

**Enrolled Minutes of the Thirteenth Regular Meeting or Special Meeting
For the Thirtieth Highland Town Council Regular Plenary
Business Meeting (In person) Monday, July 8, 2024**

The Thirtieth Town Council of the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana met in its regular plenary session on Monday, July 8, 2024 at 6:30 O'clock P.M. in the regular place, the Highland Municipal Building, 3333 Ridge Road, Highland, Indiana.

*This meeting was convened as an in person meeting and lived streamed to the Town of Highland Facebook. Facebook permits the public to observe and record the proceedings but allows no interaction between and among the Town Council and members of the public. The public is able to participate in person. Councilor Doug Turich, Councilor Alex Robertson, Councilor Tom Black and Councilor Philip Scheeringa all participated in person. Councilor Georgeff was absent.

Pursuant to HMC Section 2.05.130(A)(2), the Town Council considered and reviewed the agenda in an informal proceeding in the plenary meeting room before the president called the meeting to order.

The Town Council President Philip Scheeringa presided over the meeting. The Town Clerk-Treasurer, Mark Herak, was present to memorialize the proceedings. The meeting was opened with Councilor Doug Turich reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America and offering a prayer.

Roll Call: Present on roll call were Councilors Doug Turich, Alex Robertson, Thomas Black, Philip Scheeringa were present. Councilor Georgeff was absent. Clerk-Treasurer, Mark Herak was also present. A quorum was attained.

Additional Officials Present: Alex Brown, CPRP, Superintendent of Parks and Recreation; Metropolitan Police Chief Ralph Potesta; John Reed, Attorney with Abrahamson, Reed & Bilse; Redevelopment Director Maria Becerra; Mike Pipta, Fire Chief; Ed Dabrowski, Director of Information Technology, Kenneth J. Mika, Building Commissioner, Mark Knesek, Public Works Director were present.

Guests: Theresa Badovich (remotely) and Robin Carlascio (remotely) of the Idea Factory were also present.

Minutes of the Previous Meetings: The minutes of the June 24, 2024 Plenary meeting were approved by general consent.

Special Orders:

1. **Consideration of Proposed Additional Appropriations:** (controlled and non-controlled funds): Proposed Additional Appropriations in Excess of the 2024 Budget for the Corporation General Fund in the amount of \$19,000.

(a) Attorney verification of Proofs of Publication: The TIMES 26 June 2024.



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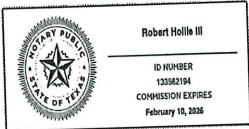
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State of Texas
County of Bexar



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Notary Public

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TOWN OF HIGHLAND
NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS OF PROPOSED ADDITIONAL
APPROPRIATIONS

Notice is hereby given the taxpayers of the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana, that the Town Council of said Municipality in said Municipal Building, 3333 Ridge Road, at 6:30 p.m. on the 8th day of July 2024, will consider the following additional appropriations in excess of the budget for the current year in the following funds:

General Fund	
Acct. 1101-0009-111.32 General Fund - OPO Seat Belt/OWI	\$19,000.00
Total 100 Series:	\$19,000.00
TOTAL for the FUND:	<u>\$19,000.00</u>

Funds to support these additional appropriations in the General Fund shall be supported by miscellaneous revenue, unreserved unobligated fund balance on deposit to the credit of the fund.
Taxpayers appearing at such meeting shall have a right to be heard thereon. The additional appropriations, as finally made, will be filed with the Department of Local Government Finance, for its review. The Department of Local Government Finance shall make a written determination of the sufficiency of funds within fifteen days of receipt of a certified copy of the action taken.
TOWN COUNCIL of HIGHLAND
Philip Scheeringa, President

By: Mark Herak
Clerk-Treasurer
6/26 - 108004

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(b) **Public Hearing:** There were no comments from the public

c) Action on **Appropriation Enactment No. 2024-13:** An Enactment Appropriating Additional Moneys in Excess of the Annual Budget for the **Corporation General Fund**, all pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-18, and I.C. 36-5-3-5

Councilor Turich introduced and moved for the consideration of Appropriation Enactment No. 2024-13 at the same meeting of its introduction. Councilor Robertson seconded. Upon a roll call vote, a unanimous vote being necessary, there were four (4) affirmatives and no negatives. The motion passed. The enactment could be considered at the same meeting of its introduction.

Councilor Turich moved for the passage adoption of Appropriation Enactment No. 2024-13 at the same meeting of its introduction. Councilor Black seconded. Upon a roll call vote, a two-thirds vote being necessary, there were four (4) affirmatives and no (0) negatives. The motion passed. The enactment was passed and adopted upon the signature of the municipal executive at the same meeting of its introduction.

**Town of Highland
Appropriation Enactment
Enactment No. 2024-13**

AN ENACTMENT APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL MONIES IN EXCESS OF THE ANNUAL BUDGET for the GENERAL FUND ALL PURSUANT TO I.C. 6-1.1-18, and I.C. 36-5-3-5.

WHEREAS, Following a public hearing advertised pursuant to I.C. 5-3-1, it has been determined that it is now necessary to appropriate more money than was appropriated in the annual budget for the **Corporation General Fund**;

WHEREAS, It has been determined that such additional appropriations as may be approved by this enactment, will not increase the levies set under I.C. 6-1.1-17, all pursuant to I.C. 36-5-3-5;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ENACTED by the Town Council of the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana, as follows:

Section 1. That for the expenses of said municipality, the following additional sums of money are hereby appropriated and ordered set apart out of the **General Fund** herein named and for the purposes herein specified, subject to the laws governing the same:

GENERAL FUND

Acct. No. 1101-0009-111.32 General Fund- OPO/Seat Belt/OWI \$19,000.00

Total 100 Series: \$19,000.00

Fund Total: \$19,000.00

Section 3. That the Clerk-Treasurer is hereby authorized and instructed to inform the Department of Local Government Finance of this action and that these monies be made available for expenditure pursuant to I.C. 6-1.1-18.

Section 4. That in satisfaction and for the purposes of the provisions set out in I.C. 36-5-2-9.6, I.C. 36-5-3-5, I.C. 36-5-4-2, this enactment shall be deemed properly filed and introduced before the Town Council at a regular or special meeting, properly called and convened pursuant to I.C. 5-1.5-14 *et seq.*

Introduced and Filed on 8th day of July 2024. Consideration on same day or at same meeting of introduction sustained a vote of 4 in favor and 0 opposed, pursuant to IC 36-5-2-9.8.

DULY ORDAINED AND ADOPTED this 8th Day of July 2024, by the Town Council of the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana, having been passed by a vote of 4 in favor and 0 opposed.

TOWN COUNCIL of the TOWN of
HIGHLAND, INDIANA

Philip Scheeringa, President (IC 36-5-2-10)

ATTEST:

Mark Herak
Clerk-Treasurer (IC 33-42-4-1; IC 36-5-6-5)

Comments from the Public or Visitors:

Larry Kondrat, Highland, inquired about the Community Block Grant Funds for the years 2025, 2026 and 2027. He wanted to know what projects had the Town of Highland used the funds previously awarded. He also wanted to know how much money the Town will received. He was advised roughly \$102,000. He then wanted to know if that was every year? He was advised that it was a one (1) time allotment.

Councilor Black responded that the Town used the money to help make the Town more ADA compliant with projects like changing the corner into handicap accessible and for reconstruction of streets that the residents income qualify as low to moderate.

He added that the money doesn't necessarily have to be used for low or moderate income projects.

The Clerk-Treasurer advised Mr. Kondrat that tonight's action was to renew the agreement for the next three (3) years but not choosing a project. The selection process will take place later in the year.

Public Works Director Knesek said that the Town will submit a project this year for construction next year. The funding will begin in 2025.

Staff Reports: The following staff reports were received and filed.

Building Report June, 2024

PERMIT TYPE	#	Res.	Comm.	Est. Cost	Fee Collected
Commercial Buildings	0			\$ -	\$ -
Comm. Additions/Remodel	4		4	\$ 123,604.00	\$ 2,320.50
Signs	2		2	\$ 2,488.00	\$ 232.50
Single Family	1	1		\$ 373,490.00	\$ 6,514.50
Duplex/Condo	0			\$ -	\$ -
Residential Additions	1	1		\$ 440,000.00	\$ 306.00
Residential Remodeling	67	67		\$ 801,838.00	\$ 18,336.00
Concrete/Asphalt/Flatwork	14	14		\$ 158,700.00	\$ 3,970.50
Garages	1	1		\$ 33,000.00	\$ 834.00
Sheds	2	2		\$ 11,015.00	\$ 381.00
Decks & Porches	5	5		\$ 37,899.00	\$ 1,191.00
Fences	14	14		\$ 79,432.00	\$ 2,667.00
Above/In ground pools	6	6		\$ -	\$ 324.00
Drain Tile/Waterproofing	4	4		\$ 39,440.00	\$ 1,042.50
Misc:Perg(1); Demo(1); Rd. Cut(3)	5	5		\$ 17,697.00	\$ 1,032.00
Total Building Permits	126	120	6	\$ 2,118,603.00	\$ 39,151.50
Electrical Permits	19	17	2	\$ -	\$ 2,718.00
Mechanical Permits	19	17	2	\$ -	\$ 2,252.00
Plumbing Permits	23	21	2	\$ -	\$ 3,460.80
Water Meters	2	1	1	\$ -	\$ 817.60
Water taps	1	1		\$ -	\$ 200.00
Sewer/Storm Taps	3	3		\$ -	\$ 900.00
Total Plumbing Permits	29	26	3	\$ -	\$ 5,378.40

June 2024 Code Enforcement: 130 Investigations, 73 Warnings & 6 Citations were issued.
 Inspections done for the month of June 2024 were as follows: 38 Building Inspections,
 21 Plumbing Inspections, 7 HVAC and 15 Electrical Inspections. There were 2 Electrical Exams given.

