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A G E N D A
COMMON COUNCIL – IN PERSON - REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, January 6, 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

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

PRESIDENT

VICE- PRESIDENT

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Regular Council (Hybrid/Zoom) December 16, 2025

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

CLAIMS DOCKET

January 6, 2026

Fund #2235 – Riverboat – Claims -	\$	0.00
EFT	\$	0.00
Rainy Day (Fund 2236)	\$	6,907.50
Fund #2504 – Boyd Development -	\$	0.00
EFT	\$	0.00
TOTAL CLAIMS	\$	6,907.50

REPORTS FROM BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Derald Burton, Human Rights Commission – 2025 Annual Report

REPORTS OF SPECIAL or SELECT COMMITTEES

REPORTS FROM MAYOR OR OTHER CITY OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENTS

PETITIONS

COMMUNICATIONS

A notice was received in the Clerk's Office on December 29, 2025, from IDEM regarding the approval of an Permit for Deercroft Recycling & Disposal Facility.

Correspondence was received in the Clerk's Office on December 3, 2025, from Counsel Attorney Nick Snow regarding the legal objection to the Economic Improvement District (EID).

RESOLUTIONS

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT
AND EXTENSION OF THE 2025 UNION CONTRACT BETWEEN THE
MICHIGAN CITY FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE DUNES LODGE
#75 AND THE CITY OF MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA**

**Introduced by: Tracie Tillman
Bryant Dabney
Don Przybylinski**

ORDINANCES

ORDINANCE 2nd Reading

CREATING SEC. 78-7 IN THE MICHIGAN CITY MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT SMOKING WITHIN (20) TWENTY FEET FROM THE PUBLIC ENTRANCEWAYS OF MICHIGAN CITY GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

Introduced by: Don Przybylinski
Vidya Kora
Greg Coulter
Tim Bietry

**Note: This proposed ordinance was TABLED on December 2,
2025, Council meeting until January 6, 2026, Council meeting**

NEW BUSINESS

**FYI: The Council has three (3) appointments to the Michigan City
Social Status of African American Males Commission representing the
following and expire February 15, 2026
Council Appointment – Stasi Benning (2-year term)
Michigan City Area Schools – Dwayne Hurt (2-year term)
NAACP – Michael Jones (2- year term)**

**FYI: The Council has one (1) appointment to the Michigan City Tree
Board representing a Neighborhood Association – Incumbent Laura
Henderson (Elston Grove) Term expires February 15, 2026**

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL

ADJOURNMENT



Gale A. Neulieb, City Clerk

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: **Tuesday, January 6, 2026, 6:30 PM** Central Time (US and Canada)

Please click the link below to join the webinar:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84298000057?pwd=RXVRUkhobXI2aVE2R1UUR0VEVTI3dz09>

Passcode : 463601 Webinar ID: 842 9800 0057 Passcode: 463601 Or One tap mobile:

MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**A RESOLUTION APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING AN AMENDMENT AND
EXTENSION OF THE 2025 UNION CONTRACT BETWEEN THE MICHIGAN CITY
FRATERNAL ORDER OF POLICE DUNES LODGE #75 AND THE CITY OF
MICHIGAN CITY, INDIANA**

WHEREAS, there is a labor agreement currently in effect between the Michigan City Fraternal Order of Police Dunes Lodge #75 and the City of Michigan City; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to I.C. 36-8-3-3, the Common Council is vested with the authority of establishing the compensation and financial benefits for members of the Michigan City Police Department; and

WHEREAS, there have been successful negotiations between the Labor Relations Committee of the Common Council and the Michigan City Fraternal Order of Police Dunes Lodge #75, which have resulted in an agreement to extend the current labor agreement through 11:59 P.M. on December 31, 2026, subject to the following conditions:

1. All terms and conditions of the current labor agreement will remain in effect during the extension period, with the exception of a 2% general increase in salaries and/or wages; and
2. The parties agree to continue negotiations during calendar year 2026, with the objective of reaching a new labor agreement by the end of said calendar year with a term of two to three calendar years; and

