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A G E N D A
COMMON COUNCIL – IN PERSON - REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, March 17, 2026

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 3, 2026
Mayor/Council Executive Session March 3, 2026

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES

FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

CLAIMS DOCKET

March 17, 2026

Fund #2235 – Riverboat – Claims -	\$	0.00
EFT	\$	0.00
Rainy Day (Fund 2236)	\$	0.00
Fund #2504 – Boyd Development -	\$	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

PETITIONS

COMMUNICATIONS

Correspondence - 2026 Annual Cemetery Board of Trustee Financial Report was received in the Clerk's office on March 2, 2026 from the Cemetery Board of Trustees President Davis Bush

Notice of Decision: approval was received in the Clerk's office on March 6, 2026 from Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) NIPSCO – Permit Number 091-49923-00021 located at Wabash and W. Michigan Blvd.

Notice of 30-Day Period for Public Comment was received in the Clerk's Office on March 9, 2026 from Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM) for VVM Technologies, LLC.

Correspondence was received in the Clerk's office on March 9, 2026 from the Michigan City Firefighters Association Local 475 requesting to open negotiations with the City of Michigan City.

RESOLUTIONS

AUTHORIZING THE CITY CONTROLLER TO ENCUMBER AN ADDITIONAL 2025 PURCHASE ORDER (\$397,682.17)

Introduced by: Bryant Dabney

ORDINANCES

**ORDINANCE
2nd Reading**

APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN THE BUDGET OF THE GENERAL FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF ROAD SALT FOR THE STREET DEPARTMENT

**Introduced by: Bryant Dabney
Dr. Vidya Kora
Don Przybylinski**

**(DCEREASE 1101.000 Unappropriated balance \$300,000.00
INCREASE ACCOUNT# 1101.105.422.024 \$300,000.00
Operating Supplies- Salt)**

**Advertised in the
Herald Dispatch
March 4 ,2026**

**Formal Public
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March 17, 2026**

**ORDINANCE
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**APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN THE BUDGET OF
THE RIVERBOAT FUND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE
DESTINATION PLAYGROUND IN FEDDER'S ALLEY**

**Introduced by: Don Przybylinski
Nancy Moldenhauer
Tim Bietry**

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Other)**

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**Introduced by: Daisy Lee
Dr. Vidya Kora**

**(DECREASE 2235.000 Unappropriated balance \$1,100,000.00
INCREASE ACCOUNT# 2235.202.445.050 - \$1,100,000.00
Other Machinery & Equipment)**

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**Introduced by: Daisy Lee
Dr. Vidya Kora**

**(DECREASE 2235.000 Unappropriated balance \$500,000.00 INCREASE
ACCOUNT# 2235.202.445.020 \$500,000.00 Other Machinery & Equipment Motor
Vehicle)**

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NEW BUSINESS **FYI:** The Council has one (1) appointment to the Sustainability Commission – **Incumbent** Lawrence Zimmerman term expires 3/11/2026

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

VOTE: The Council has one (1) appointment to the Community Enrichment Corporation – **Incumbent** Jason Kirby term expires March 31, 2026.

Nominations Received

- **Jason Kirby**
- **Violet Worth**

FYI: The Council has one (1) appointment to the Michigan City Social Status of African American Males Commission representing the following and will expire February 15, 2026

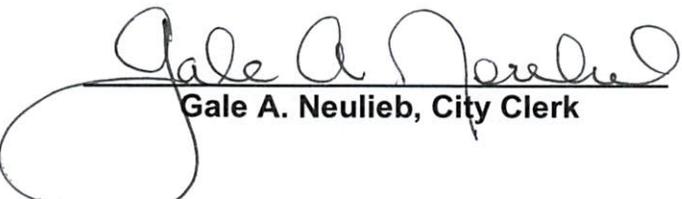
Michigan City Area Schools – Dwayne Hurt (2-year term)

- Correspondence was received from the MCAS Board advising Marty Corley was appointed to represent them on the Michigan City Social Status of African American Males Commission term will begin immediately and expire February 15, 2028

COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

COMMENTS FROM THE COUNCIL

ADJOURNMENT



Gale A. Neulieb, City Clerk

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

When: **Tuesday, March 17, 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=RXVRUkhobXI2aVE2R1IIR0VEVTI3dz09>

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

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MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

RESOLUTION NO. _____

**AUTHORIZING THE CITY CONTROLLER TO ENCUMBER
AN ADDITIONAL 2025 PURCHASE ORDER**

WHEREAS, the City of Michigan City is an Indiana Municipal Corporation, governed by its duly elected Mayor and City Council; and

