

**MINUTES OF THE PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL**

CITY OF TERRE HAUTE, INDIANA

REGULAR SESSION, THURSDAY, MAY 1, 2025

The City Council met in Regular Session Thursday, May 1, 2025 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Hall Courtroom with Mr. Nation presiding and Michelle L. Edwards in the City Clerk's desk.

**Moment of Silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag by Councilperson George Azar
Calling Of the Roll**

PRESENT: George Azar, Tammy Boland, Curtis DeBaun IV, Anthony Dinkel, Kandace Hinton, Cheryl Loudermilk, Todd Nation, Amanda Thompson

ABSENT: James Chalos

Public Comment on Items Not on the Agenda

- a. Herb Rukes concerning the old Tech School location and the new homes being built.
- b. Jenny Dickison concerning unions and immigrant workers.
- c. Karina Moffett concerning May Day, the Constitution and the President. She also commented on Indivisible Group.
- d. Cesya Heine concerning ICE raids.
- e. Rex Gambill concerning helping those in need, budgets cuts and encouraging government to recognize the needs of the people.
- f. Ana Vaz concerning her termination as federal employee, May Day and changes to the employment of civil servants.
- g. Shannon Giles concerning the recent changes to laws concerning tobacco and similar products. She commented on how this will help reduce the use of tobacco and Lung Cancer month. She answered Councilperson Boland's question.
- h. Councilperson Tammy Boland asked Mrs. Giles about tobacco cessation programs.
- i. John Packmeyer concerning ICE, illegal activities, and federal government actions.
- j. Patrece Dayton and her role with THRIVE, upcoming events and how the City is working with THRIVE.
- k. Sister Emily Tekolste concerning changes to Medicaid, Hoosier Healthwise and other health programs.
- l. Council President Todd Nation commented on how he supports Indivisible and upcoming protest scheduled for Saturday.

**No Corrections to the Journal of the Preceding Meeting
No Communication from the Mayor**

Reports from City Officials

- a. Fire Chief Darrick Scott concerning Fire Ops 101 and the Council attendance.
- b. Councilperson Anthony Dinkel thanked Chief Scott for Fire Ops 101.

No Reports from Board of Public Works and Safety
No Reports from Standing Committees
No Reports from Non-Standing Committees
No Items Previously Tabled
No Tax Abatements for Confirmation
No Items on Second Reading

ITEMS ON FIRST READING

Special Ordinances

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 11, 2025 – Rezoning of property located at 1103 South Center Street <Boland>

SPECIAL ORDINANCE 11, 2025 was read by digest. No action was taken

Resolutions

RESOLUTION 15, 2025 - Proclaiming April 27, 2025 as Workers Memorial Day <Nation>

RESOLUTION 15, 2025 was read by digest. Motion was made by Councilperson Hinton and seconded by Councilperson Boland to pass RESOLUTION 15, 2025. Motion carried.

RESOLUTION 15, 2025

Whereas we acknowledge that conditions of work sites have improved since the passing of the Occupational Safety and Health act in 1970 and in the Indiana State Occupational Safety and Health Administration shortly after that; and

Whereas we remain committed to the on-going advocacy of labor activists in the city of Terre Haute to continue to improve the quality of the workplace through regular inspection and high standards of health and safety measures; and

Whereas we are aware that injuries, illnesses, and fatalities are not accidents but are avoidable and preventable; and

Whereas we support the call for good jobs, safe jobs and the protection of rights, and we pledge to seek ways to make these goals a reality; and

Whereas we honor the legacy of Eugene Victor Debs, who was proud to call the city of Terre Haute his home and was ahead of his time in his vision of equality and justice; and

Whereas we work at the local level, and we are conscious of the invisible, most vulnerable workers in our midst who have been left out of State and Federal workplace protections; and

Whereas it is altogether right to remember those workers by name and deed who went to work to labor for the community and did not come home.

NOW THEREFORE BE IS RESOLVED, we, the Terre Haute City Council, join city and county governments and leaders all over the United States that are gathering as we are to proclaim Sunday, April 27, 2025, to be

Workers Memorial Day in the City of Terre Haute.

Introduced by: Todd Nation, Councilperson
Passed in open Council this 1ST day of May, 2025
Todd Nation, President

ATTEST: Michelle L. Edwards, City Clerk
Presented by me to the Mayor, this 2nd day of May, 2025 at 3:20 pm o'clock.
Michelle L. Edwards, City Clerk
Approved by me, the Mayor, this 2nd day of May, 2025
Brandon Sakbun, Mayor
ATTEST: Michelle L. Edwards, City Clerk

APPOINTMENT TO CONSTRUCTION AND BUILDING ADVISORY BOARD

Council President Todd Nation opened the floor for nominations to the Construction and Building Advisory Board. Councilperson Curtis DeBaun nominated Todd Nation. Council President Todd Nation closed nominations. Council President Todd Nation was approved.

Motion was made by Councilperson Azar and seconded by Councilperson Loudermilk that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

Kelley Duggins
Chief Deputy City Clerk

Todd Nation, President

Michelle L. Edwards, City Clerk