Submitted By:


 Kenneth J. Mika

2024
 TOWN OF HIGHLAND INJURIES FOR THE MONTH
JUNE

CASE	DATE OF INJURY	DEPARTMENT	DESCRIPTION	Record Only	OSHA	Not OSHA	Filed with
				No Med Treatment	Recordable	Recordable	WC Insurance
RO5	6/21/24	Redevelopment	Emp was walking up the stairs and tripped up the stairs. Inj R hip,knee & ankle	X		X	X

RO = Record Only

DEPT	2024		2023	2024		RESTRICTED	LOST DAYS
	INJURIES	YEAR TO		RESTRICTED	LOST DAYS		
	THIS MONTH	DATE	Total Injuries Last Year	DAYS THIS YEAR	THIS YEAR	DAYS 2023	2023
PARK & REC				4	56	8	219
FIRE			1				
POLICE		2	6			80	66
STREET		1					
WATER SEWER		1	1				
MAINTENANCE							
REDEV	1	1					
TOTALS	1	5	8	4	56	88	285

Effective January 1, 2002 OSHA changed the recordkeeping guidelines. We now count the number of days lost from the day after the injury until the employee returns to work. Weekends, holidays, vacation days or other days scheduled off are included in the lost days count to a maximum of 180 days

Communications: Hazard Waste Day -July 27 from 9:00 to 2:00 at the Highland Public Works Facility
Highland Rotary Corn Roast – August 2, 2024 at Main Square
Main Street Bureau Restaurant Crawl – July 30th from 4:00 to 9:00

Appointments:

- **Statutory Boards and Commissions**
Executive Appointments (May be made in meeting or at another time)

Regional Statutory Commissions or Boards

1. **Waterworks Board of Directors:** (1) appointment to be made by Town Council President. *(Note: Formerly held by Curt Schroeder (D), term ending 1st Monday January 2025). Current composition of the board is two Republicans and two Democrats. No more than three of any one party under state law.*

Home Rule Boards and Commissions

2. **Shared Ethics Advisory Commission.** (1) appointment to be made by Town Council President. *(Note: Fill vacancy made by resignation of Rev. Tim Huizenga.) (Made pursuant to Article 5, Subdivision (A) of the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement Establishing the Shared Ethics Entity. Qualifications are to be persons who live work or hold property in the county. Further persons appointed must be of good character and not hold any positions within the local government.)*

Legislative Appointments

Regional Statutory Commissions or Boards

Home Rule Commissions

1. **Main Street Bureau Board:** (17) appointments to be made by the Town Council. Term: Two years ending 1 Jan 2025. *There are currently 13 of the 17 in place and serving. Currently serving are Rhonda Bloch, Teri Yovkovich, Renee Reinhart, Alex Robertson, Diane Barr-Roumbus, James Roumbus Sandy McKnight, Al Simmons, Ben Reinhart, Sandy Ray, Kathy Smailis, Ben Tomera and Laura Pilewski.*
2. **Community Events Commission Multi-year positions:** (4) appointments to be made by the Town Council. Term: 4 years. *(Note: Currently vacant)*

Single year positions: (9) appointments to be made by the Town Council. Term: 1 year. There are currently 5 of the 9 in place and serving. (Note: Currently serving, Jack Rowe, Linda Carter, Rachael Carter, Kathy Burke and Olga Briseno)

General Orders and Unfinished Business: None

New Business:

1. **Resolution No. 2024-14:** A Resolution Authorizing the Town of Highland, Indiana to Enter into an Agreement with the County of Lake, Indiana in Undertaking Community Development Activities for Fiscal Years 2025, 2026 and 2027

Councilor Robertson moved the passage and adoption of Resolution No. 2024-14.
Councilor Black seconded.

Discussion: Tameka Polk, representing the Lake County Community Economic Development Department was present to answer any questions the Council might have and thanked the Council for renewing the agreement.

Upon a roll call vote, there were four (4) affirmatives and no (0) negatives. The motion passed. The resolution was adopted.

**Town of Highland
TOWN COUNCIL RESOLUTION NO. 2024-14**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING the TOWN of HIGHLAND, INDIANA to ENTER INTO an AGREEMENT with the COUNTY of LAKE, INDIANA in UNDERTAKING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES

Whereas, The Town of Highland, Indiana is interested in a program of Community Development; and

Whereas, It is necessary for the Town of Highland, to obtain funds to achieve such goals and objectives as provided by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 as amended; and

Whereas, Said Act encourages municipalities to enter into Cooperation Agreements with the County regarding said Act; and

Whereas, The County of Lake has expressed its desire to qualify as an Urban County under the provisions of the aforesaid Act,

NOW, THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED by the Town Council of the Town of Highland, County of Lake , Indiana as follows:

Section 1. That the cooperation agreement for the purpose of undertaking essential community development activities as a participating unit of general local government for a term of three (3) years covering the **Federal fiscal years 2025, 2026 and 2027**, by and between the County of Lake, State of Indiana through its Board of Commissioners and the Town of Highland, by its Town Council is hereby approved in each and every respect;

Section 2. That the President of the Town Council is hereby authorized and directed to evidence this approval by entering into the agreement with the County of Lake, State of Indiana, for the purpose of undertaking essential community development activities as a participating unit of general local government, a copy of which Agreement is attached hereto, incorporated herein by reference and identified as "*FY 2025-2027 Cooperation Agreement.*"

Passed and Duly Adopted by the Town Council, Lake County, Indiana this 8th day of July 2024. Having been approved by a vote of 4 in favor and 0 opposed.

**TOWN COUNCIL of the TOWN of
HIGHLAND, INDIANA**

Philip Scheeringa, President (IC 36-5-2-10)

Attest:

Mark Herak
Clerk-Treasurer (IC 33-42-4-1;IC 36-5-6-5)



Executive Director
Timothy A. Brown

**LAKE COUNTY
COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

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June 26th, 2024

To: Mayors, Clerk-Treasurers, Town Council Presidents and City and Town Council Members

Re: Renewal of Three-Year Agreements with the Lake County Community Economic Development Department for all 16 City and Town Partners and Notification of Opportunity to Terminate Agreement

Fr: Tim Brown 

The time has arrived again to renew our relationship in using Community Development Block Grant Funds for the next three years starting in September of 2025 to end of August 2028. The purpose of this memo is to provide each of our community partners with the Renewal Agreement, Resolution and Opt-Out Letter.

The three year agreements are the same as has been used before. The CDBG funding formula is dependent upon the Federal Budget processes and timeline. For FY2024 there was a slight increase to CDBG funds that only eliminated the last four years of lower CDBG funding levels. Annually LCCEDD allots \$715,000.00 to CDBG Community and County Projects and this level of funding has remained intact for over 6 years regardless of lower federal CDBG allotments. Allotments are determined by population size and a minimum base rate for all participants.

The LCCEDD staff are here to help each of our partners succeed in helping their residents using the available grants and funds. Your Clerk/Treasurer has been given the necessary resolution and agreement to extend our partnerships thru August of 2028. We hope to see you at an upcoming meeting in July.

Lake County is considered an Urban County, one of two in the state of Indiana. The enclosed agreement is required to be sent into HUD by all participating communities in the County. If your community wishes to Terminate our relationship send in a signed Termination Letter. Partner communities wishing to terminate participation will not receive CDBG funding for the three-year renewal period.

Thank you.

**FY 2025 – 2027
COOPERATION AGREEMENT**

This Agreement, entered into this 8th day of July, 2024, by and between the County of Lake, Indiana, hereinafter referred to as the "County", and the Town of Highland hereinafter called "Municipality".

