



**CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL
CLARK COUNTY, INDIANA
Regular Meeting of July 13, 2026**

Roll call showed members present and absent as follows:

Present:

Councilperson Williams-Hampton
Councilperson Grooms
Councilperson Lenfert
Councilperson Fox
Councilperson Snelling Jr.
Councilperson Blevins

Absent:

Councilperson Doherty

This meeting experienced technical difficulties with the livestream.

1. Open Meeting-

Councilperson Fox opened the Regularly Scheduled Council Meeting at 6:00pm.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Those in attendance stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Invocation

Those in attendance remained standing for the invocation.

4. Proof of Publication

Council Attorney Max McCrite confirmed proof of publication.

5. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Motion to approve meeting minutes

Carried (6 to 0)

6. Agenda Amendments and Approval

Moved By Councilperson Lenfert

Seconded By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Carried (6 to 0)

7. Acknowledge Receipt of Funds Report

The council acknowledged the receipt of the funds report.

Due to a technical error with the sound and recording equipment, there was a brief recess. Auditor Danny Yost retrieved the back up recorder. Councilperson Fox resumed the meeting, restating the action taken before the recess as detailed above.

8. Public Comment by Sign-In Sheet, 3 Minute Limit

Mary Vaughn spoke on behalf of Do Something Southern Indiana regarding ICE detainees. She stated that the concerns they bring to the council are no moral but fiduciary. The county is being paid per detainee per day, however the cost to the county to hold those detainees has not been discussed. Do Something Southern Indiana has filed a formal records request for the financial information related to ICE Detainees.

Mitchell Van Cleave spoke on behalf of Do Something Southern Indiana regarding ICE detainees. The Sheriff provides the Commissioners with a report of how many detainees are in the jail, as if that is the answer to how much money the county is making. There is more to it than that, including, how much money the county is spending. They have made a Public Records request so that they can do that analysis. There is also a legal liability associated with housing ICE Detainees.

9. New Business

a. Clark County Courts, Adrian Anderson and Lisa Glickfield

Moved By Councilperson Lenfert

Seconded By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Motion to approve all requests listed under Clark County Courts, Adrian Anderson and Nick Karaffa as detailed below.

Carried (6 to 0)

a.a Request for additional appropriations in Circuit Ct. #2 Drug Court

2517-30013-302 Travel \$534.00

a.b Request for additional appropriations in Circuit Ct. 4 probation-CCYC#2

9124-30013-302 Travel \$286.01

a.c Request for additional appropriations in Opioid Restricted Funds

1237-20060-502-302 Supplies-Impact Court \$15,000.00

1237-30013-502-302 Travel-Impact Court \$40,000.00

1237-30115-502-302 Drug Screening-Impact Court \$30,000.00

a.d Request for a salary ordinance amendment in ADR Superior Court

2202-302, Financial Administrator/ADR Coordinator, \$77,829.12

Raise effective 7/27/2026

This request was amended to \$5,769.20, the actual amount of the raise requested.

a.e Request for a transfer of appropriation in ADR Superior Court

From 2202-30096-302 Legal Fees and Charges \$6,971.00

To 2202-11107-302 Personal Services \$6,971.00

b. Weights and Measures, Laura Lott

The requests below are for the purchase of a stainless steel Prover for Weights and Measures. This quote does not include installation.

Moved By Councilperson Lenfert

Seconded By Councilperson Teah Williams-Hampton

Motion to approve all requests listed under Weights and Measures, Laura Lott as detailed below.

Carried (6 to 0)

b.a Request for additional appropriations in County General

1000-40014-028 Equipment \$6,310.00

b.b Request for a transfer of appropriation in County General

From 1000-20021-028 Gas & Oil \$2,000.00

From 1000-20060-028 Supplies \$5,000.00

From 1000-30013-028 Travel \$700.00

To 1000-40014-028 Equipment \$7,700.00

c. Public Defender, Vicki Carmichael

Moved By Councilperson Lenfert

Seconded By Councilperson Blevins

Motion to approve all requests listed under Public Defender, Vicki Carmichael as detailed below.

