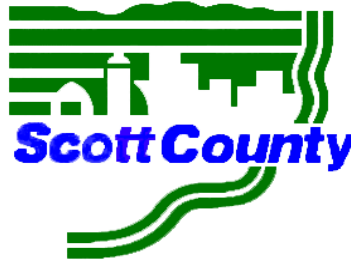


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Mayor Robert Gallagher, Jr.
Bettendorf City Council Members
Bettendorf City Hall
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RE: City of Bettendorf's proposed Amendment No. 1 to the I-80 Urban Renewal Plan

Dear Mayor Gallagher and Council Members:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed amendment No. 1 to the I-80 Urban Renewal Plan. The Scott County Board of Supervisors has reviewed the information provided to our TIF Review Committee by Jeff Reiter, Bettendorf Director of Economic Development. The Board supports the use of TIF as an economic development incentive for FG80 Holdings plan to develop regional multi-use sports facilities and a three story golf entertainment facility near the Bettplex, on the east side of Middle Rd. The proposed development will increase the tax base and lead to 180 new full time equivalent jobs. The existing Bettplex development has already proven that this type of use can draw 1.5 million people a year to Scott County. The continued development in this area should attract more sporting events and visitors to the Quad Cities area and help grow our tourism economy.

The Board does not support the use of TIF to fund public improvements or as an economic development incentive for hotel, retail, or commercial service sector businesses that compete or overlap with other existing businesses for the same Quad Cities Area markets. The Board would also note that the proposed rebate of TIF revenues generated by the development is uncapped and open-ended as to the amount of revenue to be rebated. It is only limited by the 20 year maximum lifetime of the TIF. The Board has always encouraged TIF rebates to be for the least amount and the shortest length of time necessary to make a project feasible.

The Scott County Board of Supervisors appreciates its opportunity to comment on this TIF Plan and is excited by the new regional sports and golf facilities that will be developed along a highly visible entrance to the Quad City area. The Board is delighted to have this facility located in Scott County. The Board hopes to continue the spirit of cooperation with the City of Bettendorf on economic development projects and we look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Ken Beck, Chair
Scott County Board of Supervisors

cc: Scott County Board of Supervisors
Mahesh Sharma, Scott County Administrator
Decker Ploehn, Bettendorf City Administrator

EXHIBIT D

MAP OF I-80 URBAN RENEWAL AREA, AS AMENDED BY AMENDMENT NO. 1

