



## METROPOLITAN HOUSING TRUST FUND COMMISSION AGENDA

Tuesday, October 27, 2020  
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

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### **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 Hannah Davis, [Hannah.davis@nashville.gov](mailto:Hannah.davis@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**
- III. Review and Approval of Minutes**
- IV. Project Progress and Financial Update**
- V. Public Comment (via Q+A feature)**
- VI. Best Practice Share**
- VII. New Business**
  - a. Regions Grant update
    - i. The Commission will be joined by Shirley Zeitlin and Latrisha Jemison from the Regions Foundation of Tennessee, to hear from Commissioners about the recent grant to the Barnes Fund.
  - b. Staffing
    - i. Davis will introduce the new Affordable Housing Program Manager to the Commission and community and discuss the onboarding timeline and division of responsibilities.
  - c. Grant timeline discussion
    - i. The grant deadline has been extended to January 15, 2021. This allows time for the referendum to be resolved and for nonprofits to finalize their applications.
  - d. Legislation Update

- i. RS2020-586, a resolution accepting the \$250,000 grant from Regions Foundation of Tennessee passed on the consent agenda.
- ii. RS2020-587, a resolution finalizing the grant to Woodbine Community Organization that had been previously, partially impounded, passed 27-7.
- iii. Reappointment of Chair, Gina Emmanuel.

**VIII. Announcements**

- a. Reminder of Census deadline

**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>