

**1-2. CALL TO ORDER**

The council meeting was called to order by Mayor Barnard at 5:30 pm. Members present, Councilor Davis, Councilor Ariss, Councilor Kuiken, Councilor Olsen, Councilor Manlow, City Supervisor Houk, Police Chief Stigall, Clerk/Treasurer Johnson and Fire Chief McGee.

**3. ITEMS FROM THE PUBLIC - None**

Katie Oneil, Diantha Weilepp, and Lunden Espinosa Kennedy spoke in favor of adopting a resolution regarding ICE activity in the City of South Bend. Additionally, Bob Hall suggested that the Library should be housed in a new building rather than repairing the issues with the existing structure.

**4. APPROVAL – Agenda, Consent Agenda, and Prior Meeting Minutes**

A motion was made by Councilor Manlow to approve the Consent Agenda and the minutes of the January 26, 2025, regular meeting. Motion carried. **Vote: Ayes-5, Noes-0.**

**Vendors – Check #50212 thru Check #50241 - \$334,811.53 Including EFT Payments**  
**Payroll – Check #25274 thru Check #25281 - \$174,104.20 Including Direct Deposit, Benefits and Payroll Taxes**

**5. CORRESPONDENCE -**

The City received letters regarding the ICE resolution from Julie Struck, Diantha Weilepp, Sandra and Curt Harris, Christine Balcom, and Lisa Barile.

**6. DISCUSSION: Resolution Regarding ICE Activities in the City of South Bend**

The Council discussed drafting a resolution based on advice received from the City Attorney. At the Mayor's request, Councilor Manlow read the City Attorney's letter publicly. The Council concluded the discussion by requesting that the City Attorney assist in drafting a proclamation for their subsequent review.

**7. DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS - None**

**8. MAYOR'S REPORT -**

Mayor Barnard expressed her thanks to the public and the Council for the discussion during the meeting. As she will be out for a few days, she requested an alternate to attend the upcoming PCOG meeting on her behalf. Councilor Davis agreed to attend in her stead.

**9. PUBLIC COMMENT – CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS -**

Miles Davis, Lunden Espinosa Kennedy, Diantha Weilepp, and Katie Oneil provided further comments regarding a potential ICE resolution. Additionally, Katie Oneil expressed her gratitude to the Council for its support of local immigrants.

**10. COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Councilor Kuiken thanked the public for their participation, noting that there are clearly two sides to the current discussion. Councilor Ariss also shared her thanks, stating that she appreciated Councilor Manlow's discussions with Tate Adams, Director of PCIS, and expressed hope that a decision will be reached at the next meeting. Councilor Olsen thanked the public as well, agreeing that the City needs to take a stance on the issue and promising to perform due diligence.

**11. FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS - None**

**12. EXECUTIVE SESSION: Ordinance & Real Estate Discussion per RCW42.30.110**

Executive Session lasted from 6:23 to 6:49. No action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 PM to meet again on Monday February 23, 2026 for a regular council meeting at South Bend City Hall.

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**Bethany Barnard**  
Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
**David Johnson**

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