

RESOLUTION 2025-03
DELAWARE COUNTY COUNCIL

A RESOLUTION OF THE DELAWARE COUNTY COUNCIL ESTABLISHING THE
DELAWARE COUNTY FINANCIAL STRATEGY AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, the Delaware County Council (hereinafter referred to as the "Council") recognizes the importance of developing and maintaining a comprehensive financial strategic plan for the efficient and effective governance of Delaware County; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Indiana Code 36-2-3.5-5, the Council has the authority to establish committees for the purpose of advising and assisting in the discharge of its duties; and

WHEREAS, the Council deems it necessary and prudent to establish a dedicated committee to oversee the development and promotion of such a financial strategic plan;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Delaware County Council as follows:

SECTION 1. Definitions. For the purposes of this Resolution:

- 1.1 "Financial Strategic Plan" means a comprehensive, long-term financial plan that outlines the county's fiscal goals, strategies, and priorities for a period of at least five years, addressing areas such as revenue generation, expenditure management, debt management, capital planning, and financial policies.
- 1.2 "County Government" means all departments, agencies, and offices under the direct fiscal authority of the Delaware County Council, as well as any entity receiving funding from or providing services on behalf of Delaware County.

SECTION 2. Establishment of Committee.

There is hereby established the Delaware County Financial Strategy and Development Committee (hereinafter referred to as the "Committee").

SECTION 3. Purpose.

The primary purpose of the Committee shall be to develop and promote a comprehensive Financial Strategic Plan for Delaware County across all aspects of County Government.

SECTION 4. Composition and Terms.

- 4.1 The Committee shall consist of the following members:
 - a) All members of the Council finance committee;
 - b) The Delaware County Auditor;
 - c) The Delaware County Treasurer; and

- d) One (1) member of the Delaware County Board of Commissioners, to be selected by majority vote of the Board of Commissioners.

4.2 In the event of a vacancy, the appointing authority for the vacant position shall appoint a replacement to serve within 60 days of the vacancy occurring.

SECTION 5. Powers and Duties. The Committee is hereby empowered and directed to:

- a) Develop a comprehensive Financial Strategic Plan that addresses both short-term and long-term financial objectives of the county;
- b) Promote the implementation of the Financial Strategic Plan across all county departments and agencies;
- c) Review and make recommendations to the Council regarding the county's budget, revenue sources, and expenditures as they relate to the Financial Strategic Plan;
- d) Collaborate with other county committees and departments as necessary to ensure a comprehensive approach to financial strategy and development;
- e) Conduct financial analyses and forecasts to inform the development and ongoing refinement of the Financial Strategic Plan;
- f) Identify potential risks to the county's financial stability and develop mitigation strategies;
- g) Evaluate and recommend financial policies and procedures to enhance the county's fiscal management;
- h) Assess the impact of proposed major capital projects on the county's long-term financial health;

SECTION 6. Officers and Rules.

6.1 The Committee shall elect from among its members a Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary at its first meeting, and annually thereafter.

6.2 The Committee is hereby authorized to establish its own rules for the conduct of its meetings, provided that such rules are consistent with applicable laws and this Resolution. These rules shall address, at a minimum:

- a) The frequency and scheduling of regular meetings;
- b) Procedures for calling special meetings;
- c) Voting procedures and requirements for passing resolutions or recommendations;
- d) The process for setting meeting agendas;
- e) The roles and responsibilities of officers;
- f) Procedures for public comment during meetings, if applicable.

SECTION 7. Meetings and Quorum.

7.1 All meetings of the Committee shall be conducted in compliance I.C. 5-14-1.5-3.

7.2 The Committee shall meet at least quarterly, or more frequently as determined necessary by the Chairperson or a majority of the Committee members.

7.3 Public notice of all Committee meetings shall be given in compliance with I.C. 5-14-1.5-5.

7.4 A quorum for the conduct of Committee business shall consist of a majority of the total number of Committee members.

7.5 The Committee shall keep a record of all meetings in the form of a meeting memorandum noting, at a minimum the members present, a brief description of items discuss, action taken, and the result of any motions and the votes thereon.

SECTION 8. Reporting and Accountability.

8.1 The Committee shall submit a written report to the County Council on a semi-annual basis, detailing its activities, findings, and recommendations related to the development and implementation of the Financial Strategic Plan.

8.2 The Committee shall present an annual update on the Financial Strategic Plan to the County Council at a public meeting, allowing for Council and public input.

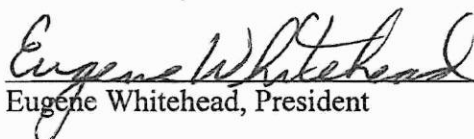
8.3 The Committee shall review and update the Financial Strategic Plan at least once every two years, or more frequently if significant changes in the county's financial circumstances warrant.

SECTION 9. Effective Date and Review.

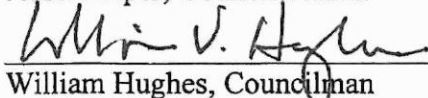
9.1 This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

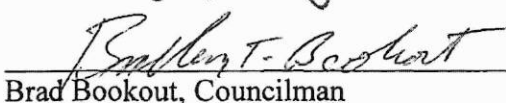
9.2 The County Council shall review the effectiveness and performance of the Committee from time to time and may make amendments as necessary to improve its functioning.

ADOPTED BY THE DELAWARE COUNTY COUNCIL THIS 25th DAY OF February, 2025.

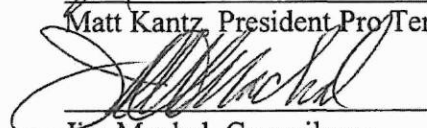

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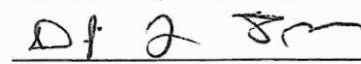
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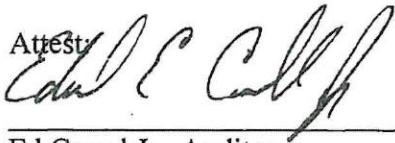

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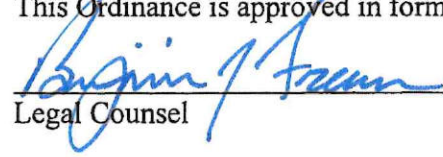

Dan Flanagan, Councilman

Attest:



Ed Carrol Jr., Auditor

This Ordinance is approved in form by:



Legal Counsel