Carried (6 to 0)

Councilperson Fox stated that he sent an email to the Public Defender's Office earlier in the day and asked Ms. Carmichael if she could provide the information requested.

c.a Request for additional appropriations in SPDSF

4906-40014-040 Equipment \$2,500.00

4906-30175-040 Transcripts & Depositions \$20,000.00

There has been an increase this year in depositions in order to get cases closed.

c.b Request for additional appropriations in County General

1000-31019-040 Interpreter Services \$3,000.00

c.c Request for a salary ordinance amendment in SPDSF

4906-040, Deputy Public Defender, \$96,900.00, Effective 2/2/2026

This is the position that was added at the end of 2025 and reaffirmed at the January Council Meeting for 2026 at \$95,000. The base pay for Deputy Public Defender for 2026 should be \$96,900. The appropriation for this was approved at the April 2026 meeting.

d. Health Department, Doug Bentfield

Moved By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Seconded By Councilperson Teah Williams-Hampton

Motion to approve all requests listed under Health Department, Doug Bentfield as detailed below.

Carried (6 to 0)

d.a Request for additional appropriations in Local Health Maint.

1168-40014-071 Equipment \$79,400.00

1168-20060-071 Supplies \$600.00

1168-30051-071 Contract Services \$62,500.53

Councilperson Grooms asked for more information on the request for contract services. Doug Bentfield explained that this is used for a contract with Family Health Centers of Southern Indiana to provide access to prenatal care.

d.b Request for additional appropriations in LHD Trust Account Tobacco

1206-30051-071 Contract Services \$177,581.07

Councilperson Grooms asked for more information regarding fund 1206. Doug Bentfield explained that this is a legacy fund that contains money received from the state, prior to the implementation of HFI.

d.c Request for additional appropriations in Public Health Emergency Prep.

8174-20060-071 Supplies \$10,000.00

- d.d Request for additional appropriations in Cares Act Coronavirus Relief**
8901-40014-071 Equipment \$37,002.13
- d.e Request for additional appropriations in Vaccine Administration**
8226-40014-071 Equipment \$713.26
- d.f Request for additional appropriations in 93.323 Epid. and Lab Capacity**
8227-40014-071 Equipment \$1,988.77
- d.g Request for additional appropriations in The Pulsepoint Fund**
4102-30051-071 Contract Services \$55.00

e. Clark County Commissioners, Commissioner Jack Coffman

Moved By Councilperson Lenfert

Seconded By Councilperson Grooms

Motion to approve all requests listed under Clark County Commissioners, Commissioner Jack Coffman as detailed below.

Carried (6 to 0)

e.a Request for additional appropriations in County General

1000-34404-030 Special Public Defender \$5,000.00

1000-11174-030 Unemployment \$10,000.00

Councilperson Lenfert asked why the county would have Unemployment expenses if there have not been layoffs within the county.

Councilperson Snelling asked if money has been spent so far on Unemployment. Chief Deputy Auditor Lindsey Wilmoth confirmed that \$10,000 was originally appropriated and \$9,707.88 has been spent.

Councilperson Lenfert stated that he reviewed the supporting documentation regarding the Unemployment request and he is curious if the county has challenged the claim for unemployment. Payroll Deputy, Tammi Wilmoth, stated there are other scenarios where an employee may qualify for unemployment. HR Director Elizabeth Miller disputes all unemployment claims. There has been

changes in the last few years regarding Unemployment in Indiana.

e.b Request for additional appropriations in Cum Bridge

1135-30051-064 Contract Service \$125,000.00

1135-30136-064 Bridge Preservation \$100,000.00

The request for Contract Services is for a Small Structure Inventory. This is the total cost, however 80% is to be reimbursed by INDOT.

e.c Request for additional appropriations in Clark County Cum Capital

1138-40174-030 Memphis Blue Lick Planning Study \$100,000.00

1138-40035-030 Charlestown-Jeffersonville PK \$2,100,000.00

1138-40026-030 Lance Court \$21,000.00

Councilperson Grooms asked if TIF dollars could be used for the Memphis Bluelick Planning Study. Commissioner Coffman stated that there will be additional expenses to be spent from the Memphis TIF Fund. This cost of this study is partially reimbursable from INDOT. The study will be completed this year.

Councilperson Williams-Hampton asked for more information regarding Charlestown-Jeffersonville PK. Commissioner Coffman explained that the county was responsible for Charlestown-Jeffersonville Pike from Salem Noble Road to Highway 62. This request will be used to pay the contractor performing the work.

e.d Request for additional appropriations in Clark County Donation Fund B

4916-20060-030 Supplies \$1,000.00

4916-30051-030 Contract Services \$2,500.00

e.e Request for additional appropriations in Opioid Restricted Funds

1237-30051-030 Contract Services \$48,500.00

1237-30051-030 Contract Services \$35,000.00

f. Juvenile Detention, Tracy Keith and Jennifer Snawder

Attorney Max McCrite stated that there was an error in the advertisement for the additional appropriation request for Juvenile Detention. Because of this he advised the council to not take action on item f.a.

