**Housing Authority of South Bend**

**Request for Qualifications**

**For**

**Development Partner(s)**

**For**

**Transformation of Western Avenue and HASB Select Sites**

**ADDENDUM 2**

**Issued Date: 9/24/2024**

This addendum to the Request for Qualifications described above is being issued to provide responses to submitted questions, as detailed below:

1. **Is there a formal relationship between the City and Housing Authority?**

As is the case for many housing authorities, the Mayor of the City of South Bend appoints Commissioners to the Board of the Housing Authority of South Bend. The City and Housing Authority also have a formal Memorandum of Understanding that allows the City to support the Housing Authority in a limited capacity for local priorities and special initiatives.

1. **Are anchor institutions interested in participating in the revitalization?**

The Downtown South Bend plan is being supported by a myriad of local partners. The Western Avenue portions of the plan include partners like the City of South Bend, the Community Foundation of St. Joseph County and the Kroc Center. The Housing Authority intends to expand this list in the coming weeks and months in collaboration with its development partner and other engaged community and regional partners.

1. **Has HASB applied for a Choice Neighborhood Planning Grant? And, if not, is HASB interested in applying?**

HASB has not applied for a Choice Neighborhood Planning Grant. HASB is not presently anticipating utilizing Choice Neighborhoods for this revitalization initiative but does not rule out the Choice Neighborhood program as a future tool to aid in this process.