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The Michigan City Park and Recreation Board met in regular session on Wednesday, October 21, 2026 at the hour of 5:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, City of Michigan City, Indiana.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

On the call of the roll, the following Board Members were found to be present or absent:

Present: Mr. Glidden and Mses. Espar and Ward (3)
Absent: Mr. Labis (0)

Also present were Shannon Eason, Park Superintendent; William Walker, Park Assistant Superintendent; Shaw Friedman, Board Attorney; Patrick Voltz, Park Maintenance Director; Paul Cornwall, MCGC Golf Pro; Jamie Huss, Zoo director; Bryant Dabney, City Counsil Liaison; Lisa Cochran, Business owner; Amber Seiler, citizen; Scott Meland, citizen; and Drew White, ALCO.

- ❒ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Ms. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved the minutes of the October 7, 2026 Board meeting.

- ❒ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Ms. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved 2026 Golf Now Agreement.

- ❒ On a motion made by Mr. Glidden, seconded by Ms. Espar and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board tabled 2026 Golf Fees & Contracts.

- ❒ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Ms. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved 2027 Zoo Fees-Hours-Contracts.

- ❒ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Ms. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved 2027 & 2028 Park Department Fees.

- ❒ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Ms. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved 2027 Food Truck Agreement for Rentals.

- ❒ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Ms. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board ratifies the 2026 Washington Park Beach Annual Management Report.

- ❒ 2026-10-21 5-Year Master Plan Presentation was presented to the Park Board by Shannon Eason.

- ❒ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Ms. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved city claims filed on account of appropriations for the Parks and Recreation Department in the amount of $53,912.03.

- ❒ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Ms. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board accepted donations:
  Ivy Tech Zoo Donation-Boo at the Zoo $220.00
  Lighthouse Zoo Donation-Boo at the Zoo $450.00
  Unknown Zoo Donation-Boo at the Zoo $220.00.

- ❒ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Ms. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved payment of invoices totaling $8,999.02 charged to the department's credit card.

- ❒ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, seconded by Ms. Ward and voted for unanimously by the Board, the Board approved Payroll #21, 9/27/26 through 10/10/26, in the amount of $99,859.50.

- ❒ On a motion made by Ms. Espar, supported by all members of the Board, there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 P.M.

William Walker, Assistant Superintendent

Christina Espar, Park Board Secretary

Minutes prepared by William Walker