Tracy Keith, with Juvenile Detention, stated that there is an emergent need for part time

funds to cover payroll. Attorney Max McCrite asked if there is appropriation elsewhere in Juvenile Detention's budget that could be transferred to temporarily fix the issue until the additional appropriation can be properly advertised. Chief Deputy Auditor Lindsey Wilmoth stated that there is \$31,000 unexpended in Equipment.

Tracy Keith requested that the council approve a transfer in the amount of \$19,000.00 from 4915-40014-041 Equipment to 4915-11105-041 Part-Time Hourly.

Moved By Councilperson Fox

Seconded By Councilperson Teah Williams-Hampton

Motion to to table items f.a and f.b as listed below and to approve items f.c, f.d, and a request for a transfer of appropriation from 4915-40014-041 to 4915-11105-041 that is not listed below.

Carried (6 to 0)

f.a Request for additional appropriations in Juv Det Project Income

4915-11105-041 Part-Time Hourly \$130,000.00

4915-11171-041 FICA/Medicare \$9,945.00

f.b Request for a salary ordinance amendment in Juv Det Project Income

4915-041, Food Service Director, effective 7/1/2026, \$45,758.00

The Department of Education now has additional requirements to continue receiving a grant for meal reimbursement. This includes having Serve-Safe certified individuals on staff and Health Department visits.

f.c Request for additional appropriations in Justice Involved Youth

9165-36000-041 Education/Prevention \$3,000.00

f.d Request for additional appropriations in JDAI#2

9157-20043-041 Food Items \$3,750.00

9157-20060-041 Supplies \$600.00

9157-30013-041 Travel \$7,500.00

9157-36000-041 Education/Prevention \$33,440.00

g. Clark County Council, Councilperson Lenfert

Moved By Councilperson Lenfert

Seconded By Councilperson Blevins

Motion to approve all requests listed under Clark County Council as detailed below.

Carried (6 to 0)

g.a Request for a reduction of appropriation in Riverboat Revenue Fund

1191-11107-005 Personal Services -\$125,000.00

1191-11171-005 FICA/Medicare -\$95,625.00

1191-11176-005 PERF -\$15,875.00

g.b Request for additional appropriations in Riverboat Revenue Fund

1191-30051-031 Contract Services \$15,000.00

h. Emergency Management, Gavan Hebner

Moved By Councilperson Lenfert

Seconded By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Motion to approve all requests listed under Emergency Management, Gavan Hebner as detailed below.

Carried (6 to 0)

h.a Request for additional appropriations in Duke Energy Foundation

9217-40014-039 Equipment \$4,465.00

h.b Request for additional appropriations in Project Lifesaver

4103-20065-039 Safety Equipment \$1,520.00

h.c Request for additional appropriations in CenterPoint Comm. Safety Grant

9164-20065-039 Safety Equipment \$2,500.00

i. Clark County Clerk, Ryan Lynch

Ryan Lynch was not present at the meeting.

i.a Request for additional appropriations in County General

1000-11105-022 Part-Time Hourly \$20,000.00

Moved By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Seconded By Councilperson Grooms

Motion to table the Request for additional appropriations in County General as requested.

Carried (6 to 0)

j. Clark County Auditor, Danny Yost

j.a Request for additional appropriations in Auditors Ineligible Deductions

1216-30051-002 Contract Services \$30,000.00

Moved By Councilperson Grooms

Seconded By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Motion to approve the Request for additional appropriations in Auditors Ineligible Deductions as requested.

Carried (6 to 0)

k. Clark County CASA, Melissa Borries

k.a Request for additional appropriations in CASA- The Voice of Clark

9107-11173-194 Group Insurance \$9,677.00

9107-40014-194 Equipment \$500.00

9107-30094-194 Meals \$300.00

Adrian Anderson presented on behalf of CASA.

Moved By Councilperson Lenfert

Seconded By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Motion to approve the Request for additional appropriations in CASA- The Voice of Clark as requested.

Carried (6 to 0)

I. Drainage Board, Jack Coffman

I.a Request for additional appropriations in Drainage Board N/R Fee

2700-30051-026 Contract Services \$25,000.00

Moved By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Seconded By Councilperson Lenfert

Motion to approve the Request for additional appropriations in Drainage Board N/R Fee as requested.

Carried (6 to 0)

10. Old Business

None.

11. Reports and Comments

a. Council

Councilperson Williams-Hampton thanked everyone for their hard work. She asked for more information on the time frame on Public Records Requests.

Councilperson Grooms stated that with budget time coming up, the council will need input from department heads and taxpayers.

