RESOLUTION NO. 0002-2020

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH BEND APPROVING IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS AT THE **POTAWATOMI ZOO**

WHEREAS, the Board of Park Commissioners ("Board") of the City of South Bend, Indiana ("City") is authorized pursuant to Indiana Code §36-10-4 et seq., to administer, improve and lease City park property for purposes; and

WHEREAS, the Board, on behalf of the City, is the owner of certain real property and improvements located within the City commonly known as the Potawatomi Zoo ("Zoo"), which property is more particularly described on Exhibit A incorporated herein by reference and attachment; and

WHEREAS, The Board unanimously approved the renewal of a Lease and Management Agreement (the "Agreement") with the Potawatomi Zoological Society ("PZS"), effective January 1, 2019, for a term of fifteen (15) years to operate the Zoo; and

WHEREAS, the City commissioned a bond in the amount of \$3,500,000 for the benefit of certain capital improvement projects at the Zoo and the City continues to operationally subsidize Zoo operations; and

WHEREAS, the PZS underwent a public planning process resulting in a published Master Plan in 2015, which has guided many new capital investments, including most recently, a new Zoo front entrance, gift shop and educational facility; and

WHEREAS, in the Fall 2019 the PZS received reaccreditation by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums, a status earned by fewer than 10% of licensed facilities nationwide; and

WHEREAS, in accordance with its continued growth and master plan, the PZS desires to good him make certain capital improvements at the Zoo, including the addition of a giraffe exhibit and parking lot expansion, as described on Exhibit B, incorporated herein by reference and attachment ("Improvements"); and

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WHEREAS, Article 7.2 of the Agreement requires PZS to secure the prior written approval of the City for any capital improvement or alteration to the Zoo in excess of \$25,000; and

WHEREAS, representatives of the PZS and their contractors met on multiple occasions with the leadership team of the City's Departments of Venues Parks & Arts and Public Works inclusive of the Engineering Division, to discuss the PZS improvements for the giraffe exhibit and parking lot expansion; and

WHEREAS, the aforementioned City departments are supportive of the PZS's conceptual plans, noting PZS's contractual obligation to comply with all applicable local, state and federal laws, rules and regulations; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS OF THE CITY OF SOUTH BEND AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. In accordance with the requirements of Article 7.2 of the Agreement, the Board provides it express written approval to the PZS to advance the work on the Improvements as presented and outlined in Exhibit B.
- 2. The approval given above includes, but is not limited to, engineering and design, fundraising, permitting, construction, commissioning, operating and maintaining said Improvements.
- 3. The Improvements shall be funded by the PZA.
- 4. The PZA agrees as part of the Improvements to plant two (2) trees for every one (1) tree in excess of 4" diameter that is removed as a result of the Improvement projects; locations and species of trees are to be mutually agreed to by PZS and the City.
- 5. This Resolution will be in full force and effect upon its adoption by the Board.

ADOPTED at a meeting of the Board of Park Commissioners of the City of South Bend, Indiana, held on February 21, 2020, in the Event Room of Howard Park, at 301 South St. Louis Blvd., South Bend, Indiana 46617.

CITY OF SOUTH BEND BOARD OF PARK COMMISSIONERS

Mark Neal, President

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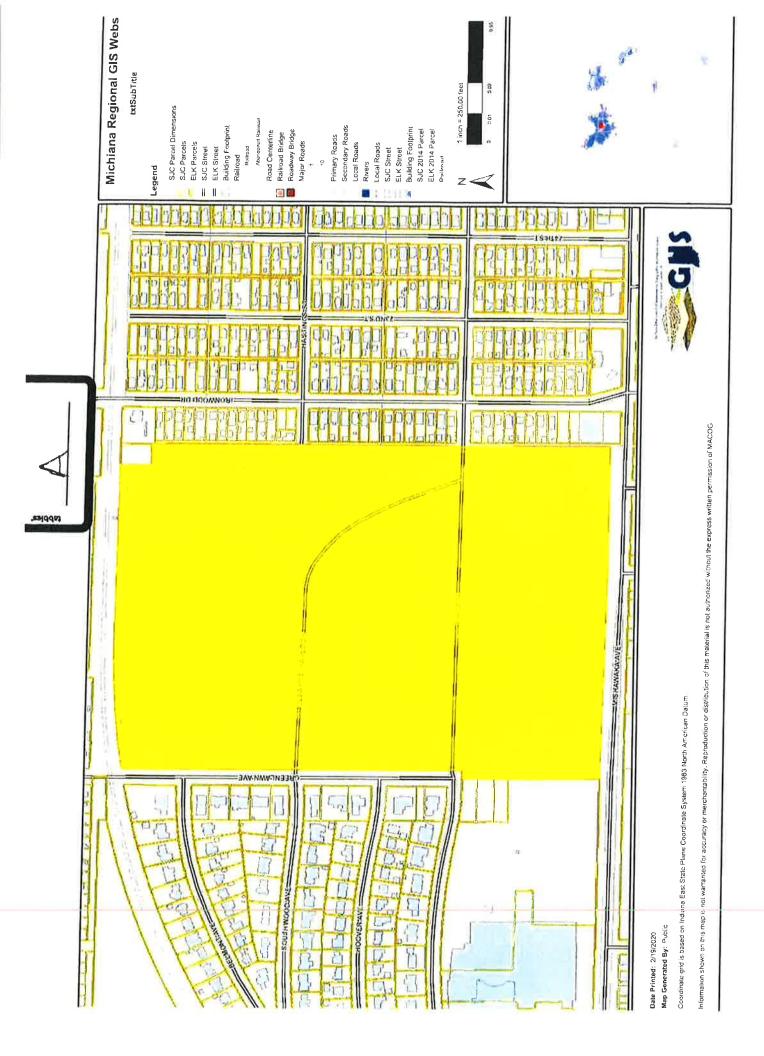
Dan Farrell, Member

ATTEST

Eva Ennis, Clerk

EXHIBIT A

Potawatomi Zoo



St. Joseph County

Property Information

Subject Property: 2105 E MISHAWAKA AVE, SOUTH BEND 46613

018-6126-451401

Parcel ID:

State ID: 71-09-07-476-002.000-026

Current Owner(s): CITY OF SOUTH BEND

Mailing Address: County City Bldg, South Bend IN 46601

Assessed Usage: EXEMPT PROPERTY OWNED BY A MUNICIPALITY

Township: SB Portage

Municipality: SOUTH BEND

Tax District: SB Portage

Property Assessment Information as of Last Assessment Date

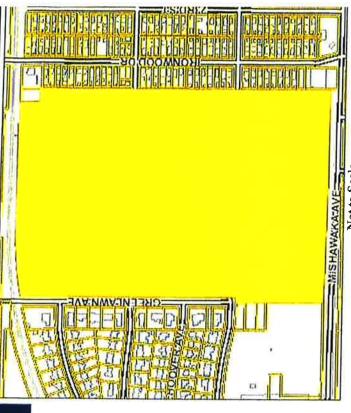
Land Value: \$0.00

Improved Value: \$0.00

Assessed Year: 2022

Acres: 58.94

Potawatomi Park & E 33' X 561.5' Of Vac Greenlawn Av Cont 62, 61ac+- 03/04 Vac Ord 9205-1 7/02 Legal Description:



Not to Scale

NO IMAGES AVAILABLE FOR THIS PROPERTY

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EXHIBIT B

PZS Improvements

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The Potawatomi Zoo's

