

**Redevelopment Commission Meeting  
Wednesday, May 13, 2026 · 9:00 a.m.  
Council Chambers · Ligonier City Hall  
301 South Cavin Street · Ligonier, Indiana**

**Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order by Commission President John Mangona

**Roll Call**

Members Present: John Mangona, David Cisney, Chris Fought, Mayor Earle Franklin and Joe Hutsell

Also Present: City Attorney Laura Kaufman, and Clerk-Treasurer Barb Hawn

Members Absent: Bryan Shearer

**Approval of Minutes of April 8, 2026**

**Motion to approve: David Cisney**

**Second: Chris Fought**

**Vote: All Ayes**

**Approval of APV Register from April 2026**

**Motion to approve: David Cisney**

**Second: Chris Fought**

**Vote: All Ayes**

**New Business**

**Resolution 0513RDC-2026 (Amending Declaratory Resolution)**

Lisa Lee of Ice Miller prepared an amending declaratory resolution for the commission. It expands the consolidated EDA (Economic Development Area), adds the Turning Point Building to the commissions acquisition list, and allows for ongoing operation of childcare facilities to the plan as allowed by the new law which takes effect on July 1, 2026 under House Enrolled Act No. 1177 (IC37-7-14-39(b)(4)(O)). Passage of the resolution is the first of multiple steps outlined in the plan timetable.

**Motion to pass Resolution 0513RDC-2026: Chris Fought**

**Second: David Cisney**

**Vote: All Ayes**

**Board Member Comments**

Clerk-Treasurer Barb directed a question regarding the Turning Point Building to school board member Joe Hutsell, asking if the board has had any discussions regarding the city acquiring the building. He feels that a mutual agreement will be able to be reached without the commission obtaining two appraisals. Board members discussed scheduling an executive discussion to discuss the market analysis and a potential purchase price for the building, which led to the following.

**Motion to schedule an executive session 30 minutes before next scheduled meeting: Chris Fought**

**Second: David Cisney**

**Vote: All Ayes**

**Member Mayor Earle Franklin**

Mayor Franklin stated he has submitted his resignation due to health issues and announced that he will resign effective July 31, 2026. He stated that the decision was difficult, but he feels he can no longer carry out the duties of the office as he should.

Mayor Franklin noted that the City will move forward with the caucus procedure and expressed his desire to make the transition as smooth as possible. He thanked those present and stated that it has been a pleasure working with everyone.

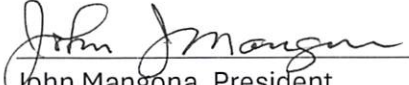
**Adjournment**

**Motion to adjourn: David Cisney**

**Second: Chris Fought**

**Vote: All Ayes**

ATTEST:

  
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John Mangona, President

  
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Bryan Shearer, Secretary

Date Approved: 06-10-2026

  
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Barbara Hawn, Clerk-Treasurer/Recording Secretary