

Citizen Members

Residents of the City of South Bend have the opportunity to volunteer their time and talents as a citizen member. Each year the Chairperson of all Standing Committees except Council Rules may select up to two residents. Qualified persons who are chosen by a Committee Chair may participate in all meetings for a one (1) year term. Interested persons should contact one of the Committee Chairperson listed in this brochure for details.

Council Members

Tim Scott, 1st District

Henry Davis, Jr., 2nd District

Valerie Schey, 3rd District

Dr. Fred Ferlic, 4th District

Dr. David Varner, 5th District

Oliver J. Davis, 6th District

Derek D. Dieter, At Large

Gavin Ferlic, At Large

Karen L. White, At Large

Committees Make
Advisory
Recommendations
to the South Bend
Common Council

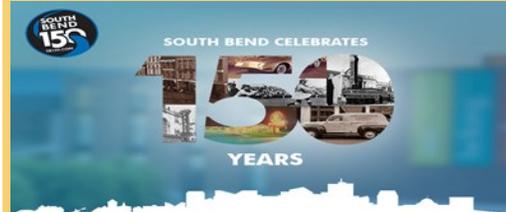


Notice to the public is given at least 48-hours in advance of each meeting. The City Clerk keeps records of all Standing Committee meetings which are governed by *Indiana Open Door Law* and the *Public Records Act*.

We welcome members of the public to attend Committee meetings, which are typically held in the Council's Informal Meeting Room located on the 4th Floor of the County-City Building in Downtown South Bend.

More information about the South Bend Common Council, its duties and responsibilities as well as the many activities referred to their various Committees may be found out from the City's website at:

<http://www.southbendin.gov>



Tim Scott, Council President

Derek D. Dieter Vice-President

Karen L. White, Committee of Whole Chair

Kathleen Cekanski Farrand, Council Attorney



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2015 Standing Committees of the South Bend Common Council



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Eleven City Council Committees

Each of the eleven Council Standing Committees authorized by *South Bend Municipal Code* § 2-10 work in specific areas.

Community Investment Committee is chaired by Council Member Gavin Ferlic. It reviews items prepared by the Community Investment Department & reviews all petitions requesting real and /or personal property tax abatement consideration.



Community Relations Committee is chaired by Council Member Karen L. White. It is charged with enhancing communications and developing working partnerships throughout the City.



Health and Public Safety Committee is chaired by Council Member Derek D. Dieter. It oversees the Department of Code Enforcement, Fire Department, Police Department, and various quality of life ordinances related to health & public safety.



Information & Technology Committee is chaired by Council Member Gavin Ferlic. It oversees various forms of technologies so that the City remains competitive on all technologies.



Parks, Arts, Recreation and Culture Committee is chaired by 4th District Council Member Dr. Fred Ferlic. It oversees the Century Center, Regional Museum of Art, Morris Performing Arts Center, the Palais Royale, the Park Department & other recreational venues.



Personnel & Finance Committee is chaired by Council Member Karen L. White. It oversees some of the many activities of the Department of Administration & Finance, city budgets, salaries, appropriations and other fiscal matters such as tax rates and levies.



Public Works and Property Vacation Committee is chaired by Council Member Valerie Schey. It reviews items requested by the Department of Public Works, as well as all requests for vacation of public property .



Residential Neighborhood Committee is chaired by Council Member Derek Dieter. It helps enhance & develop opportunities in residential neighborhoods.



Utilities Committee is chaired by 5th District Council Member Dr.

David Varner. It reviews the Waterworks Departments, Bureau of Sewers & Enterprise operations.

Zoning and Annexation Committee is chaired by 6th District Council Member Oliver J. Davis.

It reviews petitions filed for rezoning property, zoning special exceptions, reports from the Area Board of Zoning Appeals and reports from the Area Plan Commission.



The Council Rules Committee oversees the rules governing the Common Council. Only members of Common Council may sit on this Committee.

"To make certain that our City Government is always responsive to the needs of our residents & that the betterment of South Bend is always our highest priority"

- Mission Statement of the South Bend Common Council

