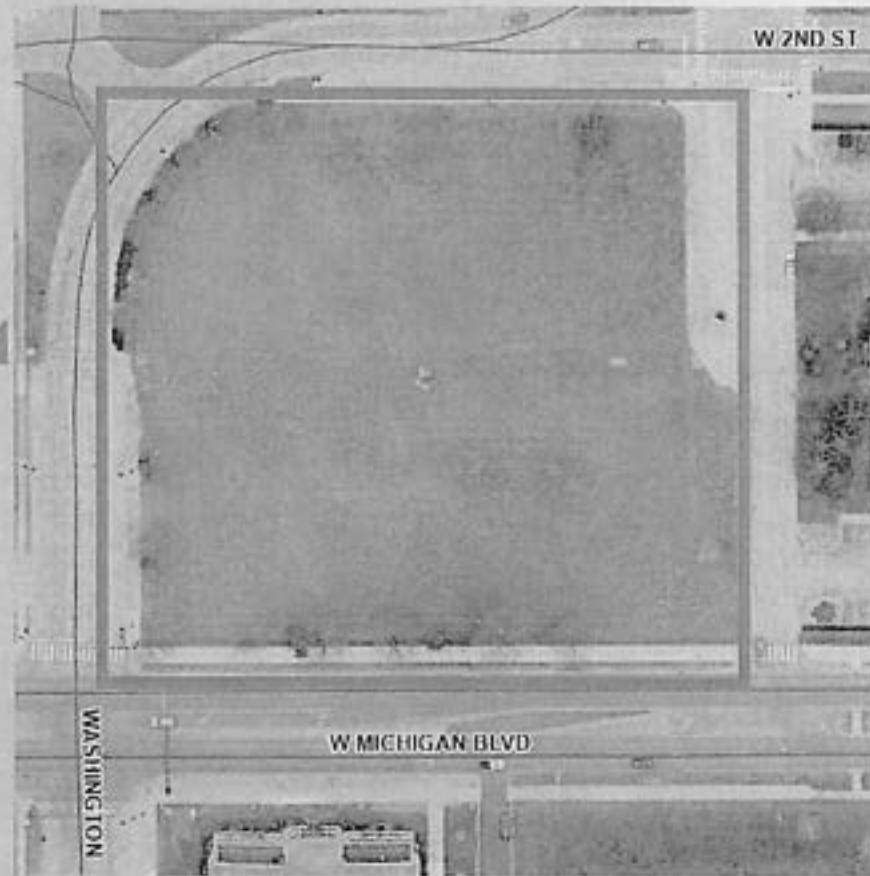


Former News Dispatch Police Station

Weekly Mowing

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- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs blowing Debris from sidewalks following mowing.
- Keep trees limbed up to a height of 10" and sucker growth removed from the base tree.





Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance

Monthly Mowing

Step 1

- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs blowing Debris from sidewalks following mowing.
- Mowing 12-20ft. of each side of the trail running through the property.

