### **AGENDA**

# PHILADELPHIA LAND BANK BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MONTHLY MEETING

TUESDAY, April 8, 2025 - 10:00 AM

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD AT 1234 MARKET STREET IN THE 17TH FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM AND IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. YOU WILL NEED VALID IDENTIFICATION TO ENTER THE BUILDING.

# INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION OF PUBLIC COMMENTS ARE LOCATED ON THE PAGES FOLLOWING THE AGENDA

#### AGENDA

- I. Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of March 11, 2025
- **III.** Executive Director's Report
- IV. Administrative Matters

### A. Interagency Transfer

The properties below are proposed for transfer to the **Philadelphia Housing Development Corporation** (PHCD) for disposition, reuse and/or management by the PHCD, specifically for the development of affordable housing through their Minority Developer Program (MDP) in the Fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) Council District.

• 1437 Ogden Street, 1438 Ogden Street, 1539 Ogden Street, 1544 Ogden Street, 1546 Ogden Street, 1610 Ogden Street, 1613 Ogden Street, 863 N. 15th Street, 841 N. 16th Street, 845 N. 16th Street, 851 N. 16th Street (CD 5)

#### **B.** Amendments to Approved Dispositions

- 1. Amendment to Resolution No. 2024-21, adopted by the Board on June 11, 2024, to revise the maximum sales price and AMI level for fifty-eight (58) affordable homeownership units from \$250,000 at 80% AMI to \$280,000 at 100% AMI, due to rising construction costs and to increased compliance costs related to the recent implementation of new City regulations.
  - 423-27 and 429 E. Ashmead Street; 226, 260, 278 and 313 E. Bringhurst Street; 49 E. Earlham Street; 4635 Germantown Avenue; 30 Good Street; 5608, 5618, 5619, 5642 and 5669 Heiskell Street; 4946 Keyser Street; 5514, 5515 and 5642 Morton Street; 6672 and 6674 Musgrave Street; 53 E. Pastorius Street; 207 E. Penn Street; 248 E. Phil Ellena Street; 42 and 44 Reger Street; 35 E. Seymour Street; 227, 261 and 263 E. Sharpnack Street; 111 and 112 E. Springer Street; 4951, 4957, 4961 and 4975 Sheldon Street; 218, 326, 342 and 343 Shedaker Street; 4925 and 5222 Wakefield Street

- 2. Amendment to Resolution No. 2024-48, adopted by the Board on October 8, 2024, to revise the maximum sales price and AMI level for twenty-two (22) affordable homeownership units from \$250,000 at 80% AMI to \$280,000 at 100% AMI, due to rising construction costs and compliance costs related to the recent implementation of new City regulations.
  - 1520-40 W. Venango Street, 1600-20 W. Venango Street

### V. Property Dispositions

#### A. <u>Development – Mixed-Income Housing (unsolicited)</u>

1. The properties below are proposed for disposition to BVG S Philadelphia AH, LLC for the development of three (3) affordable homeownership units and two (2) market-rate homes in the First (1st) Council District. The homes fit within the context of the neighborhood. The affordable units will consist of three (3) two-story single-family homes with a finished basement, containing three (3) bedrooms and two (2) bathrooms at 1,458 square feet each, and will be sold to households with an income at or below 100% of AMI for a maximum sales price of \$280,000. The affordable homes will be eligible for the Neighborhood Preservation Initiative's Turn the Key Program and will be subject to a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants. The two (2) market-rate units will be three stories with a finished basement, containing four (4) bedrooms and three (3) bathrooms at approximately 2,898 square feet each. The estimated sales price for the market-rate units will be \$495,000.

The application was unsolicited and evaluated pursuant to the disposition policy. An EOP plan will apply to this project.

• 100 Emily Street, 2315 S. Marshall Street\*, 518 Pierce Street\*, 2549 S. 3rd Street, 2117 S. 6th Street\* (CD 1) (\* denotes properties being transferred by the Department of Public Property or the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to the Land Bank)

### B. <u>Development – Affordable Rental Housing (unsolicited)</u>

- 1. The property below is proposed for disposition to **DMCV**, **LLC** for the renovation of one (1) duplex in the Third (3<sup>rd</sup>) Council District. The duplex consists of two (2) units, each of which will contain two (2) bedrooms and one (1) bathroom at approximately 1,050 square feet each. The home fits within the context of the neighborhood. The units will be rented to households with incomes at or below 80% of AMI for a maximum rent of \$2,066/ month. The development will be subject to a thirty (30) year Declaration of Restrictive Covenants.
  - The application was unsolicited and evaluated pursuant to the disposition policy. An EOP plan will apply to this project.
  - 1610 S. 56<sup>th</sup> Street (CD 3)
- 2. The properties below are proposed for disposition to Cathedral Park Homes, LP, to develop forty (40) Low Income Housing Tax Credit ("LIHTC") rental units to be leased to households earning between 20-50% AMI in the Fourth (4<sup>th</sup>) Council District. The units will be contained in three buildings:

**Building 1,** at 4979-4991½ W. Girard Avenue, will be a three-story building and contain twenty (20) units: thirteen (13) 1-bedroom/1-bathroom units, two (2) two-bedroom/1-bathroom units, and five (5) three-bedroom/1.5-bathroom units. Eight (8) of the units are ADA compliant for tenants with physical challenges, while (2) are for tenants with hearing and vision challenges tenants. The ground floor in Building 1 will include a lobby, meeting room, and a manager's office. The second floor will include a laundry room and a computer lab. **Building 2,** at 4967-4973 W. Girard Avenue, will be a three-story quadplex consisting of eight (8) units: four (4) two-bedroom/1-bathroom units and four (4) three-bedroom/1.5 bathroom units.

**Building 3,** at 4947-4957 W. Girard Avenue, will be a three-story quadplex consisting of twelve (12) units: six (6) two-bedroom/1-bathroom units and six (6) three-bedroom/1.5-bathroom units.

The application was unsolicited and is qualified pursuant to the disposition policy. An EOP plan will apply for this project.

- 4947-49\*, 4951\*, 4953\*, 4955\*, 4957\*, 4967\*, 4969-73\*, 4979, 4981\*, 4983\*, 4985\*,
   4987\*, 4989½\*, 4991½\* W. Girard Avenue (CD 4) (\*denotes properties being transferred by the Department of Public Property or the Philadelphia Redevelopment Authority to the Land Bank)
- 3. The properties below are proposed for disposition to Pathways Housing Wellness Corporation to develop forty (40) Low Income Housing Tax Credit ("LIHTC") rental units to be leased to households earning between 20-50% AMI in the Fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) Council District. The units will be contained in two buildings. The other properties that make up the assemblages are currently owned by PHA and will be conveyed to Pathways.

**Building A** will be a three-story building and contain nineteen (19) units consisting of 1-bedroom and 1- and 2-bedroom ADA-compliant units. The ground floor in Building A will contain a management office, community room, kitchen, and ADA-compliant bathrooms. **Building B** will be a three-story building and contain twenty-one (21) units consisting of 1-bedroom and 1- and 2-bedroom ADA-compliant units. The ground floor in Building B will consist of a lobby and patio.

In addition, the project will include a surface parking lot with twelve (12) spaces. Each building will also have an elevator. All tenants will have full access to Pathways to Housing PA's acclaimed suite of services, including case management, medical clinics, and employment readiness.

The application was unsolicited and is qualified pursuant to the disposition policy. An EOP plan will apply for this project.

- 1412\*, 1416\*, 1421\*, 1429, 1435\* N. 17th Street (CD 5) (\* denotes properties being transferred by the City of Philadelphia to the Land Bank)
- VI. Public Comment (Old & New Business)
- VII. Adjournment

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## — MEMORANDUM -

FROM: Andrea Imredy Saah, Esq., Senior Counsel

RE: Philadelphia Land Bank April 8, 2025 Board Meeting

Board Meeting Notice, Public Attendance, and Comment Procedures

**DATE**: March 28, 2025

The Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Land Bank ("Land Bank") is scheduled for Tuesday, April 8, 2025, with the executive session to begin at 9:30 A.M. and the meeting to begin at 10:00 A.M or as soon as the Executive Session has ended.

THIS MEETING WILL BE <u>IN PERSON</u> AT 1234 MARKET STREET IN THE 17<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM AND IS OPEN TO PUBLIC ATTENDEES AND FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS.
YOU WILL NEED VALID IDENTIFICATION TO ENTER THE BUILDING.

PLEASE NOTE: <u>To participate in the meeting, you must sign in before entering the conference room.</u>
This requirement is necessary to allow us to collect the names of participants as required by law.

The Board agenda and package will be available to view no later than five (5) days prior to the Board meeting at <a href="https://phdcphila.org/who-we-are/boards/philadelphia-land-bank-board/">https://phdcphila.org/who-we-are/boards/philadelphia-land-bank-board/</a>. Public comments and questions regarding the matters that are posted on the agenda may be submitted by email prior to the Board meeting and/or in person if attending the Board meeting.

### **Public Comment BEFORE Board Meeting:**

Email the following information to andrea.saah@phdc.phila.gov by 3:00 p.m. on Monday, April 7, 2025:

- Your full name and group or company affiliation, if applicable;
- Contact information (your email address);
- Identify the agenda item that you are addressing; and
- State your question/comment in a clear and concise manner.

Questions/comments submitted via email by the 3:00 pm deadline will be summarized at the Board meeting, answered or addressed to the extent the Board chooses, and attached to the minutes of the meeting.

#### **Public Comment DURING Board Meeting:**

If you wish to comment on a particular agenda item, you must indicate that on the sign-in sheet before the meeting begins. Once recognized by the Board Chair, individuals will be allowed two (2) minutes for public comment per person per agenda item.

- The Chair reserves the right to limit comments when more than a certain number of people have the same comments on the same matter.
- Staff will assist with timing and identifying individuals as needed.

### Rules of Conduct:

- Comments must be related to the specific agenda item in question.
- There will be no personal attacks or hate speech against anyone, including applicants, staff members, Board members, attendees or other members of the public.

#### **Minutes of Board Meeting:**

The draft minutes of a Board meeting will be made publicly available when the Board package for the next Board meeting is posted on the Land Bank Board website. Once approved by the Board, the approved minutes will be posted under the appropriate Board meeting date on the Land Bank website.

If you have a question about an agenda item after the meeting concludes, please submit it to andrea.saah@phdc.phila.gov with the following information:

- Your full name and group or company affiliation, if applicable;
- Contact information (your email address);
- Identify the agenda item that you are addressing; and
- State your question/comment in a clear and concise manner.

Land Bank staff will provide a response to the extent possible.

#### PHILADELPHIA LAND BANK

### MARCH 11, 2025 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES (DRAFT)

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Land Bank was held on Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at 1234 Market Street, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor Boardroom, Philadelphia, PA 19107, of which proper notices were given. A condensed certified transcript of this meeting is attached to these minutes as **Exhibit A**.

#### Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 am.

Ms. Imredy Saah announced that prior to the Public Session, the Board held an Executive Session during which Mr. Rodriguez reviewed the meeting agenda, provided an update on the status of the Land Bank's discussions with the Sherrif's Office regarding the Land Bank's ability to exercise its priority bid to acquire properties at Sheriff's sales, and reported on the progress of the Land Bank's website.

