



Chuck Williams Named to Board of Public Works

January 9, 2008--Mayor Jon Costas has named Chuck Williams to the Board of Public Works and Safety, the board that oversees budgetary needs and requests for the city departments. "Chuck's experience in business and government, plus his extraordinary commitment to the city, all make him an excellent person to serve on this important board," said Costas. "We're fortunate to have his expertise," he said.

Williams joins Costas, City Utilities Director John Hardwick, and Clerk-Treasurer Sharon Swihart on the Board of Public Works & Safety. He replaces City Engineer David Pilz who chose to step down in order to create a more objective Board. "Because I was bringing a number of proposals before the city, I felt it was better for me to step away from the approvals process," said Pilz. "This was the best decision for good government," he said.

Williams is a former City Council member and Co-Chair of the council's Transportation Exploration Committee. He is owner and operator of Elegan Customwear, a Valparaiso business. A longtime Valparaiso resident, Williams holds a B.S. degree from Indiana University. The Board of Public Works & Safety meets the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 10:00 am at City Hall.