

**AN ORDINANCE** approving grants to be funded from the Cable TV Fund totaling \$75,030.72.

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 111.34.(C).(5).a provides that a portion of the City's Cable TV "access dollars" are set aside annually for Non-Access Channel Originator Grants by not-for-profit agencies and educational entities within the City of Fort Wayne; and

**WHEREAS**, Ordinance No. 111.34.(C).(5).d provides that the Cable Fund Access Board (CFAB) recommend grant awards, with final approval granted by the Common Council from the Cable TV Fund; and

**WHEREAS**, the Cable Fund Access Board recommends the following Non-Access Channel Originator Grant awards from the Cable TV Fund totaling \$75,030.72:

Raines Sports Academy	\$0.00
FWCS - WRNS Productions Snider High School	\$6,252.56
FWCS - Jefferson Middle School	\$6,252.56
FWCS - Kekionga Middle School	\$6,252.56
Friends of the Third World	\$6,252.56
FWCS - South Side High School	\$6,252.56
Fort Wayne Dance Collective	\$6,252.56
FWCS Fred H. Croninger Elementary School	\$6,252.56
FWCS - North Side High School Cinema Centers	\$6,252.56
FWCS - Northwood Middle School	\$6,252.56
FWCS - Miami Middle School	\$6,252.56
FWCS - Blackhawk Middle School	\$6,252.56

**WHEREAS**, the City of Fort Wayne states that the details of each grant proposal are available for inspection:

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

1                   **SECTION 1.** The following Non-Access Channel Originator Grant awards  
2 totaling \$75,030.72 from the Cable TV fund are approved:

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4	Raines Sports Academy	\$0.00
5	FWCS - WRNS Productions Snider High School	\$6,252.56
6	FWCS - Jefferson Middle School	\$6,252.56
7	FWCS - Kekionga Middle School	\$6,252.56
8	Friends of the Third World	\$6,252.56
9	FWCS - South Side High School	\$6,252.56
10	Fort Wayne Dance Collective	\$6,252.56
11	FWCS Fred H. Croninger Elementary School	\$6,252.56
12	FWCS - North Side High School	\$6,252.56
13	Cinema Centers	\$6,252.56
14	FWCS - Northwood Middle School	\$6,252.56
15	FWCS - Miami Middle School	\$6,252.56
16	FWCS - Blackhawk Middle School	\$6,252.56

17                   **SECTION 2.** That this Ordinance shall be in full force and effect from and  
18 after January 1, 2026 and any and all necessary approval by the Mayor, and shall  
19 expire on July 1, 2026.

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Council Member

APPROVED AS TO FORM AND LEGALITY

  
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Malak Heiny, City Attorney

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Fort Wayne Dance Collective	\$6,252.56
FWCS Fred H. Croninger Elementary School	\$6,252.56
FWCS - North Side High School	\$6,252.56
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Malak Heiny, City Attorney

Fort Wayne City Council  
c/o City Clerk' Office  
Fort Wayne, IN 46802

Subject: Cable TV Non-Access Channel Originator Grants

Members of City Council:

This ordinance authorizes the payment of grants totaling \$75,030.72 for access programming by non-for-profit agencies and educational groups. Raines Sports Academy did not provide content to the Access providers as stipulated in the grant application. They are to submit content before fall 2026 to be eligible next year. This is the list of grantees, their requests and the recommended amounts:

<b>Requestor</b>	<b>Requested</b>	<b>Recommended</b>
Raines Sports Academy	\$12,500.00	\$0.00
FWCS - WRNS Productions Snider High School	\$7,983.00	\$6,252.56
FWCS - Jefferson Middle School	\$8,690.00	\$6,252.56
FWCS - Kekionga Middle School	\$9,008.99	\$6,252.56
Friends of the Third World	\$9,750.00	\$6,252.56
FWCS - South Side High School	\$10,018.35	\$6,252.56
Fort Wayne Dance Collective	\$11,400.00	\$6,252.56
FWCS Fred H. Croninger Elementary School	\$11,944.00	\$6,252.56
FWCS - North Side High School	\$13,343.94	\$6,252.56
Cinema Centers	\$15,000.00	\$6,252.56
FWCS - Northwood Middle School	\$15,613.14	\$6,252.56
FWCS - Miami Middle School	\$16,729.00	\$6,252.56
FWCS - Blackhawk Middle School	\$17,565.75	\$6,252.56

This money comes from the Cable Franchise fee remitted to the City of Fort Wayne. Any funds not utilized for grants must remain in the fund for use the following year.

The budget for non-access originator grants is \$75,030.77 based on collections from the previous four quarters plus grants not used the previous year.

If you have any questions, please contact me.