Former Ice House/Weber Sign



**Bi-Weekly
Bed Maintenance**

Step 1

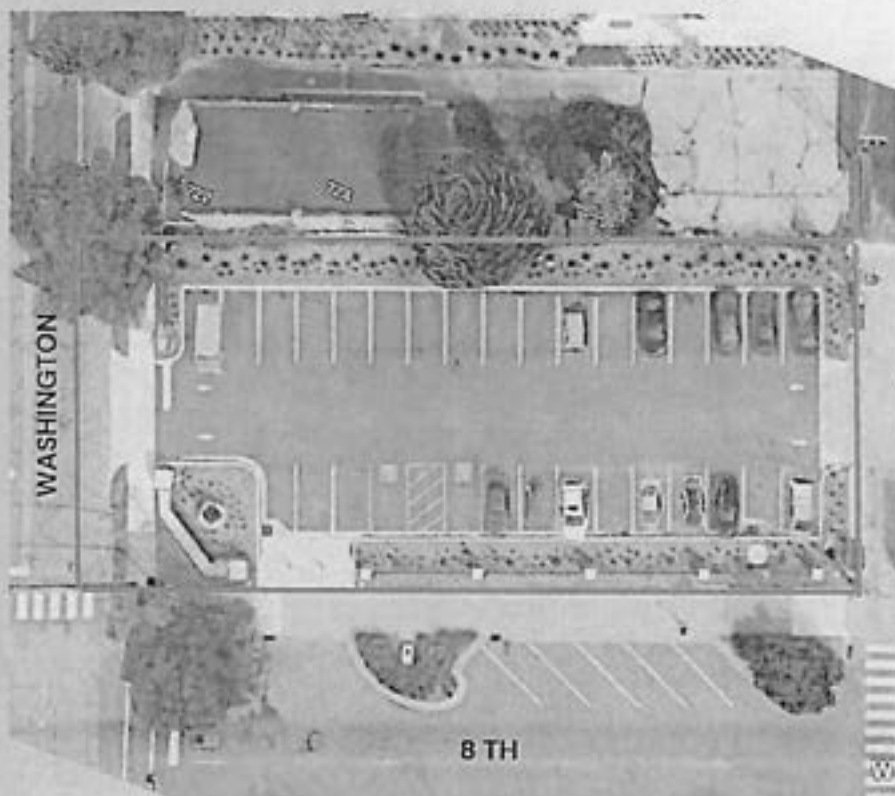
- Remove debris and leaves from bet and lot
- remove spent blooms from perennials and pruning



Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance



**The parking lot at the northeast
corner of 8th St. Washington St**



Monthly Mowing

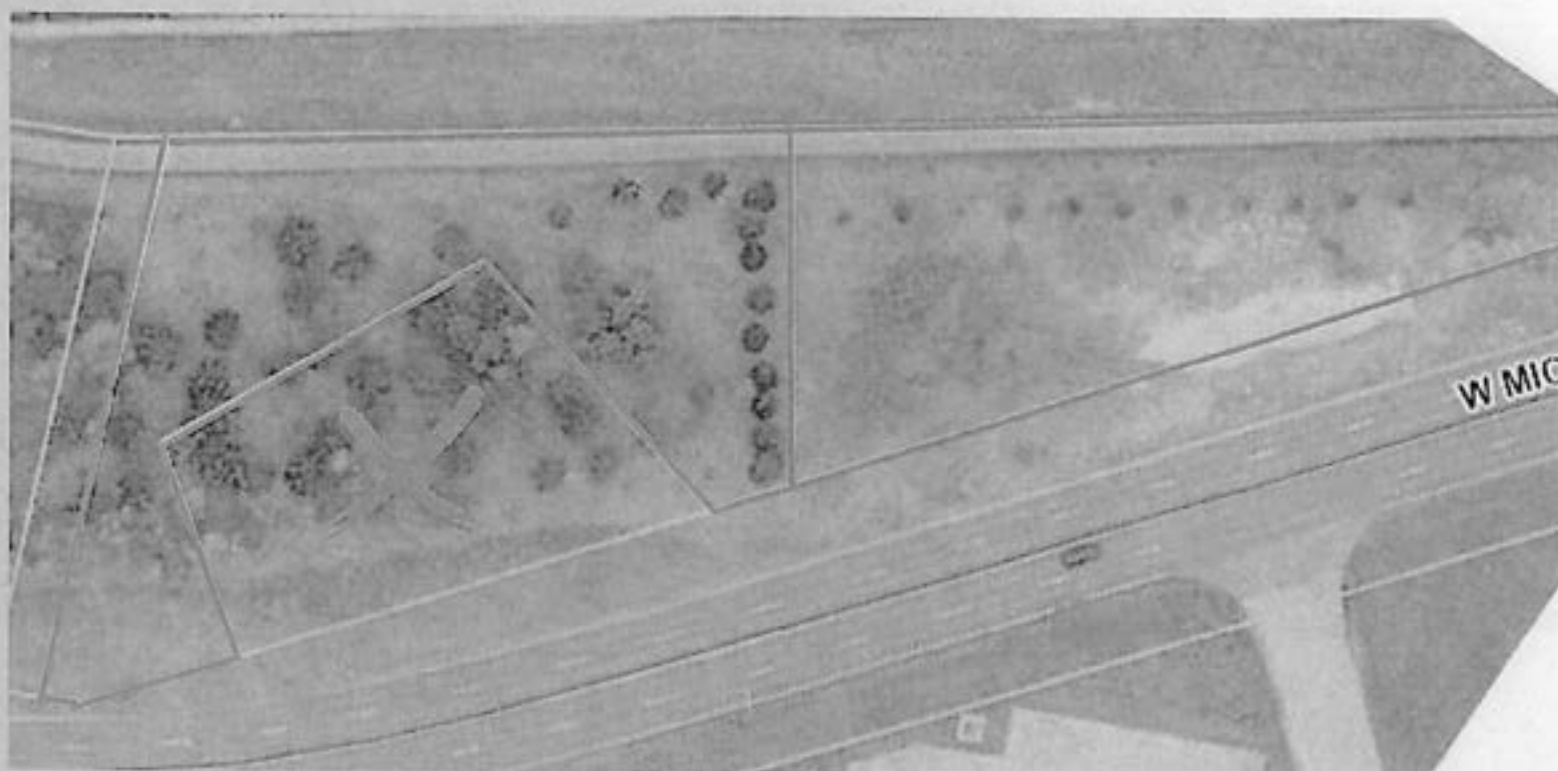
Step 1

- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs blowing Debris from sidewalks following mowing
- Trimming vegetation inaccessible to mowing equipment
- Bush hogging when needed or requested

Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance



Vacant lot at 615 West Michigan Blvd





Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance

Elston Grove walking park

Weekly Mowing

Page 1

- Mowing of grass area inside walk path, three lawns along Michigan blvd, and tree lawn along 8th
- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs blowing Debris from sidewalks following mowing.
- Keep trees limbed up to a height of 10' and sucker growth removed from the base tree.



Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance



Weekly Mowing

- Mowing of grass area inside walk path, three lawns along Michigan blvd, and tree lawn along 8th
- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs blowing Debris from sidewalks following mowing.
- Keep trees limbed up to a height of 10" and sucker growth removed from the base tree.

Vacant lot Northwest
corner of Franklin St. 7th





Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance

Weekly Mowing

Step 1

- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs
blowing Debris from sidewalks
following mowing.
- Keep trees limbed up to a height of
10" and sucker growth removed from
the base tree.



Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance



Vacant lot at Northeast Corner of Michigan Blvd. 6th St

Weekly Mowing

Step 1

- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs
blowing Debris from sidewalks
following mowing.
- Keep trees limbed up to a height of
10" and sucker growth removed from
the base tree.





Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance

Weekly Mowing

Step 1

- Mowing to include church parking lot where crews park during railroad construction.
- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs blowing Debris from sidewalks following mowing.
- Keep trees limbed up to a height of 10' and sucker growth removed from the base tree.

Former Chrysler Dealership property



Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance



Weekly Mowing

Sheet

- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs
blowing Debris from sidewalks following
mowing.
- Keep trees limbed up to a height of 10"
and sucker growth removed from the
base tree.
- Mowing 5-30 ft from the back of the
sidewalk.

Cleveland Ave. South



Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance



Weekly Mowing

Step 1

- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs blowing Debris from sidewalks following mowing.
- Keep trees limbed up to a height of 10" and sucker growth removed from the base tree
- Trash pick up as needed
- Mowing 5-10 ft from the back of the edge of trees.

Cleveland Ave. North



Redevelopment- Owned Property

Annual

Landscape Maintenance



Weekly Mowing

Step 1

- Picking up refuse before mowing around retention ponds
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs blowing Debris from sidewalks following mowing.
- Keep trees limbed up to a height of 10' and sucker growth removed from the base tree
- Trash pick up as needed

Ameriplex ponds



Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance



Weekly Mowing

Step 1

- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs blowing Debris from sidewalks following mowing.
- Keep trees limbed up to a height of 10" and sucker growth removed from the base tree.



