



METROPOLITAN HOUSING TRUST FUND COMMISSION AGENDA

Tuesday, January 26, 2021
2-4pm

WebEx Virtual Meeting Instructions

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MISSION STATEMENT

The Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission governs the Barnes Housing Trust Fund in providing good quality affordable housing. Named after Reverend Bill Barnes, a longstanding advocate for affordable housing and the deconcentration of poverty, the Barnes Fund makes competitive grants to nonprofit housing developers to increase affordable housing options for Nashvillians. Grants include funding for renovation or new construction of affordable homeownership and rental opportunities and other supportive efforts to encourage affordability.

MEMBERS

Gina Emmanuel, Chair
Kaki Friskics-Warren
Councilmember Colby Sledge
James Simmons
Lara Kuhlman
Jim Schmitz
Chris Ferrell

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

Please remember to turn off your cell phones.

Five of the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission's members are appointed by the Mayor; one member is designated by the Board of the Metropolitan Development and Housing Agency; and one member is a Councilmember designated by the Vice-Mayor. The Commission meets on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 2:00 pm, in the Sonny West Conference Center on the ground floor of the Howard Office Building at 700 Second Avenue South. Special meetings, cancellations, and location changes are advertised on the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission's main webpage.

The Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission makes the final recommendation on all Barnes Housing Trust Fund grants. This recommendation is then brought to the Metropolitan Council, which has final authority.

Whenever possible, the Commission will strive to have the agendas, including minutes being considered for approval, submitted in a searchable electronic format for posting to Nashville.gov 72 hours prior to the Commission meeting but no less than 24 hours prior to the scheduled meeting.

Speaking to the Commission

Community members may speak before the Commission during the public comment time on the agenda. As members of the audience, the Commission asks that community members not speak outside of the allotted time. Community members may speak for two minutes each. Representatives of neighborhood groups or other organizations may speak for five minutes if written notice is received a week before the meeting. If added to the written agenda, applicants may speak for ten minutes.

Councilmembers may speak at the beginning of the meeting, after an item is presented by staff, during the public comment time, or if added to the written agenda with no time limit.

The Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation, age, religion, creed or disability in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services, or activities. Discrimination against any person in recruitment, examination, appointment, training, promotion, retention, discipline or any other employment practices because of non-merit factors shall be prohibited. For ADA inquiries, contact Ashley R. Brown, Ashley.Brown2@nashville.gov. For Title VI inquiries, contact Human Relations at (615) 880-3370. For all employment-related inquiries, contact Human Resources at (615) 862-6640.

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“Pursuant to the provisions of § 2.68.030 of the Metropolitan Code of Laws, please take notice that decisions of the Metropolitan Housing Trust Fund Commission may be appealed to the Chancery Court of Davidson County for review under a common law writ of certiorari. Any appeal must be filed within sixty days after entry of a final decision by the Board. Any person or other entity considering an appeal should consult with an attorney to ensure that time and procedural requirements are met.”

I. Welcome

II. Electronic Meeting Rules Notice

- a. Governor’s Executive Order 71 – Virtual Commission meetings approved through February 27, 2021.

III. Review and Approval of Minutes

IV. Project Progress and Financial Update

- a. Regions grant allocation to funding pool.
- b. Pathway’s “The Rosemary” grant reallocation to funding pool.

V. Public Comment (via Q+A feature)

VI. Best Practice Share

- a. Amazon Representative Guest
 - i. An Amazon representative will join to discuss the \$2 billion commitment to affordable housing in Nashville, Puget Sound, and Arlington announced in early January.
- b. **Affordable Housing Audit Legislation**
 - i. Council Member Gloria Hausser will join to speak about legislation they would like to present in order to make sure that affordable units are being preserved for the full 20 years of the deed covenant restriction.

VII. New Business

a. Affordable Housing Resources Contract Discussion

- i. Affordable Housing Resources CEO Eddie Latimer will join to discuss the RS2019-1861 contract with Metro Nashville and the conflict of interest issue related to the hiring of spouse as contractor on a development completed using Barnes funds.

b. Grant Extension Requests

- i. Two grantees are requesting extensions for their projects.
 1. Crossroads Campus is seeking a 12-month extension on the grant approved by RS2018-1088 and previously extended by RS2020-242. Due to setbacks by the 2020 tornado and zoning issues, final financing is pending a hurdle from the Board of Zoning Appeals to move forward with final financing plans with the Nonprofit Finance Fund. MDHA has granted an agreement pending financing, and other funding was able to be secured through the initial Barnes grant. Expected groundbreaking in late March to move forward with construction.
 2. Westminster Home Connection is requesting a 12-month extension for their Round 5 project approved by RS2018-1088 previously extended by RS2020-242. Due to the lien requirements in their original contract, they have widened their project scope for the remaining projects. They have currently completed 20 of the 68 projects and are currently on track to securing another 7

for completion. Additional matching funds will need to be raised and they are currently working to secure that financing.

- c. Grant Extension Request Form Draft
 - i. [Link to review](#)
- d. Grant Application Update
 - i. Reminder and review of expected timeline and a brief application overview for Round 8 funding.
 - ii. Notice of review team.
- e. 2020 Annual Report Draft Review

VIII. Announcements

- a. Hannah Davis returns in February and will attend our next meeting where you all will vote on the recommendations of the review committee.
- b. Website Updates

IX. Adjourn

The Barnes Housing Trust Fund
<http://barnes.nashville.gov>

Metro Housing Trust Fund Commission <http://www.nashville.gov/Government/Boards-and-Committees/Committee-Information/ID/123/Housing-Trust-Fund-Commission.aspx>