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**Subject:** USAFA Visitor's Center Business Improvement District

Request to Extend Debt Authorization Time Limit

Mr. Schueler,

The USAFA Visitor's Center Business Improvement District was actively marketing bonds in February 2020 and had commitments to purchase the securities by early March. In March, the municipal bond market was severely impacted by Covid-19 and the BID was unable to sell the bonds to fund the project. While markets have stabilized over the past several months, additional time is needed to remarket the bonds. Therefore, the BID requests a one (1) year extension of the debt authorization approved by City Council on October 22, 2019 (Resolution No. 103-19).

We appreciate your assistance with this matter and can provide any additional information you might need. We will be prepared to address any questions that arise at the upcoming City Council meeting.

Sincerely,

Eric W. Smith Secretary

cc: Matt Dalton

Pat Hrbacek

**BID Board Members**