### Item I Roll Call

The following members of the Board of Directors reported present: Herbert Wetzel, Nicholas Dema, Maria Gonzalez, Andrew Goodman, Jenny Greenberg, Kelvin Jeremiah, Michael Johns, Rebecca Lopez-Kriss and Majeedah Rashid.

Majeedah Rashid arrived later, after the roll had been called.

Darwin Beauvais and Cornelius Brown were absent from the Board meeting.

The following Land Bank staff members were present: Angel Rodriguez, Andrea Imredy Saah, Esq., Karen Anaya, Todd Hestand, Cristina Martinez, Mathen Pullukattu, Brian Romano, Ashley Stukes-Martin and Carolyn Terry.

Public Attendees: The list of public attendees follows these minutes.

A quorum of Directors was present, and the meeting, having been duly convened, proceeded with business.

Ms. Imredy Saah reviewed the Board's public comment policy and requested that attendees sign up to make public comments and sign the attendance sheet.

# Item II Approval of Board Minutes

Chair Wetzel called for questions or comments from the Board regarding the minutes of the Board meeting of February 11, 2025. There were none.

Mr. Wetzel called for a motion regarding approval of the minutes.

Ms. Greenberg moved to approve the minutes. Mr. Johns seconded the motion.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the Board approved the February 11, 2025 Board Meeting minutes.

# Item III Executive Director's Report

Mr. Rodriguez presented three items to the Board. First, Mr. Rodriguez reported on the approved changes to existing projects. Pursuant to Resolution No. 2023-32, the Executive Director of the Land Bank is authorized to, from time to time approve, on behalf of the Land Bank, increases in the Maximum Price of affordable homeownership units constructed by a developer as part of a Board-approved disposition. To that end, Mr. Rodriguez reported that he had approved increases in the Maximum Price for an unsolicited mixed-income development at Ludlow & 44<sup>th</sup> Street in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Council District. The project, led by developer Northern Libs Partners, LLC, which was approved by the Board on January 16, 2024 (Resolution 2024-1) and by City Council on February 29, 2024 (Resolution 240103), consists of nineteen (19) homeownership units:

- Four (4) condos at 60% AMI, sales price \$199,990;
- One (1) condo at 80% AMI, sales price \$250,000;
- Six (6) condos at 100% AMI, sales price \$280,000, eligible for Turn the Key;
- Three (3) market rate condos; and
- Five (5) single-family market rate homes.

Due to the significant lending and construction cost increases from the time of submission of the Board/Council approval and receipt of permits for the project to the current day, Mr. Rodriguez approved increases to the sales prices for the four (4) condos at 60% AMI from \$199,990 to \$229,900 and the one (1) condo at 80% AMI from \$250,000 to \$265,000. The AMI limits of the Board-approved disposition remain at 60%, 80%, and 100% AMI.

Next, Mr. Rodriguez announced to the Board the withdrawal of a previously approved disposition to BMK Properties, LLC for the development of 43 Turn the Key homes at 100% AMI with a sales price of \$280,000 in the 5<sup>th</sup> Councilmanic District. Although a Council resolution was transmitted to Council and placed on file on November 21, 2024, it was never introduced. Since more than 60 days had passed without any action, the application award was withdrawn.

Finally, Mr. Rodriguez provided the Board with an update on previously held and upcoming Turn the Key events, including a well-attended ribbon-cutting on March 4, 2025 at 10<sup>th</sup> Street and Cecil B. Moore Avenue, which the mayor attended. The featured homeowner was the Chief of Staff for Councilmember Kendra Brooks, the second staff member in her office to purchase a TTK home. Upcoming ribbon cuttings are scheduled for March 25<sup>th</sup> at 3031 Martha Street and April 9<sup>th</sup> at 2141 N. Franklin Street.

Chair Wetzel called for questions from the Board. There were none.

The Executive Director's report is attached to these minutes as **Exhibit B**.

# Item IV Administrative Matters

### **IV.A.** Interagency Transfer

Mr. Rodriguez asked the Board to authorize the transfer of 2444 Island Avenue and 7401 Wheeler Street to the City of Philadelphia Department of Public Property (DPP) for disposition, use and/or management by DPP, specifically for the expansion of the Schuylkill River Trail in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Councilmanic District.

Chair Wetzel called for questions from the Board.

Mr. Goodman asked if the properties would have trails built on them or whether they were part of a land swap to access water.

Mr. Rodriguez responded that the trail would be built on the properties. He explained that this falls under the Streets Department rather than the Department of Parks and Recreation and is part of the Mayor's Clean and Green initiative. The properties, currently owned by the Redevelopment Authority, will be transferred through the Land Bank to DPP.

Mr. Goodman requested that DPP provide a map to show how the trails will be built.

Mr. Wetzel asked whether the properties are on the east or west side of the Schuylkill River. Ms. Imredy Saah responded that they were on the east side.

No written comments were received prior to the Board meeting.

No one from the public signed up to speak on this agenda item.

Seeing no further questions from the Board or the public, Chair Wetzel called for a motion.

Ms. Lopez-Kriss moved to approve the interagency transfer to DPP. Mr. Johns seconded the motion.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the Board unanimously approved the **Resolution Authorizing** Conveyance of 2444 Island Avenue and 7401 Wheeler Street to the City of Philadelphia (attached to these minutes as <u>Exhibit C</u>).

# Item V Property Dispositions

### V.A.1. Development – Mixed-Income Housing (unsolicited) - REMOVED

Chair Wetzel announced that this agenda item was removed from the agenda before the Board acted on the item, and asked the staff to revise the agenda to indicate that it was removed rather than tabled.

#### **Item V.A.2.** Development – Affordable Housing (unsolicited)

Senior Development Specialist Todd Hestand asked the Board to authorize the disposition of 5108 Chester Avenue, 6130 Ellsworth Street, and 4910 Kingsessing Avenue to C Schofield Finish Carpentry, LLC to develop three (3) single-family homeownership units in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Council District. Schofield is a

minority developer which has participated in a number of minority business development programs, including the City's Rebuild Ready Program, and has successfully completed work on Rebuild contracts. The units will consist of two (2) affordable single-family homes and one (1) market-rate single-family home. The homes fit within the context of the neighborhood.

Mr. Hestand explained that the affordable single-family homes will be two stories, with an unfinished basement, and contain three (3) bedrooms and two (2) bathrooms at 1,100 square feet each. They will be sold to purchasers with a household income at or below 100% of AMI for a maximum sales price of \$280,000. The affordable homes will be eligible for the Neighborhood Preservation Initiative's Turn the Key Program and will be subject to a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants. The market-rate unit will be three (3) stories, with an unfinished basement, front porch and roof deck, and contain three (3) bedrooms and two and a half (2 ½) bathrooms at 1,400 square feet. The estimated sales price will be \$349,000. The application was unsolicited and evaluated pursuant to the disposition policy, and an EOP plan will apply to this project. The affordable units will be 4910 Kingsessing Avenue and 6130 Ellsworth Street. The market rate unit will be 5108 Chester Ave.

Schofield followed all the same processes and procedures as previously approved developers. He provided frontage-specific plans for the various lot widths, and he hosted a community meeting on February 18, 2025, with a total of twenty-two (22) participants. Schofield is in attendance at today's Board meeting.

Chair Wetzel called for questions or comments from the Board.

Mr. Johns commented that he appreciates the fact that the developer worked hard to match the context with the neighborhood.

Chair Wetzel asked if any written communications were received.

Ms. Saah stated three (3) letters in opposition were received regarding this disposition. The first letter read was sent by Joanne E. McClinton, Speaker of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives. The second letter read was from 6100 Ellsworth Street – Cobbs Creek Parkway Block Association submitted by Co-Block Captains Paula Wright and Angie Johnson and the residents of Ellsworth Street. The third and last letter read was from Councilmember Jamie Gauthier. All letters are attached to these minutes as **Exhibit D**.

Chair Wetzel called for comments from the public in the order that each person signed up.

Ms. Sam Shepherd, a realtor, a committee person for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward, and a neighbor of the property located at 6130 Ellsworth Street, expressed concerns about the project's impact on the property values of neighboring homes. Ms. Shepherd proposed scheduling a second meeting to engage with the contractor to allow members of the community to express their concerns.

Mr. Isa Al-Muid, a resident of Ellsworth Street, raised concerns about the recent community meeting regarding the development project, specifically the location, timing, and duration of the meeting. He also expressed concerns regarding the project's design plans matching the context of the neighboring homes.

Mr. Jeremiah asked Mr. Calvin Schofield, the developer and owner of C Schofield Finish Carpentry, LLC, if he wanted to respond to letters from Councilmember Gauthier and House of Representative

Speaker McClinton and the comments from the public regarding the project. Mr. Schofield responded in the affirmative.

Mr. Schofield explained that he tried his best to match the size of the neighboring homes while keeping them affordable. As for community engagement, he stated that he tried to find meeting space as close as possible to the neighborhood, but the recreation centers and schools that he contacted were unavailable. He chose the best and nearest available location in light of the circumstances.

Mr. Rodriguez asked Mr. Schofield if he had thought about making the Ellsworth Street property market rate and the other two properties affordable units.

Mr. Scholfield responded that the option was not feasible as the other two properties were three stories while the Ellsworth property is two stories to match the other homes in the Ellsworth neighborhood.

In response to the Board's inquiries regarding a second community meeting and the concerns expressed by the public, Mr. Schofield stated that the plans for the project had been updated since the last meeting, but the updated plans have not been shared with the community. Suggestions were made to hold a meeting virtually for better accessibility.

Ms. Karen McDaniel, a community member, expressed dissatisfaction with the location of previously held meeting. Ms. McDaniel commented that the design plans for the Ellsworth property do not conform to the existing neighboring homes, as the proposed home is too small when compared to other homes in the area. She also questioned the decision-making process concerning the property's classification as "neighborhood preservation" (i.e., affordable) instead of "market-rate," and voices concerns about adequate timing to review the plans.

Ms. Angie Johnson, Co-Block Captain of 6100 Ellsworth Street – Cobbs Creek Parkway Block Association, advocated for the need of community involvement in the decision-making regarding the development project.

Mr. Ronald Waters, the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward leader, criticized the lack of meaningful engagement in the development, as well as the timing, location, and duration of the prior meeting. He supported a suggestion that the plans for the development be revised to make the Ellsworth property market value. Mr. Waters also emphasized the need for a second community meeting.

Ms. Sheila Quarrells, a resident of the Ellsworth block, emphasized that the 57 residents of Ellsworth Street have maintained the neighborhood for 20 years and urged the Board to either delay or reject the proposal for the development or provide them next steps on what they can do to protect their community.

Mr. Jeremy Blatstein, a member of the public, commented in support of the project. He expressed that the developer followed the rules by holding a community meeting, adjusted the plans based on feedback, and should not be required to hold a second meeting, as such delays hinder affordable housing initiatives like TTK.

In light of the letter and public comments regarding the project, the Board noted the need for more meaningful community engagement, recognizing the need for the developer to revisit the community after adjusting the plans.

Chair Wetzel then called for a motion.

