



METROPOLITAN HOUSING TRUST FUND COMMISSION AGENDA

Tuesday, November 24, 2020
2-4pm

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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 Hannah Davis, 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

- a. Two Barnes grantees hosted groundbreaking events this month
 - i. New Level CDC hosted a groundbreaking for the project funded in Round 7 – 51 Townhomes in Madison
 - ii. Renewal House hosted a groundbreaking for the project funded in Round 6 – 36 units on Clarksville Pike at their current headquarter location.

V. Public Comment (via Q+A feature)

VI. Best Practice Share

VII. New Business

- a. Grant timeline update
 - i. The grant deadline is January 15, 2021. The tax referendum will not be on the ballot for the foreseeable future and we are moving forward with the Barnes funding round. Davis will review the timeline for application review.
- b. Staffing

- i. Davis will re-introduce the new Affordable Housing Program Manager to the Commission and community and discuss the onboarding timeline and division of responsibilities. Ashley can be reached at Ashley.Brown@nashville.gov
 - ii. Davis will be out on maternity leave beginning 12/15 and will return in February.
 - c. Contract Extensions
 - i. Two grantees are requesting grant contract extensions
 - 1. Affordable Housing Resources is seeking an extension on the grant approved by RS2017-965 and previously extended by RS2019-1655. The following addresses are requested for a 12-month extension. AHR has continued cleaning up the titles on the donated lots. They have the financing in place to begin construction.
 - 2. Fifteenth Avenue Baptist is seeking an extension on the grant approved by RS2018-1088 and previously extended by RS2020-242. Fifteenth Avenue is requesting a 12-month extension. Currently, they do not have the financing in place to move forward with construction. They are considering using debt to finance construction.

VIII. Announcements

- a. December meeting

IX. Adjourn

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<http://barnes.nashville.gov>

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