

## **AGENDA**

### **Housing Opportunity Fund (HOF)**

**May 6, 2025 @ 3:00 PM**

**Recording Uploaded to the City of Pittsburgh YouTube Channel**

#### **A. Roll Call**

**Present:** Adrienne Walnoha, Elly Fisher, Darius Wallace, Alan Sisco, James Reid, Rebecca Yago, Robert Helwig, Tanika Harris, Lena Andrews, Karen Garrett

**Not Present:** Terrel Thomas, Deidra Washington, Jerome Jackson, Rochelle Preston, Deborah Gross

#### **B. Review and Acceptance of Minutes from April 1, 2025, Meeting**

First motion- Alan Sisco

Second motion- Darius Wallace

Abstention- James Reid

#### **C. Public Comment** – Anyone from the public who desires to speak may address the Advisory

Board for a maximum of three minutes. To provide public comment virtually, you must register prior to 4:00 PM on Monday, March 31, 2024, by e-mailing your phone number and email information to [hof@ura.org](mailto:hof@ura.org) or by calling 412.255.6694, ext. 6721.

#### **D. Conflict of Interest Policy**

- Conflict of Interest Form Review
  - Updated Annually or as Needed

#### **E. Catherine Terrace**

- Rental Gap Program- Authorization to enter into a Rental Gap Program Loan Agreement with Catherine Terrace LLC, or a related entity, in an amount of up to

\$480,000 for the new construction of 618, 620, 622, 624 Elmore Street and 621, 623, 625, 627 Perry Street, in the Middle Hill District neighborhood of Pittsburgh, 5th Ward.

First Motion- James Reid

Second Motion- Elly Fisher

Abstention- Tanika Harris, Lena Andrews, Deidra Washington

#### **F. Demonstration Program**

- Demonstration Program Emergency Applications
  - The Residences at Wood Street: Requesting \$125,608.00 to replace an existing vertical platform in the building's residential lobby; complete significant unanticipated repairs associated with an ongoing 2 shower replacement project. Also replace an inoperable HVAC unit serving a portion of the residential lobby.

First Motion- Robert Helwig

Second Motion- Becky Yago

Abstention- Lena Andrews, Adrienne Walnoha

A discussion was held about whether this program fell under the umbrella of an Emergent need as described in the guidelines of the Demo Dollars. Upon the completion of that discussion, it was voted to approve The Residences at Wood Street in their request for \$125,608.00.

- Women for a Healthy Environment: Conversation was postponed for next board meeting pending conversation with organization.

#### **G. URA Administrative Updates/State of HOF/Programmatic Expenditures and Updates**

- Annual Allocation Plan Survey Launch
  - Open May 1 – July 31
- Regular Update

HOF April 2025 Expenditures:

- HOF Repay Balance- \$89,267.22
- Down Payment and Closing Costs - \$65,000.00
- Homeowner Assistance- \$124,235.00
- Legal Assistance- \$1,628.90
- Small Landlord-\$20,000.00

#### **H. Adjournment**

The next HOF Advisory Board Meeting is June 3, 2025, from 3:00pm-5:00pm, held at the URA Office (412 Boulevard of the Allies Pittsburgh PA 15222) in the Lower Level Conference Room, virtually, and aired live on the City of Pittsburgh's YouTube Channel. This location may be subject to change due to availability, please stay alert for updates.

Motion to adjourn: Elly Fisher