



Date of Memo: September 13, 2024  
Current Meeting: September 18 & 19, 2024  
Board Meeting: September 25, 2024

**BOARD MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Indianapolis Public Transportation Corporation (IPTC) Board of Directors  
**THROUGH:** President and Chief Executive Officer Jennifer Pyrz  
**FROM:** Senior Project Manager – Capital Facilities Projects Sarah Stentz  
**SUBJECT:** Consideration and approval of Contractor for 1501 Historic Masonry Repairs

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**ACTION ITEM A – 5**

**RECOMMENDATION:**

It is recommended that the Board of Directors authorize the President and Chief Executive Officer to award a contract to The Blakley Corporation, for a price of \$133,490 for the complete scope of masonry work on the Duesenberg portion of IPTC’s facility located at 1501 W. Washington Street.

**BACKGROUND:**

The historic Duesenberg portion of IPTC’s 1501 W. Washington Street property continues to age with the rest of the surrounding garage and administrative buildings. To keep with historic preservation standards as well as standard maintenance, this project will address exterior portions of the masonry to ensure continued life of the facility.

**DISCUSSION:**

This project will include the complete tuck pointing of all masonry of the Duesenberg portion of the facility located at 1501 W. Washington Street. In addition, the signage at the north end of the building will be repainted, as well as six courses of brick replaced along the length of the façade on Harding Steet. This project is anticipated to be completed by end of 2024.

**ALTERNATIVES:**

The Board could choose not to contract as recommended, however, delay of repairs to the masonry could potentially cost more in the future as they worsen in nature.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Federal funds available to IPTC for facility renovation/rehabilitation projects will be utilized for this procurement.

**DBE/XBE DECLARATION:**

Due to the specialized nature and limited pool of contractors providing historic building preservation services, there is no DBE participation for this procurement.

**STANDING COMMITTEE DISCUSSION/RECOMMENDATION:**

This action will be reviewed by the Finance Committee on September 18, 2024 and Service Committee on September 19, 2024.