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Congress of the United States has enacted the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended to date (hereinafter referred to as the "Act"). This Act creates the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program which has as its primary goals the funding of activities which benefit low and moderate income households or, prevent or eliminate slums or blight or, meet other community development needs having a particular urgency because

existing conditions pose a serious and immediate threat to the health and welfare of the community where other financial resources are not available to meet such needs; and

WHEREAS, both the Municipality and the County are desirous of entering into community development activities within the County of Lake which are directed toward said goals and are desirous of seeking such Federal funding as may be available to them, pursuant to the Act, and

WHEREAS, municipalities and counties in Indiana have authority to enter into agreements whereby a County may undertake, and is authorized by a Municipality, to exercise any power, perform any function, or render any service on behalf of a Municipality, which such Municipality may exercise, perform or render; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality and the County each have authority to carry out the kinds of activities which are the objectives of the Act pursuant to statutes of the Indiana Revised Code; and

WHEREAS, the Municipality and the County have agreed that it is in the best interest of their constituents that the objectives and goals of the Act be carried out within the County of Lake and that the Municipality and the County should join together in community development activities;

NOW THEREFORE IN CONSIDERATION of the provisions hereinbefore and herein after contained, it is mutually agreed as follows:

1. The term of this agreement shall commence September 1, 2025 (the County's FY 2025 CDBG funding year), terminating on August 31, 2028 (completion of the County's FY 2027 funding year). This Agreement shall include such additional time as may be required for the expenditure of CDBG and Home Investment Partnership Program (HOME) funds and program income, if any, granted to the participating unit of local government during the three year qualification period under this agreement are expended and the funded activities completed, subject to the limitations of ITEM 16 of this Agreement.

Neither the County nor the participating unit of general local government may terminate or withdraw from the agreement while the agreement remains in effect. This Agreement may only be terminated by either party to the Agreement if the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development fails to provide Community Development funds to Lake County, Indiana under the Urban County provisions of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, for Federal fiscal years FY25, FY26 and FY27.

2. The Municipality and the County shall cooperate in undertaking, or assisting in undertaking, essential community development and housing assistance activities, specifically, those activities authorized by the Indiana Revised Code 36-7.

3. The Municipality hereby authorizes the County to undertake and assist the Municipality in carrying out all of the essential activities and objectives of the Act as set forth in the Federal Register, Volume 30, Number 220, Part III, dated November 13, 1974, and its subsequent revisions, incorporated herein by reference, and all applicable State and Local laws. All activities carried out under this agreement are under the jurisdiction of the Lake County Community Economic Development Department as administrated by the Lake County Redevelopment Commission.

4. The County shall prepare and submit applications to the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for grants under the terms of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, and the National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, as amended to date. These applications shall set forth a Statement of Community Development Objectives, Projected use of Funds and the Consolidated Plan shall hereinafter together be called the "Plan".

5. The Municipality may prepare recommended community development projects and activities within its boundaries. These projects and activities must be in accordance with the goals and objectives of the Act, and must be eligible for funding under the Act. It is understood between the parties that the County is required to administer the program, and it is further understood that the County shall have the responsibility for making the final decisions regarding the distribution of funds and the selection of activities. It is the stated intent of the County that any CDBG Entitlement funds provided under the Urban County Program are to be distributed fairly and on an equitable basis amongst all of the non-entitlement cities and towns, which are participating in the Urban County Program. It is the further intent of Lake County that each Municipality participating in Urban County Community Development Program shall receive funding for some project, or activity, which is eligible under the Act, and meets the goals of the Act. It is also further understood that the Act places emphasis on urban areas in providing for the distribution of Urban County formula projects.

6. If projects or activities within the Municipality are approved and funded, pursuant to the application, the County may permit the Municipality to implement those portions of the plans which are to take place within its boundaries, or the County may implement all portions of the Plan. The parties acknowledge that, the County will have the responsibility and authority for the overall implementation of the program, and for the proper use of the Urban County formula in accordance with the requirements of the Act.

7. The County shall develop a uniform administration procedure for the development of the application and the distribution of Community Development funds. These procedures will of necessity reflect the requirements of the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development and the regulations which the Secretary may develop for the distribution and expenditure of Urban County formula funds.

8. The Municipality authorizes the County to do on behalf of the Municipality in accordance with the conditions of this agreement, all things which the Municipality could do for itself in the making of the application for, and the expenditure of, Urban County funds.

9. The Municipality and the County have adopted, and are enforcing, a policy prohibiting the use of excessive force by law enforcement agencies within their jurisdiction against any individuals engaged in non-violent civil rights demonstrations; and a policy of enforcing applicable State and local laws against physically barring entrance to, or exit from a facility or location which is the subject of such non-violent civil rights demonstrations within jurisdictions.

10. The County and the Municipality agree to cooperate to undertake, or assist in undertaking, community renewal and lower-income housing assistance activities pursuant to this Agreement. The Parties further agree that they will take all necessary actions to assure compliance with the urban county's certification under Section 104(b) of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended to date, including Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, the Fair Housing Act to affirmatively further fair housing, Title VIII of the Civil Rights Act of 1968, Section 109 of Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended to date which incorporates Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Development Act of 1973 and the Age Discrimination Act of 1975, and other applicable laws which may apply. The parties further agree that the county shall not fund any activity which is in, or in support of, any cooperating unit of general local government that does not affirmatively further fair housing with the jurisdiction of its local government, or that impedes the County's actions to comply with its fair housing certification.

11. The Municipality agrees to comply with all applicable regulations, laws, notices and other requirements of HUD now, or hereafter in effect, pertaining to the CDBG Entitlement Program and the HOME Program. The Municipality further understands that noncompliance by the municipality can provide cause for funding sanctions or other remedial actions by the County, and or, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

12. Pursuant to the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015, Pub. L. 113-235, a unit of general local government may not sell, trade, or otherwise transfer all or any portion of such funds to a metropolitan city, urban county, unit of general local government, or Indiana tribe, or insular area that directly or indirectly receives CDBG funds in exchange for any other funds, credits, or non-Federal considerations, but must use such funds for activities eligible under Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

13. The County and Municipality agree that any municipality who has control over CDBG funds, including program income, shall adhere to all regulations applicable to subrecipient under 570.501(b) including the requirements of a written agreement set forth in 570.503 regarding;

1. Statement of Work
2. Records and Reports
3. Program Income
4. Uniform Administrative Requirements
5. Other Program Requirements
6. Conditions for Religious Organizations
7. Suspension and Termination
8. Reversion of Assets
9. Use of Real Property

It is further understood that the Municipality is not a Subrecipient under the existing Cooperation Agreement.

14. The Municipality understands that it may not apply for grants under the Small Cities or State CDBG Programs from appropriations for fiscal years during the period in which it is participating in the Urban County's CDBG Program; and may not participate in a HOME consortium except through the Urban County, regardless of whether the Urban County receives a HOME formula allocation.

15. The terms of this Agreement covers both the CDBG Entitlement Program and the Home Investment Partnership Program.

16. FY2025 Program Funds shall be expended by June 15, 2026
FY2026 Program Funds shall be expended by June 15, 2027
FY2027 Program Funds shall be expended by June 15, 2028

If CDBG funds are not expended by the above dates those funds shall be re-captured by the county.

IN WITNESS WHERE OF the parties have hereunto set their hand this 8th day of July, 2024.

EXECUTION OF AGREEMENT

DULY, PASSED and ORDERED by the Town Council of the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana, acting as the Works Board, this 8th day of July 2024 having passed by a vote of in favor and opposed.

**TOWN COUNCIL of the TOWN of
HIGHLAND, INDIANA**

Philip Scheeringa, President (IC 36-5-2-10)

Attest:

Mark Herak
Clerk-Treasurer (IC 33-42-4-1;IC 36-5-6-5)

**LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS**

Michael C. Repay

Jerry Tippy

Kyle W. Allen, Sr.

ATTEST:

Lake County Auditor

2. **Works Board Order No. 2024-36:** An Order Approving and Authorizing the Proper Officer to Enter into a Capital Lease-Purchase Agreement with Crossroads Bank for the Acquisition of One (1) street sweeper for Public Works Department (Agency), pursuant to IC 5-22 et seq., and Chapter 3.05 of the Highland Municipal Code.

Councilor Black moved to approve Works Board Order No.2024-36. Councilor Robertson seconded. Upon a roll call vote, there were four (4) affirmatives and no negatives. The motion passed and Works Board Order No. 2024-36 was adopted pending the signature of the municipal executive.

Town of Highland
Board of Works
Order of the Works Board 2024-36

An Order Approving and Authorizing the Public Works Director to Enter into a Capital Lease-Purchase Agreement with Crossroads Bank, for the Acquisition of One (1) 2024 Elgin Pelican HP Street Sweeper and Also finding this to be a Special Purchase, pursuant to IC 5-22 et seq., and Chapter 3.05 of the Highland Municipal Code, authorizing the purchase.

