



# City of South Bend Common Council

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Second District

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Third District

Jo M. Broden  
Fourth District

David Varner  
Fifth District

Oliver Davis  
Sixth District

Gavin Ferlic  
At Large

John Voorde  
At Large

Karen White  
At Large

## NEWS RELEASE

**Subject:** South Bend Common Council Seeking Citizen Members  
**Date:** Thursday, January 5, 2017  
**From:** Council President, Tim Scott  
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## Announcing 2017 South Bend Common Council Committee Chairs

I am pleased to announce the appointments I have made to the eleven (11) Council Standing Committees who will provide invaluable services by reviewing all proposed ordinances and resolutions, prior to the Council holding a public hearing. The Committee Chairpersons are as follows:

Community Investment Committee	Gavin Ferlic, At Large Council Member
Community Relations Committee	Regina Williams Preston, 2 <sup>nd</sup> District
Health and Public Safety Committee	Jo M. Broden, 4 <sup>th</sup> District
Information and Technology Committee	Tim Scott, 1 <sup>st</sup> District
Parks, Recreation, Cultural Arts & Entertainment	Randy Kelly, 3 <sup>rd</sup> District
Personnel and Finance Committee	Karen L. White, At Large Council Member
Public Works and Property Vacation Committee	John Voorde, At Large Council Member
Residential Neighborhoods Committee	Karen L. White, At Large Council Member
Utilities Committee	Dr. David Varner, 5 <sup>th</sup> District
Zoning and Annexation Committee	Oliver J. Davis, 6 <sup>th</sup> District

A complete list of each committee's membership is attached.

Each Committee will soon hold an organizational meeting to discuss their proposed goals and objectives for 2017. I have also asked each Committee to review the Committee Annual Report filed last December, so that any ongoing projects or concerns can continue to be properly addressed.

The members of the South Bend Common Council are proud to serve, as the City of South Bend continues to move forward in the years ahead.

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## 2017 COMMON COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES (Rev. 01-4-17)

### COMMUNITY INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

Oversees the various activities of the Department of Community Investment. This Committee reviews all real & personal tax abatement requests.

Gavin Ferlic, Chairperson  
Regina Williams-Preston, Vice-Chairperson

Oliver Davis, Member  
Randy Kelly, Member

### COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Oversees the various activities of the Office of Community Affairs and is charged with facilitating partnerships & ongoing communications with other public and private entities operating within the City.

Regina Williams-Preston, Chairperson  
Randy Kelly, Vice-Chairperson

Gavin Ferlic, Member  
Karen White, Member

### COUNCIL RULES COMMITTEE

Oversees the regulations governing the overall operation of the Common Council, as well as all matters of public trust. Its duties are set forth in detail in Section 2-10.1 of the *South Bend Municipal Code*.

Tim Scott, Member  
Jo Broden, Member

Dr. David Varner, Member  
Karen White, Member

### HEALTH AND PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Oversees the various activities performed by the Fire and Police Departments, EMS, Department of Code Enforcement, ordinance violations, and related health and public safety matters.

Jo Broden, Chairperson  
John Voorde, Vice-Chairperson

Oliver Davis, Member  
Karen L. White, Member

### INFORMATION AND TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

Oversees the various activities of the City's Division of Information Technologies in the Department of Administration & Finance so that the City of South Bend remains competitive and on the cutting edge of developments in this area. Reviewing and proposing upgrades to computer systems and web sites, developing availability & access to GIS data and related technologies are just some of its many activities.

Tim Scott, Chairperson  
Gavin Ferlic, Vice-Chairperson

Dave Varner, Member  
Randy Kelly, Member

### PARC COMMITTEE (Parks, Recreation, Cultural Arts & Entertainment)

Oversees the various activities of the Century Center, College Football Hall of Fame, Coveleski Regional Stadium, Morris Performing Arts Center, Studebaker National Museum, South Bend Regional Museum of Art, Potawatomi Zoo, and the many recreational and leisure activities offered by the Department of Parks and Recreation.

Randy Kelly, Chairperson  
Dr. Dave Varner, Vice-Chairperson

Oliver Davis, Member  
John Voorde, Member



## 2017 COMMON COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES (Rev. 01-4-17)

### **PERSONNEL AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Oversees the activities performed by the Department of Administration and Finance, and reviews all proposed salaries, budgets, appropriations & other fiscal matters, as well as personnel policies, health benefits & related matters.

