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PERSONNEL & FINANCE

APRIL 28, 2025 4:15 P.M.

Committee Members Present:

Sheila Niezgodski, Karen L. White, Rachel Tomas Morgan, Dr. Oliver Davis

Committee Members Absent:

None

Other Council Present:

Ophelia Gooden-Rodgers, Troy Warner

Others Present:

Bianca L. Tirado, Matthew Neal, Bob Palmer

Presenters:

Jenna Throw, Amber Schisler, Dehza Moore

Agenda:

Bill No. 28-25 - Amending the Historic Preservation Ticket Surcharge for the Morris Performing Arts Center

Members marked with an asterisk (*) are in virtual attendance.

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Committee Chair Sheila Niezgodski called to order the Personnel and Finance Committee meeting at 4:15 P.M.

Bill No. 28-25 - Amending the Historic Preservation Ticket Surcharge for the Morris Performing Arts Center

Jenna Throw, City Attorney, with offices on the 12th floor of the County-City Building, South Bend, IN 46601, stated that Bill No. 28-25 amends the ticket surcharge at the Morris Performing Arts Center (MPAC). The intent of this ordinance is to ensure compliance with the new Federal Trade Commission (FTC) regulations that go into effect on May 12, 2025. The current per ticket fee of three dollars and fifty cents (\$3.50) would be raised to four dollars and seventy-five cents (\$4.75), but the transaction fee of five dollars (\$5.00) would be eliminated.

Amber Schisler, Director of Ticketing and Strategy at the Morris Performing Arts Center, with offices at 211 North Michigan Street, South Bend, IN 46601, stated that all fees and costs must

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be part of the total price during the ticket selection process. To be compliant with the FTC, the ordinance must be effective no later than May 12, 2025.

Dehza Moore, General Manager of Venues, with offices at 219 South St. Louis Boulevard, South Bend, IN 46617, expressed her excitement that patrons will have a better transaction experience and lower fees.

Committee Member Niezgodski opened the public hearing and nobody spoke.

Committee Member Dr. Oliver Davis moved to send Bill *No. 28-25* to the Committee of the Whole with a favorable recommendation, which was seconded by Committee Vice Chair Karen L. White, and carried by a vote of four (4) ayes.

Committee Chair Sheila Niezgodski - <i>Aye</i>	Committee Vice Chair Karen L. White – <i>Aye</i>
Committee Member Rachel Tomas Morgan - <i>Aye</i>	Committee Member Dr. Oliver Davis – <i>Aye</i>

With no further business, Committee Chair Sheila Niezgodski adjourned the Personnel and Finance Committee meeting at 4:22 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Sheila Niezgodski, Committee Chair

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