

Date of Memo: Current Meeting: Board Meeting: November 29, 2022 December 08, 2022 December 15, 2022

BOARD MEMORANDUM

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SUBJECT:	Consideration and approval of utility reimbursement agreements for Super Stops 2.0
FROM:	Project Manager Matt Duffy
THROUGH:	President/CEO Inez P. Evans
10:	Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC) Board of Directors

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ACTION ITEM A – 8

RECOMMENDATION:

It is requested that the Board authorize IPTC's President/CEO to execute Utility Reimbursement Agreements (URA's) with Citizens Energy Group (CEG) and AT&T Transmission to pay for relocation of utilities that are in conflict with the proposed Super Stops 2.0 design. Relocation estimates are \$538,600 and \$289,750, respectively. Relocating these utilities is necessary to successfully construct the remaining Super Stops.

BACKGROUND:

To speed up and enhance local service through the downtown area, and to secure operational efficiencies where multiple routes overlap, IPTC is proposing a series of Super Stops that will have many of the characteristics of bus rapid transit stations including near-level boarding, larger bus shelters, and longer platform areas that can serve two local buses at the same time. This project will construct six Super Stops near downtown, two each on Alabama Street, Ft. Wayne Avenue, and Vermont Street, and pavement resurfacing on Vermont Street between Indiana Avenue and Pennsylvania Street.

There are several locations where CEG and AT&T facilities are in conflict with the proposed design and need to be relocated to build the project as proposed. IPTC is responsible to pay for relocations within the public right of way pursuant to local ordinance.

DISCUSSION:

IPTC, together with the designer on the project, have made design modifications to eliminate or reduce relocations where possible, however, remaining relocations are unavoidable given the location of the utilities. The design team has also worked to understand if there are cost efficiencies to performing the relocation during construction and will coordinate activities as much as possible to save cost.

The URA's bind IPTC to reimburse CEG and AT&T for relocations that the utility agency's contractors perform according to an approved work plan. The utility agencies agree to perform relocations within a specified time and to a maximum agreed-upon cost.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Board could choose not to authorize execution of the URA's, however, the project cannot be constructed without the relocations. Any delay to the project may jeopardize the FTA grant funds that were awarded for the Super Stops 2.0 project.

FISCAL IMPACT:

This project is budgeted in 2023 through grant funds and the Capital Budget. IPTC was awarded an FTA Bus and Bus Facilities Grant of \$2,346,658 for construction of these Super Stops.

DBE/XBE DECLARATION:

There is no DBE/XBE goal for this work.

STANDING COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION:

This action will be reviewed by the Finance Committee on December 08, 2022.