Mr. Jeremiah moved to postpone the matter to allow the developer and the community another opportunity for meaningful engagement. Ms. Gonzalez second the motion.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the Board unanimously voted to postpone the matter.

Mr. Goodman highlighted the uniqueness of the application due to the properties' distance from each other and emphasized the need to clarify the distinction between developer presentations and Turn the Key informational sessions to ensure meetings remain focused on their intended purpose.

## <u>Item V.A.3. Development – Affordable Housing (unsolicited)</u>

Mr. Hestand asked the Board to authorize the disposition of 3323 W. Allegheny Avenue, 3216 N. Newkirk Street, 2942 and 2944 W. Wishart Street, and 3212 N. 33<sup>rd</sup> Street to ReNew, LLC to develop five (5) homeownership units in the Fourth (4th) Council District. The units will consist of three (3) affordable single-family homes and two (2) market-rate single-family homes. The homes fit within the context of the neighborhood. The three (3) affordable single-family homes will be two (2) stories, without a basement, and contain three (3) bedrooms and two (2) bathrooms at 1,000 square feet each. They will be sold to households with incomes at or below 100% of AMI for a maximum sales price of \$280,000, will be eligible for the Neighborhood Preservation Initiative's Turn the Key Program, and will be subject to a Declaration of Restrictive Covenants. The two (2) market-rate units will be three (3) stories, with a finished basement, and contain three (3) bedrooms and three and a half (3.5) bathrooms at 1,500 square feet each. They will be sold at an estimated sales price of \$400,000. The application was unsolicited and evaluated pursuant to the disposition policy, and an EOP plan will apply to this project.

Chair Wetzel called for questions from the Board.

Mr. Goodman asked whether the market rate price estimate was determined by Land Management staff or the applicant.

Mr. Rodriguez responded that the price of the market-rate homes will be determined by the market at the time of their sale. Those prices are not set in advance.

Chair Wetzel asked if any written communications were received. Ms. Saah indicated that a letter of support was received from Councilmember Curtis Jones, Jr., and then read the letter into the record. The letter is attached to these minutes as **Exhibit E**.

Chair Wetzel called for questions from the public. There were none.

Seeing no further comments from the public or the Board, Chair Wetzel called for a motion.

Mr. Jeremiah moved to approve the disposition. Ms. Rashid seconded the motion.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the Board unanimously approved the **Resolution Authorizing** Conveyance of 2942 West Wishart Street, 2944 West Wishart Street, 3323 West Allegheny Avenue, 3212 North Newkirk Street, 3216 North Newkirk Street to ReNew, LLC (attached to these minutes as **Exhibit F**).

# Item VI Public Comment (Old & New Business)

Chair Wetzel noted that one person had signed up to comment on old or new business, namely Jeremy Blatstein. Mr. Blatstein expressed concern regarding the delayed construction of 43 Turn the Key homes due to the inaction of Council, flaws in the approval process, and the need to align policy with financial feasibility to achieve Mayor Parker's housing goals.

Chair Wetzel called for questions or comments from the public.

Ms. Karen McDaniel, a resident of Ellsworth Street, commented that developers are profiting from multi-unit home preservation projects while constructing unattractive homes that fail to conform to the existing homes in the neighborhood.

## Item VII Adjournment

Seeing no further comments from the Board or the public, Chair Wetzel called for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Jeremiah moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Dema seconded the motion.

Upon motion made and duly seconded, the Board unanimously voted to adjourn at 11:20 am.

SECRETARY TO THE BOARD

## PUBLIC ATTENDANCE SHEET

# PHILADELPHIA LAND BANK BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING Tuesday, March 11, 2025, at 10:00 AM.

User Name		
Samantha Roehl		
Antonio Cerqueira		
Mike Tomasetti		
Nicholas Cousineau		
Anthony Fullard		
Jeremy Blatstein		
David Langlieb		
Denise Whittaker		
Darece Williford		
Lisa Johnson		
Susan Bagly		
Keyon Whiting		
Thomas Webster		
Sheila Quarles		
Conlan Crosley		
Ted Allen		
Linda Rivers		
Mark Lawson		
Ronald Waters		
Sam Shepherd		
Isa Al-Muid		
Linda Rivers		
Calvin Schofield		
Karen McDaniel		
Angie S Johnson		
Mark Lawson		

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10:00 a.m.	

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                     ATTENDANCE
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2 Rebecca Lopez Kriss, Philadelphia Department of Revenue
                                                             land bank board of directors to order. Thank
3 Michael Johns, MDesigns
                                                             you so much and welcome.
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4 Maria N. Gonzalez, HACE CDC
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5 Andrew Goodman, Council Member
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                                                                  MS. SAAH: Yes.
6 Majeedah Rashid, Nicetown CDC
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                                                                  THE CHAIRMAN: -- do the roll calls.
7 Nicholas Dema, Philadelphia Housing Authority
                                                                  MS. SAAH: Well, first I'd like to make an
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 8 Jennifer Greenberg, Pennsylvania Horticulture Society
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                                                            announcement. That prior to today's public
9 Herbert Wetzel, Philadelphia Land Bank
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                                                             session, the board had an executive session
10 Andrea Saah, Senior Counsel
                                                             during which Mr. Rodriguez reviewed the agenda
11 Angel Rodriguez, Senior Vice President
                                                             as well as providing an update on negotiations
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12 Todd Hestand, Senior Development Specialist
                                                             regarding the land bank's exercise of its prio-
13 Brian Romano, Project Manager II
                                                             rity bid at sheriff's sales, and also on proq-
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14 Mathen Pullukattu, Senior Development Specialist
                                                             ress to the revision to the land back website.
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15 Carolyn Terry, Administrative Assistant II
                                                                  THE CHAIRMAN: You want to call out the --
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16 Cristina Martinez, Development Specialist
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                                                                  MS. SAAH: Okay. So I'm going to call the
17 Ted Allen, Court Reporter
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                                                            to the meeting.
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          MS. SAAH: Andrew Goodman.
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                                                                  You will be allowed two minutes for public
         MR. GOODMAN: Here.
                                                             comment per agen -- per person, per agenda
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         MS. SAAH: Majeeda Rashid. Maria Gonza-
                                                             item. Our Chair reserves the right to any com-
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     lez.
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                                                             ments from no more than a certain amount of
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         MS. GONZALEZ: Here.
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                                                             people who have similar comments on the same
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         MS. SAAH: Kelvin Jeremiah.
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                                                             matter, staff will keep timing as needed. Com-
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         MR. JEREMIAH: Here.
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                                                             ments must be related to the specific agenda
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         MS. SAAH: Darwin Beauvais. Okay. So we
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                                                            item in question. There's always -- There's a
                                                        10 time for old and new business at the end of the
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    have a quorum and we can proceed.
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         MS. GONZALEZ: Thank you, Andrea.
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                                                            meeting. And we ask that there be no personal
         THE CHAIRMAN: Andrea, would you go over
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                                                            attacks or hate speech against anyone including
    the rules for public comment, please.
                                                             applicants, staff members, board members or any
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         MS. SAAH: Yes, and actually if I could
                                                            other members of the public.
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    ask everyone who would like to make a public
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                                                                 Also any comments made during this meet-
     comment during on any agenda item to please be
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                                                             ing, please identify yourself when you speak.
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    sure to sign up if you haven't already, because
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                                                             And we will summarize comments in the minutes
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    that way our chair will be able to call on you
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                                                             and also attach any previously sent in comments
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    at the appropriate time. And also if you have
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                                                             or emails which the board has been provided,
20 not yet signed just the attendance sheet, we
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                                                             and we will append those to the minutes. Thank
21 also do need that, by law we are required to
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                                                             you.
22 provide a list of who attended for the Sunshine
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                                                                  THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Andrea. The
23 Act. So our rules are that during the board
                                                        23 minutes of the February 11th meeting were dist-
    meeting if you wish to comment on an agenda
                                                        24 ributed to the board, can I get a motion to
   item, we ask that you sign up prior to -- prior
                                                        25 adopt those minutes.
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         MS. GREENBERG: So moved.
                                                          by a developer.
         THE CHAIRMAN: Can I get a second.
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                                                               As part of the board approved disposition,
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         MR. JOHNS: Seconded.
                                                       3 I have approved the increase of the maximum
         THE CHAIRMAN: The motion's made and prop-
                                                       4 price for an unsolicited application for mixed
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                                                          income at Ludlow & 44th Street in the 3rd Coun-
    erly seconded to adopt the minutes of the land
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                                                          cilmanic District. The developer is No Libs --
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    bank board meeting of February 11, 2025. All
                                                          Northern Libs Partners, LLC. The land bank
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    in favor say aye.
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         MR. DEMA: Aye.
                                                          board approved this with Resolution 2024-1 on
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         MS. GREENBERG: Aye.
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                                                          January 16th, 2024, council approved this Dis-
        MR. JOHNS: Aye.
                                                          position Resolution 240103 February 29, 2024.
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        MS. KRISS: Aye.
                                                               The board approved the disposition of
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        MR. GOODMAN: Aye.
                                                      12 nineteen mixed income homeownership units where
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        MS. GONZALEZ: Aye.
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                                                          four condos were to be developed at 60 percent
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         MR. JEREMIAH: Aye.
                                                      14 of AMI through the sales price of 199,999.90.
                                                      15 One condo at 80 percent of AMI with the sales
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         THE CHAIRMAN: Aye. Opposed nay? The
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   ayes have it. The executive director's report.
                                                      16 price of 250,000, six condos at a hundred thou-
         MR. RODRIGUEZ: Good morning, board chair
                                                      17 sand -- sorry, at 100 percent of AMI of
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18 and board, members of the public. Today I have
                                                          $280,000. They're all eligible for Turn the
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    three items I'd like to present to the board,
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                                                          Key, three market rate condominiums and five
    first are approved changes to approved proj-
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                                                          single family market rate homes. This project
    ects. So pursuant, pursuant to Resolution No.
                                                          is located at 4422 and 4426 through 30 Ludlow
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    2023-32 allowing the executive director of the
                                                      22 Street and 18-20, 24 to 28, 30, 34-36 South
    land bank from time to time on behalf of the
                                                      23 44th Street.
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24 land bank to approve an increase in the maximum
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                                                              The approved change was for four condos at
25 price of affordable ownership units constructed
                                                      25 60 percent of AMI increasing the sales price to
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1 199,990 to 229,900 for the single condo at 80
                                                          the 5th Councilmanic District. This project
2 percent of AMI, the sales price would go from
                                                       2 was an assemblage of properties for the devel-
    250,000 to 265. The AMI of, of the board ap-
                                                          opment of forty-three Turn the Key homes to be
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                                                          sold at 100 percent of AMI with a sales price
    proved disposition remains at 60, 80 and 100
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    percent of AMI.
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                                                          of $280,000. Council resolution was transmit-
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         The reason for this approval is due to
                                                          ted to council and placed on file on November
    significant lending and construction increases,
                                                          21st, 2024, but it had not been introduced, so
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    cost increases from the time of submission and
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                                                          it had been in excess of sixty days so with --
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    the board and council approval and receiving,
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                                                          we withdrew the award of that application.
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    receiving of permits to current debt. So as
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                                                               Finally I'd like to update the board on
11 a -- as a result home pricing, development pri-
                                                      11 some Turn the Key items. We had a ribbon cutt-
12 cing has gone up as originally estimated. I
                                                      12 ing recently on March 4th at 10th & Cecil B.
13 would say that this is a consistent process,
                                                      13 Moore, it was very well attended, the mayor
14 problem that we're seeing across the board.
                                                      14 attended. I would like to point out that the
15 We're looking at construction prices across the
                                                      15 homeowner that was featured was chief of staff
16 board and trying to see how we can address
                                                      16 for township member, member Kendra Brooks, and
   that, but lumber prices are going up, insurance
                                                      17 she also has a second staff member in our off-
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    prices are going up. The new regulatory re-
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                                                          ice who's also purchased a Turn the Key home.
    quirements in Philadelphia have increased the
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                                                          So it was a very good event, very well atten-
    unit prices as well so we're, we're assessing
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21 all of that.
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                                                               We have upcoming ribbon cuttings, one on
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         Then I'd like to with announce to the
                                                      22 March 25th. This will be a Riverwards ribbon
23 board the withdrawal of an application that was
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                                                          cutting at 3031 Martha Street at 11 a.m., and
24 approved, it was an unsolicited application
                                                      24 then April 9th at 20 -- April 9th with Civetta
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25 Homes and that will be at 2141 North Franklin