Whereas, The Town of Highland, Department of Public Works, has determined a need to purchase one (1) 2024 Elgin Pelican HP Street Sweeper; and

Whereas, The Public Work Director has determined that the current 2004 Johnson 4000 Street Sweeper has exceeded its useful life and its safe operation for the purposes of the Public Works Department; and

Whereas, IC 5-22-10-5 and Section 3.05.065(F) of the Highland Municipal Code provide that a purchasing agent may make a special purchase when there exists a unique opportunity to obtain supplies or services at a substantial savings to the governmental body and special purchases may be made without soliciting bids or proposals;

Whereas, The Purchasing Agent, pursuant to Section 3.05.065 (F) of the Highland Municipal Code, IC 36-1-7-12(c), and IC 5-22-10-5, did not solicit bids or proposals in support of the acquisition of one (1) **2024 Elgin Pelican HP Street Sweeper**, offered for sale by **Standard Equipment Company, 625 S. Illinois Rt. 83, Elmhurst, Illinois 60126**, because it is believed that this particular purchase constitutes a "special purchase" owing to the fact there *exists a unique opportunity to obtain this piece of equipment at a substantial savings to the governmental body; and*

Whereas, The Purchasing Agent, recommends that the one (1) **2024 Elgin Pelican HP Street Sweeper**, offered for sale by Standard Equipment Company, be purchased at the price of Three Hundred Nineteen Thousand and Eight Hundred and Sixty Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$319,860.00) with an adjustment for Fifteen Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$15,000) trade-in for total net price of Three Hundred Four Thousand and Eight Hundred and Sixty Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$304,860.00)

Whereas, The purchase price exceeds \$15,000.00 and will involves a capital lease purchase as part of the financing, pursuant to Section 3.05.040 (C) and Section 3.05.050 (B)(1) of the Highland Municipal Code, the purchasing agent requires the express approval of the purchasing agency to execute the purchase;

Whereas, The Town Council as the Works Board of the Municipality, pursuant to Section 3.05.030(A)(1) of the Highland Municipal Code serves as purchasing agency for the Public Works Department (Agency);

Whereas, The Public Works Director, solicited capital lease-purchase proposals from financial institutions known to offer such services, and received the following responses as specified:

RESPONDER:	NET INTEREST RATE	TERM
TAX EXEMPT LEASING CORP THOMPSON'S STATION, TN LAWYER FEE: \$0.00 ESCROW FEE: \$0.00 CLOSING FEE: \$0.00	5.99%	4 YEARS
U.S. BANCORP (GOVERNMENT LEASING AND FINANCE) CINCINNATI, OH LAWYER FEE: \$0.00 ESCROW FEE: \$0.00 CLOSING FEE: \$0.00	5.13%	4 YEARS
CROSSROADS BANK WABASH, IN LAWYER FEE: \$350.00 ESCROW FEE: \$0.00 CLOSING FEE: \$0.00	5.009%	4 YEARS
CENTIER BANK MERRILLVILLE, INDIANA LAWYER FEE: \$0.00 ESCROW FEE: \$0.00 CLOSING FEE: \$0.00	4.9%	4 YEARS

Whereas, The Clerk-Treasurer, owing to the useful life of the vehicles, the likely size of the annual payments, and upon review of the several responses for financing, recommends that the Public Works Director be authorized to acquire the one (1) 2024 Elgin Pelican HP Street Sweeper, by lease-purchase, with Crossroads Bank, Wabash, Indiana, at a fixed rate of 5.009%, using level principal payments, for the lease term of four (4) years, with Crossroads Bank, Wabash, Indiana acquiring the street sweeper from Standard Equipment Company; and

Whereas, The purchase will be supported by a budgeted account in the *Municipal Cumulative Capital Development Fund* and there is or expected to be sufficient appropriation in order to support the purchase; and,

Whereas, The Town Council now desires to approve and authorize the proper officer to enter into a lease-purchase agreement pursuant to the terms stated herein,

Now Therefore Be it Ordered by the Town Council of the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana, acting as the Works Board of Municipality:

Section 1. That the proper officer is hereby further directed and authorized to lease-purchase the street sweeper identified with Crossroads Bank, at a fixed rate of 5.009% for the lease term of four (4) years, with according to terms set forth in a lease-rental proposal, for the total amount of Three Hundred Forty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Fifteen dollars and Ninety-six Cents (\$349,715.96), which will reduce once the trade-in value is calculated;

Section 2. That the Town Council acting as the Works Board, hereby further finds and determines that the terms of the capital-lease with Crossroads Bank are reasonable and fair;

Section 3. That the Public Works Director is authorized and direct to execute the capital lease agreement with Crossroads Bank, as attested thereto by the Clerk-Treasurer and any additional documents in order to implement this lease purchase and then file these document as financial materials with the Office of the Clerk-Treasurer, pursuant to IC 36-5-4-14.

Section 4. That the Public Works Director is hereby further directed and authorized to trade-in the existing 2004 Johnson 4000 Street Sweeper, for a value of fifteen thousand dollars (\$15,000) rendering the net purchase price as three hundred four thousand eight hundred sixty dollars and 00/100 cents (\$304,860);

Section 5. That the proper officer is authorized and directed to execute the capital lease-purchase agreement with Crossroads Bank, and any additional documents in order to implement this purchase and then file these documents as financial materials with the Office of the Clerk-Treasurer, pursuant to IC 36-5-4-14.

Be is so Ordered.

Duly, Passed and Ordered by the Town Council of the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana, acting as the Works Board, this 8th day of July 2024 having passed by a vote of 4 in favor and 0 opposed.

**TOWN COUNCIL of the TOWN of
HIGHLAND, INDIANA**

Philip Scheeringa, **President** (IC 36-5-2-10)

Attest:

Mark Herak
Clerk-Treasurer (IC 33-42-4-1(6);IC 36-5-6-5)



Date:
7-03-2024

Offered By:
Mike O'Connor
Sales Representative
312.208.5012

Equipment Provided for:
The Town of Highland
8001 Kennedy Ave,
Highland, IN 46322

Equipment Quote



Stock Photo

4604-000-3700 # 31,715.00
4402-000-3001 Co 30,000.00
2201-0017-3700 # 9,500.00
sewer improvement

Standard Equipment is pleased to present The Town of Highland with the following quotation for a New Elgin Pelican NP Street Sweeper.





Dealership Information

Family-owned and operated since 1969, Standard Equipment Company provides environmental equipment solutions for municipalities, contractors, and companies. We have built a reputation for excellence by offering the finest new equipment, a large selection of parts, excellent service, and unparalleled customer support. We customize environmental equipment solutions for every situation by putting our customer's needs first. Standard's greatest ability is dependability.



Manufacturer Information

Elgin sweepers have been cleaning roadways since 1914, and while products have grown and improved, the commitment to quality and performance the company was founded on has not changed.

Clean streets improve water quality, air quality, overall community health and help prevent water pollution. Elgin founder, John Murphy, recognized the health hazards caused by streets filled with filth and debris, and created the very first street sweeper. The sweepers we produce today aren't just any sweeper – they are the toughest, and most rugged sweepers on the market.

Elgin equipment utilizes all variations of today's sweeping technology — mechanical, pure vacuum sweepers, regenerative air, alternative fuel, waterless dust control — and now a single-engine technology — to offer customers the sweeper that matches their needs. From general street maintenance to special industrial and airport applications, Elgin puts its customers in the sweeper that best meets their needs.

Elgin Pelican-NP

The Elgin® Pelican® broom sweeper is a three-wheel mechanical sweeper based on one of the original street sweeper designs, which has been continuously improved since 1914, meeting the highest sweeper standards. Maneuverability, visibility, economy, serviceability, and single-lane dumping with a sweep system that easily handles heavy compacted dirt and bulky debris are all features of the Elgin Pelican. An isolation-mounted cab provides a cleaner, quieter operation, and the improved 360-degree visibility and easier access for service and maintenance make the Elgin Pelican an industry leader in road sweepers.

The Pelican is also available with Elgin's innovative waterless dust control feature; allowing year-round sweeping, sweeping with water conservation, and eliminates the use of water on reactive compounds like Portland cement.

Why Pelican?

- Market leader offering 360 degrees of operator visibility
- Rear steer for outstanding maneuverability
- Front mounted, variable high dump 3.6 yd³ (2.8 m³) hopper
- Elgin exclusive chevron conveyor belt

Equipment Description

Make: Elgin
Model: Pelican

Product Description

Dual steer & gutter brooms, hydraulically driven, Tier 4F JD 4045TF low emission diesel engine, hydrostatic drive and steering, chassis and wheels powder coated

Standard Features

- Air cleaner, two-stage, dry type with restriction indicator
- Air Conditioner
- Alternator, 120 amp
- Anti-Siphon water fill
- Automatic engine shutdown (oil pressure/engine temperature)
- Automatic pickup in reverse
- B20 biodiesel-compatible
- Back-up alarm, electric
- Battery, maintenance-free
- Brakes, power
- Broom, main, hydraulically suspended
- Broom, main, in-cab pressure control
- Broom, main, prefab, disposable
- Broom, side broom, hydraulically suspended
- Broom, side broom, in-cab pressure control
- Broom Measurement Ruler
- Bumper pads, front jack
- Coolant recovery system
- Doors, see-through glass, prop-able
- Electronic Throttle
- Engine, hour meter
- Gauges & Warning lights: engine oil temperature engine oil pressure fuel level speedometer & odometer with trip set
- Fenders, over front wheels
- Flushing system for hopper/conveyor
- Fuel tank, 35 gallons
- Fuel Water separator with indicator light
- Heater, pressurizer with filtered air, defroster
- Hose, hydrant fill, 16' 8" with coupling
- Light, spotlight, adjustable, one per side broom
- Lights, 2 combinations, tail/stop lights
- Lights, headlights, multiple beams
- Lights, low water light
- Low Hydraulic Warning

