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BILL NO. R-13-11-26

RESOLUTION NO. R-109-13

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING FUNDING
TOWARDS AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STUDY
FOR PASSENGER RAIL

Whereas, the City of Fort Wayne has a strong interest in the return of passenger rail service; and,

Whereas, the return of such service would add not only an efficient transportation option but also create a number of jobs and economic value to the city and region; and,

Whereas, a coalition of cities in Indiana and Ohio are working on a plan to fund a Tier I Environmental Impact Study, as a necessary step in this process; and,

Whereas, a business plan and feasibility study prepared for the Northeast Indiana Passenger Rail Association, indicates such service could be self-sustaining; and,

Whereas, working together with many other cities in Indiana and Ohio, development of such a passenger rail line could be funded by federal and state funds; and,

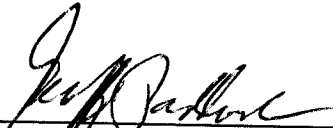
Whereas, this project provides our community with an opportunity to make our city stronger and better positioned for growth;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON
COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE, INDIANA THAT:**

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Section 1. The Fort Wayne Common Council supports efforts to return passenger rail service to Fort Wayne. Through the efforts of the Northeast Indiana Passenger Rail Association, in conjunction with communities along the proposed line from Chicago, Illinois to Columbus, Ohio, the Common Council will look favorably on providing \$200,000 in matching funds for the Tier I Environmental Impact Study. This commitment will be contingent on the remaining funds, approximately \$1,800,000, being committed by partnering entities. The study is to begin sometime in 2014 and take approximately 18 to 24 months.

Section 2. The foregoing Resolution is non-binding and represents the opinion and/or position of the members of Common Council who have sponsored and voted in favor of the Resolution.



Geoff Paddock, Council Member

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY



Joseph G. Bonahoom, City Council Attorney

Public Hearing Date, if applicable _____

Read the first time in full and on motion by Councilman Tom Smith
Read the second time by title and referred to the Finance Committee
Committee. Read the third time in full and on motion by Councilman
Smith, placed on passage by the following vote:

	<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAINED</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
<u>TOTAL VOTES</u>	<u>9</u>	_____	_____	_____
BENDER	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
CRAWFORD	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
DIDIER	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
HARPER	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
HINES	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
JEHL	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
PADDOCK	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
SHOAFF	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____
SMITH	<u>✓</u>	_____	_____	_____

DATED:

12-10-13 Sandra E. Kennedy
SANDRA E. KENNEDY, CITY CLERK

Passed and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, as
(ANNEXATION) (APPROPRIATION) (GENERAL) (SPECIAL) (ZONING) ORDINANCE
(RESOLUTION) NO. R-109-13 on the 10th day of
December, 2013

ATTEST:
Sandra E. Kennedy
SANDRA E. KENNEDY,
CITY CLERK

T. James F. Didier
PRESIDING OFFICER

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, on the 11th day
of December, 2013, at the hour of 10:00 o'clock Am. E.S.T.

Sandra E. Kennedy
SANDRA E. KENNEDY, CITY CLERK

Approved and signed by me this 12TH day of December
2013, at the hour of 2:00 o'clock Pm. E.S.T.


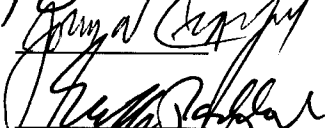

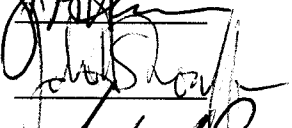
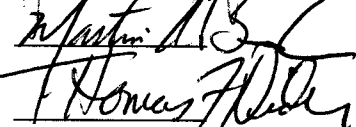

Thomas C. Henry
THOMAS C. HENRY, MAYOR

BILL NO. R-13-11-26

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON FINANCE
DECEMBER 10, 2013

TOM SMITH - CHAIR
JOHN CRAWFORD - CO-CHAIR
ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS

A RESOLUTION supporting funding towards an Environmental Impact Study for Passenger Rail. **HAVE HAD SAID ORDINANCE UNDER CONSIDERATION AND BEG LEAVE TO REPORT BACK TO THE COMMON COUNCIL THAT SAID ORDINANCE**

<u>DO PASS</u>	<u>DO NOT PASS</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>	<u>NO REC</u>
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SANDRA E. KENNEDY
CITY CLERK