25 that was approved for BMK Properties, LLC, in

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1 Street at 11. And that concludes my execu-
                                                        streets department, it's not parks and rec so
                                                       they have on -- This is part of the queen --
2 tive report.
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        THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Angel. Are
                                                     3 Green, Greener Initiative so these are PRA pro-
   there any questions from the board? Seeing
                                                     4 perties. We'll transfer them through the land
   none let's go to the first matter of the inter-
                                                     5 bank and pay it back to the city and they have
                                                        in -- they have a plan to actually turn it into
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    agency transfer.
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        MR. RODRIGUEZ: Today we're asking the
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                                                        a formal trail.
    board to authorize the transfer to the Phila-
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                                                             MR. GOODMAN: Well, maybe ask if they can
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    delphia Department of Public Property for dis-
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                                                        provide a map so it can be included in the pub-
                                                    10 lic material, and it might just help people
   position, use and/or management by DPP, specif-
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   ically the properties 2 -- 2444 Island Avenue
                                                    11 show what they would, you know what they would
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12 and 7401 Wheeler Street in the 2nd Councilmanic
                                                    12 become and how it would connect to the river.
13 District. Specifically this dispo -- disposi-
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                                                          MR. RODRIGUEZ: Sure.
14 tion would be for the expansion of the Schuyl-
                                                            THE CHAIRMAN: I'm trying to figure it
15 kill River Trail and the second councilmanic
                                                    15 out, are they on the east or west side?
16 district.
                                                          MS. SAAH: East.
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        THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Angel. Are
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                                                           MR. RODRIGUEZ: East.
18 there any questions from the board?
                                                            MR. GOODMAN: So there are two --
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       MR. GOODMAN: Yes, just one question. So
                                                            MR. RODRIGUEZ: They're closer to Cobbs
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20 are, so will these properties actually have
                                                    20 Creek --
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    trails built on them, or are they kind of part
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                                                            THE CHAIRMAN: Right.
22 of a swap to get water from the plan, 'cause
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                                                            MR. RODRIGUEZ: -- than the Schuvlkill
                                                    23 River itself, so I guess it's part of the con-
23 it's not actually on the --
       MR. RODRIGUEZ: No, this is actually
                                                    24 nection.
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25 they're going to build a trail. So this is the
                                                   25 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay.
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         MR. RODRIGUEZ: Once you get down to the
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                                                             THE CHAIRMAN: Or a motion, I'm sorry.
    southwest and loop around is my guess.
                                                     2 May I have a motion to adopt this interagency
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       MS. SAAH: And there is private property
                                                     3 transfer.
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    along the river there that it has been built on
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                                                         MS. KRISS: So moved.
    so that it's winding around.
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                                                             MR. JOHNS: Second.
         MR. RODRIGUEZ: So there are actually two,
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                                                             THE CHAIRMAN: Motion has been made and
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    there's another issue that's coming up as well
                                                     7 properly seconded to effectuate this interag-
    connecting from the Schuylkill River across --
                                                    8 ency transfer, all in favor say aye.
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        THE CHAIRMAN: Across from --
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                                                        MR. DEMA: Aye.
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         MR. RODRIGUEZ: -- PRA land on 84th Street
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                                                           MS. GREENBERG: Aye.
11 to the Hines Foundation. And then also I know
                                                          MR. JOHNS: Aye.
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12 they're working, the Clean Air Foundation is
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                                                          MS. KRISS: Aye.
13 working with Tinicum County on a plan to have
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                                                          MR. GOODMAN: Aye.
14 another trail coming up through there to, to do
                                                          MS. GONZALEZ: Aye.
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                                                          MR. JEREMIAH: Aye.
15 that. We'll see what happens with the new
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16 front end scheme so.
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                                                            THE CHAIRMAN: Aye. Opposed nay? The
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       THE CHAIRMAN: I hear you. Andrea, was
                                                    17 ayes have it. The next item.
                                                             MR. RODRIGUEZ: So the next item would be
18 any written comments submitted on this?
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        MS. SAAH: No, there were no written com-
                                                    19 the property disposition A2, C. Schofield Fin-
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                                                    20 ish Carpentry, LLC. Todd Hestand, the property
20 ments.
       THE CHAIRMAN: And I have nobody signed up
                                                    21 manager, will present that to the board.
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22 from the public to speak on this; am I correct?
                                                    22 TODD HESTAND: All right. Good morning,
       Okay. So can I have a ref -- Can I have a
                                                    23 Mr. Chair, board members, the public.
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                                                            THE REPORTER: Excuse me, excuse me.
24 resolution or --
       MS. SAAH: Or a motion.
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         THE CHAIRMAN: No, you don't have to swear
                                                         ries with an unfinished basement and contain
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2 him in unless you're going to take him off to
                                                      2 three bedrooms and two bathrooms at 1100 square
                                                      3 feet each. They will be sold to households
3 jail.
         TODD HESTAND: Somebody may want to, but
                                                      4 with an income at or below 100 percent AMI for
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    that's okay, that's okay. Todd Hestand, senior
                                                      5 a maximum sales price of $280,000. They'll be
    development specialist, thank you very much.
                                                      6 eligible for the neighborhood preservation ini-
                                                      7 tiatives Turn the Key program, and will be sub-
    All right, this is, this is agenda item --
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    That's, that's a good start for today.
                                                          ject to a declaration of restrictive covenants.
         This is Agenda Item 582. Today we are
                                                               The market rate unit at 5108 Chester Ave
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    asking the board to authorize the properties
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                                                         will be three stories with an unfinished base-
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    below for disposition to C. Schofield Finish
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                                                         ment, front porch and roof deck and contain
12 Carpentry to develop three single family home-
                                                     12 three bedrooms, two and a half bathrooms and at
                                                         100 -- at 1400 square feet. The estimated
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   ownership units in the 3rd Council District.
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14 Mr. Schofield is a minority developer and has
                                                     14 sales price will be $349,000. The application
15 participated in a number of minority business
                                                     15 was unsolicited and evaluated pursuant to the
16 development training programs including the
                                                     16 disposition policy, an EOP plan will apply for
   city's Rebuild Ready Program, and has success-
                                                     17 this project. Again, the affordable units are
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   fully completed work on Rebuild contracts.
                                                     18 at 4910 Kingsessing Ave and 6130 Ellsworth
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                                                     19 Street, the market rate unit will be at 5108
         The units will consist of two affordable
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   single family homes and one market rate single
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    family home. The homes fit within the context
                                                               Mr. Schofield followed all the same proce-
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    of the neighborhood including similar facades
                                                     22 sses and procedures as previously approved dev-
    in each of the locations. The two affordable
                                                     23 elopments. He provided frontage specific plans
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24 single family homes at 4910 Kingsessing Avenue
                                                     24 for the various lot widths, and he hosted a
25 and 6130 Ellsworth Street will each be two sto-
                                                     25 community meeting on February 18th, 2025, with
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1 a total of twenty-two participants. Mr. Calvin
                                                         facades of each of the buildings was consistent
   Schofield is in attendance today, thank you
                                                      2 with the rest of the neighborhoods, and as a
                                                         professional in his field he appreciates that
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    verv much.
        THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Are there any
                                                         effort that was made.
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    questions from the board?
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                                                              Is that correct, sir?
         MR. JOHNS: I'd like to comment that I
                                                              MR. JOHNS: Yes.
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                                                              TODD HESTAND: All right, thank you.
    definitely appreciate the fact that the develo-
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    pers really worked to match, and the buildings
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                                                              THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Are there any
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    matched the contents of each one of the blocks.
                                                      9 other questions from the board? Hearing none,
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    RESIDENT: Could you speak up so people
                                                         Andrea, do we have some written comments?
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11 can hear you.
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                                                               MS. SAAH: Yes, we do, we received three
      MR. JOHNS: Oh, sorry. I hope you're not
                                                     12 communications regarding part of this proposed
13 deaf if not, good, okay.
                                                     13 disposition. The first one is from Joanna Mc-
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       THE CHAIRMAN: So it's, in essence it's
                                                     14 Clinton, speaker of the House of Representa-
15 not one cookie cutter design.
                                                     15 tives of Pennsylvania. I am going to read her
                                                     16 letter.
        MR. JOHNS: Absolutely.
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        THE CHAIRMAN: There's three distinct de-
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                                                               "Dear members of the board: I am writing
                                                     18 at this time regarding the proposed development
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    signs --
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       MR. JOHNS: Absolutely.
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                                                         of a vacant lot at 6130 Ellsworth Street in
         THE CHAIRMAN: -- connected.
                                                     20 Cobbs Creek, an area I call home and proudly
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        MR. JOHNS: Clearly, clearly they were
                                                     21 represent in the Pennsylvania House of Repre-
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22 sensitive to each block.
                                                     22 sentatives. West Philadelphia is a tight-knit,
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      TODD HESTAND: Mr. John's comment, so for
                                                     23 diverse neighborhood of residential and commer-
24 the public to hear, is that he appreciated that
                                                     24 cial living space. Historically significant,
25 the developer took care in ensuring that the
                                                     25 most of the structures in Cobbs Creek are over
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100 years old and contribute greatly to the 1 2 unique character of our community." 3 "While Philadelphia and other cities ac-4 ross the country are dealing with an unprecedented shortage in affordable housing units, we need to consider the fabric of existing neighborhoods as well as concerns of area residents when devising a plan to increase our affordable 8 housing options. Increasing access to housing 9 10 in Philadelphia and across the Commonwealth is an issue of paramount importance to me. While 12 I certainly commend and appreciate the develo-13 pers' desire to construct a number of afford-14 able housing units including at 6130 Ellsworth, 15 neighbors agreed several concerns to me personally that I wanted to make the board aware of." 16

"It's my understanding that the developer of 6130 Ellsworth, C. Scofield, Schofield" -- I apologize for the spelling mispronouncing. "C. Schofield Finish Carpentry, LLC, recently held an informational meeting for neighbors to attend, gather information and ask appropriate questions. This meeting was held at a considerable distance from the parcel in question resulting in a number of neighbors not being able

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1 to attend. Additionally, residents have approached me to express apprehension that the proposed design of the structure is not in 4 keeping with the historic architectural style of the neighborhood."