Standard Features Continued

- Main broom controls in cab
- Manuals, operator and parts
- Mirror, inside rearview
- Mirrors, outside, front mounted 6-inch fish eyes
- Mirrors, outside, front post mounted, west coast type, one each side
- Parking brake with interlock
- Rear Camera & in-cab monitor
- Return to sweep feature
- Seat Belts
- Seats, extra wide cordura suspension seats with armrests
- Signals, self-canceling directional with the hazard switch
- Sprung guide wheel, heavy-duty
- Steering wheel, tilt and telescoping
- Sun visors
- Tachometer, diesel engine
- Tires, tubeless radials
- Tow loops, four
- Water tank, fill gauge
- Water tank, molded polyethylene: 220-gallon total nominal capacity
- Wheels, dual guide
- Wheels painted grey
- Window, opening front opera
- Windshield washer
- Windshield wipers with intermittent setting
- Windshield, tinted
- Steel Bristles with Polyethylene Sidebroom Segments
- Red Logo
- Broom Measurement Ruler
- Sweeper Operator Manual
- Sweeper Parts Manual
- John Deere Operator Manual
- John Deere Parts Manual
- Elgin Safety Manual
- Pelican Delivery Packet

Additional Features

- Engine Pre-Cleaner
- Right Hand Bostrom Air Ride Hi Back Cloth
- Auxiliary Battery Disconnect
- LED Clearance Lights
- Hydraulic Level & Hydraulic Temperature Shutdown
- Right Hand Sidebroom Tilt with Indicator
- Right Hand Lockable Toolbox with Hose Basket
- Strip Mainbroom (URB) - Center Sweep
- Lifeliner Hopper System

Additional Features Continued

- AM/FM/CD with (2) Map Lights
- LED Stop/Tail/Turn
- LED Lights on Battery Cover
- Lower Conveyor Cleanout
- Dual Limb Guards
- Conveyor Stall Alarm
- License Mounted Front and Rear with light
- Package 8: Dual LED Beacon & (4) Roof Mounted Sweep Flashers with ID Lights & Arrowstick
- Midwest Autolube Dual Sidebrooms
- Pelican NP T4F Service Manual
- John Deere Service Manual
- Sweeper Painted White

Trade-In Information

Body

- 2004
- Johnston
- 4000
- S/N: Unkown
- Hours: 9,423
- Miles: 17,057
- Color: White

*Miles and hours are based on email from Bart Cashman to Mike O'Connor on 7/2/24.

Price Quote



Standard Equipment and Elgin Sweeper Company are proud holders of a Sourcewell competitively bid procurement contract. Sourcewell allows government agencies to control the cost of procurement and ensure that they are getting the equipment they want at a competitively bid price. For more information about Sourcewell, you can find them on the web at www.sourcewell-mn.gov.

Quotes include all Tax, Title, and License Fees if applicable.

Item Description	Delivered Cost
New Elgin Pelican NP	\$319,860.00

Sourcewell Contract # 093021-ELG

Terms and Conditions

1. Multiple unit orders will be identical to signed proposal. Changes or deviations to any unit of a multiple unit order will require a new signed proposal.
2. All prices quoted are in US Dollars unless otherwise noted.
3. All price quotations are for informational purposes only. Prices are subject to change without notice. Final prices will be reflected on the final invoice. Comparable components may be substituted for those listed on any quote or specification. Any weights and dimensions are estimates and are provided for informational purposes only and are not guaranteed. Non-factory approved Modifications may void the warranty in whole or in part. Due to the nature of specialty custom equipment, all sales are final. By acceptance of this quote by signature, letter of intent, or issuance of a purchase order the purchasing party understands that this agreement supersedes any conditions that the purchasing party may provide as terms of purchase.
4. Below is the trade value assigned to the equipment shown on page 6 of this quote. For the value shown, Standard Equipment expects to take possession of the machine to be handed over at the time of trade in the same condition, (normal wear and tear notwithstanding), stated in the *email sent on July 2, 2024*.
5. Standard Equipment must review trade-in equipment 30 days prior to delivery and requests that the machine is/has:
 - Made available for inspection.
 - DOT compliant - Recent D.O.T. is/has been performed within 30 days.
 - No active check engine/transmission warning lights illuminated.
 - Proof of available Title i.e., photocopy of front and back.
 - Standard Equipment has the right to reject the trade-in if terms 4 and 5 are not met.
6. Elgin Manufacturing limited warranty included.
7. Price does not include state or local taxes.
8. Price does not include license, title, or plating fees.
9. Quote is valid for 30 days from 7/02/2024.
10. Payment is due at the time of delivery.

Total Unit Price: \$319,860.00
Trade-in: -\$15,000.00
Total Quoted Price: \$304,860.00

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto agree to enter into this purchase agreement.

The Town of Highland

Standard Equipment Company

X

Signature

X

Signature

Name: _____

Date: _____

Name: Greg Zukowski

Date: 7/03/2024



Government Leasing and Finance, Inc.

June 27, 2024

U.S. Bancorp Government Leasing and Finance, Inc. ("USBGLF") has prepared the following proposal ("Proposal"), for your consideration. This is only a proposal and does not represent a commitment by U.S. Bancorp Government Leasing and Finance, Inc.

Lessor: U.S. Bancorp Government Leasing and Finance, Inc.

Lessee: Town of Highland, IN

Equipment: Street Sweeper

Expiration: August 5, 2024

Proposed Structure and Payment Options:

Cost	Interest Rate	Payment	Term	Pmts / Yr	Adv / Arr
\$319,860.00	5.13%	\$90,483.66	48 months	1	Arrears

Escrow: If an escrow is required, funds will be placed into a no fee escrow account with U.S. Bank, N. A.

Structure: The Lease will be structured as a tax-exempt municipal lease, with title in the Lessee's name and USBGLF holding a security interest in the equipment during the term. The lease is "triple-net" with the Lessee responsible for taxes, maintenance and insurance.

Pre-payment: Permitted after 13 months at 103% of remaining principal.

Documentation: Provided by USBGLF, including (i) standard representations, warranties and covenants by the Lessee pertaining to the accuracy of information, organization, authority, essential use, compliance with laws, pending legal action, location and use of collateral, insurance, financial reporting and financial covenants; and (ii) standard USBGLF provisions pertaining to events of default and remedies available upon default. This offer is subject to the execution of all documentation by the Lessee within a reasonable time and in form and substance acceptable to Lessee, USBGLF and USBGLF's counsel, including terms and conditions not outlined in this Proposal. *Note - A validity opinion (approved by USBGLF) from Lessee Counsel is required for funding.*

The terms and conditions outlined herein are subject to final review and approval (including collateral and essential use review) by USBGLF's business, legal, credit, and equipment risk management personnel.

Sincerely,

Lyn Nita

Lyn Nita
Vice President

ACCEPTED BY:

Name / Title

dated: _____



Average rate.....5.13324246%						
	Starting		Debt			Ending
Date	Balance	Takedowns	Service	Interest	Principal	Balance
7/26/2024	\$ -	\$319,860.00	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$319,860.00
7/26/2025	\$319,860.00	\$ -	\$ 90,483.66	\$16,419.19	\$ 74,064.47	\$245,795.53
7/26/2026	\$245,795.53	\$ -	\$ 90,483.66	\$12,617.28	\$ 77,866.38	\$167,929.15
7/26/2027	\$167,929.15	\$ -	\$ 90,483.66	\$ 8,620.21	\$ 81,863.45	\$ 86,065.70
7/26/2028	\$ 86,065.70	\$ -	\$ 90,483.66	\$ 4,417.96	\$ 86,065.70	\$ -
Total		\$319,860.00	\$361,934.64	\$42,074.64	\$319,860.00	
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TOWN OF HIGHLAND PUBLIC WORKS

* 8001 Kennedy Ave, Highland, IN 46322 * Phone 219-972-5083 * Fax 219-972-5085

Invitation to Quote Lease-Purchase Financing

The Town of Highland has procured quotes from a local dealership for the acquisition of One (1) New Elgin Pelican HP street sweeper (\$319,860) for the Public Works Sanitary District for a total value of \$319,860. The Town is seeking quotes for Tax-exempt, Lease-Purchase financing for the Equipment from banks or financial institutions that provide those specific financing services. Quotes can be submitted via email to Mark Knesek, Public Works Director at mknesek@highland.in.gov or via facsimile (219) 972-5085 no later than 4:00 pm CDT on June 27, 2024. Quotes may be submitted on Lessee's standard forms (Term Sheet) or by filling out this form in its entirety

Lessee: Town of Highland

Lessor: Centier Bank

Financed Amount: \$319,860.00

Use of Proceeds: To finance the purchase of one (1) New Elgin Pelican NP

Structure: The Lease shall be payable from legally available revenues of the Lessee, subject to annual appropriation. Pursuant to the Lease Documentation, title shall vest in the Lessee and the Lessee shall grant Lessor a continuing, first priority security interest in any and all right, title and interest of Lessee in the Equipment and all additions, attachments, accessions, and substitutions thereto.

Closing Date: On or about July 26, 2024

Tax Status: Tax-Exempt

Term: Four (4) Years

Interest Rate: 4.90%

Payment Frequency: Annual

Payment Amount: Please attach payment schedule

Lease Transaction Fee: \$0

Prepayment Option: No Prepayment Penalty

Insurance: Lessee, at its own expense, will provide insurance naming Lessor as loss payee and additional insured

Please attached hereto any additional terms and conditions not contained herein.

