

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

January 27, 2022 2:00 p.m.

The Regular Meeting and Public Hearing of the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County was held, via teleconference, on Thursday, January 27, 2022 at 2:00 p. 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, Peg McCormick Barron, and Senator Fontana, (all via teleconference)

Also present were: Lance Chimka, Director, Jack Exler, Senior Deputy Director; Susheela Nemani-Stanger, Deputy Director; William Merchant, Authority Solicitor; and Samuel Bozzolla, Authorities Coordinator.

ROLL CALL

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

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY AND TREASURER

ON A MOTION MADE MS. MCCORMICK BARRON AND SECONDED BY MR. BROOKS, SENATOR FONTANA WAS APPOINTED SECRETARY AND TREASURER

APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 16, 2021

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

RATIFICATION OF BILLS

Senator Fontana reviewed the Ratification of Bills Payable for the month of December 2021 and found them to be in good and proper order.

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS

OLD BUSINESS

- ALLEGHENY COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE & TOURISM FUND (CITF)-WILKINS TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY AMPHITHEATER SCOPE CHANGE

Request authorization to: (i) change the scope of work from the construction of an amphitheater to performing renovations to the Wilkins Township community center; and (ii) allow the Director to execute the necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

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

NEW BUSINESS

A. 2022 ANNUAL BUDGET

Request authorization to approve the 2022 Annual Budget

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

B. 2022 ADMINISTRATIVE AGREEMENT

Request authorization to approve the 2022 Administrative Agreement

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

C. REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS-AUTHORITY SOLICITOR

Request authorization to: (i) obtain proposals from qualified law firms to serve as solicitor to the Redevelopment Authority; and (ii) allow the Director to execute necessary documents with Solicitor approval

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

D. CRANMER CONSULTANTS- AGREEMENT

Request authorization to: (i) enter into a one (1) year agreement with Cranmer Consultants effective from January 1, 2022 to December 31, 2022; and (ii) allow the Director to execute all 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.

E. MINORITY, WOMEN & VETERAN SMALL BUSINESS LOAN PROGRAM

Request authorization to: (i) enter into a one (1) year agreement with Axiom Advancement Corporation to administer the Minority, Women, and Veteran Small Business Loan Program; (ii) capitalize the program with \$350,000 or 50% of the remaining balance from the sunset M/W/DBE Contractor Working Capital Loan Program; and (iii) allow the Director to execute the necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

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

F. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND LOAN (EDF)-WORKING CAPITAL LOAN FOR CONNECTIONS 4 SUCCESS

Requesting authorization to: (i) issue a \$50,000 short-term Economic Development Fund (EDF) Loan to Connections 4 Success (C4S); and (ii) allow the Director to execute all 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

G. SOUTHWESTERN PARTNERSHIP FOR REGIONAL ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE (PREP) PROGRAM- SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Request authorization to: (i) ratify the amended agreement 19-10 (a) with the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission for Partnership for Regional Economic Performance funds in an amount not to exceed \$116,186.00; (ii) accept said funds; and (iii) allow the Director to execute all necessary documents with Solicitor approval, including contract with Southwestern Pennsylvania Corporation.

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

H. CARRIE FURNACE HOT METAL BRIDGE-RFQ

Request authorization to: (i) ratify an RFQ for the engineering and design services for the conversion of the Hot Metal Bridge for the Carrie Furnace Redevelopment Project; and (ii) to allow the Director to sign all necessary documents related to same, with Solicitor approval.

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

I. CARRIE FURNACE WATERLINE PHASE II-SOLICIT BIDS

Request authorization to: (i) solicit bids for the second phase of the waterline creation of the Carrie Furnace Redevelopment Project; and (ii) to allow the Director to sign all necessary documents related to same, with Solicitor approval.

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

J. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION (EDA)-REVOLVING LOAN FUND

Request authorization to: (i) issue a \$125,000 Economic Development Administration (EDA) Revolving Loan Fund to Outer Limits Adventure Park, LLC, a minority, woman-owned, small business; and (ii) allow the Director to execute all the necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

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

K. REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROGRAM (RACP)- APPLICATION SUBMITTAL

Request authorization to (i) submit nine applications to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for assistance under the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program for an amount not to exceed \$9,750,000 (ii) accept said grants; and (iii) allow the Director to execute necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

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

L. ALLEGHENY VACANT PROPERTY RECOVERY PROGRAM (AVPRP)- PARTICIPATION BY PORT VUE BOROUGH

Request authorization to: (i) allow the Borough of Port Vue to participate in the County's Allegheny Vacant Property Recovery Program; (ii) allow RAAC to receive funds from the Borough or entities authorized by the Borough for the purpose of paying for all costs associated with acquiring properties through the Allegheny Vacant Property Recovery Program; and (iii) allow the Director to execute all the necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

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

ADJOURNMENT

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO TRANSACT, ON A MOTION MADE BY SENATOR FONTANA 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