

METROPOLITAN HOUSING TRUST FUND COMMISSION MINUTES

Attendees: C. Ferrell, L. Jemison, K. Friskics-Warren, L. Kuhlman, G. Emmanuel, J. Simmons, C. Sledge
Staff: C. Elliott, M. Mansa, A. Harris

I. Welcome

II. Review and Approval of Minutes

Minutes approved. (Friskics-Warren/Simmons 2nd)

III. Monthly Financial Report

Mansa provided overview of expenses and revenue and specifically noted the “Grant Agency” line which is how much funding has been allocated to date to nonprofit organizations for development.

IV. Old Business

a. Rooftop / Needlink Update

Mansa connected Rooftop and Needlink with Metro’s Division of Grants Coordination to receive an annual allocation and possibly apply for a PIP grant.

V. Public Comment (limit 2 minutes per community member)

Mac McDonald, representative of LDG Development, had a successful grand opening of 244 affordable housing units off of West Trinity Lane.

VI. New Business

The Barnes Fund Fall 2017 Round Recommendation

Twenty-one (21) applications were submitted this year and nineteen (19) applications were submitted in the last round. Eleven (11) applications are recommended this round. Full funding is recommended for Woodbine Community Organization, Dismas, Urban Housing Solutions, Habitat for Humanity, Crossroads Campus, Fifteenth Avenue CDC, and Westminster. Partial funding is recommended for Mending Hearts, Nashville IDD, LDC, and Project Return.

Some nonprofit organizations did not fully leverage funding for projects and a priority of the Commission has been to ensure that the Barnes funding provides gap financing rather than 100% of the project costs.

Mansa provided a brief overview of each recommended project.

Friskics-Warren suggested for future rounds to provide a map of proposed projects with income category information, as well as a table with ones recommended and ones that were not recommended. Mansa will send this round’s information to Commission members.

Friskics-Warren moved, Sledge seconded the motion (Jemison abstained)

VII. Announcements

- Kirkpatrick Park groundbreaking scheduled for November 29, 2017 at 2 PM.

- Sledge and staff met with Metro departments to discuss streamlining process for affordable housing developments. Updates will be forthcoming.
- Friskics-Warren suggested the Commission hear of upcoming focus areas for the Commission for 2018. Emmanuel also suggested a strategic planning meeting for Commissioners.
- Mansa mentioned that there will be discussion around the Community Land Trust partnership with THF as an initial suggestion.

VIII. Meeting adjourned

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