



To: BCTID Board of Trustees
From: Dan Corey, Director
Date: May 3, 2023
Re: Director's Report for May 2023 Board Meeting Packet

Below are the Projects, Properties, and Operation updates. New information is shown in **bold**.

1. Millikin – I-75 Interchange

Geometrics and Final Design – A Teams Meeting with ODOT Central Office and District 8 to go over the Interchange Geometrics was held on 3/2/23. The Interchange Geometrics was submitted to ODOT on 3/7/23. ODOT's review is expected to be completed during the week of 4/10/23. **Interchange Justification Study (IJS) Addendum was approved by FHWA. Design Team is addressing ODOT's comments and moving toward approval of the geometrics and soon starting the next design phase of the Project.**

R/W Phase – The R/W Phase is anticipated commencing in late summer 2023 if funding can be secured.

Partnership Meeting – Liberty Township, Butler County and the BCTID are discussing the local funding plan options that will need to be secured prior to applying for State and Federal Funds. This plan will ultimately be agreed to in the form of a three-party Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA).

2. North Hamilton Crossing (NHX)

Preliminary Engineering – A public involvement meeting was held on January 23rd, and the public comment period ended on March 12th. The Project Team felt that the public involvement effort was successful with 300+ participating in the in-person meeting and 880 participating in the virtual public meeting website. The website itself had 9,100 views. We had lots of public response with 35 comments from the in-person meeting and 11,176 online responses that included 611 comments/questions/suggestions. **A disposition of comments received through the public involvement period has been drafted and shared with the City/BCTID and ODOT. The DRAFT Feasibility Study was submitted to ODOT and is in review. After a meeting with ODOT on April 18th,**

recommendations are being finalized and the FINAL Feasibility Study will be submitted. A Stakeholder Meeting is being planned for June to provide an update on the project. It is anticipated that the project will be ready to move into the Alternative Evaluation Review phase in June/July.

Funding -. For the U.S. Department of Transportation application – Rebuilding American Infrastructure Sustainability Equity (RAISE) for 2023 was submitted on 2/27/23. The RAISE application for 2022 receive a “Highly Rated” designation from the Senior Review Team, however, no funds were awarded. An application was submitted in October for the Federal Rail Administration’s funding program called Railroad Crossing Elimination (RCE). The funding request was \$1,250,000. An application with the same type of request was submitted to Consolidated Rail Infrastructure and Safety Improvements (CRISI) in December. **An OKI STBG/CMAQ Application is being submitted for a roundabout on the western most portion of the Project at Northwest Washington Boulevard and North B Street.**

3. Properties

Park and Ride Property – The potential buyer is going through the due diligence period with a rezoning process. It has been discovered during the due diligence period that the property does not have access to public sewers. An acquisition of a private sewer easement to resolve this matter will be presented to the Board for their consideration. **A written offer and easement for was presented to the Grantor for the necessary sewer easement. The Grantor asked that the verbal offer be put in writing. Discussions are ongoing.**

4. Operations

Operations Budget – Attached is the Fund Summary for April and the Payment Listing, and Receipt Listing for the month or April.

Annual Audit – The BCTID CY2022 Annual Audit has been performed over the past month and will be issued soon.

Transportation Budget - Within HB 23 was three (3) TID amendments, which included the Butler County TID request (removing six words from ORC 5540.02(F)).

Next scheduled Board Meeting is June 12th, 2023