Councilperson Snelling thanked the public for being involved and thanked the sheriff's officers present. He seconded Councilperson Grooms comment.

Councilperson Doherty: Absent

Councilperson Lenfert stated that there was a recent article in the news explaining that InnerCity Roads TIF district, which includes \$781 million of assessed value is expiring at the end of 2026. He asked the Auditor's office to make sure this is reflected on CNAV. Chief Deputy Auditor Lindsey Wilmoth stated that she will ensure that Property Tax Manager, Teresa Liburd is aware. Councilperson Lenfert stated that he has prepared a notice for all impacted units concerning a potential LIT reallocation. The council had no objections to this notice. Councilperson Lenfert stated that more will be coming regarding scheduling a MUST Meeting. The Association of Indiana Counties has recommended that this be scheduled after August 9th. The council will nominate one member to be their representative at the MUST Meeting.

Councilperson Fox nominated Councilperson Lenfert to represent the Clark County Council at the MUST Meeting. Councilperson Snelling seconded. Motion carried 6-0. Councilperson Fox thanked Gavan Hebner, with EMA and all First Responders during weather events. He stated that the council wants to make the budget a mutual effort with departments to ensure the county budget is prepared responsibly.

Councilperson Blevins reiterated that the budget is coming up. He stated that "we need to do everything we can". He would like to steer away from an increase on property taxes and believes elected officials need to remember who voted them in.

b. Attorney

Attorney Max McCrite answered Councilperson Williams-Hampton's earlier question relating to public records requests. The government body has 7 days to respond to the public records request. They must produce the documents within a reasonable amount of time.

Attorney Max McCrite state that he will send the LIT notice to the appropriate units.

c. Auditor

Chief Deputy Auditor Lindsey Wilmoth asked the council if they would like to set the dates for budget meetings. The council asked the Auditor's Office to check to see if the room is available for the following dates and to email the council once the dates are confirmed.

Meetings with Departments

Tuesday August 11, 4-8pm

Thursday August 20, 4-8pm

Tuesday August 25, 4-8pm

Meetings with just Council (tentatively)

Monday August 31, 9a-4pm

12. Adjournment

Moved By Councilperson Snelling Jr.

Seconded By Councilperson Grooms

Motion to adjourn.

Carried (6 to 0)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL CONCERNING
ADDITIONAL APPROPRIATIONS
FOR THOSE FUNDS WHICH DO NOT REQUIRE APPROVAL OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT FINANCE
ORDINANCE NO. 13-2026

WHEREAS, certain extraordinary conditions have developed since the adoption of the existing annual budget so that it is necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget.

Section I. BE IT ORDAINED by the Clark County Council of Clark County, Indiana that for expenses of Clark County government and its institutions for the year ending December 31, 2026, the following sums of money are herein specified subject to the law governing the same, such sum herein appropriated shall be held to include all expenditures provided by law.

Section II. THAT for the fiscal year there is hereby appropriated out of the various funds herein for the following specified amounts to meet such extraordinary emergencies which are declared to exist.

Fund	Acct.	Obj.	Loc.	Acct. Desc.	Allowed	Vote
Auditors Ineligible Deductions						
1216	30051	0000	002	Contract Services	\$30,000.00	6-0
Clark County Cum Capital						
1138	40026	0000	030	Lance Court	\$21,000.00	6-0
	40035	0000	030	CHARLESTOWN-JEFFERSONVILLE PK	\$2,100,000.00	6-0
	40174	0000	030	Memphis Blue Lick Planning Stu	\$100,000.00	6-0
County General						
1000	11105	0000	022	Part-Time Hourly	Tabled	6-0
	31019	0000	040	Interpreter Services	\$3,000.00	6-0
	40014	0000	028	Equipment	\$6,310.00	6-0
	34404	0000	030	Special Public Defender	\$5,000.00	6-0
	11174	0000	030	Unemployment	\$10,000.00	6-0
Cum Bridge						
1135	30051	0000	064	Contract Services	\$125,000.00	6-0
	30136	0000	064	Bridge Preservation	\$100,000.00	6-0
Juv Det Project Income						
4915	11105	0000	041	Part-Time Hourly	Tabled	6-0
	11171	0000	041	FICA / Medicare	Tabled	6-0
Opioid Restricted Funds						
1237	20060	0502	302	Supplies	\$15,000.00	6-0
	30013	0502	302	Travel	\$40,000.00	6-0
	30051	0000	030	Contract Services	\$35,000.00	6-0
					\$48,500.00	6-0
	30115	0502	302	Drug Screening	\$30,000.00	6-0
Project Lifesaver						
4103	20065	0000	039	Safety Equipment	\$1,520.00	6-0
Riverboat Revenue Fund						
1191	11107	0000	005	Personal Services	-\$125,000.00	6-0
	11171	0000	005	FICA / Medicare	-\$95,625.00	6-0
	11176	0000	005	PERF	-\$15,875.00	6-0
	30051	0000	031	Contract Services	\$15,000.00	6-0
SPDSF						
4906	30175	0000	040	Transcripts & Depositions	\$20,000.00	6-0
	40014	0000	040	Equipment	\$2,500.00	6-0
Clark County Donation Fund B						
4916	20060	0000	030	Supplies	\$1,000.00	6-0
	30051	0000	030	Contract Services	\$2,500.00	6-0
CenterPoint Comm. Safety Grant						
9164	20065	0000	039	Safety Equipment	\$2,500.00	6-0
Justice Involved Youth						
9165	36000	0000	041	Education/Prevention	\$3,000.00	6-0
Drainage Board N/R Fee						
2700	30051	0000	026	Contract Services	\$25,000.00	6-0
CASA- The Voice of Clark						