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"Because of this I fear the proposal would negatively impact the character of the area and, consequently, their property value. At the required informational meeting the developer provided little information regarding 6130 Ellsworth specifically, and neighbors were un-12 able to ask a sufficient number of questions. 13 Neighbors were able to rearrange their calen-14 dars and attend, left with just as many con-15 cerns as they had at the beginning of the pres-16 entation if not more. Obviously, residents in 17 the area surrounding 6130 Ellsworth care about 18 their community, and want to ensure that any development that takes place there benefits 19 all." 20

"They should at the very least be provided with detailed info, information about any project and the, the ability to ask questions freely and without stringent time constraints at a location that is near to the parcel in ques-

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tion. In Cobbs Creek we have a strong sense of community with active associations contributing greatly to our quality of life. Neighbors look out for each other and want what's best for the area at large. We are supportive of efforts to make housing available for more people, and we just want the process to be open, fair and considerate to neighbors' concerns."

"I respectfully urge the board to work 10 with the developer to ensure that any development in the area aligns with the interest of 12 the community, and that the proper process is 13 followed. Thank you for your time, and if you 14 would like to discuss this matter further, 15 please do not hesitate to contact me. Sincerely, Joanna E. McClinton, speaker of the PA 17 House of Representatives."

Next we have a letter from the Cobbs Creek Parkway Block Association submitted by Paula Wright and Andrea Roth -- Andrea Johnson, coblock captains and residents of the 6100 Ellsworth/Cobbs Creek Block Association.

"Dear Ms. Saah: We at the 6100 Ellsworth Cobbs Creek Block Association, an active group of fifty-seven homeowners with over forty years

Page 21 of community involvement, are voicing concerns about a proposed -- proposed development at 6130 Ellsworth Street, a property we have maintained for over twenty years. Our key issues 5 include inadequate public engagement. The required informational meeting was held approximately two miles from the property, and the developer provided minimal details about the project. As a result, over thirty neighbors left without having their questions answered." 10

"Two, design and scale concerns. The pro-12 posal involves constructing an 1100 square foot home attached to an existing home of over 1700 square feet which is notably smaller than other 15 homes in the neighborhood. Three, architectu-16 ral incompat -- incompatibility. The proposed 17 structure does not match the historic architec-18 tural style of the community, which we believe can negatively affect the neighborhood's character and property values."

"Four, calls for transparency and division. While the association supports efforts to expand housing availability, they insist that the process must be open, fair and considers a community's concern. We are requesting