725 e. Michigan Blvd. (across from
Chrysler Dealership on Blvd)



MICHIGAN BLVD

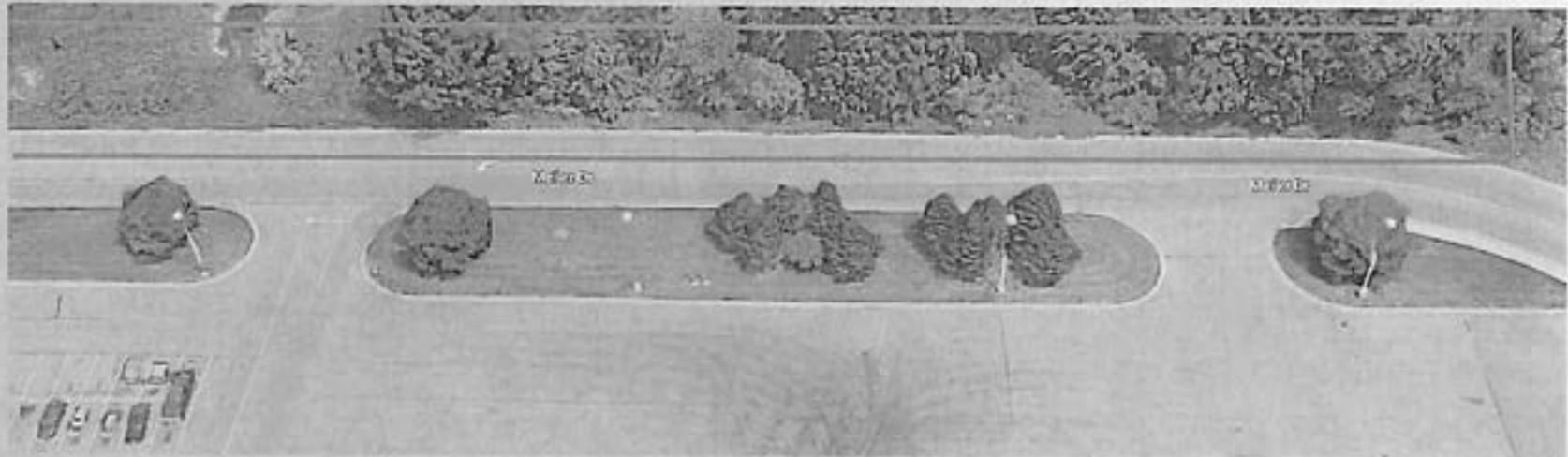
Redevelopment- Owned Property Annual Landscape Maintenance



Weekly Mowing

- Picking up refuse before mowing
- Mowing to a maximum height of 3"
- Trimming the sidewalk and Curbs blowing Debris from sidewalks following mowing.
- Keep trees limbed up to a height of 10" and sucker growth removed from the base tree.

Meijer Drive



MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**AMENDING SEC. 102-1 IN THE MICHIGAN CITY MUNICIPAL CODE TO
COMMONLY KNOWN "REMOVAL OF WEEDS, GRASS, AND RANK VEGETATION"**

WHEREAS, I.C. 36-7-10.1-3 allows a legislative body of a municipality to adopt an ordinance to require the owners of real property located within the municipality to cut and remove weeds and other rank vegetation growing on the property; and

WHEREAS, by virtue of the authority provided by I.C. 36-7-10.1-3, the City has established Sec. 102-1 entitled "Removal of Weeds, Grass, and Rank Vegetation" in the Michigan City Municipal Code; and

WHEREAS, before the City can enter property of another and remove weeds, grass, or rank vegetation over six (6) inches in height, Sec. 102-1 requires the City to provide the property owner with a written Notice & Order to abate the nuisance within ten (10) days; and

WHEREAS, the Vector Control Department and the City Forester reasonably believe that Sec. 102-1 needs to be amended to reduce the time frame for a property owner to abate weeds, grass, or rank vegetation on their property from ten (10) days to five (5) days (A joint letter from the Vector Control Department and City Forester is attached hereto and incorporated herein as "Exhibit A"); and

WHEREAS, the Common Council reasonably believes that the aforementioned recommendation of the Vector Control Department and the City Forester are in the best interest of the City and residents herein.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council for the City of Michigan City, Indiana that Sec. 102-1(d)(1) and Sec. 102-1(f)(1) are hereby amended in the Michigan City Municipal Code and shall read as follows:

1. Sec. 102-1(d)(1) of the Michigan City Municipal Code is hereby amended to now read as follows:

(d) Notice of violation.

