

MID-STATES CORRIDOR RDA – 2019 ANNUAL REPORT

Pursuant to Ind. Code § 36-7.6-3-4, below is the 2019 Annual Report for the Mid-States Corridor Regional Development Authority (“RDA”).

Organizational History

- Approval of Formation of RDA by:
 - Dubois County – August 14, 2017
 - City of Huntingburg – August 22, 2017
 - City of Jasper – August 23, 2017
 - Spencer County – August 24, 2017
- Ratification of Appointment of RDA Board:
 - Dubois County – April 16, 2018
 - Spencer County – April 16, 2018
 - City of Jasper – April 16, 2018
 - City of Huntingburg – April 24, 2018
- Initial Organizational Meeting – May 11, 2018

Board Members and Officers

- Mark Schroeder – RDA Chairman (Chairman & CEO of German American Bancorp)
- Ken Mulzer, Jr. – RDA Vice Chairman (President of Mulzer, Inc.)
- Sue Ellspermann – RDA Secretary and Treasurer (President of Ivy Tech Community College)
- Scott Blazey – RDA Board Member (Attorney)
- David Drake – RDA Board Member (Retired Engineer)
- Bill Kaiser – RDA Legal Counsel (Dentons Bingham Greenebaum)

2019 Mid-States Corridor RDA Board Meetings

- February 1, 2019 – RDA Board Meeting
- April 19, 2019 – Special Meeting of RDA Board
- May 3, 2019 – RDA Board Meeting
- August 2, 2019 – RDA Board Meeting
- September 20, 2019 – RDA Board Meeting
- November 1, 2019 RDA Board Meeting

2019 Activity

- March 7, 2019 – RDA notified INDOT of the RDA’s selection of the Lochmueller Group to serve as the consultant for the Tier I EIS Study for the Mid-State Corridor Project.
- April 19, 2019 – RDA approved initial \$500,000 invoice received from INDOT. The amount of \$500,000 was agreed upon by the RDA and INDOT as the initial payment necessary to commence the Tier I EIS Study. Further payments will be made throughout the course of the project pursuant to the agreed upon schedule.

- \$500,000 payment was paid through private contributions to the RDA.
- April 30, 2019 – The RDA received final proposed scoping documents from the Lochmueller Group, and a proposed cost spreadsheet. The approximate cost of the Tier I EIS Study was estimated at \$6.8 million.
- May 2, 2019 – The Lochmueller Group commenced work.
- May 3, 2019 – The 2018 annual audit, prepared by State-contractor LWG, is presented to the RDA Board of Directors.
- May 15, 2019 – the INDOT Contracting Division completed the independent fee analysis and comparison made with the proposed fee of the Lochmueller Group. The RDA met with INDOT to review the INDOT contract analysis.
- May 24, 2019 – The RDA and INDOT accept the final Scope of Services and Fee Proposal from the Lochmueller Group.
- June 30, 2019 – The final execution of the contract is completed by all parties.
- July 1, 2019 – The RDA entered into a two year lease agreement with Vincennes University to lease space for a Project Office at a discounted rate of \$6,000 annually.
 - The lease results in an in-kind contribution of \$30,500 annually from Vincennes University.
- July 9 & 10, 2019 – Four regional issues meetings are conducted.
- August 2, 2019 – The RDA provided a financial update. Approximately one quarter of the expected private pledges to be invoiced in 2019 has been received.
- August 5, 6, & 8, 2019 – The RDA conducted three public meetings seeking input from constituencies potentially impacted by the Corridor Project.
- September 20, 2019 – The RDA Board received a \$1,650,000 invoice from INDOT for Q1 and Q2 expenses related to the Tier I EIS Study. The invoice was reduced by \$500,000 (initial deposit to INDOT by the RDA to commence work), and the remaining \$1,150,000 was approved for payment.
 - The entire payment was made using funds raised through private contributions.
- November 1, 2019 – The RDA reported that nearly all planned 2019 private contributions to the RDA had been received.
- November 1, 2019 – The RDA Board received Q4 Invoice
- December 31, 2019 – The RDA Board reported that, to date, the funding for the Tier I EIS Study totaled \$2,290,000. The entirety of the cost had been paid through private contributions.

2020 Meeting Dates

- February 7, 2020
- May 1, 2020
- August 7, 2020
- November 11, 2020