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 1 either a revision of the development plans or a
                                                      1 yound inappropriate for the people of Cobbs
                                                         Creek. It would've been more appropriate to
   rejection of the proposal to ensure that it
    aligns with the community's interest."
                                                         hold the public meeting in a more accessible
         And we did receive a number of photographs
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                                                         location or, as this agency has encouraged in
    taken of the block and of the, the vacant lot
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                                                         other instances, to offer a virtual or hybrid
    at issue. And then lastly we received a letter
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    from councilwoman Jamie Gauthier yesterday ad-
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                                                               "Furthermore, it is my understanding that
                                                         residents from the 6100 block of Ellsworth re-
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    dressed to the chair of our board.
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         "Dear Chairperson Wetzel: As a council
                                                      9 quested a second meeting with community elected
10 member of the 3rd Councilmanic District, I
                                                     10 leaders offering to assist in finding a more
11 write today to express my concerns about the
                                                     11 accessible location or even hosting the meeting
12 public meeting held for the above mentioned
                                                     12 virtually. It remains unclear why the appli-
    avenues: Chester Avenue, Ellsworth Avenue and
                                                     13 cant did not agree to this option. Furthermore
14 Kingsessing Avenue. With such a geographically
                                                     14 this board is well aware, I believe, public
15 scattered disposition application that proposes
                                                     15 land is a powerful tool. If this tool is to be
16 development in multiple different neighbor-
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                                                         used to expand opportunities for homeownership,
    hoods, more thoughtful consideration was neces-
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                                                         I prefer it be for genuine affordability."
    sary to ensure residents were properly in-
                                                               "If the land bank considers proposal, pro-
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    formed."
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                                                         posals almost two miles away from one another
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         "The 6100 block of Ellsworth is located in
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                                                          as a single application, it must give more
21 the southwestern corner of the Cobbs Creek
                                                     21 thought and appropriate guidance on how and
22 neighborhood and is approximately, approximate-
                                                     22 where to conduct the required public meetings.
23 ly 1.8 miles from where the meeting was held at
                                                     23 Until then I hope this body considers allowing
24 47th & Springfield. While a reasonable loca-
                                                     24 for more community involvement on this appli-
25 tion for the other two properties, this is be-
                                                     25 cation. Sincerely, Jamie Gauthier, council
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 1 member 3rd District." And all of these will be
                                                      1 one block away from that this property. Any
    attached to the minutes.
                                                         deviation in size would accept or affect the
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         THE CHAIRMAN: Is that the entire written?
                                                          value of any home in that area. So if you
         MS. SAAH: Yes, that's the entire prior
                                                          build a house, it's 1100 square feet attached
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    written submissions.
                                                          to another house that's 1700 or 1800 square
                                                         feet that most are four-bedroom houses. And as
         THE CHAIRMAN: So I have a number of peo-
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    ple signed up, I'm going to call them in order
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                                                         a realtor, I can tell you an appraiser would
    of them signing up. The first is Sam Shepherd,
                                                      8 definitely value that house less than it would
9 please come and identify yourself.
                                                      9 a four-bedroom house of 17 or 1800 square feet.
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       SAM SHEPHERD: Good morning.
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                                                               What I would propose, hopefully, is that
        THE CHAIRMAN: Good morning.
                                                     11 we have a chance to engage with the contractor
         SAM SHEPHERD: Board members and the pub-
                                                     12 at a different location, at a different time to
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13 lic and neighbors, I'm a committee person for
                                                     13 voice more of our opinions so they can under-
14 the 3rd Ward and a neighbor of the property lo-
                                                     14 stand the importance of advocacy in our commun-
   cated at 6130 Ellsworth Street. My concern
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                                                         ity and the importance that people show. Peo-
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   was --
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                                                         ple of Cobbs Creek, could you please stand up
         Am I able to voice that now?
                                                          and let us know that you are here. So that we
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         MS. SAAH: Mm-hmm.
                                                          do have people that are very concerned, and
         SAM SHEPHERD: My concern was that when
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                                                         hopefully you guys will reconsider this appli-
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                                                         cation for 6130 Ellsworth Street. Thank you
20 we -- Maybe twenty-five or thirty neighbors
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21 came to this meeting, and we proposed another
                                                     21 very much.
                                                               THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you so much. I'm not
22 meeting because the meeting was held to basic-
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23 ally tell us, everybody about first time home
                                                     23 going to pronounce your right name.
                                                             ISA AL-MUID: I'll say it please.
24 buyers.
         I am a realtor. I live two blocks, maybe
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                                                               THE CHAIRMAN: Please do, sir.
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         ISA AL-MUID: Salam Alaikum, good morning
                                                       1 be some problems of skirmishes, arguments be-
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                                                          cause you know how people are. They want to
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    everyone.
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         THE CHAIRMAN: Good morning.
                                                          set their backyard up, have their cookouts, and
         ISA AL-MUID: My name is Isa Al-Muid.
                                                          all that noise and whatnot is going to go right
    It's I-S-A, Almuid, A-L hyphen M-U-I-D, and I'm
                                                          to the neighbor next to them. And that's going
    a resident of Ellsworth Street. My concern is
                                                          to be an issue, that we're trying to avoid that
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    that when we came to the meeting it was proba-
                                                          in the future also.
 8 bly about 20 degrees out, that's one thing, at
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                                                              Now, as far as if -- I don't know if it's
 9 night. And when we started to have a meeting
                                                      9 as far as -- I'm hearing that this board might
10 it seemed like the Turn the Key person took
                                                      10 be able to get some money to give the develo-
11 about 30/40 minutes if not more. The developer
                                                      11 per, not give but find somebody to grant to
12 showed some slides about his work, you know
                                                      12 some -- feel me what I'm hearing if that would
13 renovations but nothing from him building from
                                                      13 be possible. If some kind of grants money
    the ground up, okay. With this property if we
                                                          could be given to him so he wouldn't have to
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    saw some designs that show a garage door on the
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                                                          incur any future, you know, additional cost so
    back of the house, and if you look at the prop-
                                                          they can build the house as long as possible,
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    erty --
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                                                          because at least it's almost matching the house
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         If you have a garage that's in the house,
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                                                          next to it.
    and the rest of the house to the driveway that
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                                                               Because in the future if that stucco comes
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    runs from block to block behind the houses and
                                                      20 off that building, the house is going to be at-
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21 Cobbs Creek Parkway, the ground would have to
                                                      21 tached to it partially, now the other person is
22 qo down. That's one issue, so these are the
                                                      22 going to have to get that, you know, worked on.
   questions we need to ask them. Or the other
                                                      23 And now you got ladders going in somebody's
24 issue is if there's going to be a backyard
                                                      24 yard who may fix it up and all that, so again
25 going all the way back, in the future there may
                                                      25 we're trying to stop some, some problems going
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 1 forward.
                                                         stion?
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         But the main thing is he didn't give us
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                                                              THE CHAIRMAN: Sure.
 3 enough time. We might've had five minutes or
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                                                              MS. SAAH: Yes.
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   so, even though he said we was going to be --
                                                              CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Do you have any ques-
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 5 We, there was only one person there for the
                                                      5 tions?
 6 other two properties out of the three proper-
                                                             MR. JEREMIAH: Do you want to respond to
 7 ties that he was looking at and we didn't, we
                                                      7 the council member and the state majority spea-
 8 didn't get any time. So these are the kinds of
                                                      8 ker's comments with regard to the project?
   questions we need to ask the developer and we
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                                                               CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Yes, I can answer the
10 need to. So we're just asking them to hold off
                                                      10 questions. As far as the size of the home, I
11 for now until we can have a meeting with them
                                                         tried my best to, to accommodate that the size
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    and get certain things straightened out.
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                                                          of the house and to make it affordable. You
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         THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you for your comment,
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                                                          know, I was unable to, to make the house with
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    sir. The next person signed up is Calvin Scho-
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                                                          the square footage of the other houses because
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    field.
                                                          there's no way that I could've made it afforda-
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         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Good afternoon every-
                                                      16 ble you know at, at that square footage.
   body. I apologize for my voice, I'm just gett-
                                                               MR. JEREMIAH: What about with regard to
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    ing over a cold.
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                                                         the engagement for the community?
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                                                               CALVIN SCHOFIELD: The engagement for the
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         So is there any questions?
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         MS. KRISS: You're the developer.
                                                          community I tried -- As far as the distance, I
         THE CHAIRMAN: You signed up to make pub-
                                                         tried my best to make it as close as possible,
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                                                         I went to every -- I went to three recreation
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   lic comments.
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         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: No, no, I'm sorry. I'm
                                                          centers, all three of them were closed for re-
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    sorry, I signed the wrong form.
                                                          habilitation. I went to three schools, you
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         MR. JEREMIAH: May I ask, may I ask a que-
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                                                          know I went to Calvin D, I went to Mitchell
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 1 that was closer to, to that location, um,
                                                      1 that then you know I'm getting, I'm trying the
 2 talked to the principals. I couldn't get ap-
                                                      2 three properties. If I did that then there
 3 pointments you know for, you know in any of
                                                     3 would be two at market rate and one at afford-
                                                     4 able rate.
 4 those schools, um, so I was left to find ano-
                                                             MR. RODRIGUEZ: Well, you would swap out
 5 ther location.
        So that was the closest location that I
                                                     6 and there would still be two affordable so
 7 could find. I apologize to the people that had
                                                     7 you're looking at identified as market rate.
 8 to come out in the cold, but I can't control
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                                                              Have you explored taking one that you
    the weather and that's the closest location,
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                                                         identified as market rate and making it affor-
    you know. They did, they did come out you know,
                                                         dable and then this property market rate? It
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    so you know I --
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                                                         seems like it's the bigger property.
         MR. RODRIGUEZ: I have a question for you.
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                                                              CALVIN SCHOFIELD: You know, I didn't ex-
         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Yes.
                                                     13 plore that, but I don't think that would be a
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        MR. RODRIGUEZ: If you were able to you --
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                                                     14 good choice. And the reason I'm saying that is
15 There is mixed income projects, so you have one
                                                     15 because one property is a three-story on, on
16 that is market rate and the other two that are
                                                     16 Kingsessing, and the other property on Chester
17 affordable. If the one you had selected as
                                                     17 Avenue is also a three-story, so the property
18 market rate, what would the --
                                                     18 on Ellsworth is a two-story. You know I tried
       Have you explored turning this property
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                                                     19 to make it as identical as I could, you know,
20 into a market rate property, in which case
                                                     20 other than the length you know, so it does look
21 would that offset the cost to build a 1700-foot
                                                     21 like the other homes.
                                                             MR. RODRIGUEZ: Thank you.
   property?
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         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Well --
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                                                              CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Okay.
         MR. RODRIGUEZ: If ever?
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                                                              THE CHAIRMAN: I have, just excuse me one
         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Well, if I -- If I did
                                                     25 second.
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         (Discussion off the record.)
                                                     1 garage from the -- from the backstreet or
         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Hey, excuse me, is
                                                     2 alleyway, so there were some inconsistencies.
 3 there one other thing I can say. One gentleman
                                                             CALVIN SCHOFIELD: I'm sorry, you said
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 4 said that they only had five minutes to speak
                                                     4 there was a back door that --
                                                              MR. JOHNS: In your rear elevation in one
    at the meeting, it was more than five minutes.
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    You know, yes, the Turn the Key person did
                                                         of the, of that plan it showed a garage door,
    speak you know, but I, I gave everybody a
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                                                         but it did not show any way to get from where
    chance to speak. I also gave out pamphlets you
                                                         the cars were parked to the garage and the
    know to show the plans of the homes, you know,
                                                     9 floor plans didn't show it.
10 so you know I did as much as I could to inform
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                                                              MR. GOODMAN: And that's also a question
11 them of exactly what I'm trying to do.
                                                     11 about the backyard in general, right, like all
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    MS. KRISS: Are you open to having another
                                                     12 that back space, how it would be you know con-
13 community meeting like closer to this location?
                                                     13 structed and programmed inside and the --
       CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Well, I personally
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                                                              MR. JOHNS: And the difference in grade
15 don't think it's necessary because the people
                                                     15 between the actual, where the cars are parked
16 that was there I spoke to. They, they asked
                                                     16 in the back and the height of where the first
   questions and I, I gave them the plans. I
                                                     17 floor level is and the front of the house.
   don't know what else I could say to them to, to
                                                     18 That's a completely different grade and, and,
    satisfy their, their issues, well, other
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                                                         and the, this plan didn't reflect any of that.
    than -- other than not build there.
                                                             MR. RODRIGUEZ: That was updated, though.
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       MR. JOHNS: Well, there, there were some
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                                                              CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Yes.
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22 inconsistencies, we had our developer bring out
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                                                              MR. JOHNS: No, I'm saying that -- I'm
23 a need. And one of the gentlemen mentioned
                                                     23 assuming that the ones that the community saw
24 that, you know, your back elevation showed a
                                                     24 were initially which didn't reflect the --
25 garage door where, where no way to get to the
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                                                             CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Right, and like, like
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    I'm saying -- I'm saying it was upgraded and we
                                                           know it is important for developers to hear
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    actually took the garage out.
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                                                          from the community. And sometimes you know
                                                          their recommendations may not make it to the
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         MR. JOHNS: But the community didn't see
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    it, that's what I was --
                                                          final design, but I think to be good neighbors
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        MR. DEMA: Is the community aware that
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                                                          with them it is really critically important to
    that is out?
                                                          take that feedback.
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         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: No, that that --
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                                                                And as much as possible if they're having
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         MR. DEMA: What was presented at the com-
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                                                          requested another meeting, I think although it
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                                                          may seem that it's adding to the process, um,
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    munity meeting?
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         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: That that, I'm sorry?
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                                                          you know having this presentation and then pos-
         MR. DEMA: What was presented at the com-
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   munity meeting, was it the old plan with the
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                                                         extend it furthermore. So I think that it is
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    garage?
                                                      13 important to hear from the community.
                                                               CALVIN SCHOFIELD: And I, I understand
         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Yes.
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         MR. DEMA: Okay.
                                                      15 that, and I believe I did. And I did reach out
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         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Yes.
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                                                          to the RCO, Mr. Waters, and I asked him you
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         MR. JEREMIAH: Have you shared the updated
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                                                          know if there's any other questions you know,
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    plans with the community?
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                                                          you know he could ask me, and you know I'll try
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         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: No, I haven't.
                                                      19 and answer. So I did reach out, back out to
         MS. GONZALEZ: I'd like to volunteer also
                                                      20 the RCO.
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21 that you can use Zoom or Teams to be able to
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                                                               MR. DEMA: Just another question, and I
22 hold virtual meetings especially for people
                                                      22 know because you're limited because of the af-
23 that are, you know, older adults and also peo-
                                                      23 fordability numbers, but put that aside for a
24 ple that are disabled from the community so
                                                      24 second. But in your analysis do you think
25 they have an opportunity. I think that you
                                                      25 Ellsworth could be developed as a market rate
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    unit, or do you think the economics -- Put
                                                          the board? We have other speakers on this, so
    aside the affordability issue, right, but just
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                                                          thank you. The next person to speak is last
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    from your developer experience.
                                                       3 name Karen McDaniel, please come.
         Do you feel that you could develop Ells-
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                                                             KAREN MCDANIEL: Good morning everyone.
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    worth as a market rate unit, or you just think
                                                              THE CHAIRMAN: Good morning.
    the economics will never make, you know, a mar-
                                                               KAREN MCDANIEL: Just to address some of
    ket rate unit there to get to the full depth of
                                                      7 the things, the concerns and issues that we
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    the property?
                                                      8 have for the 6100 block of Ellsworth Street
         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: I definitely could make
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                                                          property. First and foremost I would like to
                                                          say that Mr. Schofield didn't do his due dili-
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    a market rate house there but, you know, the
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    numbers just don't, don't work.
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                                                          gence in selecting the location for the meeting
        MR. DEMA: I got you.
                                                          because our block is actively engaged with And-
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         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: You know.
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                                                           erson School literally at the corner of our
         MR. DEMA: I, I just wanted to see if it
                                                          block. So any time if there's anything that we
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                                                      15 need, we can have a community meeting over at
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    is --
         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: The number of prospects
                                                      16 Anderson School which is literally it's on the
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17 which --
                                                      17 same side of the street as 6130 Ellsworth
         MR. DEMA: -- a result of your property or
                                                      18 Street. So he didn't do his due diligence as
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    a result of your application.
                                                      19 far as location for the residents there.
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         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Yeah.
                                                               So one of the questions that I have which
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         MR. DEMA: So it's more a result of your
                                                      21 was a major question, is who decides whether a
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    application and not the property?
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                                                          property is up for neighborhood preservation or
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         CALVIN SCHOFIELD: Yes.
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                                                          market rate. I'm getting the sense that it's
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         MR. DEMA: Okay.
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                                                          Mr. Schofield or the developers who make that
         THE CHAIRMAN: Any other questions from
                                                      25 decision when they're making their applica-
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Page 38 Page 39 1 tions, um, but we feel -- I feel that Mr. Schofeet. The houses are 1750, he plans to put in field in general did not do his due diligence an 1100-foot house attached to a 1750 square with all three of these properties. I went and foot house the designs, and then we all have I looked at all three of them, the other propgarages underneath our houses. I didn't see erty on Kingsessing I'm just going to -- Just 5 where there was a garage on his plans that he to give you an example, all the houses on that submitted to us. So his properties that his 6 7 block are on the one side of the street are all 7 designs have not been conformed, they don't 8 three-story houses. 8 conform with the neighborhoods that in which he 9 He proposes to put in a two-story house 9 wants to build any of these proper houses. But 10 and then give the third floor a facade as, as 10 I can only speak for 6130 right now because I 11 if it's a third, third story house but it's 11 live across the street from that one. 12 not. On Chester Avenue the houses on that 12 And we are just not, um, liking his de-13 street they are, um, also all three-story hou-13 sign. And we feel as though if he wants to ses and they are -- they are all also three, 14 build a house there, we feel like the house 15 three-story houses. And but that one is closer 15 should be at market rate it should be and not to, I guess, maybe the folks in University City neigh -- neighborhood preservation. Like we 17 who would be more likely to pay market rate for 17 don't that's just -- I feel like I'm being a 18 the property, um, and so that's probably why he little snobbish right here right now, but that 18 19 made that one market rate. But if you come 19 particular block if you pulled it up on Google 20 over to the 6100 block of Ellsworth Street, 2.0 and look at it, it is not -- um, it shouldn't 21 it's a beautiful tree lined area block we have. 21 be designated for neighborhood preservation at 22 this particular point in time. So and I don't 22 Our houses are 104 years old, and his de-23 sign does not match at all with the other hou-23 know what the difference in designs are that 24 ses on the, just on the street itself. Um, 24 you all have and what was presented to us and, 25 first of all our properties are 2600, 50 square 25 yes, we did not have enough time. Page 40 Page 41 1 I did speak to Mr. Schofield. I tried to 1 been at Anderson which is a block away, not 2 ask a couple of questions, but we definitely 2 even a block away. We have elderly people on 3 after the meeting that we had, but we as a 3 our block, I'm the youngest one on the block, 4 whole everyone had questions. And the Turn the let me just say that. We have to make sure 5 Key person she just talked, took up the major-5 they have transportation back and forth like ity of our time, so and that meeting was not 6 today. This is difficult for a lot of our blocks for us for the neighbors on that block. 7 8 THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you. The last name 8 -- our, our relatives to come down because they 9 is Johnson, please correct me for your --9 don't have no transportation or parking. It's 1.0 ANGIE JOHNSON: Angie Johnson. a lot, a lot of them need wheelchairs, they 1.0 THE CHAIRMAN: -- your first name, though. 11 11 need assistance. So I'm just asking for our 12 ANGIE JOHNSON: Angie, good morning everynext meeting if we have a next meeting or be-12 13 one. So my name is Angie Johnson and I'm the 13 fore a decision is made that we come together co-block captain of Cobbs Creek, 61st and Ellsas a group, and we can talk about all our con-14 14 15 worth. So most of the concerns that we had you cerns. We have a lot of concerns, we have a 15 16 guys covered, so I'm not going to be in here in lot of issues. Some people wasn't here, wasn't 16 17 a way where we talked about this for some time. 17 able to make it today to talk about their con-18 But I'm just asking that before a decision is 18 cerns. So can we just get together, and we can 19 made that we come back as a group, I mean we 19 talk and try to come to some kind of conclusion 20 can meet. Because again I heard your concerns 20 for our block, thank you. THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you so much. 21 saying that he couldn't find a place in the 21 ANGIE JOHNSON: You're welcome. 22 neighborhood for the block captain. 22 We meet at least twice a month. If some-THE CHAIRMAN: Ronald Waters. 23 23 RONALD WATERS: Thank you, thank you one would've contacted us, we could've made --24 I could've made connections and we could've 25 chairman and to the board members. I just want