Submitted by:

Company Name: Centier Bank

Agent/Title: William Winterhaler

Address: 9701 Indianapolis Blvd., Highland, IN 46322

Phone #(s): 219-922-2410 Ext. 4310 Email: bwinterh@centier.com

Thank you for your time in this matter and if you have any questions or comments, please contact me at mknesek@highland.in.gov or via telephone at (219) 972-5069.

Sincerely,

Mark Knesek
Public Works Director

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Crossroads Bank - Town of Highland - HELP Lease Quote.- Street Sweeper. THIS QUOTE IS FOR BUDGETARY PURPOSES ONLY AND IS NOT INTENDED TO, AND DOES NOT, CREATE A LEGALLY BINDING COMMITMENT OR OBLIGATION ON THE PART OF CROSSROADS BANK. The creation of such a legally binding commitment or obligation is subject to, among other things, the completion by Crossroads Bank of an in depth investigation of the proposed investment, the results of which are deemed satisfactory by Crossroads Bank.

A documentation fee of \$350 will be due at lease schedule commencement

Compound Period : Annual

Nominal Annual Rate ... : 5.009 %

CASH FLOW DATA

Event	Date	Amount	Number	Period	End Date
1 Lease	07/26/2024	319,860.00	1		
2 Lease Payment	12/01/2024	87,428.99	4	Annual	12/01/2027

AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE - Normal Amortization

	Date	Lease Payment	Interest	Principal	Balance
Lease	07/26/2024				319,860.00
1	12/01/2024	87,428.99	5,618.81	81,810.18	238,049.82
2024 Totals		87,428.99	5,618.81	81,810.18	
2	12/01/2025	87,428.99	11,924.37	75,504.62	162,545.20
2025 Totals		87,428.99	11,924.37	75,504.62	
3	12/01/2026	87,428.99	8,142.20	79,286.79	83,258.41
2026 Totals		87,428.99	8,142.20	79,286.79	
4	12/01/2027	87,428.99	4,170.58	83,258.41	0.00
2027 Totals		87,428.99	4,170.58	83,258.41	
Grand Totals		349,715.96	29,855.96	319,860.00	

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Crossroads Bank - Town of Highland - HELP Lease Quote.- Street Sweeper. THIS QUOTE IS FOR BUDGETARY PURPOSES ONLY AND IS NOT INTENDED TO, AND DOES NOT, CREATE A LEGALLY BINDING COMMITMENT OR OBLIGATION ON THE PART OF CROSSROADS BANK. The creation of such a legally binding commitment or obligation is subject to, among other things, the completion by Crossroads Bank of an in depth investigation of the proposed investment, the results of which are deemed satisfactory by Crossroads Bank.

A documentation fee of \$350 will be due at lease schedule commencement

Last interest amount increased by 0.01 due to rounding.

AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE

Principal \$319,860.00	Loan Date 06-11-2024	Maturity 06-11-2028	Loan No	Call / Coll	Account	Officer	Initials
References in the boxes above are for Lender's use only and do not limit the applicability of this document to any particular loan or item. Any item above containing "*****" has been omitted due to text length limitations.							

Borrower: **GENERIC AMORTIZATION**

Lender: **CENTIER BANK
 600 EAST 84TH AVENUE
 MERRILLVILLE, IN 46410**

Disbursement Date: **June 11, 2024**
 Interest Rate: **4.900**

Repayment Schedule: **Balloon**
 Calculation Method: **365/360 U.S. Rule**

Payment Number	Payment Date	Payment Amount	Interest Paid	Principal Paid	Remaining Balance
1	06-11-2025	90,140.09	15,890.82	74,249.27	245,610.73
2	06-11-2026	90,140.09	12,202.08	77,938.01	167,672.72
3	06-11-2027	90,140.09	8,330.07	81,810.02	85,862.70
4	06-11-2028	90,140.09	4,277.39	85,862.70	0.00
TOTALS:		360,560.36	40,700.36	319,860.00	

NOTICE: This is an estimated loan amortization schedule. Actual amounts may vary if payments are made on different dates or in different amounts.



2044 TOLLGATE BOULEVARD, THOMPSON'S STATION, TENNESSEE 37179



615-396-3131



615-396-3232



www.taxexemptleasing.com

June 28, 2024

Town of Highland
8001 Kennedy Avenue
Highland, IN 46322

Re: Lease-Purchase Financing of a New 2024 Elgin Sweeper Pelican Street Sweeper

Ladies and Gentlemen:

We are pleased to provide the Town of Highland, IN with the following lease-purchase financing proposal. Tax-exempt leasing is a financing tool that allows municipal entities to purchase needed equipment immediately and pay for it over time. It's also a terrific way to avoid inflation by protecting you from future price increases! Under a lease-purchase financing arrangement, each payment you make is applied to principal and interest and, at the end of the term, YOU own the equipment outright.

The illustration below shows payments for a 4-year term:

Equipment Cost:	\$319,860.00
Finance Amount:	\$319,860.00
Term:	4-years
Interest Rate:	5.99%
Annual Arrears Rate Factor:	.28853
Annual Arrears Payment ⁴ :	\$92,289.21
Annual ADVANCE Rate Factor:	.27222
Annual ADVANCE Payment ^{4a} :	\$87,072.29

Interest rates, factors and payments assume that the Customer is a tax-exempt entity and the purchase of the equipment falls within the type of equipment allowed as tax-exempt under the I.R.S. Code. In the event this purchase is not exempt, the rate and payments will be adjusted accordingly.

⁴-First annual arrears payment shown is due one year from the date of the lease contract with subsequent payments due annually thereafter.

^{4a}-First annual ADVANCE payment shown is due at lease signing with subsequent payments due annually thereafter.

QUOTED RATES ARE VALID FOR 14 DAYS AND ARE SUBJECT TO CREDIT APPROVAL AND PROPER DOCUMENTATION.

Tax-Exempt Leasing Corp. is a privately-held equipment finance company providing innovative financing solutions to tax-exempt entities nationwide. We understand our customers' needs and provide them with competitive rates and superior customer service.

We appreciate this opportunity and look forward to hearing from you. Please let me know if I can answer any questions, if you need any additional proposals or options, or if you wish to proceed. I can be easily reached on my cell phone - 708-347-6367.

Kind Regards,


Joanne Deigan
Senior Account Executive

3. **Works Board Order No. 2024-37:** An Order Finding And Determining Certain Personal Property Of The Municipality As No Longer Needed For The Purposes For Which Originally Acquired Or Have Been Left In The Custody Of An Officer Or Employee Of The Town Of Highland And Have Remained Unclaimed For More Than One (1) Year Or Have Been Deemed Worthless And Of No Market Value and donating said property to another Municipality.

Councilor Black moved to approve Works Board Order No.2024-37. Councilor Robertson seconded. Upon a roll call vote, there were three (3) affirmatives, no negatives and one (1) abstention, with Councilors Robertson, Black and Scheeringa voting in the affirmative and Councilor Turich abstaining. The motion passed and Works Board Order No. 2024-37 was adopted pending the signature of the municipal executive

**The Town of Highland
Board of Works Order No. 2024-37**

An Order Donating Certain Personal Property to another Governmental Entity and Finding and Determining Certain Personal Property of the Municipality is No Longer Needed for the Purposes for which Originally Acquired and Having Been Deemed Worthless and of No Market Value because the Value of the Property is Less than the Estimated Cost of the Sale and Transportation of the Property.

Whereas, The Town Council for the Town of Highland is the Works Board of the Municipality pursuant to IC 36-1-2-24(3) and

Whereas, The Town Council has been advised by Fire Department of the Town of Highland that an item of personal property, which is owned by the municipality is no longer needed for the purposes for which it was originally acquired, pursuant to IC 5-22-22-8; and

Whereas, The Fire Department has recommended and requested that disposal of certain personal property be authorized, all pursuant to the provisions of IC 5-22-22-1 (22)(A) et seq.; and,

Whereas, The Town Council now desires to favor the recommendation and take those steps necessary to authorize and approve the disposal of personal property of the municipality pursuant to the applicable law by donating same to another governmental body.

Now, Therefore, Be it ordered by the Town Council of the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana:

Section 1. That the Town Council of the Town of Highland acting as the works board, hereby finds and determines the following:

- (A) That there is a certain article of personal property possessed or owned by the municipality that is no longer needed, unfit for the purposes for which it was acquired, pursuant to IC 5-22-22-8.

- (B) That this same article of personal property possessed or owned by the municipality that may be deemed worthless or no market value as the estimated costs the sale and transaction of the property exceeds the property value, pursuant to IC 5-22-22-8.
- (C) That this item of personal property is more particularly described in Exhibit A, attached to and incorporated in this Works Board Order.
- (D) That the item of personal property has no worth and disposing of same will be more costly than simple private transfer to another governmental body for educational purposes.
- (E) That the item of personal property is exempt from the confines of IC 5-22-22 et seq. because it is being deemed worthless and donated to another governmental organization for educational purposes.

