

**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**

**February 28, 2020—10:30 a.m.**

The Regular Meeting and Public Hearing of the Redevelopment Authority of Allegheny County was held on Friday, February 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: Bill Brooks (Chairman), Senator Wayne Fontana, Peg McCormick Barron, and Doris Carson Williams

Also present were: Lance Chimka, Director; Samuel Bozzolla, Project Manager; Brooke Gwin, Project Manager; Jala Johnson, Project Manager; Gabriel Kelly, Project Manager; Will McLain, Planner 2; Erin Deasy, Development Manager; Beth O'Donnell, Bria Cook, Elaine Evosevic-Lozada, Jason Sigal, DTI; Jason Markovich

**I. ROLL CALL**

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

**II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 24, 2020**

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

**III. RATIFICATION OF BILLS**

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

ON A MOTION MADE BY WILLIAM BROOKS AND SECONDED BY PEG 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) – CONSTRUCTION OF HAWKINS/AJAX PARK PROJECT-GRANT RE-ASSIGNMENT GRANT**

Request Authorization to: (i) re-assign the CITF grant from the Borough of North Braddock to the Turtle Creek Valley COG to assist with the Construction of Hawkins/Ajax Park Project; and (ii) allow the Director to execute the necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

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

**B. REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROGRAM (RACP)-SHEET METAL WORKERS TRAINING FACILITY EXPANSION-AMENDMENT**

Request authorization to: (i) submit an application to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for assistance under the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program in the amount of \$500,000, amending the existing \$900,000 grant, for a total not to exceed \$1,400,000; (ii) accept said grant; and (iii) allow the Director to execute necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

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

**C. REDEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE CAPITAL PROGRAM (RACP) PITTSBURGH INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT WORLD TRADE CENTER SITE PROJECT**

Request authorization to (i) submit an application to the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania for assistance under the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program for \$1,000,000, amending the existing \$9,000,000 grant, for a total not to exceed \$10,000,000; (ii) accept said grant; and (iii) allow the Director to execute necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

**COMMENTS:** LANCE CHIMKA – Just a note that the original funding was for a different development concept but on the same land. It is still the same 195 acres west of the airport runway. The new concept is call Neighborhood 91 and it is a additive manufacturing 3d printing cluster development. The previous grant was under a different development concept same land different concept. We are very excited about the project and hopefully it will get us over the finish line.

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

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. MUNHALL ADOPT & BEAUTIFY PROGRAM-LICENSE AGREEMENT**

Request authorization to: (i) enter into a License Agreement for a highway beautification project with The Waterfront Owners Association for RAAC owned parcel 179-L-200-0-1 in the Borough of Munhall; and (ii) allow the Director to execute all necessary documents, with Solicitor approval.

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

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

Request authorization to: (i) approve various resolutions related to the Allegheny Vacant Property Recovery Program for properties located in the municipalities Braddock, Glassport, North Versailles, Rankin, Swissvale, West Mifflin, White Oak, and Wilkesburg (ii) allow the Director to execute the necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

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

**C. ALLEGHENY VACANT PROPERTY RECOVERY PROGRAM (AVPRP) CERTIFICATES OF COMPLETION**

Request authorization to: (i) record Certificates of Completion for four (4) properties that were transferred through the Allegheny Vacant Property Recovery Program in the municipalities Brackenridge, Collier, and South Park; and (ii) allow the Director to execute the necessary documents with Solicitor approval.

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

**VIII. ADJOURNMENT**

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

  
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Jack Exler, Sr. Deputy Director