

*** CITY OF PERU COMMON COUNCIL AGENDA***
PERU CITY HALL, COUNCIL CHAMBERS
PERU, INDIANA
SPECIAL MEETING
January 6 2025, 5:45 PM

Call to Order-Mayor Sturch

Roll Call: Steve Anderson, Tim Fisher, Bob Huber, Brandy Murphy, Pete Sahaidachny, Drew Stevenson and Aricka Ulery.

CITY OF PERU COMMON COUNCIL RESOLUTION 1- 2025

A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERU DETERMINING THE NEED FOR APPROPRIATIONS TO BE CARRIED FORWARD AND AUTHORIZING THE CLERK-TREASURER TO ENCUMBER SUCH FUNDS

WHEREAS, it is necessary for the proper operation and welfare of the City of Peru, Indiana that certain funds be encumbered from various City Department appropriations each as listed on the attached and hereby incorporated Exhibit A; and

WHEREAS, there are sufficient funds in the above and attached funds and appropriations to meet the above and attached designated amounts; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Common Council of the City of Peru, Indiana that the designated amounts as shown in the attached and incorporated Exhibit A shall be encumbered.

EXHIBIT A

ENCUMBERANCE LIST:

GENERAL FUND:

1101-010-390 Police Dept other service/charges	\$ 5,850.00 (vest)
1101-010-230 Police Repair/Maint.	\$ 9,529.67 (flooring)
1101-010-360 Police Repair/Maint.	\$ 109.33 (flooring)
1101-008-440 Sanitation Dept Capital Outlays	\$ 230,000.00 (Garbage truck from 2023)
Total General fund	\$245,439.00

EDIT (CEDIT) FUND:

2268-021-440 Key Building Program	\$ 200,000.00 (key building restoration)
Total EDIT (CEDIT) Fund	\$200,000.00

ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATION RESOLUTION NO 2-2025

Whereas, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was originally appropriated in the annual budget; now, therefore:

Sec. 1. Be it ordained (resolved) by the Common Council of Peru, IN, Miami County, that for the expenses of the taxing unit, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated out of the funds named and for the purposes specified, subject to laws governing the same:

Fund Name: CEDIT	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED BY FISCAL BODY
Major Budget Classification:		
Personal Services	\$ <u>55,136.15</u>	\$ <u>55,136.15</u>
Supplies	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other Supplies & Charges	\$ _____	\$ _____
Township Assistance	\$ _____	\$ _____
Debt Service	\$ _____	\$ _____
Capital Outlays	\$ <u>200,000.00</u>	\$ <u>200,000.00</u>

TOTAL for 2268 Fund: \$ 255,136.15 \$ 255,136.15

Fund Name: NONREVERTING TRAFFIC	AMOUNT REQUESTED	AMOUNT APPROVED BY FISCAL BODY
Major Budget Classification:		
Personal Services	\$ _____	\$ _____
Personal Services	\$ _____	\$ _____
Supplies	\$ _____	\$ _____
Other Supplies & Charges	\$ <u>10,000</u>	\$ <u>10,000</u>
Township Assistance	\$ _____	\$ _____
Debt Service	\$ _____	\$ _____
Capital Outlays	\$ _____	\$ _____
TOTAL for 2269 Fund:	\$ <u>10,00.00</u>	\$ <u>10,00.00</u>

**REGULAR MEETING
January 6, 2025, 6:00 PM**

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Sturch
 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:
 INVOCATION- Pastor Brent Wedding
 ROLL CALL: Steve Anderson, Tim Fisher, Bob Huber, Brandy Murphy, Pete Sahaidachny, Drew Stevenson and Aricka Ulery.

READING & CORRECTION OF MINUTES FROM: Regular Meeting December 2nd

COMMITTEE LIAISON REPORTS:

- OLD BUSINESS:
- Revisit the Ordinance 5-2024 Trash Ordinance-Adoption
 - MakeMyMove presented at December’s meeting requesting \$33,225 to enter into agreement.
 - Scratching Post presented at December’s meeting requesting \$34,000 to fix 30 stray cats a month for one year.

