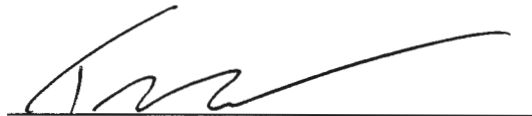


REPORT OF SUB-COMMITTEE ON MINUTES

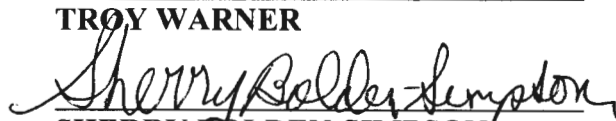
**TO THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH BEND:
THE SUB-COMMITTEE HAS INSPECTED THE MINUTES OF THE**

DATE: 01-06-2025

**MEETING OF THE COUNCIL AND FOUND THEM TO BE CORRECT.
THEREFORE, WE RECOMMEND THE SAME BE APPROVED:**



TROY WARNER



SHERRY BOLDEN-SIMPSON

APPROVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL ON: 01-27-2025

ATTEST:



BIANCA L. TIRADO, CITY CLERK

Be it remembered that the Common Council of the City of South Bend, Indiana, met in-person and via Microsoft Teams app on Monday, January 6, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. Council President Sharon L. McBride called the meeting to order.

Please note the attached link for the meeting recording:

<https://docs.southbendin.gov/WebLink/browse.aspx?dbid=0&mediaid=389496>

**Due to a Microsoft Teams technical error this recording begins after the start of the of the meeting; however, the City Clerk's Office took note of the events that occurred during the meeting.*

ROLL CALL

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Canneth Lee	1 st District
Ophelia Gooden-Rodgers	2 nd District
Sharon L. McBride	3 rd District
Troy Warner	4 th District
Sherry Bolden-Simpson	5 th District
Sheila Niezgodski	6 th District
Dr. Oliver Davis	At-Large
Rachel Tomas Morgan	At-Large
Karen L. White	At-Large

OTHERS PRESENT:

Bianca L. Tirado	City Clerk
Elivet Quijada-Navarro	Chief Deputy Clerk
Matthew Neal	Director of Policy
Bob Palmer	Council Attorney

Council President Sharon McBride made a motion to resolve from the Presidency and turn the meeting over to the City Clerk, Bianca L. Tirado, to begin the process of electing officers of the South Bend Common Council.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT FOR 2025

City Clerk Bianca L. Tirado opened the nominations for the office of Council President.

Councilmember Sherry Bolden-Simpson nominated Councilmember Karen White for the office of the President which was declined by Councilmember Karen White. Councilmember Sharon McBride nominated Councilmember Canneth Lee for the office of the President.

Councilmember Sharon McBride – <i>Canneth Lee</i>
Councilmember Canneth Lee – <i>Canneth Lee</i>
Councilmember Troy Warner– <i>Canneth Lee</i>
Councilmember Dr. Oliver Davis – <i>Nay</i>
Councilmember Rachel Tomas Morgan – <i>Canneth Lee</i>
Councilmember Sheila Niezgodski – <i>Canneth Lee</i>
Councilmember Ophelia Gooden-Rodgers – <i>Canneth Lee</i>
Councilmember Sherry Bolden-Simpson – <i>Nay</i>
Councilmember Karen L. White – <i>Canneth Lee</i>

Councilmember Canneth Lee was elected as Council President by a roll call vote majority of seven (7) councilmembers.

Clerk Tirado turned the meeting over to Council President Canneth Lee to complete the process of electing officers of the South Bend Common Council.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT FOR 2025

Council President Lee opened the nominations for the office of Council Vice-President.

Councilmember Rachel Tomas Morgan nominated herself for the office of Vice-President.

Councilmember Sharon McBride – <i>Rachel Tomas Morgan</i>
Councilmember Canneth Lee – <i>Rachel Tomas Morgan</i>
Councilmember Troy Warner– <i>Rachel Tomas Morgan</i>
Councilmember Dr. Oliver Davis – <i>Rachel Tomas Morgan</i>
Councilmember Rachel Tomas Morgan – <i>Rachel Tomas Morgan</i>
Councilmember Sheila Niezgodski – <i>Rachel Tomas Morgan</i>
Councilmember Ophelia Gooden-Rodgers – <i>Rachel Tomas Morgan</i>
Councilmember Sherry Bolden-Simpson – <i>Rachel Tomas Morgan</i>
Councilmember Karen L. White – <i>Abstain</i>

Councilmember Rachel Tomas Morgan was elected as Council Vice President by a roll call vote of eight (8) ayes with one (1) councilmember abstaining.

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FOR 2025

Council President Lee opened the nominations for the office of Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole.

Councilmember Sherry Bolden Simpson nominated Councilmember Dr. Oliver Davis for the office of Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole. Councilmember Ophelia Gooden-Rodgers nominated Councilmember Troy Warner for the office of Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole.

Councilmember Sharon McBride – <i>Troy Warner</i>
Councilmember Canneth Lee – <i>Troy Warner</i>
Councilmember Troy Warner– <i>Troy Warner</i>
Councilmember Dr. Oliver Davis – <i>Dr. Oliver Davis</i>
Councilmember Rachel Tomas Morgan – <i>Troy Warner</i>
Councilmember Sheila Niezgodski – <i>Troy Warner</i>
Councilmember Ophelia Gooden-Rodgers – <i>Troy Warner</i>
Councilmember Sherry Bolden-Simpson – <i>Dr. Oliver Davis</i>
Councilmember Karen L. White – <i>Abstain</i>

Councilmember Troy Warner was elected as Chairperson of the Committee of the Whole by a roll call vote majority of six (6) councilmembers.

APPOINTMENT OF COUNCIL ATTORNEY FOR 2025

Councilmember Sharon McBride nominated Attorney Robert Palmer for Council Attorney.

Councilmember Sharon McBride – <i>Attorney Robert Palmer</i>
Councilmember Canneth Lee – <i>Attorney Robert Palmer</i>
Councilmember Troy Warner– <i>Attorney Robert Palmer</i>
Councilmember Dr. Oliver Davis – <i>Abstain</i>
Councilmember Rachel Tomas Morgan – <i>Attorney Robert Palmer</i>
Councilmember Sheila Niezgodski – <i>Attorney Robert Palmer</i>
Councilmember Ophelia Gooden-Rodgers – <i>Attorney Robert Palmer</i>
Councilmember Sherry Bolden-Simpson – <i>Attorney Robert Palmer</i>
Councilmember Karen L. White – <i>Attorney Robert Palmer</i>

Attorney Robert Palmer was appointed as Council Attorney by a roll call vote majority of eight (8) councilmembers.

STATEMENTS

Council President Lee stated that his hope and vision is to have the Council work as a team to continue moving the City forward.

Councilmember McBride thanked the Council for their trust in her as Council President over the last three (3) years. Councilmember McBride thanked the City and the residents of the third (3rd) district.

Councilmember Niezgodski thanked the Council and stated that serving as Council Vice-President had been an honor.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, Council President Canneth Lee adjourned the Council Organizational meeting at 5:17 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Councilmember Troy Warner, Sub-Committee on Minutes &

Councilmember Sherry Bolden-Simpson, Sub-Committee on Minutes