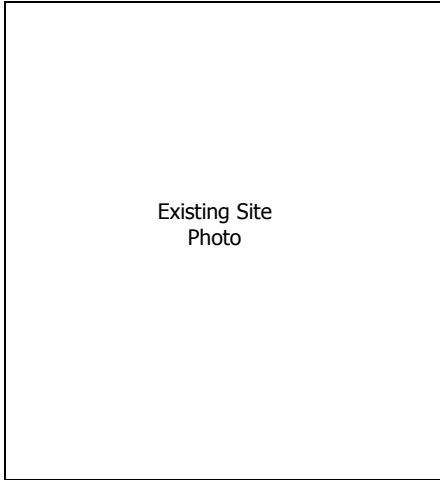


GATEWAY IDENTIFICATION FORM

(Additional Pages May Be Attached If Needed)

Sector: RC
(Please list as two digit abbreviation, e.g. RC = Regional Center)

Proposal Number: Monon Gateway; NE Quad
(Please use the naming convention –Sector identifier plus an ascending numeral.)



Location Of The Proposed Gateway Project:

Monon Trail at 10th Street

Significance/Rationale For The Gateway (Why Is This A Good Location? What Is Important About This Location?)

The Monon Trail ends at 10th St. and a permanent connection is needed to 1) direct users to the proposed Cultural Trail, 2) link the Broad Ripple, Mass Ave, Canal/White River and Indiana Ave Cultural Districts, 3) expose the Mass Ave Arts & Theatre District and its retail offerings to potential new customers, 4) direct users to the Cottage Home and East Tenth Street Business Associations, 5) formally complete the “20 mile bike trail loop.” and 6) support healthier life styles which include active recreation.

A component of The Peterson Plan includes connecting and expanding greenways.

Critical Issues (Adverse Or Positive Impacts To Infrastructure, Commercial Businesses, Neighbors, Future Development, Etc.)

Infrastructure Impacts: 1) DPW sidewalk improvements, e.g. blacktop existing gravel and creating a formal trail along the north side of 10th St., 2) creating a pedestrian crosswalk with a flashing yellow light at 10th & Bellfontaine, 3) reducing Bellfontaine by one traffic lane in both directions to create a trail on both sides of the street, and 4) installing attractive directional signage.

Commercial Business and Future Development Impacts:

An attractively designed connection linking the Monon to the Mass Ave Cultural District & Trail will introduce new customers to Mass Ave and its increasing residential population. With increased visits to restaurants, retail, theatres, and galleries, economic development should flourish. Will help to implement the Mass Ave Commercial Development Plan.

Concept Or Theme Of The Proposed Gateway Project (Optional): The trail would run along the north side of 10th St. and connect to Mass Ave via Bellfontaine. Could have a public arts component by painting the interstate supports retaining wall, and the CSX bridge and/or creating a small art park in the grass vacant lot for cyclists to rest.

Type Or Scale Of The Proposed Gateway Project (Optional):

Current Site Ownership (Does Site Need To Be Acquired?):

No, the property is city owned and would be a DPW project, per Ray Irvin

Audience (To Whom Will The Gateway Appeal?):

The gateway would be primarily a pedestrian/bicycle gateway to connect Indianapolis residents and visitor to cultural amenities. Increased health benefits to users could really expand the audience.

Please List Interested Groups/Agencies (Public And Private) And Describe Neighborhood Support/Buy-In:

Riley Area Development Corp., IDI, Mass Ave Merchants Assn., IDATA, E. Tenth St. Business Assoc., Chatham Arch & Lockerbie Neighborhood Assn., City of Indianapolis

Please Describe The Gateway's Relationship To Other Community Plans And Initiatives:

Answered in 2nd paragraph on page 1.

Please Outline An Implementation Strategy And Describe The Next Steps (What Needs To Occur In Order To Implement The Project?):

Likely Funding Sources And Other Items Not Covered Elsewhere:

ISTEA grant with DPW or DPR match, Lilly Endowment, local and national arts grants and other grants.