

AGENDA
Housing Opportunity Fund (HOF)
Advisory Board Meeting
August 2, 2018 @ 9:00
City Council Chambers

A. Public Comment – Everyone from the public who desires to speak may address the Advisory Board for a maximum of three minutes.

B. Roll Call

C. Review and Acceptance of Minutes from the July 13, 2018 Meeting

D. Announcement – Pittsburgh United (PU) is holding a series of five public outreach meetings throughout the months of July and August. In these meetings, PU will inform the public about the HOF and solicit feedback as to which potential HOF-funded programs are the most needed in each geographic region of the City. All meetings will be held from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. Dates and locations for the meetings are as follows:

July 12th – North Region
Letter Carriers Hall
841 California Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15212

July 24th – Central Region
Jeron X Grayson Center
1852 Enoch St, Pittsburgh, PA 15219

August 1st – Southern Region
Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh-Knoxville Branch
400 Brownsville Rd, Pittsburgh, PA 15210

August 8th – Eastern Region
Eastminster Presbyterian Church
250 N Highland Ave, Pittsburgh, PA 15206

August 21st – Western Region
White Lily Baptist Church
Community Center
3621 Chartiers Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15204

A representative from Pittsburgh United will give a brief report on the outcomes from the previous meetings.

E. Update on Action Items Requested at the July 13, 2018 HOF Advisory Board Meeting:

- 1. Housing 101 Training**
- 2. Housing Opportunity Fund Website**
- 3. Pipeline Report**
- 4. Benchmarking Housing Trust Funds in Other Cities**
- 5. Stakeholder Meetings with HR&A Advisors and Urban Ventures**

Staff Report

1. Housing 101 Training

At the July 13, 2018 HOF Advisory Board Meeting, members requested that there be a Housing 101 Training session to educate members on all the housing programs available in the City of Pittsburgh. This session took place on Friday, July 27 from 9:00 AM to 11:30 AM at the URA. Presenters were Jessica Smith Perry (URA), David Weber (Housing Authority of the City of Pittsburgh), Ali Tomich (Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency), Jane Miller (HUD), and Megan Krider (Federal Home Loan Bank of Pittsburgh). Four Advisory Board members were present.

2. Housing Opportunity Fund Website

HOF Advisory Board members requested a public-facing website specifically addressing the HOF. URA staff met with the City's Design and Innovation Department and are working collaboratively to create a website that will be linked to both the City and URA webpages. There will be a google doc form that will give Pittsburgh citizens a platform to provide public comments.

3. Pipeline Report

Members have also requested to see a pipeline report of development projects that are in the predevelopment stage for which the URA and/or other public funding partners are aware. A pipeline report will be distributed at the meeting. The report is not all encompassing of all development projects in the predevelopment or planning stages.

4. Benchmarking Housing Trust Funds in Other Cities

Members requested to receive a summary of the Housing Trust Programs being implemented in other cities. Benjamin Preis, an URA intern currently attending graduate school at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, will present his findings regarding the Housing Trust Programs in Washington D.C., Philadelphia, St. Louis, and Minneapolis.

5. Stakeholder Meetings with HR&A Advisors and Urban Ventures

As discussed in the July 13, 2018 Advisory Board Meeting, HR&A Advisors and their subconsultant Urban Ventures were hired to help the Advisory Board create Policies and Procedures and to draft an annual allocation plan for 2018. To help create the annual allocation plan, HR&A Advisors/Urban Ventures conducted/will conduct stakeholder meetings on July 31, August 1, and August 2. The stakeholder meetings include meeting

with the Advisory Board, government officials, community development corporations, advocacy groups, home repair providers and other people in the housing industry. The goal of the meetings is to help identify annual funding priorities and program parameters.

F. Presentation and Discussion Regarding Goals, Priorities, and an Annual Allocation Place – to be facilitated by HR&A Advisors and Urban Ventures

1. Introductions
2. Overview of HOF
3. Fund Administration
4. Fund Programming
5. Board Discussion
6. Closing

G. Other Business

H. Adjournment