

DPS 2020 SBH MLK BRIDGE \$341,000

August 25, 2020

- A total of \$341,000 is being appropriated for improvements to MLK Bridge, mainly to protect the bridge from future flooding.
- The current value of the MLK Bridge is approximately \$60M. It is important to keep up with maintenance and upgrades to preserve this valuable asset. Currently there is no budget, annual or otherwise for maintenance of the MLK Bridge
- This project will specifically raise the height of the crotch walls 18” to prevent the Maumee River from overflowing into the base of the bascule spans. This project will also enlarge sumps, provide new pumps and discharge piping, new level detection systems, and repair concrete as needed to prevent flooding and damage from flooding.
- This funding is coming from an existing CIP fund previously allocated for the same division (Streets, Bridges & Harbor) for the purpose of salt storage. A salt stacker has been purchased, and a lease with ARMS Dock has been secured so the money can be moved for this new purpose.