



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, February 10, 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: 7 - Dr. Bird, Mr. Brezovec, Ms. D'Eramo, Dr. Goetz, Mr. Sutton, Dr. Weinstein and Mr. White

Others & Staff in Attendance: Mr. Sheridan, City Manager; Mr. Ersing, Assistant IT Director; Mr. Griffith, Assistant City Manager; Mr. Hannan, Community Development Director; Mr. Knoblauch, Assistant City Manager - Financial/Special Projects; Mr. Kosco, City Engineer; Mr. Leedham, Innovation & Technology Director; Mr. Leiter, HCTV Production Assistant; Mr. Powell, Public Works Director; Mr. Tabak, Police Chief; and Mr. Varnes, Fire/EMS Chief.

2. Correspondence and Council Comments

Dr. Weinstein provided an update on the Planning Commission meeting that was held on February 9, 2026.

Mr. Brezovec offered his condolences to the family of Nick Zaklanovich following his recent passing. Mr. Zaklanovich was a long-time and valued member of the HCTV Advisory Committee. He further provided an update on the Park Board meeting that was held on February 9, 2026.

Mayor Anzevino reminded citizens that Random Acts of Kindness week begins Saturday, February 14, 2026 and runs through Saturday, February 21, 2026.

Dr. Bird thanked Mr. Powell for providing a tour of the Public Works Facility.

3. Discussion Items

A. [26-0010](#) Environmental Awareness Committee Discussion for 2026 Priorities

Brief Description: Representatives of the Environmental Awareness Committee will be present for an annual update discussion with City Council.

Attachments: [Ch 293 - EAC Powers and Duties](#)
[EAC 2025 Annual Report](#)
[EAC 2026 Goals](#)
[Resources Related to EAC Efforts](#)

Environmental Awareness Committee members Dr. Ortiz, Chair, and Mr. Salimian, Vice Chair, presented their 2025 annual report as well as their goals for 2026. Council discussion followed that included take aways from the tour of the recycling recovery facility, addition of what can be recycled into the E-News letter, open public areas that need improvement in cleanliness, contribution of Land Development Code changes, making educational information more accessible on the City's website, addition of family activities to increase attendance at Earth Day event, and consideration of a green house gas assessment.

This matter was discussed.

B. [26-0011](#) Final Phases for the Birdsong Art Project & 365-Day Kindness Rock Garden

Brief Description: Discussion in regards to bringing the small birds back to downtown Hudson.

Attachments: [Memo on the Birdsong Art Project Final Phases](#)

Mayor Anzevino shared background information on the Birdsong Art Project and the 365 Day Kindness Rock Garden. He also provided information related to the final phases of the projects, as well as a request from Door 2 Art for the City to accept the donation of Melody. Council discussion followed with no objections to bringing the small birds back, the acceptance of the donation of Melody, and possibly having the City take ownership of all of the small birds.

This matter was discussed.

C. [26-0012](#) Discussion regarding the 2026 - State of the City Address by the City Manager.

Brief Description: A presentation and discussion led by the City Manager regarding the 2026 Hudson State of the City.

Attachments: [2026 State of the City](#)

Mr. Sheridan presented the State of the City to Council.

This matter was discussed.

D. [TMP-8465](#) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CITY COUNCIL RULES TO DEFINE THE ROLE AND DUTIES OF COUNCIL LIAISONS.

Brief Description: This legislation defines the basic role and duties of City Council liaisons to the City's various boards, commissions, committees and/or task forces.

Attachments: [Draft Ordinance](#)
[Draft Ordinance \(2-17-26\)](#)

Dr. Bird provided an explanation on the revisions to the Ordinance. Discussion followed that included concern with liaisons sitting at the dais. Dr. Bird stated that he will work with Mr. Pitchford on revising this language.

This matter was discussed.

4. Proposed Consent Agenda for February 17, 2026, Council Meeting

A. [TMP-8500](#) A Motion to Acknowledge the Timely Receipt of the January 2026 Monthly Financial Report

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

Attachments: [January 2026 Financial Report](#)

Mr. Knoblauch provided an explanation on the revenue to date and stated that there should be no concern at this point as it is still early in the year.

This Motion was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

B. [TMP-8363](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO STORM WATER EASEMENT AGREEMENTS WITH VARIOUS PROPERTY OWNERS ALONG BALDWIN STREET AND N. MAIN STREET.

Brief Description: The resolution would authorize the City Manager to enter into Storm Water Easement agreements with several property owners from Baldwin Street and College Street diagonally to N. Main Street, so that the existing storm system that runs through the properties, from Baldwin Street southwest to N. Main Street, can be accessed for inspection and repairs in the future.

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

Mr. Sheridan provided an explanation on the reason for this easement.

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

C. [TMP-8470](#) A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACT FOR THE 2026 STORM SEWER AND CULVERT LINING IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT AND THE REPAIR OF A 78" STORM SEWER PIPE AT DARROW PARK WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER.