Section 2. That the Town of Highland Fire Department is hereby authorized and instructed to cause a lawful disposal or transfer of the personal property identified in this Works Board Order by private transfer without advertising to, and at the request of, Merrillville High School for use in said institutions Career and Technical Education Program.

Section 3. That this transfer is a donation to another governmental body for educational purposes and the no (\$0.00) proceeds are expected from the lawful disposal and transfer authorized by this Order but should proceeds arise, any and all proceeds yielded from the lawful disposal or transfer authorized by this order shall be deposited with the Office of the Clerk-Treasurer, where such proceeds shall be deposited to the credit of the Corporation General Fund.

Be it so ordered.

DULY, PASSED and ORDERED by the Town Council of the Town of Highland, Lake County, Indiana, acting as the Works Board, this 8th day of July 2024 having passed by a vote of three (3) in favor, 0 opposed and one (1) abstention.

**TOWN COUNCIL of the TOWN of
HIGHLAND, INDIANA**

Philip Scheeringa, President (IC 36-5-2-10)

Attest:

Mark Herak
Clerk-Treasurer (IC 33-42-4-1; IC 36-5-6-5)

Comments from the Town Council:
(Good of the order)

- **Councilor George Georgeff:** *Chamber of Commerce; • Liaison to the Board of Water Works • Co-Chair Town Board of Metropolitan Police Commission • Redevelopment Commission Member*

With Councilor Georgeff being on vacation, Councilor Scheeringa began by thanking his wife for putting up with him all these years as this Wednesday is their 20th wedding anniversary. He then thanked the HCCE for putting on an amazing festival and personally thanked Councilor Alex Robertson for the great job he did as liaison. He then thanked the various Town departments for all their help in making the 4th of July festival a success. He said we can't thank them enough. It was a great success and everyone did a phenomenal job. He then acknowledged Metropolitan Police Chief Ralph Potesta who went over the last two (2) weeks crime statistics:

For a 5 day festival we had minimal issues. I attribute that to the manpower we had on the festival grounds.

All 4 entrances / exits were covered from 2pm to close every night.

During the peak hours from 6pm to close every night we had 5 officers roving the grounds.

One overnight officer each night

Then from 6am – 10am every morning we had an officer on the grounds
OUT OF 24 HRS ONLY 2 WHERE NO POLICE PRESENCE
Every officer on the department worked at least one shift at the festival.

We even put our 3 new hires through a 40 hour pre-basic academy course so that we could use them in a police capacity at the fest.

Our VIPS under the direction of Commander Glenn Cox were a great help assisting in traffic control and parade detail. *Hammond EIA*

2 Juvenile arrests (same incident) from Hammond – Criminal Mischief plus other possible charges related to a fireworks incident in the park.

2 vehicles were also damaged by the device. *- So possible civil litigation*

Cutting and stomping down of fencing was a big issue.

Parks department did an outstanding job trying to keep up with re-securing the gaps with zip ties.

Concern there was public leaving with alcohol. Didn't see any sign of alcohol leaving the property

Thanks to FD for providing extra bodies out there. Nice to have the extra set of eyes and ears on the grounds. They assisted us in clearing out the midway each night. Some even stuck around later to help clear out the park when everything closed up. This was the first time our fireman participated and their help was greatly appreciated.

We will be participating in the HCCE Meeting this Wednesday to debrief and share thoughts and ideas.

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Increase in call volume

0-Robberies 0-Burglaries 0 Rapes

3 Retail Thefts – 2 arrests

2 Chicago residents arrested for stealing \$892 in merchandise

Indianapolis resident caught prior to leaving the store with concealed merchandise. Trespassed – no charge

2 Auto Thefts – Both failure to return rental car – both vehicles recovered – 1 arrested – 1 pending arrest.

7 DUI arrests

He added that Detective Peckler was handling the case of the three (3) juveniles who tossed a ¼ stick of a firework into the parking lot at Main Square. He said two (2) vehicles were damaged. He then read the charges that Detective Peckler was filing against the juveniles. He said the first was possessing a destruction device which is a level five (5) felony. Added to that is a criminal recklessness charge which is a level six (6) felony, as well as, a criminal mischief charge which is a B misdemeanor.

Councilor Scheeringa then acknowledged Redevelopment Director Maria Becerra who gave the following report:

TOWN COUNCIL BIWEEKLY REPORT REDEVELOPMENT

COMMERCIAL GRANTS IN PROGRESS

2927 JEWETT – NWI PARKINSONS – HANDICAP ACCESSIBILITY
2907 JEWETT – BELMONTE – NEW BUSINESS
2933 HIGHWAY- THE COUNTER ICE CREAM RELO/EXPANSION
3805 RIDGE ROAD - GRIND HOUSE CAFÉ NEW BUSINESS
9501 INDIANAPOLIS BLVD. – IMPROVEMENTS EXISTING BUSINESS

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MARCH – FEDERAL HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION CONTRACT EXECUTED
APRIL – REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ISSUED
MAY – PROPOSALS REVIEWED & SCORED TO SELECT A CONSULTANT
JUNE 10TH – SELECTION OF CONSULTANT AND CONTRACT EXECUTED – HAD INITIAL KICK OFF MEETING
QUARTERLY FINANCIAL AND PROGRESS REPORT DUE 7-20

DECORATIVE DOWNTOWN LIGHTING

CONFERENCE CALL TO DISCUSS CHALLENGES AND COSTS

MAIN STREET MEETING

VERY WELL ATTENDED AS USUAL. FIRMED UP PLANS FOR THE 3 BIG CRAWLS, LAST TUESDAY OF JULY,
AUGUST AND SEPT. 7-30, 8-27 AND 9-24. MUSIC, VENDORS
THURSDAY MARKETS ARE GOING WELL EVERY THURSDAY 3:30 – 7:30

TEAM CALL TO DISCUSS PURDUE COLLABORATION WITH THE CONSOLIDATED PLAN

NORTH & SOUTH KENNEDY DEVELOPMENT ONGOING NEGOTIATIONS

INDIANAPOLIS DEVELOPER – OLD COACH PARCEL IN NEGOTIATIONS

**OLD ULTRA PARCEL INDIANAPOLIS BLVD. – ONGOING COMMUNICATIONS WITH OWNER AND FUTURE
PLANS STILL IN THE WORKS**

Maria added that she did talk to the manager at the Highland Arby's and the manager told her that the Highland Arby's would not be closing, it was only a rumor.

• **Councilor Doug Turich:** *Park and Recreation Board Liaison • Liaison and Plan Commission Member • Advisory Board of Zoning Appeals Liaison • Redevelopment Commission Member*

Councilor Turich began by echoing Councilor Scheeringa's on the 4th of July festival on how unbelievable the 4th of July festival was. It was a great weekend, the weather cooperated and a lot of great help from all the departments. He also mentioned the Highland Neighbors for Sustainability who removed recyclables from the trash receptacles so they could be recycled and not placed in the landfill.

Councilor Turich then acknowledged Building Commissioner Ken Mika who said the regular public meeting in July for the Plan Commission is being cancelled, however, the Plan Commission will meet in study session instead to review and make modifications to the existing Sign Ordinance. He said the BZA will be meeting to approve the Finding of Fact from their June meeting. He said one that will be coming back to the Council is the used car lot variance at the corner of Ridge Road and Cline Avenue. The BZA reheard the petitioner and once again denied the petitioner's request and will be sending an unfavorable recommendation to the Town Council. At the same meeting, they have a variance request for an additional garage at 9145 Liable Road. He said his department issued a building permit for a new restaurant in Porte DeLeau Plaza and the address is 2050 – 2060 45th Street. It is called Crunch It Express. He said the Osbourne storage units continue to progress as the foundations have been poured and the underground plumbing and electric has been completed. He said they are in the process of pouring the floor for the 1st building. The ice cream shop on Highway completed the exterior work today and he will be doing the finals shortly. He commented on the meeting coordinated by Attorney Reed between himself, Councilman Georgeff, Matt Summers from Hyre Electric and the resident Todd O'day at the Marcus Auto Leasing building. Utilizing a light meter, it was determined there was no light spill from the two (2) mass light towers. He did say that two (2) lights on the south side of the building were pointed wrong and causing a nuisance. The business owner repositioned the lights and the nuisance went away and the resident was happy.

Councilor Turich then acknowledged Park Superintendent Alex Brown, who mentioned the race before the start of the twilight parade. He said they had a record 538 runners and he anticipated the race getting larger each coming year. The overall winner was Highland resident Alex Guerrera. He ran the race in 4 minutes and 17 seconds. He had tried out for the Olympic Team and missed the trials by two (2) seconds. Alex said the monthly concert series resumes this Wednesday at Main Square and this Friday is a movie in the park at Main Square. He reminded residents of the fishing derby at the Meadows Pond this Saturday. He said there is an AAU tournament this Saturday at the Lincoln Center and there is a Bulls camp next week at Lincoln Center. He said the camp is full. He said they were informed by the National Softball Association that they removed Highland from the NSA World Series next weekend

because of the sewer project on one of the fields at the Sharp Athletic Complex. He said they did receive some good news as NIPSCO gave notice that they could proceed with the pickle ball courts at Meadows Park and the tennis courts at Brantwood Park. He said they received 20 applications for the Recreation Supervisor opening of which seven (7) were worthy of an interview.

