

INTRODUCED: 4/6/2026

REFERRED TO: Public Safety and Criminal Justice Committee

SPONSOR: Councilor Robinson

DIGEST: authorizing the city to advance the curfew hours to “public safety” curfew hours, pursuant to IC 31-37-3-4 and Chapter 381, Sec. 103-105 of the Revised Code

SOURCE:

Initiated by: Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department

Drafted by: Office of Corporation Counsel

LEGAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADOPTION:

Subject to approval or veto by Mayor

PROPOSED EFFECTIVE DATE:

Adoption and approvals

GENERAL COUNSEL APPROVAL: _____

Date: April 2, 2026

CITY-COUNTY SPECIAL ORDINANCE NO. _____, 2026

PROPOSAL FOR A SPECIAL ORDINANCE authorizing the City of Indianapolis-Marion County to advance the curfew hours to “public safety” curfew hours pursuant to Indiana Code §31-37-3-4 and Chapter 381, Sections 103 through 105 of the Revised Code of the Consolidated City of Indianapolis – Marion County.

WHEREAS, Indiana Code (IC) § 31-37-3-2 and Chapter 381 of the Revised Code of the Consolidated City of Indianapolis – Marion County (“Rev Code”) set out curfew hours for children 17 years of age and younger; and

WHEREAS, IC 31-37-3-4 states, in part, that whenever the curfew times are later than is reasonable for public safety, the city, by ordinance, may advance the curfew hours by not more than 2 hours; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to IC 31-37-3-4 the City of Indianapolis-Marion County has established public safety curfew hours in Rev Code Sections 381-103 through 105; and

WHEREAS, it has been determined by the Indianapolis Metropolitan Police Department that an increase in public safety incidents involving juveniles warrant advancing the curfew hours to “public safety” hours; now, therefore

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE CITY-COUNTY COUNCIL OF THE
CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS AND OF MARION COUNTY, INDIANA:

SECTION 1. The City-County Council finds that conditions do exist within the county thereby establishing that the current curfew hours are later than is reasonable for public safety.

SECTION 2. The City-County Council hereby adopts public safety curfew hours, as established in Rev Code Sections 381-103 through 105.

SECTION 3. In compliance with Rev. Code Chapter 381, Section 105, the invocation of the public safety curfew hours shall expire one hundred twenty (120) days after this ordinance goes into effect.

SECTION 4. This ordinance shall be in effect from and after its passage by the Council and compliance with Ind. Code § 36-3-4-14.

The foregoing was passed by the City-County Council this _____ day of _____, 2026, at _____ p.m.

ATTEST:

Maggie A. Lewis
President, City-County Council

Yulonda Winfield
Clerk, City-County Council

Presented by me to the Mayor this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Yulonda Winfield
Clerk, City-County Council

Approved and signed by me this _____ day of _____, 2026.

Joseph H. Hogsett, Mayor