Karen L. White, Chairperson  
Gavin Ferlic, Vice-Chairperson

Regina Williams-Preston, Member  
John Voorde, Member

### **PUBLIC WORKS AND PROPERTY VACATION COMMITTEE**

Oversees the various activities performed by the Building Department, the Department of Public Works & related public works & property vacation issues.

John Voorde, Chairperson  
Randy Kelly, Vice-Chairperson

Jo M. Broden, Member  
Gavin Ferlic, Member

### **RESIDENTIAL NEIGHBORHOODS COMMITTEE**

Oversees the various activities & issues related to neighborhood development & enhancement.

Karen White, Chairperson  
Jo Broden, Vice-Chairperson

Regina Williams-Preston, Member  
John Voorde, Member

### **UTILITIES COMMITTEE**

Oversees the activities of all enterprise entities including but not limited to the Bureau of Waterworks, Bureau of Sewers and all related matters.

Dr. David Varner, Chairperson  
Oliver Davis, Vice-Chairperson

Randy Kelly, Member  
Regina Williams-Preston, Member

### **ZONING AND ANNEXATION COMMITTEE**

Oversees the activities related to the Board of Zoning Appeals, recommendations from the Area Plan Commission and the Historic Preservation Commission, as well as all related matters addressing annexation and zoning.

Oliver Davis, Chairperson  
John Voorde, Vice-Chairperson

Gavin Ferlic, Member  
Jo Broden, Member

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### **SUB-COMMITTEE ON MINUTES**

Reviews the minutes prepared by the Office of the City Clerk of the regular, special and informal meetings of the Common Council and makes a recommendation on their approval/modification to the Council

Tim Scott  
Dr. David Varner



## 2017 COMMON COUNCIL STANDING COMMITTEES (Rev.01-4-17)

### **TIM SCOTT, 1<sup>ST</sup> District Council Member**

#### **President**

Information and Technology, Chairperson

Council Rules Committee, Member  
Sub-Committee on Minutes, Member

### **REGINA WILLIAMS-PRESTON 2<sup>nd</sup> District Council Member**

Community Relations Committee, Chairperson  
Community Investment Committee, Vice-Chairperson

Residential Neighborhood Committee, Member  
Personnel & Finance Committee, Member  
Utilities Committee, Member

### **RANDY KELLY, 3<sup>rd</sup> District Council Member**

PARC Committee, Chairperson  
Community Relations Committee, Vice Chairperson  
Public Works & Property Vacation, Vice Chair

Community Investment Committee, Member  
Information & Technology Committee, Member  
Utilities Committee, Member

### **JO BRODEN, 4<sup>TH</sup> District Council Member**

Health and Public Safety Committee, Chairperson  
Residential Neighborhood Committee, Vice-Chairperson

Council Rules Committee, Member  
Public Works & Property Vacation, Member  
Zoning & Annexation Committee, Member

### **DR. DAVID VARNER, 5<sup>TH</sup> District Council Member**

Utilities Committee, Chairperson  
PARC Committee, Vice-Chairperson

Information & Technology Committee, Member  
Council Rules Committee, Member  
Sub-Committee on Minutes, Member

### **OLIVER DAVIS, 6<sup>TH</sup> District Council Member**

#### **Vice President**

Zoning & Annexation Committee, Chairperson  
Utilities Committee, Vice-Chairperson

Community Investment Committee, Member  
Health & Public Safety Committee, Member  
PARC Committee, Member

### **GAVIN FERLIC, AT LARGE Council Member**

#### **Chairperson, Committee of the Whole**

Community Investment Committee, Chairperson  
Information & Technology Committee, Vice-Chairperson  
Personnel & Finance Committee, Vice-Chairperson

Community Relations Committee, Member  
Public Works & Property Vacation, Member  
Zoning & Annexation Committee, Member

### **KAREN L. WHITE, AT LARGE Council Member**

Residential Neighborhood Committee, Chairperson  
Personnel & Finance Committee, Chairperson

Community Relations Committee, Member  
Council Rules Committee, Member  
Health & Public Safety Committee, Member

### **JOHN VOORDE, AT LARGE Council Member**

Public Works & Property Vacation, Chairperson  
Health and Public Safety, Vice-Chairperson  
Zoning & Annexation Committee, Vice-Chairperson

Residential Neighborhood Committee, Member  
PARC Committee, Member  
Personnel & Finance Committee, Member