WHEREAS, the Labor Relations Committee recommends that the Common Council approve and authorize the extension and amendment of the current labor agreement as set forth herein;

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

1. The aforementioned “whereas” paragraphs are hereby incorporated as though fully set forth in these resolving clauses.
2. The Common Council hereby approves the amendment and extension of the 2025 Union Contract between the Michigan City Fraternal Order of Police Dunes Lodge #75 and the City of Michigan City, Indiana, as contemplated and described herein.
3. This Resolution shall be in full force and effect after passage by the Michigan City Common Council and approval by the Mayor.

INTRODUCED BY: _____
Tracie Tillman, Member

Bryant Dabney, Member

Don Przybylinski, Member

Passed by the Common Council of the City of Michigan City, Indiana this _____ day of _____, 2026.

_____, President
Michigan City Common Council

Approved/Vetoed (circle action taken) by me, this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Angie Nelson Deutch, Mayor
Michigan City, Indiana

ATTEST:

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

Prepared by Harris Law Firm, P.C. Upon Request

MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

ORDINANCE NO. _____

**CREATING SEC. 78-7 IN THE MICHIGAN CITY MUNICIPAL CODE TO PROHIBIT
SMOKING WITHIN (20) TWENTY FEET FROM THE PUBLIC ENTRANCEWAYS OF
MICHIGAN CITY GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS**

WHEREAS, the State of Indiana has enacted certain smoking bans and regulations under I.C. 7.1-15-12, including a ban prohibiting smoking within eight (8) feet of a public entranceway (*see* I.C. 7.1-15-12-4(a)(4)); and

WHEREAS, State law also provides that a municipality may adopt more stringent regulations (*see* I.C. 7.1-15-12-13(a)); and

WHEREAS, the City reasonably believes it to be in the best interest of the public and City employees based upon public health and welfare to prohibit smoking within twenty (20) feet of the entranceway of all City-owned buildings, and include electronic cigarettes, vaporizes and vapor products in the definition of smoking.

THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Common Council for the City of Michigan City, Indiana as follows:

1. Sec. 78-7 is hereby created in Chapter 78 of the Michigan City Municipal Code and shall read as follows:

Sec. 78-7. No Smoking Within Twenty (20) Feet of Entranceway of City-Owned Building.

(a). Definitions:

- (1) *Smoking* is hereby defined as the following:

(a.) I.C. 7.1-15-12-3, as the same may be amended, which states:

- (1). The carrying or holding of a lighted cigarette, cigar, or pipe or any other lighted tobacco smoking equipment; or
- (2). The inhalation or exhalation of smoke from lighted tobacco smoking equipment.

- (b) It shall also include vaping, which means the process of inhalation and exhalation of electronic cigarettes, electronic water pipes, or vaporizers.

- (2) *Electronic Cigarette* means a device that is capable of providing an inhalable dose of nicotine or any other substance intended for human consumption by delivering a vaporized solution that can be used by a person to simulate smoking through inhalation of vapor or aerosol from the device. The term includes the components and cartridges.

- (3) *Electronic Water Pipe* means a device that is capable of providing an inhalable dose of nicotine or any other substance through water intended for human consumption by delivering a vaporized solution that can be used by a person to simulate smoking through inhalation of vapor or aerosol from the device.

- (4) *Vaporizers* means a device like an electronic cigarette that is used to inhale e-liquid, which is a substance that may or may not contain nicotine and is intended to be vaporized and inhaled using a vapor product.

- (b). Smoking is hereby prohibited within twenty (20) feet of the entranceway of City-owned building.
- (b). The City administration shall amend any and all employee policy and procedure manuals to reflect such prohibition and post the necessary signage reflecting the same at each public entranceway of each City-owned building.

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

INTRODUCED BY: _____

Don Przybylinski, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Vidya Kora, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Greg Coulter, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Tim Bietry, 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