



City of Hudson, Ohio

Meeting Minutes - Draft City Council Workshop

Jeffrey L. Anzevino, Mayor
Michael W. Bird, President of Council (Ward 4)
Kyle Brezovec, Council Member (At-Large)
Samantha D'Eramo, Council Member (At-Large)
Patricia L. Goetz, Council Member (Ward 1)
Skylar J. Sutton, Council Member (Ward 3)
Amanda Weinstein, Council Member (At-Large)
Dan White, Council Member (Ward 2)

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

Tuesday, July 28, 2026

7:30 PM

Town Hall
27 East Main Street

1. Call to Order

Mayor Anzevino called to order the workshop of Hudson City Council at 7:30 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 Bird, in accordance with Council Rules.

Present: 6 - Dr. Bird, Mr. Brezovec, Ms. D'Eramo, Dr. Goetz, Mr. Sutton and Mr. White

Absent: 1 - Dr. Weinstein

Others & Staff in Attendance: Mr. Griffith, Assistant City Manager; Mr. Hannan, Community Development Director; Mr. Knoblauch, Assistant City Manager - Financial/Special Projects; Mr. Fox, HCTV Production Assistant Intern; Mr. Powell, Public Works Director; Ms. Stasik, Community Relations Manager; Ms. Sullivan, Communications Manager; Mr. Tabak, Police Chief; and Mr. Varnes, Fire/EMS Chief.

2. Correspondence and Council Comments

Ms. D'Eramo announced that she and Mr. White will be hosting an e-bike public forum on Wednesday, August 19th from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Barlow Community Center. She further noted that she heard from concerned residents regarding the incident that occurred at Onyx over the weekend and stated that the City is continuing to look into the incident to ensure it is safe.

Mr. White stated that the Art and Wine Festival that was held over the weekend was well attended. He further thanked City staff for the recent repair work that was done along SR 303.

Mr. Brezovec thank everyone for the various events that were held over the weekend.

Mayor Anzevino highlighted several upcoming events he will be attending, including the annual meeting of the Mayor's Association of Portage, Summit, and Stark Counties at Ellsworth Meadows Golf Club on Friday, July 31. He also noted the Friends of Hudson Parks' annual Pack the Pond event on August 3 at Hudson Springs Park, the Hudson-Landsberg Biergarten on August 7 and 8, and the ribbon cutting for the DREAM Playground

on August 9 at noon. In addition, he mentioned that Council will be in recess the week of August 4, with its next meeting scheduled for August 11.

Dr. Bird stated that he has received numerous calls from residents regarding utility markings and mounds of dirt still in yards from the fiber work. He asked City staff to look to see if the flags can be removed and the yards restored.

3. Discussion Items

A. [26-0056](#) Environmental Awareness Committee Priorities Discussion

Brief Description: Environmental Awareness Committee Chair will be present to discuss priorities of the committee.

Attachments: [EAC 2026 Goals - Final Prioritized](#)

Mr. Ortiz and Mr. Salimian, members of the Environmental Awareness Committee, provided an update on the priorities of the committees goals. Council discussion followed.

This matter was discussed.

B. [26-0057](#) Communications Update

Brief Description: Staff will provide an update on recent activities related to emergency communications and the protocols and tools used to communicate during incidents; coordination of community event communications.

Attachments: [Memo - Communications 7.17.26 Final](#)

Ms. Sullivan provided an overview of the City's Crisis Communication Plan, outlining the notification procedures and the tools used during emergencies. Additional discussion followed regarding how information was communicated to Hudson residents about the gas explosion in Twinsburg Township, along with other available notification systems. Chief Varnes shared details related to the Twinsburg Township incident, and Chief Tabak explained the procedures followed during the State Highway Patrol pursuit that occurred in July.

Ms. Stasik reviewed communication practices for community events and outlined future measures the City will implement to improve communication during special events. She also noted that there have been discussions about potentially relocating the fireworks display.

