



## METROPOLITAN HOUSING TRUST FUND COMMISSION AGENDA

Thursday, July 14, 2022  
2 – 4 pm

### 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.

Believing that community and belonging are essential, The Barnes Fund contributes to a city in which affordable housing is plentiful, dignified and accessible through:

- Building capacity of new and/or smaller nonprofit developers;
- Funding new rental and homeownership units up to 80% AMI;
- Prioritizing the rehabilitation of existing properties in rapidly changing areas;
- Prioritizing housing for populations that have been historically locked out of the city's affordable housing resources; and
- Activating and sustaining a public land portfolio.

### MEMBERS

Gina Emmanuel, Chair  
Kaki Friskics-Warren  
James Simmons  
Jim Schmitz  
Chris Ferrell  
CM Zulfat Suara

## 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 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.

## METROPOLITAN HOUSING TRUST FUND COMMISSION MEETING AGENDA

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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. Review and Approval of Minutes**

**III. Director of Housing Update**

**IV. Project Progress and Financial Update**

a. Legislative Update

- i. None to report

b. Draw Updates

- i. Rebuilding Together Nashville
- ii. CrossBridge, Inc.
- iii. Habitat for Humanity
- iv. Living Development Concepts, Inc.

**V. Guests from General Services & the Office of Sustainability, Resilience, & the Environment**

- a. Jennifer Westerholm and Kendra Abkowitz to join from General Services and the Mayor’s Office of Sustainability, Resilience, and the Environment to share a presentation on recommendations for Barnes and the housing community.

**VI. New Business**

a. **Contract Extensions – 2<sup>nd</sup> Extensions for Round 6**

- i. Urban Housing Solutions
- ii. Crossbridge, Inc.
- iii. Affordable Housing Resources
- iv. Renewal House
- v. Vote

**b. Spring Funding Awards**

- i. Overview of reviewer recommendations
- ii. Vote on property awards
- iii. Vote on financial awards for Small Grant Pool
- iv. Vote on financial awards for UZO
- v. Vote on financial awards for the Large Funding Pool

**c. Updated Budget**

- i. Based on funding allocations, revised budget to be presented
- ii. Vote

**VII. Public Comment (Limit 2 Minutes per Community Member)**

**VIII. Announcements**

- a. New Commissioner Update
- b. August Location – Sonny West

**IX. Adjourn**

The Barnes Housing Trust Fund

<http://barnes.nashville.gov>

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