Brief Description: This project involves the lining of storm sewers and culverts in various areas in Hudson as well as the repair of a 78" storm sewer pipe at Darrow Park. These projects will be bid out separately.

Attachments: [Exhibit Darrow Park Pipe Repair](#)
[Draft Resolution](#)

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

- D. [TMP-8472](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT WITH COGENT COMMUNICATION FOR THE PROVISION OF AN INTERNET CIRCUIT FOR THE CITY'S VELOCITY BROADBAND SERVICES.**

Brief Description: This request will enable Velocity Broadband to add an additional dedicated internet circuit from Cogent Communications to provide a redundant upstream connection.

Attachments: [Draft Resolution](#)

Mr. Knoblauch provided an explanation on the reason for this Resolution.

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

- E. [TMP-8437](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR LABOR AND EQUIPMENT TO INSTALL AND TERMINATE AERIAL FIBER CABLE FOR THE FIBER TO THE HOME PROJECT, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$500,000 FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM.**

Brief Description: This resolution authorizes the City Manager to solicit bids and enter into a contract with a qualified vendor for labor and equipment to install and terminate aerial fiber cable. The contract's purpose is to construct the connecting fiber lines for each neighborhood phase of the Fiber-to-the-Home (FTTH) project, with a total value not to exceed \$500,000 for a one-year term.

Attachments: [Various Contracts Diagram](#)
[Draft Resolution](#)

*Mr. Knoblauch provided an explanation on the work that will be performed as part of this Resolution.
Responding to a question, Mr. Ersing stated that the need for new poles have not been identified at this time.*

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

- F. [TMP-8438](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR LABOR AND EQUIPMENT TO INSTALL AND TERMINATE UNDERGROUND FIBER CABLE AND CONDUIT FOR THE FIBER TO THE HOME PROJECT, AT A COST NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000,000 FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM.**

Brief Description: This resolution authorizes the City Manager to solicit bids and enter into a contract with a qualified vendor for labor and equipment to install and terminate underground fiber cable and conduit. The contract's purpose is to construct the connecting fiber lines for each neighborhood phase of the Fiber-to-the-Home (FTTH) project, with a total value not to exceed \$1,000,000 for a one-year term.

Attachments: [Draft Resolution](#)

Mr. Knoblauch stated that this contract is similar to the previous contract, with this one being for underground work. Responding to a question, Mr. Ersing stated that fiber is being ran along existing conduit, with some crossings being needed where conduit does not currently exist.

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

- G. [TMP-8439](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SOLICIT QUALIFIED BIDDERS AND ENTER INTO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACTS WITH UP TO THREE FIRMS FOR LABOR AND EQUIPMENT TO INSTALL AND TERMINATE CUSTOMER PREMISE EQUIPMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF VELOCITY BROADBAND SERVICES, AT A TOTAL VALUE NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000,000 FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM.**
Brief Description: This resolution authorizes the City Manager to solicit bids and enter into contracts with **up** to three qualified vendors for labor and equipment to install and terminate customer premise equipment. The purpose is to expand Velocity Broadband services for the Fiber to the Home (FttH) project, with a total contract value not exceeding \$1,000,000 for one year.

Attachments: [Draft Resolution](#)

Mr. Knoblauch provided an explanation on the work that will be performed as part of this Resolution, and the reason for the approval of up to 3 contracts.

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

- H. [TMP-8481](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO CONTRACTS WITH THREE FIRMS FOR THE NORTH, CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN PORTIONS OF THE CITY FOR LABOR AND EQUIPMENT TO INSTALL AND TERMINATE UNDERGROUND FIBER AND CONDUIT FOR CUSTOMER LATERALS FOR THE PROVISION OF VELOCITY BROADBAND SERVICES, AT A TOTAL VALUE NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000,000 FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM.**
Brief Description: This resolution authorizes the City Manager to solicit bids and execute contracts with three qualified vendors for labor and equipment to install and terminate underground fiber and conduit for customer laterals. Each vendor will be responsible for completing all required work within the section of the city assigned to them. The city will be divided into three areas-north, central, and south-for this project. The purpose is to expand Velocity Broadband services as part of the Fiber-to-the-Home (FttH) initiative. The total value of the combined contracts will not exceed \$1,000,000 for a one-year term.

Attachments: [8.5x11 Bid Zones](#)
 [Draft Resolution](#)

Mr. Knoblauch provided an explanation on the work that will be performed as part of this Resolution. Responding to questions, Mr. Ersing stated that weather has not delayed the connection of residents, provided an explanation on how they are connecting residents quicker and he anticipates Year 1 being completed by the summer of 2026. Responding to another question, Mr. Leedham stated that he recently sent a monthly report to Communications to be distributed to Council on the current Fiber to the Home take rate.

