

BOARD MEMORANDUM

Date of Memo: February 11, 2025 Board Meeting: February 20, 2025

TO: Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC) Board of Directors

THROUGH: President and CEO Jennifer Pyrz

FROM: Project Manager Rachel Wilson

SUBJECT: Consideration and approval of AES Streetlights Utility Relocation Agreements

ACTION ITEM A - 7

RECOMMENDATION:

It is recommended that the Board of Directors authorize the President and Chief Executive Officer to execute four Utility Relocation Agreements (URA's) with AES Indiana (AES) for an amount not to exceed a total of \$830,000 to relocate streetlights that are in conflict with the proposed Blue Line BRT design.

BACKGROUND:

Blue Line utility relocation coordination is underway. Work plans outlining the scope of work required for each impacted utility are near completion, and utilities are mobilizing in the field to complete the work ahead of or concurrently with IPTC's Blue Line construction schedule. AES streetlights are part of this utility relocation effort, and their work will be ongoing for the duration of the project.

DISCUSSION:

The Blue Line BRT project construction will impact existing streetlights along the Washington Street corridor causing them to be removed, relocated, or replaced. The work will be performed by AES, and all costs are reimbursable per agreements that AES has with the City of Indianapolis. There will be four URAs in total, grouped together based on geographic location along the corridor.

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 AES for relocations that the utility agency's contractors perform according to an approved work plan. The utility agency agrees to perform relocations within a specified time and to a maximum agreed-upon cost.

FISCAL IMPACT:

The cost of reimbursing AES for this work is part of the FTA Small Starts Capital Investment Grant project budget and was included in the capital budget appropriation for FY2025.

DBE/XBE DECLARATION:

DBE goals are not applicable to utility relocation work.