WHEREAS, the Council has the authority and duty to maintain and oversee the fiscal operations of the City and to reconcile the City’s financial and budgetary records; and

WHEREAS, on February 17, 2026, the Michigan Common Council adopted and on February 19, 2026, the Mayor executed Resolution #4991 entitled *Determining that Funding For Certain Outstanding 2025 Purchase Orders Should be Encumbered and Authorized the City Controller to Encumber Such Funds*; and

WHEREAS, since the enactment of Resolution #4991, the City Controller’s Office has discovered an additional item that needs to be encumbered, more specifically the following:

<u>Purchase Order Number:</u>	<u>Fund Number:</u>	<u>Fund Name:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
2025-0000250	2209	Self Funded Liability	\$397,682.17

WHEREAS, in order to complete the aforementioned transfer using funding set aside from the 2025 fiscal year, and in order to be consistent with Indiana law and Indiana Department of Local Government Finance (DLGF) procedures, an encumbrance must be authorized by a Resolution adopted by the Common Council and approved by the Mayor; and

WHEREAS, the City Controller of the City of Michigan City, Indiana recommends the approval of the aforementioned additional encumbrance from 2025.

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

Section 1. The following encumbrance is hereby APPROVED:

<u>Purchase Order Number:</u>	<u>Fund Number:</u>	<u>Fund Name:</u>	<u>Amount:</u>
2025-0000250	2209	Self Funded Liability	\$397,682.17

Section 2. The City Controller of the City of Michigan City is hereby DIRECTED to formally encumber the funding for said purchase order in the appropriate account.

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

INTRODUCED BY: _____
Bryant Dabney, Member
Michigan City Common Council

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

Tracie Tillman, President
Michigan City Common Council

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

Angie Nelson Deutch, Mayor
Michigan City, Indiana

ATTEST:

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

MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

ORDINANCE NO. _____

APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN THE BUDGET OF THE
GENERAL FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF ROAD SALT FOR THE STREET
DEPARTMENT

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 2026 Annual Budget for the purchase of road salt; and

WHEREAS, the City Controller has determined that sufficient unappropriated funds are available in the General Fund #1101.000 to be appropriated for that purpose.

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 1101.000 Unappropriated balance	\$300,000.00	
INCREASE ACCOUNT# 1101.105.422.024 Operating Supplies- Salt		\$300,000.00
TOTAL FOR FUND	\$300,000.00	

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: _____

Bryant Dabney, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Dr. Vidya Kora, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Don Przybylinski, Member
Michigan City Common Council

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

Tracie Tillman, President
Michigan City Common Council

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

Angie Nelson Deutch, Mayor
City of 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 RIVERBOAT FUND FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE DESTINATION PLAYGROUND IN FEDDER'S ALLEY

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 2026 Annual Budget for the construction of the destination playground in Fedder's Alley; and

WHEREAS, the City Controller has determined that sufficient unappropriated funds are available in the River Boad Fund #2235.000 to be appropriated for that purpose.

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 2235.000 Unappropriated balance	\$600,000.00	
INCREASE ACCOUNT# 2235.502.444.050 Cap Outlay-Imp Other than Bldg Other		\$600,000.00
TOTAL FOR FUND	\$600,000.00	

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: _____

Don Przybylinski, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Nancy Moldenhauer, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Tim Bietry, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Daisy Lee, Member
Michigan City Common Council

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Tracie Tillman, President
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ATTEST:

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

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MICHIGAN CITY COMMON COUNCIL

ORDINANCE NO. _____

APPROVING ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION IN THE BUDGET OF THE RIVERBOAT FUND FOR THE PURCHASE OF RADIOS FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT AND FIRE DEPARTMENT

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 2026 Annual Budget for the purchase of radios for the Police Department and Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, the City Controller has determined that sufficient unappropriated funds are available in the River Boad Fund #2235.000 to be appropriated for that purpose.

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 2235.000 Unappropriated balance	\$1,100,000.00	
INCREASE ACCOUNT# 2235.202.445.050 Other Machinery & Equipment		\$1,100,000.00
TOTAL FUND	\$1,100,000.00	

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: _____

Daisy Lee, Member
Michigan City Common Council

Dr. Vidya Kora, Member
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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 2026 Annual Budget for the purchase of vehicles for the Michigan City Police Department, including the buy-out on certain leased vehicles by said Department; and

WHEREAS, the City Controller has determined that sufficient unappropriated funds are available in the River Boad Fund #2235.000 to be appropriated for that purpose.

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 2235.000 Unappropriated balance	\$500,000.00	
INCREASE ACCOUNT# 2235.202.445.020 Other Machinery & Equipment Motor Vehicle		\$500,000.00
TOTAL FOR FUND	\$500,000.00	

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