Councilor Turich asked Alex which sports organization was invited to the upcoming Park Board meeting. He was advised that it was the soccer club. He then asked Councilor Scheeringa to pass along that information to the soccer club.

• **Councilor Alex Robertson:** *Sanitary Board Liaison • Redevelopment Commission Member
• Council of Community Events Commission Liaison • Public Works Liaison • Liaison to Main Street Bureau • Liaison to the Tree Board • Liaison to the Highland Neighbor for Sustainability.*

Councilor Robertson thanked the Council for their participation and help with the 4th of July festival. He said there was a record number of entries for the Kiddie Parade this year. He thanked the community for coming out and supporting not only the Kiddie Parade but the whole 4th of July festival. He thanked the Police for escorting him to do the money drops each evening. He then thanked the members of the HCCE for all their hard work in putting together a terrific festival.

Council Robertson then acknowledged Public Works Director Mark Knesek who gave an update on the sewer project. He said the contractor successfully bored the 60" line under the 84" storm sewer. It took the contractor about five (5) days but all went well. With the age of the 84" sewer, they were a little concerned. The next phase will be digging up parts of Parrish Avenue to lay the pipe. He said they met with all of the residents along Parrish Avenue that will be impacted by the project. He said they are going to insert valves on the water main to maintain water flow. They are moving the water main from the east side of Parrish to the west side of Parrish. The residents water line is in a utility easement in their backyards. The residents are fine with the valves being installed. The project should take a couple of days and then the contractor will come in and replace the top soil and apply seed.

Councilor Turich asked the Public Works Director that once the seed is applied to have someone periodically check to make sure it is taking. He said he did not want a repeat of what happened on the corners where seed was applied after making the corners ADA accessible but the seed never took. He said, actually a bunch of weeds sprang up. The residents won't be happy if a bunch of weeds spring up in their backyards.

Public Works Director Knesek said the contractor should be done in Homestead Park in a few weeks and he can start restoring the ball field and be ready for fall ball.

Park Director Brown said they have already started taking applications for fall ball and have not figured that field into their scheduling of games.

Mark Knesek said the new street sweeper should arrive in September. He said he will the order tomorrow. He said the current sweeper was out every morning at 4:00 o'clock a.m. during the festival, cleaning up downtown, Jewett and around the Main Square. ,

- **Councilor Tom Black:** *Redevelopment Commission Liaison and Member • Member of the Lake County Solid Waste Management District Board • Member of the Northwestern Indiana Regional Planning Commission (NIPRC) • Shared Ethics Representative • Liaison Traffic Safety*

Councilor Black began by concurring with the other councilmembers offering thanks to the members of the HCCE and the various departments that helped to make it a fantastic 4th of July. He particularly singled out the 1st responders and the ladies and gentleman of the HCCE. He said he knew that many of them were doing double duty working with the HCCE and other organizations. He too thanked Alex Robertson for everything he did to insure a successful festival.

- **Town Council President Philip Scheeringa:** *Town Executive (I.C. 36-1-2-5-(4); I.C. 36-5-2-2; I.C. 36-5-2-7); • Board of Trustees of the Police Pension Fund, Chair (By Law) • Budget Committee Chairman • Redevelopment Commission Member • Co-Chair Town Board of Metropolitan Police Commission • Fire Department Liaison • Information Communications and Technology Department Liaison • Building and Inspection Department Liaison.*

Councilor Scheeringa then acknowledged Fire Chief Mike Pipta who recapped the fire activity for the month of June. In the month of June, they had forty-seven calls. One was a structure fire to house that caused significant damage to the house. He said luckily, the dog survived the structural fire. There was one (1) business fire with minimal damage. The ended up doing 3 mutual aid calls. He said they spent several hours housed in the St. John fire station as their department battled a really bad fire. They did the same with the Lake Station Fire Department. They actually assisted Munster with a structural fire. He thanked Chief Potesta for allowing him to use the Community Room in the police station as he hosted the Fire Chiefs Association and Lake County Mavis meeting. He thanked all of the fire fighters for all of their hard work they did not only covering Highland's festival but all of the other parades throughout Lake County that they participated in. He again thanked Chief Potesta for having his midnight crew check the baby box one time during the midnight shift as required per the contract.

Councilor Scheeringa then acknowledged IT Director Ed Dabrowski who said he is working on some projects, some of which he is making significant progress. He said while walking, he noticed the telephone poles along Grace. He asked the representative from Nipsco what was going on. He told Ed that they are changing out all of the telephone poles to improve our internet and phone service. The Nipsco representative could not give a definitive date when this was going to take place but the police station and town hall will be effected. He said he got some positive feedback regarding music downtown, especially during the Kiddie Parade. The kids especially liked it when a Taylor Swift song was played. He asked if anyone had any questions.

Ed was asked if the downtown speakers could be used to announce things, like the race results? He advised the Council yes.

That concluded comments from the Council and President Scheeringa then turned it over to comments from visitor's or residents, reminding them to limit it to 2 minutes.

Comments from Visitors or Residents:

Sandy McKnight, Highland and Vice President of the Council of Community Event just wanted to thank the Council in all their support they gave to the HCCE.

Lydia Schotts, Highland asked what were hours the time of rotary corn roast? She was advised that it was 4:30 o'clock p.m. to 7:30 o'clock p.m. She then commented how tacky the orange snow fence looked around Main Square. The Council agreed and said they were working with Park Superintendent Alex Brown to get costs for putting a permanent fence around the Main Square but it is very costly. She concluded by congratulating the HCCE on putting on a fantastic 4th of July festival. It was simply marvelous.

Kathy Burke, Highland and a member of the Highland Council of Community Events. She also serves as Chairman of the food and non-food vendors. She wanted to comment on the proposed fencing around Main Square. She said if it ever does happen, she hoped the Council would take into consideration the vendors with trailers or food trucks. She said they need a lot of space to get into and out of the park. She said you have to take into consideration hitches and things like that when you are planning the entrances.

Carol Parker, Highland and a member of the Highland Council of Community Events wanted to thank our community because the people of Highland made it possible and like to have fun. They are the ones who made the festival. She said she wanted to go behind the scenes a little and compliments Kathy Burke for handling all of the food vendors. Little do people know that she tasted all the food before letting a food vendor participate. They're vendors that were rejected. She complimented Sandy McKnight who did a great job in selecting the bands. Sandy like to start in December so she can get the best bands available. She said the bands want to come back to Highland. She thanked Jamie Potesta, Chief Potesta's wife for giving those great massages. She thanked everyone for their help.

Councilor Scheeringa asked if there were any other comments. Hearing none, he closed comments from the public and brought it back to the Council. He then asked for a motion to pay claims.

Payment of Accounts Payable Vouchers. There being no further comments from visitors or residents, Councilor Robertson moved to allow the vendors accounts payable vouchers as filed on the pending accounts payable docket, covering the period June 26,2024 through July 9, 2024. Councilor Turich seconded. Upon a roll call vote, there were four (4) affirmatives and no negatives. The motion passed. The accounts payable vouchers for the vendor docket were allowed, payments allowed in advance were ratified, the payroll dockets listed were ratified and for all remaining invoices, the Clerk-Treasurer was authorized to make payment.

Accounts payable vouchers June 26, 2024- July 9,2024 in the amount of **\$2,160,056.02**.

General Fund, \$432,062.24; MVH Fund, \$39,322.42; LR&S Fund, \$37,866.20; LAW Enforcement Continuing Education Training and Supply Fund, \$203.34; Traffic Violations, \$500.00; Public Safety Income Tax, \$30,170.20; Donation, \$659 .50; American Rescue Plan Grant, \$1,254,663.10; Special Events, \$9,036.33; MCCD, \$8,097.21; Gasoline Fund, \$24,786.40 Municipal Cumulative Street Fund, \$9,554.50; Information and Communications Technology Fund, \$17,646.83; Police Pension, \$69,543.74; Insurance Premium, \$225,944.01

Payroll Docket for payday of June 28, 2024 by fund:

GENERAL, \$302,390.95

Payroll Docket for payday of June 28, 2024;

Office of Clerk-Treasurer, \$15,384.62; Building and Inspection Department, \$11,043.15; Metropolitan Police Department, \$142,479.45; Public Works Department (Agency), \$77,639.80; Fire Department, \$2,128.24 and Information and Technology Department, \$4,205.45;
Total Payroll: \$253,082.24.

Payroll Docket for payday of June 28, 2024 by fund:

Total Payroll by fund: \$81,270.74.

Payroll Docket for payday of June 28, 2024:

Boards & Commissions. \$10,993.62; Police Pension, \$69,436.09;

Total Payroll: \$80,429.71.

Adjournment of Plenary Meeting. There being no further business on the agenda, the Town Council President declared the regular plenary meeting of the Town Council of Monday, July 8, 2024, adjourned at 7:30 o'clock p.m.

Mark Herak
Clerk-Treasurer

Approved by the Town Council at its meeting of July 22, 2024.