

ALLEGHENY COUNTY
AUTHORITY FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN MUNICIPALITIES
MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING
REGIONAL ENTERPRISE TOWER
SUITE 800, CONFERENCE ROOM,
425 SIXTH AVENUE, PITTSBURGH, PENNSYLVANIA
April 23, 2013—10:30 A.M.

The Regular Meeting/Public Hearing of the Authority for Improvements in Municipalities was held Tuesday, April 23, 2013 at 10:30 a.m. in the 8th Floor Conference Room, of the Regional Enterprise Tower, 425 Sixth Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15219.

Board members present were: Stanley Gorski, Dennis Simon, John Ciangiarulo, and Ann Ostergaard.

Also present were: R. Darryl Ponton, Authority Solicitor; Dennis Davin, Director Robert Hurley, Deputy Director; Jack Exler, Deputy Director; Darnell Moses, Authorities Manager; Angie Hicks, Project Manager; Adrienne Frazier, Administrative Assistant; Samuel Bozzolla, Project Manager; Tom McGrath, Fiscal Manager; and Anita Truss, Senior Accountant; Patrick Earley, Assistant Director; and Alex Smith, Project Manager.

Others present were: Heidi Nevala, Allegheny County Controller's Office; and Brian Binkley, Binkley Kanavy Group.

I. ROLL CALL

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

II. APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES—FEBRUARY 26, 2013

ON A MOTION MADE BY MS. OSTERGAARD AND SECONDED BY MR. SIMON, THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING WERE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

III. APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY PRO TEMPORE

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. SIMON AND SECONDED BY MR. CIANGIARULO, IT WAS UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED TO APPOINT MS. OSTERGAARD AS SECRETARY PRO TEMPORE.

IV. FINANCIAL REPORT AND BILLS PAYABLE—RATIFICATION

Ms. Truss presented the General Financial Report, the UDAG Funds, and the PA Department of Commerce Financial Reports, for the month of March 2013 and Ratification of Bills and Bills Payable for April 2013 to the Board and they found them to be proper and in order.

ON A MOTION MADE BY MR. SIMON AND SECONDED BY MS. OSTERGAARD, THE FINANCIAL REPORTS AND BILLS PAYABLE WERE APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

V. OLD BUSINESS

A. AIM GUIDELINES - AMENDMENT

Request authorization to: (i) amend the AIM guidelines regarding the Special Economic Development Program; and (ii) allow the Director to execute all necessary documents, with Solicitor approval.

The purpose of this item is to amend the guidelines that reference the Special Economic Development Program to eliminate the maximum grant amount requirement of \$500,000.

ON A MOTION MADE BY MS. OSTERGAARD AND SECONDED BY MR. SIMON, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

B. CONTRACT AMENDMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF ALLEGHENY – INFRASTRUCTURE FUND

Request authorization to: (i) amend an agreement with Allegheny County which will increase the amount by an additional \$750,000 from \$1,000,000 for a new contract amount of \$1,750,000; (ii) extend the term to December 31, 2014; and (ii) allow the Director to execute all necessary documents, with Solicitor approval.

This request is to enter into a contract with Allegheny County to accept funds in the amount of \$750,000 which will provide assistance for an ongoing community revitalization effort located within the City of Pittsburgh Lower Hill District.

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

VI. PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Chair asked if there were any questions, comments or concerns regarding the Agenda. Hearing none, the meeting continued with the next Agenda item.

VII. NEW BUSINESS

A. LOWER HILL REDEVELOPMENT

Request authorization to (i) enter into contract with the Sports and Exhibition Authority in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 for continued work on the Lower Hill Redevelopment project and (ii) allow the Director to execute all necessary documents, with Solicitor approval.

This request is to enter into a contract with the Sports and Exhibition Authority in an amount not to exceed \$750,000 for an ongoing community revitalization effort located within the City of Pittsburgh Lower Hill District. Work includes the continued design and engineering of all necessary infrastructures to accommodate the redevelopment of the former Civic Arena site.

ON A MOTION MADE BY MS. OSTERGAARD AND SECONDED BY MR. CIANGIARULO, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED.

B. CHAR-WEST COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS—SEWER CLEANER PURCHASE

Request authorization to make a loan from the Allegheny County Authority for Improvements in Municipalities (AIM) to the Char-West Council of Governments (CWCOG) (the "Borrower") in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00. The loan will bear interest at a rate of 1.34% and will be for a term of five (5) years.

The Borrower is requesting funding from AIM for the purpose of purchasing a Sewer Cleaner which will service 19 Boroughs and Townships.

The proposed financing is as follows:

AIM	\$ 100,000
CITF Grant	207,380
CWCOG	<u>57,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 364,380

ON A MOTION MADE BY MS. OSTERGAARD AND SECONDED BY MR. SIMON, THE ABOVE REQUEST WAS APPROVED AS PRESENTED. THERE WAS ONE ABSTENTION.

C. GENERAL PURPOSE AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF DECEMBER 31, 2012

Request authorization to accept the general purpose audited financial statements for the Authority dated as of December 31, 2012.

The Audit Committee consisting of board members Stanley Gorski and Ann Ostergaard, members of staff, and members of the auditing firm of Binkley Kanavy Group met and discussed the audited financial statements.

Ms. Ostergaard asked Mr. Binkley if he wanted to speak with any of the board members without management present. Mr. Binkley replied that it wasn't necessary to meet because it was a good and satisfactory audit with no findings.

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

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO TRANSACT, THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE ALLEGHENY COUNTY AUTHORITY FOR IMPROVEMENTS IN MUNICIPALITIES WAS ADJOURNED, ON A MOTION MADE BY MS. OSTERGAARD AND SECONDED BY MR. SIMON.

Jack Exler

Jack Exler, Deputy Director