

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA  
November 20, 2024**

A regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Jasper, Indiana, was held on Wednesday November 20, 2024, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana.

**Call to Order.** Presiding Officer Mayor Dean Vonderheide called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**Roll Call.** Clerk Treasurer Kiersten Knies called the roll.

	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Video</u>	<u>Absent</u>
Mayor Dean Vonderheide	X		
Council members:			
John Schroeder	X		
Chad Lueken	X		
Vince Helming	X		
Paul Lorey	X		
Kevin Manley	X		
Nancy Eckerle	X		
Philip Mundy	X		
City Attorney Renee Kabrick	X		
Clerk-Treasurer Kiersten Knies	X		

Knies announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the council members must be in attendance. All of the council members were in attendance at the beginning of the meeting, which is a majority; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

**Moment of Personal Reflection.** Mayor Vonderheide asked that all present take a moment for personal reflection.

**Pledge of Allegiance.** Mayor Vonderheide invited all those present to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of the Minutes.** The minutes from the Regular Council Meeting held October 23, 2024, were distributed to, and examined by the Council. A motion was made by Council member Paul Lorey and seconded by Council member Vince Helming to approve the minutes from October 23, 2024, without corrections. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2024-18**

**An Ordinance Authorizing the City to Enter a Conditional Project Expenditure Agreement (Northridge Estates Project) and the Grant of the Proceeds thereof to Kerstiens Development, Inc., Kerstiens Homes and Designs, Inc., and/or Their Assigns, and Authorizing and Approving Other Actions in Respect Thereto.**

A motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by Phil Mundy to read Ordinance No. 2024-18 by title only on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-18 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by John Schroeder to approve Ordinance No. 2024-18 on the third and final reading. Further discussion was held. City Attorney Renee Kabrick advised that this is the same ordinance that was presented at the October meeting and does not change the language to sunset the TIF after 10 years because in order to change the life of the TIF, the process would need to start over with the Redevelopment Commission. Council Member Nancy Eckerle pointed out that the request was made to amend the language to sunset the TIF at ten years for the third reading. Council Member Chad Lueken confirmed that this agreement is intended to be in lieu of a water main extension agreement with Utilities. Motion carried 5-2, with Vince Helming and Nancy Eckerle voting nay.

**IFA Residential Infrastructure Program – Northridge Development Application on behalf of Kerstiens Development, Inc.**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Nancy Eckerle to allow the City of Jasper to apply for the IFA Residential Infrastructure Program loan on behalf of Kerstiens Development, Inc. The City of Jasper would be the applicant, however Kerstiens Development, Inc would be solely responsible for the repayment of the loan. Kerstiens Development, Inc., will be required to carry the IFA’s letter of credit. This will not affect the City of Jasper’s debt limit. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2024-21**

**An Ordinance Providing for a Uniform Code for Traffic Upon the Public Streets – Truck Routes and Load Limits and Setting Forth Truck Load Limits and Street Restrictions (Amending Chapter 9.33 Truck Load Limits and Street Restrictions)**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to read Ordinance No. 2024-21 by title only on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick, so read Ordinance No. 2024-21 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by Vince Helming to approve Ordinance No. 2024-21 on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to read Ordinance No. 2024-21 by title only on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick, so read Ordinance No. 2024-21 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Chad Lueken to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2024-21 on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Resolution No. 2024-21**

**A Resolution Awarding Build-Operate Transfer Project and Taking Certain Other Related Actions**

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Phil Mundy to read Resolution No. 2024-21 by title only. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Resolution No. 2024-21 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Chad Lueken and seconded by Vince Helming to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2024-21 on the first and only reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2024-22**

**An Ordinance Authorizing and Establishing a Policy for Electronic Fund Transfers for the City of Jasper, Indiana**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to read Ordinance No. 2024-22 by title only on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-22 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Vince Helming and seconded by Chad Lueken to approve Ordinance No. 2024-22 on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2024-24**

**An Ordinance Establishing a Special Use Restricted Donation Fund.**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to read Ordinance No. 2024-24 by title only on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read Ordinance No. 2024-24 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by John Schroeder to approve Ordinance No. 2024-24 on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2024-25**

**An Ordinance Vacating a Public Drainage & Utility Easement**

Mayor Vonderheide opened the meeting to a public hearing. Brad Eckerle from Brosmer Land Surveying summarized the request. A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to close the public hearing. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Vince Helming to read Ordinance No. 2024-25 by title only on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick, so read Ordinance No. 2024-25 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by Chad Lueken to approve Ordinance No. 2024-25 on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2024-26**

**An Ordinance Amending the Rules and Regulations for the Operation of a Natural Gas System**

**Owned by the City of Jasper and Fixing a Schedule of Revised Rates and Charges for the Sale of Gas by the Jasper Municipal Gas Utility**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Kevin Manley to read Ordinance No. 2024-26 by title only on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick, so read Ordinance No. 2024-26 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Vince Helming to approve Ordinance No. 2024-26 on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Resolution No. 2024-22**

**A Resolution Authorizing Funds Transfer (Community Crossing Fund)**

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Phil Mundy to read Resolution No. 2024-22 by title only on the first and only reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick, so read Resolution No. 2024-22 by title only.

Thereafter a motion was made by Nancy Eckerle and seconded by John Schroeder to approve Resolution No. 2024-22 on the first and only reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Ordinance No. 2024-23**

**An Ordinance to Transfer Appropriations for the Remainder of the Year Ending December 31, 2024.**

A motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by Paul Lorey to consider Ordinance No. 2024-23 for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Paul Lorey and seconded by Phil Mundy to read Ordinance No. 2024-23 by title only on the first reading. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick, so read Ordinance No. 2024-23 by title only.

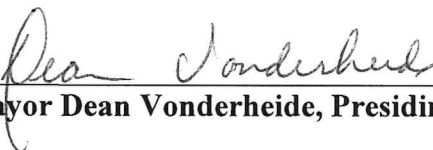
Thereafter a motion was made by Kevin Manley and seconded by Vince Helming to approve Ordinance No. 2024-23 on the second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

**Redevelopment Commission – TIF Spending Plan**

The Redevelopment Commission TIF Spending Plan that was adopted by the Redevelopment Commission on November 5, 2024, was presented to the council. The TIF Spending Plan will be uploaded to Gateway prior to December 1, 2024. The council acknowledged receipt of the TIF Spending Plan.

**Adjournment.** There being no further business, a motion was made by Council member John Schroeder and seconded by Council member Kevin Manley to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 7-0 and the meeting adjourned at 6:39 p.m.

The minutes were hereby approved \_\_\_\_\_ with   ✓   without corrections or clarification this 18<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024.

  
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Mayor Dean Vonderheide, Presiding Officer

Attest:   
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Kiersten Knies, Clerk-Treasurer