



Department of
Community Investment

Redevelopment Commission Agenda Item

DATE: April 13, 2017
FROM: Michael Divita, Planner ^{MD}
SUBJECT: Project Budget for Western Avenue Streetscape Improvements

Staff requests approval of an additional project budget of \$2,875,000 from the River West Development Area for construction and related costs for Western Avenue streetscape improvements. The Commission approved an initial project budget of \$375,000 in June 2016 to cover engineering and preliminary construction costs.

As part of its implementation of the *West Side Main Streets Revitalization Plan*, the City of South Bend proposes to make continued streetscape improvements to Western Avenue to create an environment more inviting to commercial and residential investment. This project includes the four-block section of Western Avenue between Olive Street and Bendix Drive; this work would be consistent with the streetscape improvements completed between Bendix Drive and Dundee Street in 2015. The curbs, sidewalks, driveway approaches, and street pavement will be replaced. Street trees, other landscaping, and decorative lighting will be added, and new sections of water main and storm sewer will be installed. Lane striping adjustments and an expansion of the curb radii at the northwest corner of the Western and Olive intersection will better accommodate traffic, particularly turning trucks.

The Board of Public Works is scheduled to open bids on the project on April 25. Construction will begin this spring for completion in fall 2017.

INTERNAL USE ONLY: Project Code: 16JW01
Total Amount new/change (inc/dec) in budget: \$2,875,000 ; broken down by:
Acct # 324.1050.460.42.03 Amt: \$2,875,000 ; Acct # _____ Amt: _____ ;
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Going to BPW for Contracting? Y/N
Is this item ready to encumber now? Will be encumbered upon BPW approval
Existing PO# _____ Inc/Dec \$ _____