9107	11173	0000	194	Group Insurance	\$9,677.00	6-0
	30094	0000	194	Meals	\$300.00	6-0
	40014	0000	194	Equipment	\$500.00	6-0
Circuit Ct. #2 Drug Court						
2517	30013	0000	302	Travel	\$534.00	6-0
Circuit Ct. 4 Probation-CCYC#2						
9124	30013	0000	302	Travel	\$286.01	6-0
JDAI #2						
9157	20060	0000	041	Supplies	\$600.00	6-0
	30013	0000	041	Travel	\$7,500.00	6-0
	20043	0000	041	Food Items	\$3,750.00	6-0
	36000	0000	041	Education/Prevention	\$33,440.00	6-0
DUKE ENERGY FOUNDATION						
9217	40014	0000	039	Equipment	\$4,465.00	6-0
Local Health Maint.						
1168	20060	0000	071	Supplies	\$600.00	6-0
	30051	0000	071	Contract Services	\$62,500.53	6-0
	40014	0000	071	Equipment	\$79,400.00	6-0
LHD Trust Account Tobacco						
1206	30051	0000	071	Contract Services	\$177,581.07	6-0
Public Health Emergency Prep.						
8174	20060	0000	071	Supplies	\$10,000.00	6-0
CARES ACT CORONAVIRUS RELIEF						
8901	40014	0000	071	Equipment	\$37,002.13	6-0
Vaccine Administration						
8226	40014	0000	071	Equipment	\$713.26	6-0
93.323 Epid. and Lab Capacity						
8227	40014	0000	071	Equipment	\$1,988.77	6-0
The Pulsepoint Fund						
4102	30051	0000	071	Contract Services	\$55.00	6-0
Grand Total						

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL CONCERNING
TRANSFER OF APPROPRIATIONS
ORDINANCE NO. 14-2026

Fund	Loc.	Acct.	Obj.	Acct. Desc.	Allowed	Vote
County General						
1000	028	20060	0000	Supplies	-\$5,000.00	6-0
		30013	0000	Travel	-\$700.00	6-0
		40014	0000	Equipment	\$7,700.00	6-0
		20021	0000	Gas & Oil	-\$2,000.00	6-0
Juv Det Project Income						
4915	041	11105	0000	Part-Time Hourly	\$19,000.00	6-0
		40014	0000	Equipment	-\$19,000.00	6-0
ADR Superior Court						
2202	302	11107	0000	Personal Services	\$6,971.00	6-0
		30096	0000	Legal Fees And Charges	-\$6,971.00	6-0

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CLARK COUNTY COUNCIL CONCERNING SALARY AND WAGES TO BE PAID TO OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES
FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026
AMENDMENT NO. 6

Fund Name	Title of Position	Salary Ordinance Amendment Type	Fund	Loc.	Allowed	Vote	Effective Date
Juv Det Project Income	Food Service Director	-	4915	041	Tabled	6-0	7/1/2026
SPDSF	Deputy Public Defender	Raise to match other position base pay	4906	040	\$96,900.00	6-0	2/2/2026
ADR Superior Court	Financial Administrator/ADR Coordin	Raise	2202	302	\$5,769.20	6-0	7/27/2026

AYES

NAYS

R. Bell

Stu Goherty Abstain

Ronald J. Green

Jack

Brian Telford

Ron B.

Christopher A. Cox

Attest: *Dez*

Approved this 10 day of August, 2026.