# Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Koppers Building, 436 Seventh Avenue, Suite 600 Pittsburgh, PA 15219

February 22, 2024, at 2:00 PM, Confluence Room

The Regular Meeting and Public Hearing of the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County was held on Thursday, February 22, 2024, at 2:00 pm. in the Confluence Room, Koppers Building, 436 Seventh Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219

Board Members participating were: Peg McCormick Barron, Councilman Walton, Jason Markovich and Kyle Chintalapalli

Also participating were: Simone McMeans, Deputy Director; Steve Papernick, Authorities Solicitor; Beth O'Donnell, Authorities Coordinator; Lori Markey, Administrative Assistant; Dan Bish, Manager; Ann Ogoreuc, Manager; Ray Englert, Project Manager; Sydney Rabinovitz, Project Manager; Shellye Webster, Program Assistant; Chizoma Ihedoro, Project Manager

#### **ROLL CALL:**

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

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES - January 25th, 2024

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

(NOTE: Mr. Chintalapalli obstained from approving the January, 2024 minutes because he had not yet been appointed to the RAAC board)

# APPOINTMENT - TREASURER/SECRETARY

Request authorization to appoint Kyle Chintalapalli to serve as Treasurer/Secretary for the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County

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

#### **RATIFICATION OF BILLS**

Ms. McCormick Barron reviewed the Ratification of Bills Payable for January, 2024 and found them in good and proper order

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

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

THERE WERE NO PUBLIC COMMENTS

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

# A. MT. NEBO POINTE TAX INCREMENT FINANCING (TIF) COMPLETION

Request authorization to direct the Trustee of the Guaranteed Redevelopment Tax Increment Revenue Refunding Bonds (Ohio Township/Mt. Nebo Pointe Project) Series of 2014 to disburse excess monies of the Tax Increment Financing funds to the applicable taxing bodies and terminate the cooperation agreement entered into among the Authority and the applicable taxing bodies

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

# B. CIVICALLY, INC. LOAN DEFERRAL REQUEST

Request authorization to defer the 2019 loan for roof repair and stabilization

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

## C. BOROUGH OF RANKIN, TOWNSHIPS OF LEET AND FORWARD

Request authorization to re-approve a resolution related to the Allegheny Vacant Property Recovery Program for 3 properties located in the municipalities of Rankin, Leet, and Forward

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

# D. PARTNERSHIP FOR REGIONAL ECONOMIC PERFORMANCE (PREP) AGREEMENT WITH SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION CONTRACT

Request authorization to amend the 2022-2023 PREP Cost Reimbursement Agreement 22-07 A with the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission (SPC), a sub-grant of Partnership for Regional Economic Performance (PREP) program funds, for a maximum amount not to exceed \$280,646

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

# **NEW BUSINESS:**

#### A. 2024 ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT

Request authorization to enter into an Administrative Agreement with Allegheny County in the amount of \$330,000

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

B. ACTIVE ALLEGHENY GRANT PROGRAM - COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY CONTRACT

Request authorization to enter into a contract with the County of Allegheny to receive 2024 Capital Budget funds in an amount not to exceed \$150,000

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

C. SAFE STREETS FOR ALL LOCAL MATCH CONTRIBUTION

Request authorization to provide payment to the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission in an amount not to exceed \$16,500 from the RAAC Unrestricted Interest Income Account as local match

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

D. BRADDOCK BUSINESS COMMUNITY INITIATIVE (BBCI) TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE WITH CHATHAM UNIVERSITY CENTER FOR WOMEN'S ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Request authorization to enter into a one (1) year agreement with the Center for Women's Entrepreneurship at Chatham University (CWE) to administer technical assistance to six (6) Braddock Business Community Initiative businesses and contribute an amount not to exceed \$2,700.00

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

E. ENGAGE! STATE-WIDE BUSINESS RETENTION AND EXPANSION PROGRAM – SOUTHWESTERN PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION CONTRACT

Request authorization to enter into an agreement with the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission for ENGAGE! program funds in an amount not to exceed \$7,500.00

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

F. SPONSORSHIP SUPPORT OF ANNUAL CONFERENCE FOR MWDBE GOVERNMENTAL COMMITTEE

Request authorization to become a sponsor of the 23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Business Opportunity Conference for Minority, Women & Disadvantaged Business Enterprises and contribute an amount not to exceed \$5,000 to the MWDBE Governmental Committee using PREP 2023-2024 funds

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

G. EPA-RLF GRANT PEOPLE OF ORIGIN RIGHTFULLY LOVED AND WANTED (POORLAW)

Request authorization to issue an EPA-RLF grant to POORLAW for an amount not to exceed \$55,700.00

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

H. EPA-RLF GRANT YOUNG BLACK MOTIVATED KINGS AND QUEENS (YBMKQ)

Request authorization to issue an EPA-RLF grant to the Young Black Motivated Kings and Queens organization for an amount not to exceed \$119,488.00

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

I. 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 City of Clairton

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

J. ALLEGHENY VACANT PROPERTY RECOVERY PROGRAM (AVPRP) – CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION

Request authorization to approve Certificates of Completion for two properties which were transferred through the Allegheny Vacant Property Recovery Program

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

#### ADJOURNMENT OF RAAC

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 WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED

Simone McMeans, Assistant Secretary