- NEW BUSINESS:
- Swear in officer Braxton Baker as probationary Police Officer.
 - First reading: ORDINANCE 2-2025
- AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 19, 2011 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING RATES, CHARGES, AND SERVICE CONDITIONS FOR THE CITY OF PERU MUNICIPAL SEWAGE WORKS LOCATED AT THE GRISSOM AEROPLEX SERVICE AREA.**

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Peru, Indiana has previously adopted Ordinance 30, 2009, as amended by Ordinance 19, 2011 ("Ordinance"); establishing the sewer rates and charges for the use and services rendered by the sewage works for the Grissom Aeroplex Service Area ("Grissom Aeroplex Service Area"); and

WHEREAS, the municipally owned sewage works utilities in the Peru Municipal Sewage Works Utility service area has been exempted from the jurisdiction of the Utility Regulatory Commission pursuant to I.C. §36-7-30-33; and

WHEREAS, the existing rates and charges for services provided by the utility do not produce revenues sufficient to maintain the utility property in a sound physical and financial condition and such the current rates and charges are not “reasonable and just” within the meaning of I.C. 8-1.5-3-8; and

WHEREAS, the City of Peru Utility Service Board commissioned Baker Tilly Advisory Group, LP, whom are Certified Public Accountants, to perform a rate study to determine the amount of revenues required to operate the Peru Municipal Sewage Works Utility for the Grissom Aeroplex Service Area in a reliable and efficient manner, determine how the revenues shall be collected from the various users of the Peru Sewage Works for the Grissom Aeroplex Service Area utility and to design new rates and charges that reflect the results of said study; and

WHEREAS, the proposed rates and charges are in all respects reasonable and nondiscriminatory and will provide sufficient revenues to pay all the costs associated with the operation, maintenance and system improvements of said Peru Municipal Sewage Works for the Grissom Aeroplex Service Area; and

WHEREAS, the City of Peru Utilities Service Board has previously reviewed the rate study and has passed Resolution #7, 2024, which approves the recommended rates and charges and service conditions; and

WHEREAS, this ordinance is introduced and pursuant to I.C. 8-1.5-3-8.1, a notice of a hearing setting forth a proposed schedule of fees has been published in accordance with I.C. 5-3-1; mailed to owners of vacant or unimproved property; and pursuant to I.C. 36-9-23-26 and I.C. 36-9-23-26.1 has been mailed to the users of the Sewage utility for the Grissom Aeroplex Service Area and those located outside of the City's corporate boundaries; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has held a public hearing pursuant to I.C. 8-1.5-3-8 at which users of the Peru Municipal Sewage Works Utility for the Grissom Aeroplex Service Area, owners of property served or to be served by the utility, and other interested persons have been allowed to be heard concerning the proposed rates and charges. The Common Council finds the rates and charges described in Section 1 are nondiscriminatory, reasonable and just; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council also finds the rates and charges produce income in sufficient to maintain the utility property in a sound physical and financial condition to render adequate and efficient service.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERU, INDIANA, That:

Section 1: All rates and charges collected pursuant to this ordinance shall be considered revenues of the Peru Municipal Sewage Works Utility for the Grissom Aeroplex Service Area. The sewage works rates and charges shall be based on the quantity of the sewage works used on or in the property or premises subject to such rates and charges, as the same is measured by the water meter there in use. For the purpose of billing and collecting the charges for sewage works services, the water meters shall be read monthly (or period equaling a month), if the utility cannot access the meter remotely. The sewage works usage schedule on which the amount of said rates and charges shall be determined as set forth in "Exhibit A", attached hereto, and made a part hereof and incorporated herein by reference. Further, all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 2: The rates and charges as set forth in "Exhibit A" shall be subject to review and adjustment using the process as set forth in "Exhibit B", attached hereto, made a part hereof and incorporated herein by reference.

- a. The review and adjustment shall be performed annually; and
- b. It shall be the responsibility of the Peru Utility Service Board to perform the review and adjustment calculations as required in this Section 2; and
- c. The adjusted rates and charges shall be submitted to the Peru Common Council for approval; and
- d. Rate increases implemented under this Section 2 shall not exceed 7.5% per year.

Section 3: All other Provisions of the prior Ordinance not directly amended by this Ordinance shall remain in full force and effect.

Section 4: This Ordinance shall be in full force and effect beginning March 1, 2025.

- Baker Tilley presents a report on certain economic indicators for our community between 2019 and 2024.

COMMUNICATIONS:

ADJOURNMENT:

Notice: The City of Peru is committed to making its programs accessible to individuals with disabilities. Anyone who requires an auxiliary aid or service for effective communication, or a modification of policies or procedures to participate in a program, service, or activity of the City of Peru, should contact the ADA Coordinator, Matthew Jelenek, 35 S. Broadway, Peru, IN 46970.