

REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR and PUBLIC HEARING

ALLEGHENY COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Board Room, Suite 900

Chatham One, 112 Washington Place, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

August 28, 2020—10:30 a.m.

The Regular Meeting and Public Hearing of the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County was held on Friday, August 28, 2020 at 10:30 a.m. in Allegheny County Economic Development's Board Room, Chatham One, Suite 900, 112 Washington Place, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219.

Board Members present were: Chairman William Brooks, Senator Wayne Fontana, Doris Carson Williams, Margaret McCormick-Barron (all via teleconference)

Also present were: Lance Chimka, Director, Jack Exler, Senior Deputy Director; Steve Papernick, Authority Solicitor (via teleconference); Samuel Bozzolla, Project Manager; Tom McGrath, Manager; Neal Leshner, PA House GOP (via teleconference).

I. ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order, roll was called, and a quorum was present.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – July 24, 2020

ON A MOTION MADE BY MS. CARSON WILLIAMS AND SECONDED BY SENATOR FONTANA THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING WERE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

III. RATIFICATION OF BILLS

Ms. Carson Williams reviewed the Ratification of Bills Payable for the month of July, 2020 and found them to be in good and proper order.

ON A MOTION MADE BY SENATOR FONTANA AND SECONDED BY MS. MCCORMICK-BARRON, THE RATIFICATION OF THE BILLS WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS

NO COMMENTS

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. Allegheny County Economic Development, Community Infrastructure & Tourism Fund (CITF) – Solicitor Contract Extension

Request Authorization to: (i) extend the (1) year contract with the law firm Dickie McCamey & Chilcote as the solicitor for the Community Infrastructure & Tourism Fund Program from August 31, 2020 to December 31, 2020; and (ii) allow the Director to execute the necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

ON A MOTION MADE BY SENATOR FONTANA AND SECONDED BY MS. CARSON WILLIAMS, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Active Transportation Grant Program – Ratification of an Agreement

Request authorization to: (i) ratify an agreement with the Hillman Family Foundations for an amount not to exceed \$75,000 to support the award of grants through the Active Allegheny Grant Program; and (ii) allow the Director to execute necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

ON A MOTION MADE BY SENATOR FONTANA AND SECONDED BY MS. CARSON WILLIAMS, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

B. Live Well Allegheny 2-Grant Acceptance

Request authorization to: (i) accept a Grant in an amount not to exceed \$81,000.00 from the Allegheny County Health Department (ACHD), (ii) solicit proposals for Sub-grants from Sub-grantees for use toward costs of the Program, (iii) award Sub-grants to Sub-grantees in amounts and upon terms as determined by the Director and/or any of the Officer of the Authority, (iv) administer the Sub-grants in connection with the Program, (v) develop and/or provide resources to support program activities, and (vi) allow the Director to execute the necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

ON A MOTION MADE BY MS. MCCORMICK-BARRON AND SECONDED BY MS. CARSON WILLIAMS, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

C. Mon Valley Initiative (MVI)- Property Revocable License Agreement

Request authorization to: (i) enter into a Revocable License Agreement with Mon Valley Initiative, Inc. for use of RAAC-owned property in the Borough of Braddock; and (ii) allow the Director to execute the necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

ON A MOTION MADE BY SENATOR FONTANA AND SECONDED BY MS. MCCORMICK-BARRON, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

D. Allegheny County Economic Development, Gaming Economic Development Tourism Fund (GEDTF) – Application for Funding

Request authorization to: (i) submit an application for funding to the Commonwealth Finance Authority from the Pennsylvania Gaming Economic Development and Tourism Fund and (ii) allow the Director to execute the necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

ON A MOTION MADE BY SENATOR FONTANA AND SECONDED BY MS. CARSON WILLIAMS THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

“The department received 154 applications totaling \$57.6 million. Today we are recommending 59 projects to the CDFA totaling \$10.1 million. As it has done in the past, our Department will serve as the administrator for these projects.” Lance Chimka-Director

The corresponding record highlighting the projects are attached as “Exhibit A”

E. Allegheny Vacant Property Recovery Program (AVPRP) – Certificates of Completion

Request authorization to: (i) record Certificates of Completion for three (3) properties that were transferred through the Allegheny Vacant Property Recovery Program in the municipalities of Plum, Sharpsburg, and South Park; and (ii) allow the Director to execute the necessary documents with Solicitor approval

ON A MOTION MADE BY SENATOR FONTANA AND SECONDED BY MS. CARSON WILLIAMS THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

F. Allegheny Vacant Property Recovery Program (AVPRP)

Request authorization to: (i) approve various resolutions related to the Allegheny Vacant Property Recovery Program for properties located in the municipalities Clairton, Coraopolis, Glassport, North Braddock, Oakdale, South Park, Wilkins, and Wilkesburg (ii) allow the Director to execute the necessary documents with Solicitor approval

ON A MOTION MADE BY SENATOR FONTANA AND SECONDED BY MS. CARSON WILLIAMS, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

VII. ADJOURNMENT

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO TRANSACT, ON A MOTION MADE BY MS. CARSON WILLIAMS AND SECONDED BY MS. MCCORMICK BARRON, THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.



Jack Exler, Sr. Deputy Director