The Common Council of the City of Kokomo, Indiana met Thursday October 30th, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. in the Louks Conference Room of the City Building.

The meeting was called to order by President Kennedy.

Present: Wyant, Young, Haworth, Hayes, Kennedy, Summers, Sanders, Miklik

Absent: Cameron

President Kennedy states, I will call the meeting to order.

**ORDINANCE 6779:**

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING COUNCILMANIC DISTRICTS WITHIN THE CITY OF KOKOMO, INDIANA, AND DEFINING THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF, AND REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH.

First reading

Ordinance 6779 was read by the Clerk by title only. Councilman Hayes moved for passage on ordinance #6779 and I would also move that we utilize map #3, seconded by Councilman Wyant.

President Kennedy states, right now we are looking at first reading only. The recommendation from the Committee is map #3. I do not have much to say about it. It does meet all the criteria. I want to thank Corbin for all of his assistance in working on these maps.

Councilman Miklik states, my first choice is map #2 simply because of the balance of the numbers.
Councilwoman Sanders states, I was going with map #1. Just looking at the new annexation areas we have; but I can live with map #2. I was totally out with map #3.

Councilwoman Young states, I can live with map #3.

President Kennedy states, I still like map #3. You have to remember that we had to work with precinct changes. The majority of the annexations have been on the Southwest side. The Southwest was going to be the 5th, and 6th. I think map #3 benefits the 4th a lot better, and map #2 takes a lot of the 5th into the 4th.

Councilman Miklik states, map #2 makes it more manageable for who-ever runs from there; because it’s more compacted.

Councilman Hayes states, what I think a citizen is going to be concerned about is who is going to be my Council person.

Councilman Miklik asks, what are the percentage criteria between map #2 verses map #3?

Council Attorney Corbin King states, map #1 is 9.4, map #2 5.2 and map #3 6.3. Certainly the challenges go by that population. We have to remember map #1 was made earlier just to get something in front of you for you all to look at. Most of the time what I do is a draft for all of you to look at. I believe that the 9.4 is too high on map #1 just because of the population differential. The numbers are less than 10%. I guess I am trying to throw map #1 out of the discussion. The other two are within 1%.

Councilman Haworth states, I am happy with map #3.
Councilman Summers states, when I looked at the maps, I just thought map #2 makes more since, and it drops down a percentage as far as the numbers. It’s probably going to make it more even. I just see map #2 is more-fair. There is obviously a difference of opinion, and maybe by looking at it in more in debt as we have discussed it. If you look at the numbers and you do research on the polls I would be looking a little closer.

President Kennedy states, once we pass this ordinance it goes back to the County. They will then have to notify every-one of their new precinct locations.

Councilman Hayes called the question on the motion.

Councilman Hayes states, the motion on the floor that I made is that I move that we pass ordinance #6779 recommending map #3. I will not ask for two readings. Seconded by Councilman Wyant.

President Kennedy states, all those in favor of passage on ordinance #6779 on first reading.

Vote for passage follows:
Aye: Wyant, Young, Haworth, Hayes, Kennedy
Nay: Summers, Sanders, Miklik
The vote was 5 to 3 for passage on first reading.

President Kennedy states, our next Special Council Meeting will be November 6th, 2014 at 6:00 P.M. in the Louks Room and Council Meeting.
Adjourned at 6:45 P.M.

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PRESIDING OFFICER

ATTEST:

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CITY CLERK