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Page 42 Page 43 to say I appreciate your entertaining our conand they are longtime investors in that commucerns today. I am the ward leader for the 3rd 2 nity. So when you want to come into the neigh-Ward, I'm also -- We also have an RCO, and also borhood and you want to build something, sure 3 I want to say I want to thank the council lady 4 we want to know what, what that looks like. We appreciate the fact that Mr. Scho -- Mr. Scho-5 or council member and the state representative 5 6 slash speaker of the house and the block assocfield is a minority developer. But we also 6 iation for the letters that were submitted 7 when it comes down to our residents, that 8 today. I think the letters kind of speak for 8 doesn't matter when it comes down to the res-9 9 pect that the neighborhood deserves. If you themselves. 10 The meeting that that was held, I heard 10 want to come into the neighborhood and build 11 Mr. Schofield mention that he had went to Mitsomething, we're not against affordable hous-11 chell Ecology which is another about two miles 12 ing. 12 away from the 6100 block of Ellsworth Street. 13 But if you want to come in there, at least 13 14 I just checked the weather conditions for the 14 give us the respect in the process and make 15 night of that meeting that was held at the 15 sure that we have a chance to have a meeting 4700 block of Springfield. The weather was, I that really means something. A meeting that we 17 believe the highest that day was 27 degrees, 17 traveled two miles that night to go to that had 18 and that the meeting that was took place in the very little to do with the 6100 block or 6130 18 19 evening about 6:00 in the evening. And the 19 Ellsworth Street, very little. The Turn, Turn 20 people from the 6100 block of Ellsworth Street 2.0 -- The Turn the Key dominated most of the time 21 showed up for that meeting, it was standing 21 at that meeting and it was very entertaining. 22 We learned a lot about Turn the Key, but we did 22 room only. 23 And I'm so proud of the residents in that 23 not have a chance to talk about 6130 Ellsworth neighborhood, but I'm not surprised. They are 24 Street, that's why we was there. 24 25 that kind of neighborly folks that care about, 25 If we would've known the meeting was about Page 44 Turn the Key, we wouldn't have showed up, we heard them mention two schools, but they were wouldn't have showed up unless somebody was not nowhere near 6130 Ellsworth Street. And as curious about Turn the Key. The neighbors I sat here I heard them, the amount of gues-3 3 4 showed up because they was curious about what, tions that y'all had for Mr. Schofield, we had 4 5 what matters to them. Where they live, where 5 questions too. I was happy to hear you all at they sleep, where they rest, where they raise least had a chance to ask your questions but we 7 their family, that's what matters to them. 7 didn't, we didn't. And I, and all perfectly --That did not take place that day. To be perfectly honest with you, we maybe So I also want to say Mr. Schofield made a 9 had a chance to enjoy the architectural pic-10 mention that he reached out to me after I 1.0 tures that he showed us of some home remodeling reached out to him twice, he had never called 11 that he had performed and they looked nice. 11 12 me. Every time that phone call conversation 12 But if we was there to get our kitchen remod-13 was initiated it was because I initiated the 13 eled or our bathroom remodeled, then that phone call. As a matter of fact, I had to go would've been the place to be. We was there to 15 through someone else to finally get in contact 15 hear about a development and there's questions

> that he, that we have a meeting, and I will happy -- I'll be happy to accommodate facilita-25 ting a location, no problem. They said Mr.

All we are asking in all due respect is

about that 'cause I heard -- And I'm glad the

you look at what we were told. Now, there's

19 been a change in plans based on Mr. Schofield

admitting, you know, he didn't discuss that

question, the gentleman asked the question when

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with us.

with Mr. Schofield, a ward leader RCO in the

It's like the lady, the gentleman here

said. Had he come to us we could've found him

a place close by which, which really is how

most meetings for community projects happen.

They try to reach out to the RCO, they reach

out to the neighbors to see if they can help

facilitate making an arrangement for a meeting.

That never took place, it never took place. I

51st Ward and he never reached out to me.

