



City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor
Christopher W. Foster, President of Council (Ward 2)
Christopher A. Banweg, Council Member (At-Large)
Michael W. Bird, Council Member (Ward 4)
Patricia L. Goetz, Council Member (Ward 1)
Karen E. Heater, Council Member (At-Large)
Nicole V. Kowalski, Council Member (At-Large)
Skylar J. Sutton, Council Member (Ward 3)

Thomas J. Sheridan, City Manager
Marshal Pitchford, City Solicitor & Special Counsel
Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

Tuesday, June 17, 2025

6:45 PM

Town Hall
27 East Main Street

Executive Session beginning at 6:45 p.m.; City Council Meeting to begin at 7:30 p.m.; followed by Regular Workshop

Regular Council Meeting:

1. Call to Order

Mayor Anzevino called to order the meeting of Hudson City Council at 6:45 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22.

Present: 6 - Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater and Mr. Sutton

Absent: 1 - Mrs. Kowalski

2. Executive Session

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mrs. Heater, to enter into executive session to interview applicants for boards and commissions. Invited to executive session were all members of Council, the Mayor, and the applicants. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater and Mr. Sutton

Mayor Anzevino recessed the regular meeting at 6:45 p.m. and reconvened the regular meeting at 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Kowalski entered the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

3. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

4. Roll Call

Present: 7 - Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski and Mr. Sutton

Staff in Attendance: Mr. Sheridan, City Manager; Mr. Pitchford, City Solicitor & Special Counsel; Ms. Wheeler, Clerk of Council; Mr. Griffith, Assistant City Manager; Mr. Hannan, Community Development Director; Mr. Kosco, City Engineer; Mr. Leiter, HCTV Production Assistant; Ms. Stasik, Community Relations Manager; and Mr. Tabak, Police Chief

5. Approval of the Minutes

- A. [25-0080](#) **Minutes of Previous Council Meetings**
Brief Description: Draft minutes of previous meetings are provided for City Council's review and approval.
Attachments: [June 3, 2025 Council Meeting Minutes - Draft](#)
[June 10, 2025 Council Workshop Minutes - Draft](#)

A motion was made by Dr. Bird, seconded by Mr. Banweg, that the minutes be approved as submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton and Mr. Banweg

6. Proclamation

- A. [25-0081](#) **Special Recognition of the 2025 Hudson Middle School Science Olympiad Team**
Brief Description: Mayor Anzevino will recognize the Hudson Middle School Science Olympiad Team for their achievements in the regional, state, and national tournaments.
Attachments: [HMS Science Olympiad 2025](#)

Hudson Middle School Science Olympiad students and coach Dr. Jordan Renna were in attendance to accept the proclamation.

Mayor Anzevino read the proclamation in its entirety.

7. Public Comments

Ms. Deb Myles, Barlow Rd., thanked the Mayor and Council for their work for the City.

Mr. Anthony Ravida, 1746 Edgar Dr., spoke about his fence permit and the agreement offered by the City.

8. Correspondence and Council Comments

Mrs. Heater provided a Park Board meeting update and stated that Park Board is requesting resident input about upgrades at Middleton Park.

Dr. Goetz spoke about funding for a new fire and a dark money PAC in the 2021 election.

Mr. Banweg addressed Dr. Goetz's comments, Mr. Ravida's comments, and thanked organizers of the Ice Cream Social and the Home and Garden Tour.

Mrs. Kowalski asked a question regarding Mr. Banweg's utilization of a political marketing group for campaign mailers and Mr. Banweg responded.

Mayor Anzevino noted that Council is on a summer recess and the next meeting will be on July 8, 2025.

9. Report of Manager

Mr. Sheridan stated that most of the projects in the budget this year are underway, City offices are closed on June 19th, and fireworks will be held on July 5th at Barlow Farm Park.

10. Appointments

No appointments were made. Mr. Foster announced that Council is accepting applications for the Architectural & Historic Board of Review.

11. Suspension of the Rules for the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Dr. Bird, to suspend the rule requiring three readings for the Consent Agenda, except Resolution No. 25-95. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg and Dr. Bird

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Banweg, to approve the Consent Agenda, except Resolution No. 25-95. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird and Mr. Foster

A. [25-0082](#) A Motion to Acknowledge the Timely Receipt of the May 2025 Monthly Financial Report

Brief Description: Financial summaries are provided each month for Council's review.

