

Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Koppers Building, 436 Seventh Avenue, Suite 600

Pittsburgh, PA 15219

April 27, 2023, at 2:00 PM, Confluence Room

The Regular Meeting and Public Hearing of the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County was held on Thursday, April 27, 2023, at 2:00 pm. in the Confluence Room, Koppers Building, 436 Seventh Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219

Board Members present were: Councilman Walton, Peg McCormick Barron, Senator Fontana, and Jason Markovich

Also present were: Lance Chimka, Director; Steve Papernick, Authorities Solicitor; Isabella Colletti, Project Manager; Peter Rubash, Project Manager; Elissa DiNello, Project Manager; Keilah Boyles, Project Manager; Ray Englert, Project Manager; Beth O'Donnell, Marketing Coordinator; and Shellye Webster, Administrative Assistant

I. ROLL CALL:

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

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 23rd, 2023

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. MARKOVICH AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WALTON, THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING WERE APPROVED AS PRESENTED

III. RATIFICATION OF BILLS

Senator Fontana reviewed the Ratification of Bills Payable for March, 2023 and found them in good and proper order

ON A MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMAN WALTON AND SECONDED BY MR. MARKOVICH, THE RATIFICATION OF THE BILLS WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

IV. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

THERE WERE NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

V. OLD BUSINESS:

- LIVE WELL ALLEGHENY 2 CDC CITY OF MCKEESPORT GRANT CONTRACT AMENDMENT

Request authorization to extend the term of the Live Well Allegheny 2 CDC grant agreement to February 7, 2024; increase the amount of the agreement by \$160,000.00 to a not-to-exceed amount of \$241,000.00 and allow the Director to execute all necessary documents with Solicitor approval

ON A MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMAN WALTON AND SECONDED BY MR. MARKOVICH, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

VI. NEW BUSINESS:

- A. ALLEGHENY LEAD SAFE HOMES - ACCEPT FUNDS FROM PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, ENTER INTO CONTRACT, AND ESTABLISH A BRIDGE LOAN

Request authorization to accept \$825,000 from the Pennsylvania Department of Health (PADOH) to be used for the Allegheny Lead Safe Homes Program; enter into contract with PADOH; establish a bridge loan in the amount of \$275,000; and allow the Director to execute all the necessary documents with solicitor approval

ON A MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMAN WALTON AND SECONDED BY MR. MARKOVICH, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

- B. SALE OF AUTHORITY-OWNED LOT LOCATED IN BRADDOCK, PA

Request authorization to convey 1 RAAC-owned parcel, Lot and Block 237-D-142, comprising vacant 2,400 sq. ft., located in the Borough of Braddock on Braddock Avenue, for \$2,500 to 641 Braddock Realty, LLC aka Braddock Community Builders, 4051 Penn Avenue, Pittsburgh PA 15224, to permit the development of an adjacent historical building, and allow the Director to execute all necessary documents, with Solicitor approval

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. MARKOVICH AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WALTON, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

- C. SALE OF AUTHORITY-OWNED LOT LOCATED IN BRADDOCK, PA

Request authorization to convey 1 RAAC-owned parcel, Lot and Block 236-R-240, comprising vacant 1,300 sq. ft., located in the Borough of Braddock on Braddock Avenue, for \$500.00 to Steven Mann of Mann Construction, 301 Braddock Avenue, Braddock PA 15104, so as to permit the further development of the parcel, and allow the Director to execute all necessary documents with Solicitor approval

ON A MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMAN WALTON AND SECONDED BY MR. MARKOVICH, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

D. SUPPORT SISTER CITIES PITTSBURGH BY BECOMING A SPONSORING MEMBER

Request authorization to become a sponsoring member of the Sister Cities Pittsburgh organization; contribute an amount not to exceed \$15,000 to the Sister Cities Pittsburgh organization using PREP funds; and allow the Director to execute all necessary documents with Solicitor approval, including membership and registration with Sister Cities Pittsburgh organization.

ON A MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMAN WALTON AND SECONDED BY MR. MARKOVICH, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

E. BRADDOCK BUSINESS COMMUNITY INITIATIVE

Submit Act 152 application for demolition funds for 548 Braddock Ave, 728-730 Braddock Ave, and 1113-1115 Braddock Ave, Braddock, PA 15104; and allow the Director to execute necessary documents with Solicitor approval

ON A MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMAN WALTON AND SECONDED BY MR. MARKOVICH, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

F. ROUND HILL PARK- ADJACENT LAND ACQUISITION

Request authorization to enter into agreement with CNX Land LLC and/or affiliated entities for the acquisition of, and acquire, by donation, up to 200 acres of land for passive park development and trail connectivity and allow the Director to execute necessary documents with Solicitor approval

ON A MOTION MADE BY COUNCILMAN WALTON AND SECONDED BY MR. MARKOVICH, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

G. ALLEGHENY VACANT PROPERTY RECOVERY PROGRAM (AVPRP)

Request authorization to approve various resolutions related to the Allegheny Vacant Property Recovery Program for properties located in the municipalities of Braddock Hills, Clairton, Coraopolis, Penn Hills, Rankin, Ross, Shaler, Tarentum, Wilkinsburg, and Wilmerding and allow the Director to execute the necessary documents with Solicitor approval

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. MARKOVICH AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WALTON, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED

ADJOURNMENT

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO TRANSACT, ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. MARKOVICH AND SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN WALTON, THE ADJOURNMENT OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED



Lance Chimka, Authorized Designate