- (1) *Initial notice to owner/content.* For any property found to be in violation of this section, the department shall issue an initial notice to the owner to cut, remove, and/or dispose of weeds, grass, and/or rank vegetation within five (5) calendar days of service of the notice. The notice is final when given unless the owner makes a written request for a hearing before the Michigan City Board of Public Works and Safety regarding the notice and the written request is delivered to the department and the clerk for the board of public works and safety's office before the end of the (five) day period.

2. Sec. 102-1(f)(1) in the Michigan City Municipal Code is hereby amended to now read as follows:

(f) Bill for costs incurred to abate the violation.

- (1) The department shall issue a bill to the owner of the real property for the costs incurred by the department in bringing the property into compliance with this section, including administrative costs and abatement costs. The expenses incurred by the department to bring compliance constitute a lien against the property. The person to whom the bill is issued may appeal that determination to the board of public works and safety within five (5) days from the date said bill was mailed.

The only grounds for an appeal which the board of public works and safety may consider are as follows:

- a. The work was not performed on the noticed property;
- b. Work was performed before the five (5) days' notice had expired; or

c. The owner was not served legal notice of the violation.

The board of public works and safety shall consider such appeals and may adjust or waive said costs as individual circumstances may warrant. The decision of the board of public works and safety is final.

3. Sec. 102-1(g) is hereby created in the Michigan City Municipal Code and shall read as follows:

(g) Penalty. Nothing in this section shall prohibit the City from also assessing a fine in an amount established in Sec. 1-7 (General Penalty; Continuing Violations) to a property owner for allowing the weeds, grass, and rank/vegetation to exceed the height requirement imposed by subsection (c) above.

This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect after passage by the Michigan City Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

INTRODUCED BY: _____

Nancy Moldenhauer, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Michigan City, Indiana this _____
day of _____, 2025.

Tracie Tillman, President
Michigan City Common Council

Approved/Vetoed (*circle action taken*) by me, this _____ day of _____,
2025.

Angie Nelson Deutch, Mayor
Michigan City, Indiana

ATTEST:

Gale A. Neulieb, Clerk
City of Michigan City, Indiana

Prepared by Corporation Counsel Upon Request

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GALE A. NEULIEB
CITY CLERK
CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY



City of Michigan City, Vector Services

City of Michigan City
1801 Kentucky St.
Michigan City, IN 46360
www.emichigancity.com

February 19, 2025

Michigan City Common Council
100 E. Michigan Blvd
Michigan City, Indiana 46360

Re: Amendment to Sec. 102-1 of the Michigan City Municipal Code to reduce time of abatement from 10 days to 5 days.

Dear Council,

We have been engaging in regular weekly meetings to prepare for the upcoming City landscaping needs for 2025. In the course of these meetings, we have discussed Sec. 102-1 of the Michigan City Municipal Code. This Section requires that Vector provide a landowner with a written Notice & Order to abate tall weeds and grass within ten (10) days. If the landowner does not perform the abatement in ten (10) days, then the City can enter private property and abate the nuisance and bill the owner for the costs of abatement.

We recommend that Sec. 102-1 be amended to reduce the period of time for abatement from ten (10) days to five (5) days. Ten (10) days is too long of a length of time to allow weeds/grass, which has already exceeded the height limitation set forth in Sec. 102-1, additional time to grow and become a larger nuisance. Reducing the period of time to abate to five (5) days puts the responsibility on property owners to promptly and timely cut their weeds/grass. A prompt resolution on weed/grass abatements is beneficial for the following reasons:

1. Quicker resolution of health/safety concerns that said nuisance poses;
2. Decrease the wear and tear on equipment; and
3. May assist the City in controlling illegal dumping of trash within the City because too often there is a correlation of properties with high weeds and grass also becoming illegal dumping grounds.

Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Very truly yours,


Brett Kelley, Director Vector Services


Michael Wolff, Forester

EXHIBIT A