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## Mishawaka, South Bend and St. Joseph County Councils To Publicly Meet Again Next Wednesday on Food and Beverage Tax

The legislative branches of Mishawaka, South Bend and St. Joseph County will meet next Wednesday, July 27, 2016 at 6 p.m. focusing on the topic of the food and beverage tax. This will be the $2^{\text {nd }}$ of three meetings where all Council Members will gather together. On June $29^{\text {th }}$ the Councils heard a presentation from Rhonda Cook, Deputy Director of the Indiana Association of Cities and Towns on this topic.

As Presidents of the Councils, we welcome members of the public to attend next Wednesday's meeting which will be held in the Council Chambers of the County-City Building, $4^{\text {th }}$ Floor County-City Building, 227 West Jefferson Boulevard, in downtown South Bend. The meeting format and maximum times for each portion of the meeting will be as follows:

- 10 minute overview of the information from the June $29^{\text {th }}$ meeting with copies of that presentation being made available to the public, immediately following Call to Order and Roll Call by each of the Clerks
- 60 minutes for public comments/questions where a person may address the Councils for up to four (4) minutes
- 20 minutes for questions/ discussion among Council Members

Anyone who wishes to speak at the upcoming meeting should contact one of the following:

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