

SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. 1, 2026

**BEING AN ORDINANCE
VACATING A PUBLIC WAY
IN THE CITY OF WABASH, INDIANA**

WHEREAS, on _____, Diocese of Fort Wayne-South Bend, Inc. petitioned the City of Wabash, Indiana (“City”) to vacate a public way, to wit: a north-south public alley to the immediate north of W. Sinclair St. in Wabash, Indiana, located between the properties located at 158 W. Sinclair St. and 146 W. Sinclair St., as illustrated in the parcel of real estate outlined in red on the map attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit 1 (“Sinclair Street Alley”); and

WHEREAS, the City provided notice of the petition and of a public hearing as required by Indiana Code § 36-7-3-12; and

WHEREAS, the only owners of land that abut the Sinclair Street Alley are the petitioner, Melissa Meredith (157 W. Maple St., Wabash, IN 46992), and Ward and Kathryn Beauchamp (180 N. Miami St., Wabash, IN 46992), to whom notice of the hearing on this petition was provided pursuant to Indiana law; and

WHEREAS, a public hearing was held on the petition on February 9, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the City Council believes that vacation of the Sinclair Street Alley would serve the best interests of the City and its residents; and

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the City Council of the City of Wabash, Indiana, as follows:

1. The above recitals are incorporated herein by reference as though fully set forth herein.
2. In accordance with Indiana Code § 36-7-3-12, the Sinclair Street Alley is hereby vacated.
3. The Clerk-Treasurer of the City shall furnish a copy of this Ordinance to the Wabash County Recorder for recording and to the Wabash County Auditor.

PASSED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF WABASH, INDIANA THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2026.

By: _____
John Burnsworth, President of the Common Council

PRESENTED BY ME TO THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF WABASH ON THE ____ DAY OF _____, 2026 AT THE HOUR OF _____ O’CLOCK P.M.

Melanie Givens Penn, Clerk-Treasurer

THIS ORDINANCE WAS APPROVED AND SIGNED ON THE ____ DAY OF _____, 2026 AT THE HOUR OF _____ O’CLOCK P.M.

Scott A. Long, Mayor

ATTEST:

Melanie Givens Penn, Clerk-Treasurer