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The City of Terre Haute

State of the City Address
May 15, 2018

Duke A. Bennett, Mayor



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Robert "Rob" Pitts





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Financial Update

Significant Improvement to Finances

- Three straight years of a balanced budget (2016-2018)
- 92 Total Funds
 - 84 Positive Balance
 - 8 Negative Balance, (5 Fed. Grants)
- 2017 Gen. Fund Balance was \$1.2 M
 - 2015 (\$8.9 M), 2016 \$(8.2 M)
- Total Cash Balances YE 2017- \$39.2 M
 - YE 2016 - \$35.9 M





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Financial Update

- TAW/Redevelopment Loan
- Three-Year Comprehensive Financial Plan
- Government Spending Per Capita (24 peer cities)
 - 2016 Terre Haute – 8th Lowest
 - 2017 Terre Haute – 7th Lowest
- Assessed Property Values - Commercial
- 2018 GF Deficit Plan to Reduce by \$2 M





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Financial Update

- State Board of Accounts Audit
 - 2016 & 2017
- New Financial Software System(s)
 - Modern System Design, Accounts Payable, Purchase Orders, Cash Receipts, Fixed Assets & General Ledger
 - New Reporting & Dash Boards
- New Payroll System
 - On-line Paystubs, Tax Withholding & W-2





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Sewage Billing

- Average of 29,700 Sewer Bills Each Month
- Active Sewage Billing Accounts
 - 24,795 Metered Accounts (IAW, Seelyville)
 - 3,521 Well Water Accounts
- Avg. Residential Sewage Bill
 - Metered Accounts \$49.56 (5.37 CCF or 4,016 gal)
 - Well Water Accounts \$47.32
- Average Monthly Usage: Residential
 - 5.37 CCF (down 2.7% from 2016)
- Final Sewer Rate Increase (5%)
- 2019 Sewer Rate Study





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311 Citizen Contact Center

Service Type	2017	2016	YOY Ch.
All Service Requests	12,075	11,135	9%
Large Item Pickup	3,059	2,752	11%
Accumulated Litter/Limbs/Brush	2,549	1,986	28%
Excess Weeds/Grass	1,953	1,889	3%
Stray Animals/Animal Care	810	1,030	(21%)
Tree/Sidewalk Eval.	469	612	(23%)





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Public Safety – Police Department

Police Department

Burglary, Theft & Auto Theft

Reporting

- 2016 2,881
- 2017 2,471

14% Dec. Reports

Arrests

- 2016 435
- 2017 477

2.76% Inc. Arrests

Homicide, Robbery, Aggravated Assaults & Rape

Reporting

- 2016 137
- 2017 131

4.4% Dec. Reports

Arrests

- 2016 55
- 2017 77

40% Inc. Arrests



Since 2008

- 50.8% Drop in Property Crimes
- 19.8% Drop in Violent Crimes
- Crime Rate Continues to Drop
- THPD PIO Position Created
- Nine (9) New Police Cars





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Public Safety – Fire Department

Fire Department

10,533 TOTAL RESPONSES:

- 7,794 EMS Responses
- 2,739 Fires Runs

THFD IPI Division

- 800 Inspections Completed
- 200 Fire Investigations
- 81 were Arson
- 28 Arrests



- 13 Firefighters Hired
- Three (3) New Ambulances
- One (1) New Ladder Truck

- 2017 Training avg. 295 hrs/fire fighter
- ISO Requires min. of 220 hrs.





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Parks and Recreation

- Parks Five Year Plan Update Underway
- Deming Park Pool- open all year 2017 and will be open on schedule this year.
- Collett and Maple Ave Park - Restroom Locks
- Golf Course Update – Park Board Raised Fees and Cut Expenses. RFP review & Rea Park
- Chapel Roof at Highland Lawn Cemetery
- Pavilion Roof at Collett Park
- New Dock on Wabash River/Fairbanks





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Infrastructure & Projects

- 7th St. Phase 2 (Hulman to Voorhees) and Phase 3 (Voorhees to Margaret).
- Margaret Ave; Canal to 25th St. (\$15M fully funded). Completion July 2019.
- Lafayette Ave Phase 1 (Cross to Hawthorne)
- 1st and Hulman Intersection Improvement
- 1st St. Blvd. Phase 2 of 4 (Chestnut to Cherry)
- 2018 Paving Budget \$1.8 M





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Department of Redevelopment

- Abandoned/Blighted Home Demolition
 - BEP Program – 62 Homes (\$633,820)
 - EDIT – 60 Homes (\$411,200)
- 2018 Increase in CDBG & Home Funds
- 13th & 14th and Hulman Improvements
- Storm Water Drainage Project S.R. 46
- 13th and Hulman Site Cleanup
- Downtown Lighting Project





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Sanitary District/WWTP

- Phase II L.T.C.P. \$55M
- Main Lift - Design & Construction
- HRTF Phase II - Design & Construction
- Phosphorus Removal – Design & Construction
- Green Infrastructure Project – Design





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Economic Development

- RiverFront Lofts (\$23M) and Annex 41 (\$25M)
- Pyrolyx USA (\$30M and 55 jobs)
- GATX Corp.(\$38.4M and 60 jobs)
- Tredegar (\$25M and 34 jobs)
- Select Genetics (\$30M and 100 jobs)
- Elementia/Allura (\$7.5M and 70 jobs)
- Former Kellogg's Plant, Pfizer Plant, Lighthouse Mission and YMCA





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Economic Development Strategies

- Workforce/Skills Development Focus
- Defense Development Opportunities/Team
- Small Bus. Dev. Center/Launch Terre Haute Opportunities
- Community Crossings, Local TRAX Rail Program, Opportunity Zones
- More than 80% of Jobs Announced in 2017 in Indiana were by Existing Companies.





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Planning & Collaboration Initiatives

- West Central 2025/TH Chamber Advocacy
- Regional Cities/RDA
- Plan Updates
 - Metropolitan Transportation Plan
 - TH Parks 5 Year Plan
 - DTH 10 Year Plan
 - Riverscape 10 Year Plan
 - Next Generation of TH Tomorrow
- Workforce Development
- Per Capita Income (United Way)





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Items of Interest

- Health Insurance Audit/Renewal
- Convention Center/Food & Beverage Tax
 - 2018 \$40 M Tourism Industry
- Police Station
- WWTP: Long Term Strategy
- Turn to the River Project
- Monthly WFIU, WTHI, WTWO, WISU/WFYI Mingle w the Mayor & Community Meetings
- Ribbon Cuttings – 43 in 2017, 23 in 2018





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Important Dates

- Tox Away Day September 22, 2018
- Fall Clean-up September 29, 2018
- Leaf Pickup will Begin in November
- Turn to the River Picnic June 1 @ City Hall
- TH Air Show August 18 & 19, 2018
- Coca Cola Festival September 22, 2018





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