

Redevelopment Commission Agenda Item

DATE: December 11, 2018

FROM: Jitin Kain, Deputy Director, Public Works

SUBJECT: Budget Request – South Shore Preliminary Engineering & Airport Economic

Analysis

Which TIF? (Circle one) River West; River East; South Side; Douglas Road; West Washington

PURPOSE OF REQUEST: Funding request in the amount of \$260,900 for the next phase of engineering and economic analysis for the South Shore Station relocation. Part of this amount will be reimbursed by the South Bend International Airport to the Commission.

Specifics:

This project includes two separate studies to be conducted by AECOM in order to finalize the location of the new South Shore commuter line station in South Bend.

- 1. Downtown Option Refined Concept Design: This includes further engineering analysis to determine construction feasibility and project costs. This portion of the study is anticipated to cost \$180,900 and will include:
 - Outreach and coordination with Norfolk Southern, Canadian National, Amtrack, Freight carriers and NICTD
 - b. Survey to define topographic, geologic characteristics, land ownership
 - c. Assessment of bridge structures
 - d. Revised concept design and metrics
- 2. Assessment of Airport Cargo: The South Bend International Airport is considering a rail served intermodal cargo park adjacent to the airport and is interested in relocating the South Shore commuter line next to the cargo park. A consultant for the Airport is currently developing this cargo park master plan. The City and Airport will work together with AECOM to determine the economic impact of the cargo park. This portion of the study will cost \$80,000 and will look at:

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- a. Construction feasibility and costs for the cargo park
- b. Rail operation impact including travel time for the South Shore alignment.
- c. Economic impacts of the airport cargo park with various scenarios.

Staff requests approval of \$260,900 for the total of the two studies with the understanding that the South Bend International Airport will reimburse the Redevelopment Commission for the entirety of the airport economic analysis.

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Total Amount new/change (inc/dec) in budget:		get:	; Break down:	
Costs: Engineering Amt:		; Other P	; Other Prof Serv Amt	
Acquisition of Land/Bldg (circle one) Amt:		; Stre	; Street Const Amt	
Building Imp Amt; Sewers Amt		; Other (specify) Amt:		
		Going	g to BPW for Contracting?	Y/N
Is this item ready to end	cumber now?	Existing PO#	Inc/Dec \$	