

1 BILL NO. R-15-04-12

2 RESOLUTION NO. R- _____

3 A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE DISTRIBUTION OF FUNDS
4 FROM THE FORT WAYNE COMMUNITY TRUST LEGACY
5 FUND FOR INVESTMENT IN DOWNTOWN RIVERFRONT
6 DEVELOPMENT.

7 **Whereas**, the City of Fort Wayne ("City") has created the City of Fort
8 Wayne Community Trust to invest in projects having a collective impact which will
9 produce transformational change within the community; and

10 **Whereas**, the City through its Community Legacy Fund process has
11 received unprecedented public input from the community and has collaborated
12 with its citizens, business leaders and elected officials to identify, develop and
13 implement project priorities, the highest priority being the revitalization of the
14 City's downtown riverfront; and

15 **Whereas**, SWA Group, the internationally acclaimed consulting firm,
16 recently completed the Riverfront Action Plan for the City which provides a long-
17 term vision for the development of the City's downtown riverfront; and

18 **Whereas**, the creation of the Riverfront Action Plan involved substantial
19 community and stakeholder participation and input in each phase of development;
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21 **Whereas**, the Riverfront Development Plan presents a revitalized
22 downtown riverfront that will serve as a regional destination, offering a variety of
23 nature, recreational, retail and dining experiences; and

24 **Whereas**, the implementation of the Riverfront Action Plan provides our
25 community with an opportunity increase the City's economic vibrancy and to
26 position the City for future growth; and

27 **Whereas**, the Mayor has requested the Deputy Mayor to form a
28 taskforce to identify the initial critical tasks required to begin the first phase of
29 downtown riverfront development; and

30 **Whereas**, the taskforce has convened during the previous sixty (60)
days to prepare a list of such tasks to be undertaken and a corresponding budget
to support such tasks.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL
OF THE CITY OF FORT WAYNE, INDIANA:

1 **SECTION 1.** The City of Fort Wayne Common Council hereby
2 authorizes the Board of Trustees of the City of Fort Wayne Community Legacy
3 Fund to distribute and/or appropriate the sum of Six Million and 00/100 Dollars
4 (\$6,000,000.00) to the Board of Trustees of the City of Fort Wayne Community
5 Trust (the "Trust") to be used by the Trust to fund the tasks and activities related to
6 the implementation of the first phase of downtown riverfront development as
7 presented in the Riverfront Action Plan, including, but not limited to, property
8 appraisals; environmental studies; soil borings; topographic and bathymetric
9 surveys; riparian master plan; promenade schematic, engineering and
10 architectural drawings; overlay district plan; riparian maintenance and stabilization;
11 engagement of project manager; program manager and riparian manager; riparian
12 maintenance equipment; program activities; marketing materials; ecology center
13 feasibility study property acquisition and contingency.

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15 **SECTION 2.** This Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after
16 its passage and any and all necessary approval by the Mayor.

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18 Council Member

19 APPROVED AS TO FORM A LEGALITY

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