
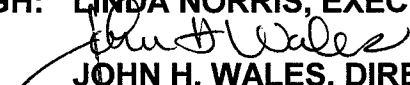


FOR AGENCY MEETING OF:
AGENDA ITEM NO.:

November 14, 2011
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TO: URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY BOARD
THROUGH:  LINDA NORRIS, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
FROM:  JOHN H. WALES, DIRECTOR
URBAN DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
SUBJECT: AUTHORIZATION FOR USE OF \$135,000 ON OPPORTUNITY FUNDS
TO ADD PEDESTRIAN SCALE LIGHTING TO EDGEWATER
PEDESTRIAN CROSSING PROJECT IN WEST SALEM URBAN
RENEWAL AREA

ISSUE:

Shall the Agency Board authorize the use of \$135,000 in Opportunity Funds from the West Salem Urban Renewal Area to add pedestrian scale lighting to the Pedestrian Crossing on Edgewater project?

RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the Agency Board authorize the use of \$135,000 in Opportunity Funds from the West Salem Urban Renewal Area (WSURA) to add pedestrian scale lighting to the Pedestrian Crossing on Edgewater project.

BACKGROUND:

The Pedestrian Crossing on the Edgewater project (also known as Edgewater Street Pedestrian Safety and Access) original conceptual project budget was approved by the West Salem Redevelopment Advisory Board (WSRAB) in February 2011 for Agency Board consideration in the FY11-12 budget. The original proposal included pedestrian scale lighting. However, in March 2011, WSRAB unanimously approved a change in the scope in the number of curb extensions (or bulbouts) from the original two intersection locations to four locations "with ADA access connections adjacent to the four bulbouts to the south curb of Edgewater to the multi-use path and existing sidewalks at the intersections of Kingwood, Gerth, McNary, and Patterson Streets." ¹ As a result of the increased cost from this modification, pedestrian scale lighting was eliminated from the project scope.

¹Taken from the *West Salem Pedestrian Safety and Access Project Proposal*

FACTS AND FINDINGS:

At their November 2, 2011, meeting, WSRAB considered a revised project proposal for \$135,000 for up to ten pedestrian scale lights along Edgewater from Kingwood to Patterson. The intent is to design and construct the pedestrian scale lighting simultaneously with the Edgewater bulbouts (Attachment A). Staff is expecting to complete the design for the Edgewater Street Pedestrian Safety and Access project in time to be bid in conjunction with the summer 2012 construction of downtown bulbouts.

The FY11-12 adopted budget includes an allocation for Opportunity Funds to be used for "potential acquisition of vacant or underutilized properties" within the WSURA. At this time, the WSRAB does not have any potential acquisitions identified. As a result, WSRAB unanimously recommended moving \$135,000 from the Opportunity Fund to the Pedestrian Safety and Access project to support the pedestrian lighting investment. This project is located within the West Salem Urban Renewal Area, and Section 705 of the West Salem Urban Renewal Plan allows for streetscape improvements.

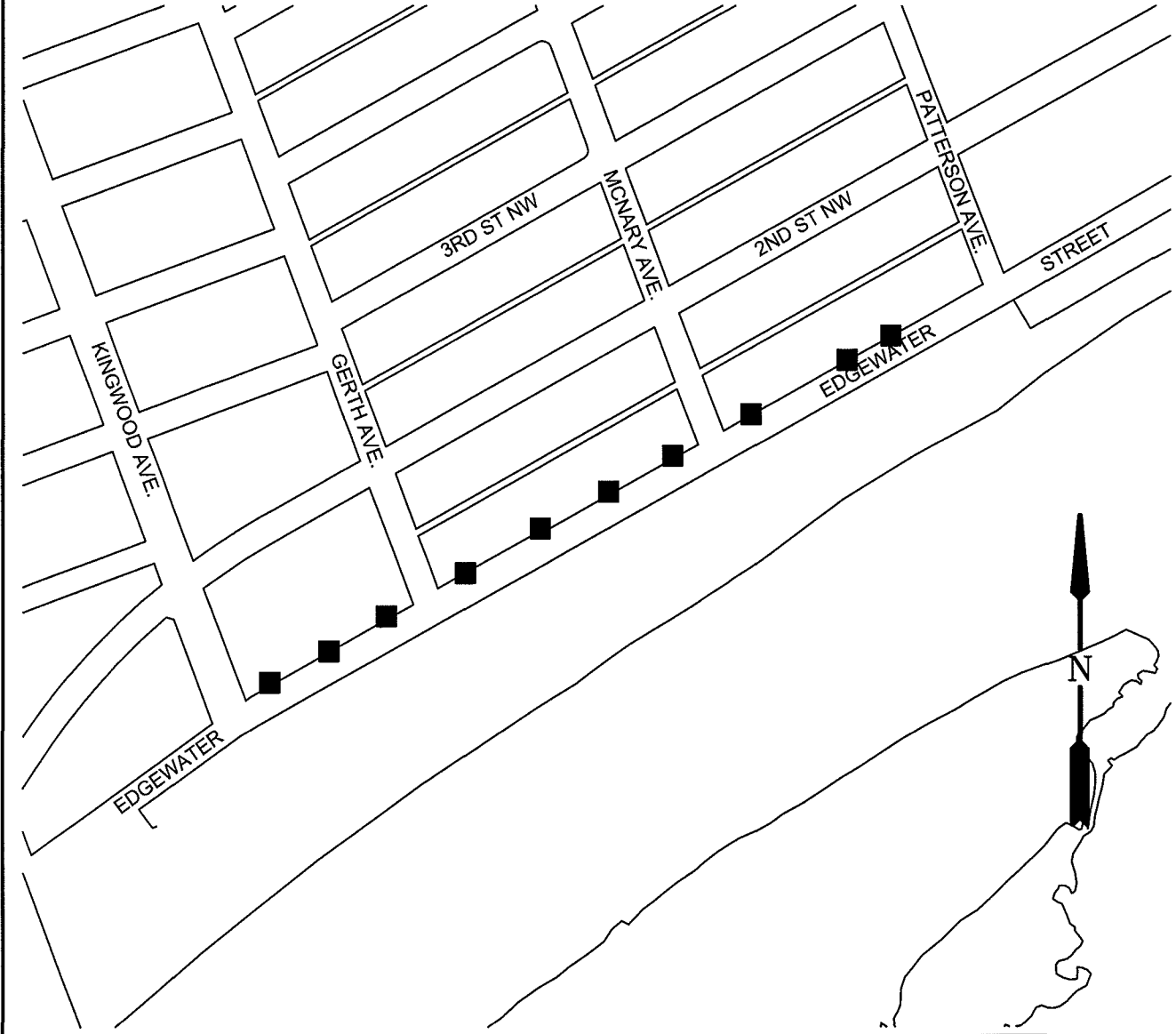
The Agency can authorize the transfer of funds between projects.

Attachment A: Map

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PROJECT AREA MAP

PEDESTRIAN SAFETY IMPROVEMENTS EDGEWATER ST PN 685016



■ PROPOSED PEDESTRIAN LIGHTING



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