

Resolution 2026-38

A Resolution to Confirm the Mayor's Appoint of Dwayne Foster to the Planning Commission

WHEREAS, the New Castle City Code provides that the Mayor of the City of New Castle appoint nine members to the Planning Commission subject to confirmation by City Council, each for three year terms; and

WHEREAS, there is currently a vacated position on the Planning Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City Council proposes to confirm the appointment of, Dwayne Foster to complete the unfulfilled term of Reverend Aaron Moore, with that term ending on June 10th, 2028

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the City Council hereby appoints the following person to the Planning Commission:

Dwayne Foster- Planning Commission – Term Ending June 10th, 2028

PASSED this 8th day of September, 2026.

Suzanne Souder, City Council President

Joseph F. Day, III, Councilperson

Andrew Zeltt, Councilperson

Nermin Zubaca, Councilperson

Brian Mattaway, Councilperson

Attest:

Courtaney Taylor, City Clerk

Dwayne Foster

Candidate for commissioner of the City of New Castle Planning Commission

I have been a New Castle community member and local business owner with a strong interest in the continued growth, preservation, and vitality of the City of New Castle since 2020.

Through my work in the local business and hospitality community, I have developed practical experience in business operations, property use, community events, and working with residents and visitors.

I am passionate about maintaining the unique historic character of New Castle while supporting thoughtful economic development, vibrant public spaces, and opportunities that benefit both residents and local businesses.

Community & Professional Experience

- BBA in Business Management from Eastern Michigan University
- Local Business Owner / Operator — Experience managing day-to-day business operations, licensing, payroll, employees, vendors, customers, and community partnerships.
- Community Event Organizer — Experience developing and hosting events that bring residents, visitors, artists, and local organizations together.
- Former New Castle Senior Center Board Member 2023-2025
- Organizing committee for the New Castle Block Party (yearly in September)
- Former New Castle Historical Society Board Member 2023-2025
- Current Board Member of The Underground Arts Alliance - "exists to amplify the voices of independent artists by creating spaces to showcase music and art. From punk rock flea markets and DIY music shows to film screenings, comedy shows, art shows, and more! We foster a sense of community and build environments that encourage artists to grow, connect, and thrive by doing what they love within their own local spaces here in the first state." <https://www.undergroundartsalliance.org/>