



Department of
Community Investment

Memorandum

May 9, 2017

TO: Redevelopment Commission
FROM: Chris Dressel, Staff *CD*
SUBJECT: Request to Budget for City contribution to Portage Bridge Replacement

Staff requests approval of \$60,000 in funds from the River West TIF to assist with the replacement costs for the Portage Avenue Bridge over the former Norfolk Southern Railroad corridor.

The contribution of funds serves to beautify and outfit the bridge deck with a decorative rail and lighting plus install a wider sidewalk that accommodates more comfortable use by pedestrians and cyclists. These investments would serve to facilitate safer connections both to the existing Angela multiuse trail and adjacent Martin's Plaza while complimenting future streetscape improvements along the Portage Avenue corridor.

If you should have any questions or are in need of more information, please feel free to contact me at either cdressel@southbendin.gov or 235-5847.

INTERNAL USE ONLY: Project Code: 162008
Total Amount ^{new} change (inc/dec) in budget: \$160,000; broken down by:
Acct # 324.1050.460.42.02 Amt: 60,000; Acct # _____ Amt: _____;
Acct # _____ Amt: _____; Acct # _____ Amt: _____;
Going to BPW for Contracting? Y/N Is this item ready to encumber now? _____
Existing PO# _____ Inc/Dec \$ _____