Attachments: [May 2025 Financial Report](#)

Motion No. 25-0082 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

B. [25-0083](#) A Motion Directing the Clerk to Send Notice to the Ohio Division of Liquor Control Indicating No Request for a Hearing Regarding a Stock Permit to Sell Alcoholic Beverages for Hud Farr LLC, DBA Farinacci Pizza, Bldg 2 Unit 5, 86 Owen Brown St, Hudson, Ohio 44236.

Brief Description: The Clerk is in receipt of the attached Notice to

Legislative Authority dated *June 6, 2025*, from the Ohio Division of Liquor Control concerning the opportunity to request a hearing regarding this permit. The City's response must be postmarked no later than *June 30, 2025*.

Attachments: [Farinacci Pizza Stock Permit](#)

Motion No. 25-0083 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- C. [25-93](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR COMPETITIVE BIDS AND TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR HEINEN'S PARKING LOT EXIT RELOCATION.**
Brief Description: This project will realign the driveway to the City parking lot adjacent to the entrance of the Heinen's Grocery Store on Clinton Street.
Attachments: [Exhibit - Recommended Alt For Heinen's](#)
[Resolution No. 25-93](#)

Resolution No. 25-93 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

- D. [25-94](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING FROM THE STATE OF OHIO FOR AN ADA ACCESSIBLE KAYAK RAMP.**
Brief Description: The City of Hudson has been awarded a State Capital Budget Grant in the amount of \$62,700 to fund an ADA Accessible Kayak Ramp with no required match. Funding received should cover the project entirely.
Attachments: [Staff Report - State Capital Budget - ADA Kayak Ramp - Acceptance of Funds](#)
[Grant Agreement City of Hudson ADA Kayak](#)
[Resolution No. 25-94](#)

Resolution No. 25-94 was approved on the Consent Agenda.

Removed from the Consent Agenda

- E. [25-95](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH GPD GROUP FOR THE DESIGN OF THE OAK GROVE INCLUSIVE PLAYGROUND; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**
Brief Description: The consultant will design the inclusive playground at Oak Grove Park over the coming months.
Attachments: [Resolution No. 25-95](#)

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mr. Banweg, to suspend the rule requiring three readings on Resolution No. 25-95. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster and Dr. Goetz

Dr. Goetz stated that Council needs to be fiscally responsible and is not doing so by paying an additional

\$325,000 for Oak Grove Park instead of Barlow Farm Park.

Discussion followed about the costs associated with Oak Grove Park, the direction given to Park Board, how a change in location could affect the project timeline, and playground fundraising.

A motion was made by Dr. Bird, seconded by Mr. Foster, to pass Resolution No. 25-95.

A motion was made by Dr. Goetz, seconded by Mrs. Kowalski, to amend Resolution No. 25-95 to change Oak Grove Park to Barlow Farm Park in all instances where they may occur. The motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 1 - Dr. Goetz

Nay: 6 - Mrs. Kowalski, Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster and Mrs. Heater

The motion to approve Resolution No. 25-95 as introduced carried by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Mr. Sutton, Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater and Mrs. Kowalski

12. Legislation

- A. [25-90](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES TO PROVIDE FOR THE LICENSING AND REGULATION OF LANDSCAPING COMPANIES OPERATING WITHIN THE CITY OF HUDSON.**

Brief Description: This Ordinance will enact or amend City of Hudson Codified Ordinances as listed in Exhibit A of the Ordinance. These changes will be used to regulate on-street parking of landscape trucks within the City as discussed at the October 22, 2024 and March 11, 2025 Council Workshops.

Attachments: [Landscape No Parking Map](#)
[Ordinance No. 25-90](#)

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Ordinance No. 25-90, which constituted its second reading.

- B. [25-91](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CODIFIED ORDINANCE SECTION 672.02 IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH STATE LAW.**

Brief Description: The City of Hudson is interested in updating its concealed weapons ordinance to conform with Ohio law on the topic.

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 25-91](#)

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Ordinance No. 25-91, which constituted its second reading.