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

- I. [TMP-8479](#) **A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING A TECHNICAL CORRECTION FOR FY24 COMMUNITY PROJECT FUNDS ENCOMPASSING “MUNICIPAL WATER INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENTS” PROVIDING BROADER BENEFITS TO THE CITY’S WATER SYSTEM INCLUDING THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS: HUDSON DRIVE WATERLINE, WATERLINE AT CITY HALL, & NEW WELL AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT.**

Brief Description: Congresswoman Sykes Office would like City Council to formally support the technical correction on FY24 Community Project Funds from the Nicholson Water Line project to the Hudson Drive Waterline, Waterline at City Hall, & a new well at the Water Treatment Plant.

Attachments: [Draft Resolution](#)

Mr. Griffith provided an explanation on this Resolution.

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

- J. [TMP-8480](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ADVANCES OF LOCAL TAXES.**
Brief Description: Ohio Revised Code Section 321.34, requires all local authorities entitled to advancement of funds must submit a resolution authorizing advances of local taxes each year. This resolution entitles the City to receive tax advances from Summit County for 2026.

Attachments: [Draft Resolution](#)

Mr. Knoblauch stated that this is a yearly Resolution required by Summit County.

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

- K. [TMP-8482](#) **A RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 25-54, A THREE-YEAR CONTRACT FOR THE SUMMER FIREWORKS IN 2025, 2026, AND 2027; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY**

Brief Description: To approve an increase in the 2026 annual amount from \$26,750 to \$51,750. The additional \$25,000 will be utilized in honor of the 250th anniversary.

Attachments: [2026 CITY OF HUDSON JULY FIREWORKS SUMMER CONTRACT PACKET](#)
[Draft Resolution](#)

Mr. Griffith stated that this would allow the City to amend the current contract for the increased cost of

fireworks for the America 250 celebration.

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

- L. [TMP-8492](#) **A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS AND ENTER INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE LOWEST AND BEST BIDDER FOR THE GAZEBO LEGACY PROJECT; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.**

Brief Description: This project involves significant renovation work to the gazebo in honor of Americans 250th including railing repair, concrete replacement, enhanced landscaping, and a performance platform.

Attachments: [Draft Resolution](#)

Mr. Griffith stated that the concept plans are open for public input through February 15th and it will go before the Architectural Review Board on February 11th. Mr. Sheridan stated that the final design will come back to Council prior to bidding the project.

This Resolution was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

5. **Proposed Legislation for February 17, 2026, Council Meeting**

- A. [25-146](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE OFFICIAL ZONING DISTRICT MAP OF THE CITY OF HUDSON AND CHAPTER 1205, CHAPTER 1206, AND CHAPTER 1213 OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CODE TO ESTABLISH ZONING DISTRICT 11.**

Brief Description: Proposed amendment to the Land Development Code to establish Zoning District 11 along the South Darrow Road Corridor.

Attachments: [PC Signed Decision - District 11 2.9.26 Meeting](#)

[District 11 Uses Cheat Sheet](#)

[Council memo 1.27.26 Workshop](#)

[PC Decision 26-1284 - LDC amendment Draft Regulations - D11](#)

[Extension Request](#)

[South Darrow Road Zoning Timeline Jan 2026](#)

[Exhibit A: District 11 Regulations Draft 9.2.25](#)

[Zoning District 11 Boundary Map](#)

[Hudson Zoning Map - Proposed 9.16.25](#)

[South Darrow Subcommittee District 8 to Proposed District 11 Matrix 7.21.2025](#)

[City Council Memo - Subcommittee Research Summary](#)

[South Darrow Road Zoning Timeline 08.29.2025](#)

[Ordinance No. 25-146](#)

Ordinance No. 25-146 was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

- B. [26-13](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 672.02(i)(6) OF THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF HUDSON IN ORDER TO PROHIBIT THE CARRYING OF A CONCEALED HANDGUN IN CITY BUILDINGS.**

Brief Description: This amendment rescinds the prior rule allowing City elected officials to carry a concealed handgun in City buildings under certain circumstances.

Attachments: [Ordinance No. 26-13](#)

Ordinance No. 26-13 was forwarded for further consideration at the February 17, 2026, Council meeting.

- C. [26-21](#) **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 1, “PLAN SUBMISSIONS AND GENERAL NOTES,” OF CHAPTER 1419, “ENGINEERING STANDARDS FOR INFRASTRUCTURE CONSTRUCTION” OF THE BUILDING AND HOUSING CODE.**

Brief Description: Section 1 - Plan Submission and General Notes of the City of Hudson Engineering Standards for Infrastructure Construction was last updated in 2019. Staff would like to update this section to reflect various changes due to industry standards that have changed since the last update.

Attachments: [Engineering Standards Summary of Changes](#)

[Exhibit A: Section 1 - Redlined](#)

[Ordinance No. 26-21](#)

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6. Items to be Added to Future Agendas

None.

7. Adjournment

There being no further discussion, Dr. Bird adjourned the Council workshop meeting at 9:33 p.m.

Michael Bird, President of Council

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

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

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