

RESOLUTION NO: 9 -2016

**RESOLUTION OF THE COLUMBUS REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
TO
FUND A RAILROAD IMPACT STUDY**

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 L&I rail line that traverses through the City of Columbus is expected to have a significant increase in rail traffic, speed and weight of trains in the next couple years and therefore causing an impact on the city with regard to public safety, economics and quality of life.

WHEREAS, a community committee was created at the request of the Mayor to study and understand these impacts and make suggestions on how to address the increased rail traffic concerns as it relates to public safety, economic and quality of life.

WHEREAS, on March 14, 2016 the committee issued a Request for Proposals for a firm to conduct a railroad impact study to assess the impact of the proposed changes in train frequency, speed, and weight from both economic, safety and travel time standpoints.

WHEREAS, the committee received four responses to its Request for Proposal and interviewed the top two ranking firms.

WHEREAS, after much consideration and deliberation between the committee members, the Community Railroad Project Committee would like to request funding for such study and engage the services of American Structurepoint Inc.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED:

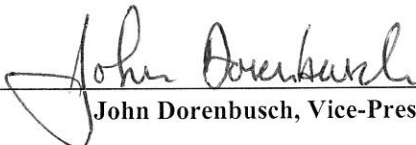
1. The City of Columbus Redevelopment Commission, by Commissioner Farooq and upon second by Commissioner Trap moved to follow the recommendations of the committee to engage the services of American Structurepoint Inc. to conduct a railroad impact study to assess the impact of the proposed changes in train frequency, speed, and weight from both economic, safety and travel time standpoints.

2. The Columbus Redevelopment Commission by Commissioner Roszczyk and upon second by Commissioner Farooq does hereby instruct the Redevelopment Director and Legal Counsel to enter into negotiations with same to develop a suitable contract to have said study completed in an amount NOT TO EXCEED one hundred twenty-five thousand dollars (\$125,000.00) with an anticipated delivery date in September 2016 and further included in the motion that the Working Committee consisting of John Dorenbusch, Dave Hayward, Heather Pope, Jeff Bergman and George Dutro act as the Commission's point of contact with the consultant with the explicit provision that the Working Committee shall have no authority to make any decisions for and on behalf of the Commission.
3. Upon the successful negotiations of said contract the Commission does hereby authorize its President, Sarah Cannon, to execute said contract for and on behalf of the Redevelopment Commission without the further need of a meeting.

Adopted this 4th day of May, 2016.



Sarah Cannon, President



John Dorenbusch, Vice-President



Donald Trapp, Secretary