A motion was made by Mr. Foster, seconded by Mrs. Heater, to postpone Ordinance No. 25-91 to a date certain of August 19, 2025. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Mr. Banweg, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater and Mr. Sutton

Nay: 2 - Dr. Bird and Mrs. Kowalski

- C. [25-96](#) **A RESOLUTION CONDUCTING A FIVE-YEAR REVIEW OF THE DESIGNATED OUTDOOR REFRESHMENT AREA AND APPROVING CONTINUED OPERATION IN SPECIFIED PUBLIC AREAS OF DOWNTOWN HUDSON AND ENACTING REGULATIONS**

Brief Description: As a requirement of ORC 4301.82, every five years the legislative authority of the municipality that created the DORA shall review the operation of the area, by ordinance or resolution, and either approve the continued operation of the area or dissolve it as long as the DORA is operational.

Attachments: [Staff Report-DORA](#)
[DORA Application to the Hudson City Council February 2025](#)
[Resolution No. 25-96](#)

Mayor Anzevino read the title of Resolution No. 25-96, which constituted its first reading.

13. **Adjournment**

There being no further business, Mayor Anzevino adjourned the meeting at 8:35 p.m.

Regular Council Workshop:

14. **Call to Order**

Mayor Anzevino called to order the workshop of Hudson City Council at 8:45 p.m., in accordance with the Sunshine Laws of the State of Ohio, O.R.C. Section 121.22, and he handed the workshop over to President of Council Foster, in accordance with Council Rules.

Present: 7 - Mr. Banweg, Dr. Bird, Mr. Foster, Dr. Goetz, Mrs. Heater, Mrs. Kowalski and Mr. Sutton

Others & Staff in Attendance: Mr. Sheridan, City Manager; Mr. Griffith, Assistant City Manager; Mr. Hannan, Community Development Director; Mr. Kosco, City Engineer; Mr. Leiter, HCTV Production Assistant; Mr. Powell, Public Works Director; Ms. Stasik, Community Relations Manager; and Mr. Tabak, Police Chief.

15. **Correspondence and Council Comments**

None.

16. **Discussion Items**

- A. [25-0078](#) **2026 Art on the Green**

Brief Description: Discussion on downtown location option for 2026 Art on the Green and accompanying considerations from staff and Hudson Society of Artists Art on the Green committee.

Attachments: [Memo - Art on the Green](#)
[Special Events Map - DRAFT](#)

Ms. Stasik shared details about the location and logistics of the 2026 Art on the Green event. Council discussion followed with members in support of moving the location back to the downtown area for 2026.

This matter was discussed.

- B. [25-0079](#) FY24 OH-13 Community Planning Funds - Nicholson Drive Water Transmission Project**
Brief Description: In 2023, the City was awarded FY24 OH-13 Community Planning Funds for the construction of the Nicholson Drive Water Transmission in the amount of \$959,752.00 with a required match of \$239,938.00. To date, additional funding has not been secured, and the anticipated project cost is \$2,614,837.00. Staff recently met with the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) to discuss options.

Attachments: [Staff Report - Nicholson Update April 2025](#)

Ms. Stasik presented details on the grant funding the City received, initially designated for the Nicholson Drive Water Transmission Project. She asked Council whether they preferred to continue pursuing additional funding or submit a technical correction to redirect the funds toward another waterline project. Council then discussed other potential waterline projects and the possibility of securing more funding. The consensus was to continue seeking additional funding through the end of Fall, and if no further resources became available, to proceed with a technical correction to reallocate the funds to another project.

Mr. Sheridan stated that staff is considering extending the Hudson Drive waterline to the new Public Works Facility and connecting City Hall to Hudson's water supply.

This matter was discussed.

17. Proposed Consent Agenda for July 8, 2025, Council Meeting

- A. [TMP-8020](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO APPLY FOR FEDERAL CONGESTION MITIGATION/AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) FUNDS PROGRAMMED BY THE AKRON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSPORTATION STUDY (AMATS) TO CONSTRUCT THE ADAPTIVE SIGNALS PHASE II FOR OUTSIDE DOWNTOWN; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Brief Description: This legislation is necessary to apply to AMATS for federal funds to assist with funding the second phase of the Adaptive Signals Phase II for Outside Downtown. The estimated, total project cost is \$5,667,066. The CMAQ funding request will be for, \$4,533,652.80 (80%), and the City would be responsible for the remaining \$1,133,413.20 (20%).

