

ORDINANCE 101121C

AN ORDINANCE OF THE COMMON COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF FISHERS AMENDING CHAPTER 30 OF THE CITY OF FISHERS CODE OF ORDINANCES REGARDING COUNCIL COMMITTEES

WHEREAS, the Common Council (“City Council”) for the City of Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana (“City”) serves as the legislative and fiscal body for the City;

WHEREAS, as the City’s legislative body, the City Council exercises the powers given through the passage of ordinances and appropriation of monies;

WHEREAS, from time to time, the City Council has informally created certain committees to assist with the legislative process;

WHEREAS, on or around June 21, 2021, the City Council adopted Resolution R062121D, creating a subcommittee taskforce (“Committee Taskforce”) to further study the committee process with the overall intent of bringing recommended legislation and/or policy back to the City Council for its consideration; and

WHEREAS, based upon the recommendations of the Committee Taskforce, the City Council now desires to amend Chapter 30 of the City of Fishers Code of Ordinances and take certain actions related thereto.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED, by the Common Council for the City of Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana, meeting in regular session as follows:

- Section 1. Chapter 30 of the City of Fishers Code of Ordinances is hereby amended as stated in Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein.
- Section 2. This Ordinance shall be of full force and effect from and upon its adoption and in accordance with Indiana law.

SO ORDAINED, by the Common Council for the City of Fishers this _____ day of _____, 2022

**COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FISHERS,
HAMILTON COUNTY, INDIANA**

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NAY

ABSTAIN

	Selina Stoller Member		
	David Giffel Member		
	C. Pete Peterson, Member		
	John Weingardt, Member		
	Cecilia C. Coble, Member		
	Brad DeReamer, Member		
	Todd Zimmerman, Member		
	Crystal Neumann, Member		
	Jocelyn Vare, Member		

I hereby certify that the foregoing Ordinance/ Resolution was delivered to City of Fishers Mayor Scott Fadness on the _____ day of _____ 2022, at _____ p.m.

ATTEST: _____

Jennifer L. Kehl, City Clerk

MAYOR'S APPROVAL

Scott A. Fadness, Mayor

DATE

MAYOR'S VETO

Scott A. Fadness, Mayor

DATE

This instrument prepared by: Christopher P. Greisl, City Attorney, City of Fishers, Hamilton County, Indiana, One Municipal Drive, Fishers, Indiana, 46038

"I affirm, under the penalties for perjury, that I have taken reasonable care to redact each Social Security number in this document, unless required by law." Christopher P. Greisl

EXHIBIT A

[Amendment to Chapter 30 of the City of Fishers Code of Ordinances]

A NEW SUBSECTION §30.11 and §30.12 TO BE ADDED TO CITY COUNCIL

§30.11 **STANDING COMMITTEES**

- (A) The standing committees (“Standing Committees”) of the Common Council shall be as follows:
- (1) Budget & Finance Committee. Notwithstanding emergency circumstances, the committee shall consider any matter of financial impact to be placed before the entire Common Council, prepare and review budget requests related to the City’s annual budget, and any other matter properly referred to the committee by the Council President.
 - (2) Rules Committee. The committee shall consider and recommend proposed changes regarding the rules of the Common Council, State and Federal legislation, Council appointments to non-standing council committees, boards, or commissions, and any other matter properly referred to the committee by the Council President.
 - (3) Non-Profit Committee. The committee shall consider and recommend grant awards to non-profit corporations that serve and benefit Fishers, subject to annual appropriation, and any other matter properly referred to the committee by the Council President.
- (B) The Standing Committees shall consist of at least three (3) Council members and shall have at least one (1) member from the minority party, each as determined and appointed by the Council President. The Council President shall appoint each Standing Committee Chairperson. Council members may indicate to the Council President their preference for Standing Committee membership. All Standing Committee appointments shall be made after the January Council meeting in which the Council President is elected, and all appointments shall be deemed final upon assignment by the Council President.
- (C) Following the first reading of an ordinance or other matter properly before the Common Council, the same may, at the discretion of the Council President, be assigned to a Standing Committee for consideration and review. At any regular meeting of a Standing Committee any matter which has been referred to the Standing Committee pursuant to this section but has not been reported back to the Common Council shall be a proper item of Committee Business.
- (D) It shall be the duty of the Standing Committee to consider all proposals referred to them as well as any other City matters that are within the scope and purpose of their Standing Committee as generated by the Committee Chairperson.
- (E) The Mayor and Clerk (or their respective designees), City staff, and other representatives as permitted by the Committee Chairperson shall be entitled to participate in the discussion before any Standing Committee at the direction of the Committee Chairperson. A majority of all Standing Committee members shall constitute a quorum. Only members of the Standing Committee shall be entitled to vote on committee business.

- (F) The Standing Committee to which a matter is referred shall make a report thereon, recommending passage, non-passage, amendment, or no recommendation at the next scheduled meeting of the Council.
- (G) The Standing Committee Chairperson, or any other Standing Committee member designated by the Standing Committee Chairperson, shall make the Standing Committee's report to the Council.
- (H) Each Standing Committee shall meet at the call of the Standing Committee Chairperson, provided notice is given in accordance with Indiana law.
- (I) The Clerk, or her designee, shall take meeting minutes of all Standing Committee meetings.
- (J) Where applicable, the Council Rules of Procedure shall apply to all Standing Committees.
- (K) Other standing committees of the Common Council shall be created by majority vote by the Council.

§30.12 APPOINTMENTS TO NON-STANDING COMMITTEES, BOARDS, & COMMISSIONS

- (A) Council members may indicate their preference for appointments to the Council President for any non-standing council committee, board, or commission where council memberships or council appointments on the board or commission is required by Indiana law or local ordinance. All annual appointments shall first be assigned to the Rules Committee for its recommendation, and then presented to the full Council at the January Council meeting for final consideration. After annual appointments have been made by the Council, any non-standing council committee, board or commission vacancy may be filled by the Council President.