This matter was discussed

C. [26-0058](#) Temporary Special Events

Brief Description: Staff are reviewing temporary special event and vendor requirements, along with relevant Fire Code provisions, to ensure all regulations are current, clearly defined, and aligned with operational and public safety needs.

Attachments: [Memo - Special Events Review 7.15.26](#)

[Chapter 872 Temporary Special Events](#)

Ms. Stasik addressed potential changes to safety protocols for temporary special events. She also shared information about upcoming new events.

This matter was discussed

D. [26-0059](#) Food Trucks

Brief Description: At the request of City Council members, staff are reviewing the City's applicable ordinances and permitting processes related to the operation of food trucks in residential neighborhoods..

Attachments: [Memo - Food Trucks Discussion 7.15.26](#)

[Attachment A - Food Trucks Comparison](#)

[Chapter 874 - Mobile Food Vehicles](#)

Ms. Stasik stated that staff will be working on amendments to the current food truck code, and provided the reason for the need for revisions.

This matter was discussed.

E. [TMP-8586](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 478 OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Brief Description: The ordinance amends Chapter 478 and addresses concerns raised prior to Ordinance No. 25-119 and new issues that have emerged after implementation.

Attachments: [Category Examples](#)

[Ordinance No. 25-119](#)

[Codified Ordinance Chapter 478 Current](#)

[25-119 Memo 2026](#)

[Summary of Low Speed Vehicle Legislation Updates](#)

[Proposed Changes Side by Side with Summary](#)

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Chief Tabak provided background information related to the current ordinance in place and the reason for the proposed changes. Council discussion followed that included requirements to have a license, insurance, limit on speed, prohibiting vehicles on state routes, penalty for not following the ordinance, and prohibiting vehicles within the DORA area.

This matter was discussed

F. [26-0060](#) Clinton Crossing Update

Brief Description: City staff will present and update on the project and community engagement currently underway

Attachments: [Clinton Crossing Council memo 7.17.26](#)

[CC Site Plan Posters - July 1](#)

[CC Engagement Schedule - Updated 7.24.26](#)

Mr. Hannan shared an update on the recent public meetings, the trends emerging from completed surveys, upcoming opportunities for public input, additional amenities residents are requesting, and the timeline for meetings with Boards and Commissions as well as City Council. Council discussion followed.

This matter was discussed.

G. [26-0061](#) Excess General Fund Carryover Balance

Brief Description: This is a discussion with Council about the use of the General Fund excess carryover balance. City Council previously passed an ordinance stating which, if any, existing unfunded infrastructure project(s) should be completed with the excess General Fund carryover balance, so that not less than 50% of the excess be spent on infrastructure. Staff has prepared a list for Council to consider.

Attachments: [Connectivity Project list](#)
 [Ord No. 24-152](#)
 [Hudson Infrastructure Definition 2026](#)
 [General Fund Excess Use List](#)

Mr. Knoblauch provided the intent of Ordinance 24-152. He further provided the currently carryover balance and the list of possible projects these funds can be used on. Mr. Sutton explained that the purpose of this Ordinance is to support unfunded projects, rather than to advance projects that already have funding. Discussion followed on the various proposed projects and additional potential uses for the funds. Council asked staff to determine whether a portion of the Barlow Road sidewalk, currently listed as item #1 in the Connectivity Plan, could be constructed, and to provide a list of the unfunded projects.

This matter was discussed

4. Proposed Consent Agenda for August 11, 2026, Council Meeting

None.

5. Proposed Legislation for August 11, 2026, Council Meeting

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This Ordinance was forwarded for further consideration at the August 11, 2026, Council meeting.

6. Items to be Added to Future Agendas

None.

7. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Dr. Bird adjourned the Council workshop meeting at 10:07 p.m.

Michael Bird, President of Council

Brian Griffith, Assistant City Manager, Clerk of Council Pro Tempore

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

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