Attachments: [Adaptive Signals Out of DT Map June 2025](#)
[Draft Resolution](#)

Mr. Sheridan explained that this marks the second phase of the Adaptive Signal project, expanding its reach to traffic lights beyond the downtown area. Brief discussion followed regarding Adaptive Signals.

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the July 8, 2025, Council meeting.

- B. [TMP-7974](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT WITH GPD GROUP FOR THE STOW ROAD, HUDSON AURORA ROAD AND HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL TRAFFIC SAFETY STUDY.**

Brief Description: The proposed Traffic Safety Study will evaluate Hudson Aurora Road and Stow Road near Hudson High School school's campus. The study will also evaluate traffic patterns within the school's parking lots and three high school entrances off Stow Road for traffic safety and congestion improvements. The study will provide recommendations and cost estimates in the final report.

Attachments: [Exhibit - HS Traffic Study](#)
[Draft Resolution](#)

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the July 8, 2025, Council meeting.

- C. [TMP-7975](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH HUDSON CITY SCHOOLS FOR COOPERATION AND COST SHARING FOR THE STOW ROAD, HUDSON-AURORA ROAD, HIGH SCHOOL SAFETY STUDY.**

Brief Description: This project involves a traffic study being performed along Stow Road and Aurora Street near the High School. The schools would reimburse the City for a portion of the traffic study cost in the amount of \$36,850.

Attachments: [Exhibit - HS Traffic Study](#)
[Draft Resolution](#)

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the July 8, 2025, Council meeting.

- D. [TMP-8022](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO STORM WATER EASEMENTS FOR THE 1900 MIDDLETON ROAD DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.**

Brief Description: This resolution would authorize the City Manager to enter into Storm Water Easement Agreements with four properties: 1900 and 1914 Middleton Road, and 1899 and 1913 Ashley Drive. The easements are necessary for the City's future maintenance of a new storm sewer system, which will be installed on these properties. This new storm sewer project, scheduled for construction in the summer of 2025, aims to alleviate overland flooding that currently affects the area during most rain events. No storm sewer system presently exists through these properties.

Attachments: [Exhibit A](#)
[Draft Resolution](#)

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the July 8, 2025, Council meeting.

- E. [TMP-8023](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ACCEPT GRANT FUNDING FROM THE HUDSON KIWANIS ON**

BEHALF OF HUDSON PARKS.

Brief Description: The Hudson Kiwanis has offered a \$8,942.14 grant to the Hudson Parks towards the installation of a water feature at the splash pad in Veterans Way Park.

Attachments: [splash pad feature](#)
[Draft Resolution](#)

Mrs. Heater thanked the Kiwanis for their donation on this project.

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the July 8, 2025, Council meeting.

18. Proposed Legislation for July 8, 2025, Council Meeting

- A. [25-85](#) **AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND AMENDING CERTAIN ADMINISTRATIVE APPEAL PROCESSES WITHIN THE CITY.**
Brief Description: The City of Hudson is interested in redefining and clarifying its internal administrative appeal processes. The current process and Codified Ordinances do not specify a standard of review for appeals, and this legislation will clarify boards or commissions' obligation to render findings of fact and will establish a presumption in favor of the lower body's determination.

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 25-85](#)
[Ordinance 25-85 Planning Commission Report and Recommendation](#)

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19. Items to be Added to Future Agendas

Mr. Foster stated that a Proclamation to recognize the Hudson High School Drama Club on receiving the Dazzle Award will be presented at the July 8, 2025, Council meeting.

20. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Mr. Foster adjourned the Council workshop meeting at 9:21 p.m.

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor

Aparna Wheeler, Clerk of Council

Christopher W. Foster, President of Council

Thomas J. Sheridan, City Manager, Clerk of Council Pro Tempore

Workshop Minutes prepared by Melissa Raber, Business Operations Manager - Professional Services .

Upon approval by City Council, this official written summary of the meeting minutes shall become a permanent record, and the official minutes shall also consist of a permanent audio and video recording, excluding executive sessions, in accordance with Codified Ordinances, Section 220.03(d) and Section 220.031 (a), Rules for Workshop Meetings.