RESOLUTION NO: <u>37</u> - 2017

RESOLUTION OF THE COLUMBUS REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION TO CONTRACT FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE JACKSON STREET PARKING GARAGE PEDESTRIAN TUNNEL PROJECT

Comes now the City of Columbus Department of Redevelopment, more commonly known as the City of Columbus Redevelopment Commission, and for this Resolution, says as follows:

WHEREAS, Indiana Code §36-7-14-1 *et seq*. provides that a community may establish a Department of Redevelopment to be controlled by a Redevelopment Commission; and

WHEREAS, the City of Columbus, through its Common Council, did on August 19, 2003 create the City of Columbus Department of Redevelopment and the City of Columbus Redevelopment Commission ("Redevelopment Commission") by way of Ordinance Number 25, 2003; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Commission is the owner of a parking garage located at the corner of Jackson and 4th Street, commonly known as the Jackson Street Parking Garage; and

WHEREAS, there is a walkway from the alley to the east of the parking garage through a covered area, known as a tunnel, into the parking garage proper; and

WHEREAS, this walkway is scheduled for renovation that has included the painting of a mural already in place and replacement of a floor; and

WHEREAS, the tunnel has considerable foot traffic as it connects Friendship Alley through the Garage and out to Jackson Street; and

WHEREAS, the tunnel could be improved for pedestrian and garage user access; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Commission believes it should undertake a renovation of said tunnel for the benefit of garage management, public safety and to enhance the user experience between Friendship Alley and the Garage; and

WHEREAS, the Redevelopment Commission engaged the services of Louis Joyner, Architect, to design the tunnel in a way that improves the pedestrians' experience by way of lighting, safety, storage, quality of space that is consistent with downtown architecture, complementing the bi-centennial mural installed in 2016 by Ivy Tech students, and fulfilling other needs of the parking garage management; and

WHEREAS, Louis Joyner has completed and prepared a design consistent with the requirements as outlined above.

IT IS NOW THEREFORE AGREED:

- 1. The City of Columbus Redevelopment Commission, having heard from Louis Joyner, Architect, Gary Thompson, REI, Garage Management Company, and Heather Pope, Redevelopment Director, does hereby find and conclude that the redesign plan of the pedestrian tunnel in the Jackson Street Parking Garage would improve the user experience, improve public safety and would be consistent with downtown design and architecture.
- 2. REI and the Redevelopment Director recommend to the Commission the acceptance of the Louis Joyner, Architect, plan.
- 3. Payment for this project will come from the Jackson Street Parking Garage Fund which has adequate sums available to cover this expenditure.
- 4. The Redevelopment Commission does hereby authorize the expenditure of a sum NOT TO EXCEED \$ 136,600 to be used to enter into contract negotiations with a contractor to be selected, and construct the improvements to the Pedestrian Tunnel in the Jackson Street Parking Garage.
- 5. The President of the Commission is hereby authorized to work with the Commission's counsel and execute any document necessary to commence the improvements to the Pedestrian Tunnel Project.

Adopted this day of October 2017.

Sarah Cannon, President

John Dorenbusch, Vice-President

Donald Trapp, Secretary