

**RESOLUTION 2024-17**

**REQUESTING THE FOOD AND BEVERAGE TAX ADVISORY COMMISSION TO  
MAKE A RECOMMENDATION FOR EXPENDITURE OF FOOD AND BEVERAGE  
TAX REVENUES**

- WHEREAS, the City of Bloomington (“City”) and Monroe County (“County”) are collaborating on a project to expand the Monroe County Convention Center (the “Project”); and
- WHEREAS, a Capital Improvement Board (“CIB”) was established in July 2023 by the County through adoption of County Commissioner Ordinance 2023-24 for the purpose of managing and directing the affairs of the Project; and
- WHEREAS, the City and the County have since executed an Interlocal Cooperation Agreement (“Agreement”) for the operation of the CIB and the Convention and Visitors Commission; and
- WHEREAS, in the Agreement, the City and County agreed that, during the Project design and construction period, the CIB has authority to determine its budget solely with the Common Council, using City food and beverage tax revenues or any other city-designated funds needed to pay for the hiring/retention of relevant support staff; and
- WHEREAS, Indiana Code § 6-9-41-15 requires that the City develop a written plan before December 1 of each year that includes, among other things, the proposed use of food and beverage tax funds for the upcoming calendar year; and
- WHEREAS, according to Indiana Code § 6-9-41-15, “money deposited in the city food and beverage tax receipts fund may be used only to finance, construct, operate, or maintain a convention center, a conference center, or related tourism or economic development projects;” and
- WHEREAS, according to Indiana Code § 6-9-41-16(b), the Common Council, as legislative body of the City, “must request the advisory commission's recommendations concerning the expenditure of any food and beverage tax funds”; and
- WHEREAS the CIB has submitted a proposed 2025 budget, attached hereto as Exhibit A, for the Common Council’s review and approval;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BLOOMINGTON, MONROE COUNTY, INDIANA, THAT:

SECTION 1. The Common Council, under Indiana Code § 6-9-41-16(b), hereby requests the Food and Beverage Tax Advisory Commission to consider and adopt written recommendations regarding the CIB’s proposed 2025 budget to be funded from the City’s portion of food and beverage tax revenues.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the Common Council of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 04 day of September, 2024.



ISABEL PIEDMONT-SMITH, President  
Bloomington Common Council

ATTEST:



NICOLE BOLDEN, Clerk  
City of Bloomington

PRESENTED by me to the Mayor of the City of Bloomington, Monroe County, Indiana, upon this 06 day of September, 2024.



NICOLE BOLDEN, Clerk  
City of Bloomington

SIGNED and APPROVED by me upon this 6<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2024.



KERRY THOMSON, Mayor  
City of Bloomington

#### SYNOPSIS

This resolution is a request from the Common Council for the Food and Beverage Tax Advisory Commission to recommend expenditures of food and beverage tax revenues toward a 2025 budget for the Capital Improvement Board.

Distributed to: Clerk, Capital Improvement Board, Controller, Interim Council Attorney, Legal, and Mayor.

Monroe County Capital Improvement Board  
2025

				Total	Other	
Category 1 - Personnel Services				0	Testing & Environmental	200,000
					Commissioning	60,000
Category 2 - Supplies				1,000	Utility Connections	<u>100,000</u>
					Total	<u><u>360,000</u></u>
Category 3 - Services						
Professional Fees-Internal	Legal	144,900				
	Controller	71,500	216,400			
Professional Fees - External	Owner's Rep		320,000			
Website			2,000			
Other*			360,000			
Category 4 - Capital				<u>0</u>		
Total				<u><u>899,400</u></u>		

# **Monroe County Capital Improvement Board**

## **2025 BUDGET MEMORANDUM**

**To: Members of the City of Bloomington Common Council**

**From: John Whikehart, President**

**Eric Spoonmore, Treasurer**

**Jeffrey Underwood, Controller/Assistant Treasurer**

**Re: 2025 Budget**

We are pleased to present the 2025 budget for your review. In coordination with the Council and Administration we seek a resolution from the Council on September 4, 2024. Upon your approval we would then work with the City Council and Administration to submit the request to the Monroe County Food & Beverage Tax Advisory Council for their review and recommendation. Assuming a positive recommendation we would then seek formal adoption of our request along with the City's 2025 budget.

The total proposed budget is \$899,400 broken down as follows"

Category 1 – Personnel Services:	\$0
Category 2 – Supplies:	\$1,000
Category 3 – Services:	\$898,400
Category 4 – Capital	\$0

Much of this request is contained in Category 3 – Services:

Professional Services-Internal includes services that would be provided by the Board's Attorney and Controller as follows:

Legal	144,900
Controller	71,500

Professional Services-External includes services such as Owner's Representative as follows:

Owner's Rep	320,000
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"Other" includes services such as, but not limited to, design and maintenance of Website, Testing and Environmental services, Commissioning and Utility Connection fees as follows:

Website	1.000
Testing & Environmental	200,000
Commissioning	60,000
Utility Connections	100,000

We are happy to answer your questions and thank you for your consideration of our request.