Bob Thiele  
CIO  
City of Fort Wayne  
260-427-1400

# COUNCIL DIGEST SHEET

Enclosed with this introduction form is a tab sheet and related material from the vendor(s) who submitted bid(s). The Purchasing Department is providing this information to Council as an overview of this award.

**RFPs & BIDS**

Bid/RFP #	
Awarded To	
Amount	N/A
Conflict of interest on file?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Number of Registrants	N/A
Number of Bidders	
Required Attachments	

**EXTENSIONS**

Date Last Bid Out	
# Extensions Granted To Date	None

**SPECIAL PROCUREMENT**

Contract #/ID (State, Federal, Piggyback-- Authority)	Indiana State Contract #
Sole Source/Compatibility Justification	

**BID CRITERIA** (Take Buy Indiana requirements into consideration.)

Most Responsible, Responsive Lowest	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <i>If no, explain below</i>
If not lowest, explain	

# COUNCIL DIGEST SHEET

## COST COMPARISON

<i>Increase/decrease amount from prior years For annual purchase (if available).</i>	
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## DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT / NEED

<i>Identify need for project &amp; describe project; attach supporting documents as necessary.</i>	Grants are part of Ordinance No. 111.34.(C).(5).a

## REQUEST FOR PRIOR APPROVAL

<i>Provide justification if prior approval is being requested.</i>	N/A

## FUNDING SOURCE

<i>Account Information.</i>	Fund Dept Org Object = 166NFP3 5395

**BILL NO. S-25-12-12**

**REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE**

**December 16, 2025**

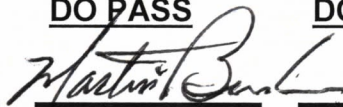


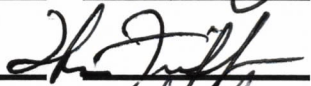

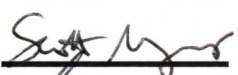
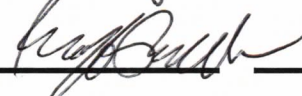
***Nathan Hartman Chair***

***Geoff Paddock Co-Chair***

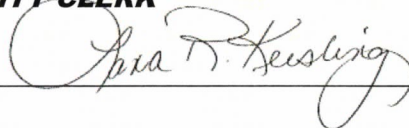
***All Council Members***

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COMMITTEE ON FINANCE HAVE HAD SAID Ordinance under consideration and beg leave to report back to the Common Council that said Ordinance

<u>COUNCIL MEMBER</u>	<u>DO PASS</u>	<u>DO NOT PASS</u>	<u>ABSTAIN</u>
<u>BENDER</u>			
<u>BOOKER</u>			
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<u>FREISTROFFER</u>			
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**LANA R. KEESLING  
CITY CLERK**



Public Hearing Date: N/A

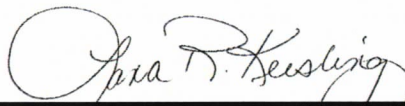
Read the first time in full and on motion by Councilperson Hartman.

Read the second time by title and referred to the Finance Committee.

Read the third time in full and on motion by Councilperson Hartman, placed on passage by the following vote:

<u>TOTAL VOTES</u>	<u>AYES</u>	<u>NAYS</u>	<u>ABSTAINED</u>	<u>ABSENT</u>
BENDER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
BOOKER	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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DATED: December 16, 2025

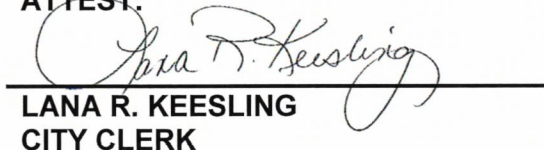


LANA R. KEESLING, CITY CLERK

Passed and adopted by the Common Council of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, as

Special Ordinance No. S-25-12-12 on the 16th day of December, 2025

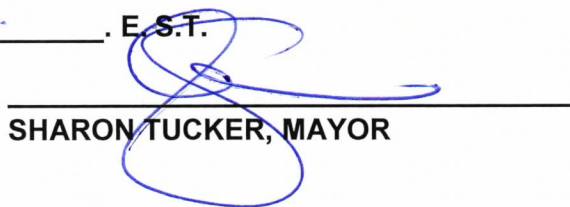
ATTEST:

  
LANA R. KEESLING  
CITY CLERK  
PRESIDING OFFICER

Presented by me to the Mayor of the City of Fort Wayne, Indiana, on the 17th of December 2025, at the hour of 9:05 o'clock A.M. E.S.T.

  
LANA R. KEESLING, CITY CLERK

Approved and signed by me this 17th day of December 2025, at the hour of 1:02 o'clock p.m. E.S.T.

  
SHARON TUCKER, MAYOR