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    Schofield told us when we came to that meeting,
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    'cause he initially told the members of 6130
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                                                                MR. DEMA: Nick Dema.
    that they could leave 'cause we gonna have ano-
                                                                RONALD WATERS: Nick Dema, about adjusting
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    ther meeting.
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                                                           between the three locations, make that property
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         RESIDENT: That's right.
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                                                           up there the 6130 Ellsworth Street market
         RONALD WATERS: He told us we could leave
                                                           value. That makes a lot of sense to me, that's
    'cause, 'cause he knew the inconvenience that
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                                                           a great idea, and thank you for your, your que-
    he had caused. But as I wait by my phone for a
                                                           stion. We have questions and I, I'd just ask
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    phone call after I talked to him and said I'll
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                                                           the board to please grant us the chance for us
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    get in contact with you, the phone call I never
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                                                           to be able to ask our questions too. Thank you
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    received. I had to reach out and I called
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                                                           very much.
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    twice asking him about that meeting that he
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                                                                THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you very much. I
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    promised us that we were going to have. He
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                                                           have one more person signed up for this, and I
    promised us that we were gonna have a meeting,
                                                           think it's Sheila Quarrels. Welcome, state
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    he never reached out to me, I reached out to
                                                           your name and then make your comment.
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                                                                SHEILA QUARRELS: My name is Sheila Quar-
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    him. And I want to say that that's a fact,
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    that's the honest to God truth, he never
                                                           rels, I'm also a resident of the Ellsworth
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    reached out to me.
                                                           block. I'll be very short. I just want to re-
         So we questioned the process and we ques-
                                                           iterate that we are fifty-seven neighbors who
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    tioned what's going to happen. If we can't get
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                                                           have come together and have maintained that for
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    clear answers now, we can't trust the process,
                                                           over twenty years. We mold it, we trimmed it,
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    we can't trust it, but we're not against af-
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                                                           we did the snow removal, as you see the pic-
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    fordable housing. And I love your recommenda-
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                                                           tures it's pristine. We care about our neigh-
    tion that --
                                                           borhood, and we want this board to care about
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                                                           it too. We're asking that you either do a
         What's your name, I can't see it right
                                             Page 48
    continuancy or reject this proposal totally or
                                                            about how they want a house that's market right
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    inform us what is the next process we can do to
                                                           here, that goes against what the councilwoman
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    protect our neighborhood, that's it.
                                                           would okay on this lot. So it is very hard for
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         THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you so much. Very
                                                           developers to come up here and present a proj-
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                                                           ect that fits all the, the requirements of both
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    quickly I was wrong, I have one more person
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    signed up, Jeremy Blatstein.
                                                           the land bank, the community and the councilwo-
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         JEREMY BLATSTEIN: Hello board, my name is
                                                           man. You then are putting the developer in the
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    Jeremy Blatstein. We heard a lot of informa-
                                                           middle of this. They say they are for afforda-
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    tion just now, and a lot of it goes against
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                                                           ble housing, but they are really are not be-
    what the process is of a land bank, so I just
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                                                           cause they are against this project.
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    want to question some questions, right. A let-
                                                                This is the only way that that lot can be
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    ter was written that the meeting wasn't held at
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                                                           used for Turn the Key, right. The Turn the Key
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    or wasn't attended. There's twenty-five to
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                                                           has a max sale price of $280,000, you can't
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    thirty people, there's nothing in the land bank
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                                                           build a 1700 square foot house and actually
    rules that say where you have to hold the loca-
                                                           sell it for 280 and make any money. So that's
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    tion of the meeting. Second, when it comes to
                                                           where your crux is of where and this is where
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    affordable housing this lot is in the 3rd Dist-
                                                           it's important, I believe, to explain what Turn
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    rict, the 3rd --
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                                                           the Key is to the community. So in terms of
         RESIDENT: 3rd.
                                                           what that meeting is for, the meeting is to ex-
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         JEREMY BLATSTEIN: Yes, the 3rd District.
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                                                           plain who's going to do that the last bit is,
         RESIDENT: Both of them are.
                                                           and this is where it's very interesting when it
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         JEREMY BLATSTEIN: Councilwoman Gauthier
                                                           comes to how these meetings are held.
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                                                                I got pushback last time for holding a
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   is clear that she in her letter was the last,
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   the last sentence of her letter said that she
                                                      24 Zoom meeting. So I just want to make that
   cared about affordability. You then heard
                                                      25 clear to this board that sometimes it gets
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1 pushed back the other way, that the older peo-
                                                    1 thousand homes, and Turn the Key is a key cru-
 2 ple in the community can't use Zoom and want
                                                    2 cial piece of that. Thank you.
                                                         MR. JOHNS: Thank you.
   in-person. And again I just think that that's
                                                          THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you.
 4 a general more, bigger conversation that needs
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   to be had because realistically all the land
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                                                           RESIDENT: Yeah, Jeremy Blatstein and talk
   bank rules are is hold one community meeting,
                                                    6 all you want, I'll explain it to you.
    it doesn't dictate that.
                                                           RESIDENT: Come on now.
       The last thing I will say is it seems like
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                                                           RESIDENT: Be professional, be professio-
                                                   9 nal.
 9 he took the feedback from the community and
10 changed his plans, right, he got rid of the
                                                   10 RESIDENT: Ask for my name, ask for --
11 garage based on after hearing from the communi-
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                                                           THE CHAIRMAN: (Strikes gavel.) I, I'm
                                                   12 sensing some concerns, and I'm sensing some
12 ty. There is no requirement in the land bank
13 -- and you can correct me, Angel, if I'm wrong
                                                   13 concerns among the board members as well. One
14 on this -- that you go back with your revisions
                                                   14 of the concerns that I have is if you change
15 to the community after you present it to the
                                                   15 the de- sign, you really should be talking to
   community, right. Just like as to the second
                                                   16 people again, that that to me is important.
                                                   17 You should go back to the community. So I'm, I
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   time in the CDR, you don't go back to the CDR a
    third time even after you made changes.
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                                                       mean that last --
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         So in terms of him going to the community
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                                                       Does the board sense that we need to sort
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   and presenting his project, he then made an ad-
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                                                       of say this needs more time?
21 justment. So I just want to make it clear what
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                                                            MS. GONZALEZ: I would say so, and I
22 rules we're following because if not, all it's
                                                   22 think -- I just want to make a statement that,
23 going to take is a slow dribble of building
                                                   23 you know, when we're talking about community
24 affordable housing. And that does not go in
                                                   24 engagement and community meetings, it's not
25 line with what Mayor Parker's goal of thirty
                                                   25 just to check off the box. It has to be in-
                                          Page 52
                                                                                             Page 53
1 tentional and it has to be accessible, and also
                                                           MR. JEREMIAH: So moved.
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 2 there has to be clear communications and really
                                                           THE CHAIRMAN: Can I get a second.
                                                           MS. GONZALEZ: I second.
    give residents an opportunity to, to voice
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    their concerns, ask their questions. And if
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                                                           THE CHAIRMAN: All in favor to go to the
                                                    5 table.
   things change, you know, I think it's common
   sense to go back to the community and let them
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                                                       MR. DEMA: Aye.
                                                          MS. GREENBERG: Aye.
   know what those changes are. Because I think
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                                                          MR. JOHNS: Aye.
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 8 that prevents any delays going forward, and
                                                   9 MS. KRISS: Aye.
10 MR. GOODMAN: Aye.
9 you're able to have better understanding of the
10 project and more support from your residents.
       Because when you start construction, we
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                                                          MS. GONZALEZ: Aye.
12 know that we need our residents to be able to
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                                                          MR. JEREMIAH: Aye.
13 support it because things can happen, and it's
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                                                          THE CHAIRMAN: Aye. Any opposed? The
                                                   14 item is tabled.
14 important to make sure that you have that sup-
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                                                       MR. GOODMAN: We have to pre -- For previ-
15 port in the long term.
                                                   16 ous board meetings we've had to like issue what
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     MR. JEREMIAH: Ms. Gonzalez, just to add
   to that. There are significant concerns from,
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                                                       table for what purpose, right, if there is a
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    from the neighbors you have, two letters you
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                                                       task that is completed. The task is --
   have from elected officials whose district the
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                                                       THE CHAIRMAN: It should be for meaningful
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20 property is in. My sense is that this matter
                                                   20 reengagement with the community --
21 should be tabled, and to give the developer and
                                                   21 MR. GOODMAN: Yes, yes.
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                                                           THE CHAIRMAN: -- with the revision and
22 the community another opportunity for a more
23 meaningful engagement.
                                                   23 the design.
    THE CHAIRMAN: Any other comments from the
                                                   24 MR. GOODMAN: Just as long as that's in
25 board? Can I get a motion to table this?
                                                   25 the record, yeah.
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         MR. RODRIGUEZ: So community meeting and
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                                                               MR. JOHNS: Yeah.
                                                               MR. GOODMAN: So I guess, yeah. I guess
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   redesian?
         THE CHAIRMAN: No.
                                                          we got to rethink, right, because I assume in
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         MS. KRISS: It's to --
                                                          our head we were always thinking about even the
         THE CHAIRMAN: Share the design changes
                                                          scattered side parcels still being in the same
    that were made after the community meeting that
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                                                          community or within a few blocks of each other,
    was held. And it sounds like because this is
                                                          right. So very extenuating circumstance, but I
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    Ellsworth the school, someone mentioned that
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                                                          do think that I want to highlight something
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    location.
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                                                         else.
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         MR. JEREMIAH: As long as it's accessible
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                                                              I wasn't at this meeting so I can't speak
   it's --
                                                     11 for that, but we have heard from multiple com-
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        MS. KRISS: At the corner.
                                                     12 munity members in the past where Turn the Key
                                                     13 meetings happened. That when they are supposed
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         THE CHAIRMAN: I got you, the house --
        MR. JEREMIAH: We'll find a location,
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                                                     14 to be developer presentations, they are really
15 Mr. Chair.
                                                     15 just Turn the Key info sessions, and I think
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         MS. GREENBERG: All is well.
                                                     16 it's important for staff to hear that and
         THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you so much.
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                                                          adapt. When the core topic of the meeting is a
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         MR. GOODMAN: Got you, Mr. Chair. Can I
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                                                          developer presentation, still provide informa-
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    say a couple things that are broad, more broad?
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                                                          tion on Turn the Key, but the developer presen-
         THE CHAIRMAN: Please do.
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                                                         tation should be the majority of the agenda.
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         MR. GOODMAN: One, I mean I think this is
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                                                              MR. JOHNS: Agenda, right.
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   a super, super unique situation, right. I mean
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                                                               MR. GOODMAN: And then when it's a Turn
   let's look at this map, have, has, have we as a
                                                     23 the Key info session you flip those things.
  board ever seen an application with properties
                                                     24 But we have that is a recurring comment that
25 so far away?
                                                     25 we've heard from community members, but I think
                                            Page 56
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 1 it's important to relay that to whoever you
                                                      1 the context of the neighborhood.
    know provides the guidance on these meetings.
                                                             The three affordable single family homes
         MR. RODRIGUEZ: I'll address that.
                                                          at 2942 and 2944 West Wishart Street and 3216
         THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Andrew. Any
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                                                         North Newkirk Street will each be two stories
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    other comments from the board? The next agen-
                                                      5 without a basement and contain three bedrooms
    da. Todd.
                                                       6 and two bathrooms at 1,000 square feet each.
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         MR. JEREMIAH: He will present for ReNew
                                                      7 They will be sold to households with incomes at
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                                                      8 or below 100 percent AMI for a maximum sales
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   LLC.
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         TODD HESTAND: All right, very good.
                                                      9 price of $280,000. They will be eligible for
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   Well, I haven't been arrested yet, so thank you
                                                     10 the neighborhood preservation initiative Turn
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    verv much.
                                                     11 the Key program, and will be subject to a dec-
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         RESIDENT: If you want to kill a few peo-
                                                     12 laration of restrictive covenants.
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    ple --
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                                                               The two market rate homes at 3323 West
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         THE CHAIRMAN: Swear him in.
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                                                         Allegheny Ave and 3212 North 33rd Street will
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         TODD HESTAND: All right, good morning
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                                                          be three stories each with a finished basement
    all. Here is item number two, this is Agenda
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                                                          and contain three bedrooms and three and a half
    Item 5A3. Today we are asking the board to
                                                          bathrooms at 1500 square feet each. They will
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    authorize the properties below for disposition
                                                     18 be sold at an estimated sales price of four
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    to ReNew LLC to develop five single family
                                                     19 hundred thousand dollars. The application was
20 homeownership units in the 4th Council Dist-
                                                     20 unsolicited and evaluated pursuant to the dis-
21 rict. ReNew is a minority developer and a par-
                                                     21 osition policy, and an EOP plan will apply for
   ticipant in the Black Squirrel Philly Rise Pro-
                                                     22 this project. Again, it's three affordable
   gram. The units will consist of three afforda-
                                                     23 units will be at 2942 and 2944 West Wishart
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   ble single family home units and two market
                                                     24 Street and 3216 North Newkirk Street. The mar-
   rate single family homes, the homes fit within
                                                     25 ket rate units will be at 3323 West Allegheny
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                                                               THE CHAIRMAN: Any other questions?
    Avenue and 3212 North 33rd Street.
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         ReNew followed all the same processes and
                                                       2 Andrea, were there written comments submitted?
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    procedures as previously approved, approved de-
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                                                              MS. SAAH: Yes, there was one letter sub-
    velopments. The, they provided frontage spec-
                                                       4 mitted by council member Curtis Jones of the
    ific plans for the various lot widths, and they
                                                          4th Council District.
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    hosted a community meeting on June 20th, 2024,
                                                               "To the Philadelphia Land Bank, I'm writ-
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                                                          ing to express my song -- strong support for
    with a total of ten participants. Mr. Mark
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    Lawson is in attendance as well as representa-
                                                          ReNew LLC's application to acquire five resi-
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                                                          dential lots from the City of Philadelphia.
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    tives from Black Squirrel Philly Rise. Thank
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    you very much.
                                                          Mark Lawson, the owner of ReNew LLC, is an ex-
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         THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you. Are there any
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                                                          perienced developer" --
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    questions from the board?
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                                                               THE REPORTER: I'm sorry, could you keep
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         MR. GOODMAN: Just one small one, I was
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                                                          your voice up, please.
14
    just curious. For the, for the market rate
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                                                             MS. SAAH: I'm sorry, you will get a copy
    price estimate is that, is that determined by
    land management staff, or is it the applicant
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                                                               THE REPORTER: Okay.
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    that initiates that?
                                                              MS. SAAH: Can you guys hear me in the
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         TODD HESTAND: Yeah.
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                                                      18 back?
         MR. GOODMAN: I'm just curious.
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                                                              RESIDENTS: No.
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         MR. RODRIGUEZ: Everything will be 280 to
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                                                               MS. SAAH: No, okay, I apologize. "I'm
                                                      21 writing to express my strong support for ReNew
21
    be determined.
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         MR. GOODMAN: And obviously there's no
                                                          LLC's application to acquire five residential
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23 restriction on the market rate, this is what-
                                                          lots from the City of Philadelphia. Mark Law-
                                                      23
24 ever the market will, will bear, but I'm just
                                                          son, the owner of ReNew LLC, is an experienced
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25 curious.
                                                      25 developer and a participant in the Black Squir-
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    rel Rise real estate accelerator. This program
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                                                               THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you, Andrea. I have
    plays a crucial role in empowering local devel-
                                                          at least one person signed up for this. Mark
    opers by providing access to capital hands-on
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                                                          Lawson, would you please come forward.
    training and personalized coaching all backed
                                                               MARK LAWSON: Yeah, I'm the developer. I
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    by black led CDFIs (community development fin-
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                                                          made a mistake and put my name on the wrong
    ancial institutions) to build quality homes in
                                                          list, I just signed it.
    underserved communities."
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                                                               THE CHAIRMAN: Oh, you have no comments to
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         "Mr. Lawson has collaborated closely with
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                                                          make?
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    the community and earned their support for his
                                                          MARK LAWSON: No, I just I didn't mark it.
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    development project which includes the cons-
                                                               THE CHAIRMAN: Are there any other public
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11 truction of three affordable housing units and
                                                      11 comments on this resolution? Hearing none can
12 two market rate units at the following loca-
                                                      12 I get a motion --
13 tions: 2942 and 2944 West Wishart Street, 3323
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                                                             MR. JEREMIAH: So moved.
14 West Allegheny Avenue, 3212 North 33rd Street,
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                                                              THE CHAIRMAN: -- to adopt this resolu-
15 and 3216 North Newkirk Street. I wholeheart-
                                                     15 tion.
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    edly recommend the approval of the property
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                                                              MR. JEREMIAH: So moved.
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    transfers to ReNew LLC."
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                                                              THE CHAIRMAN: Can I get a second.
         "This project will transform five vacant
                                                               MS. RASHID: Seconded.
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    lots into much needed housing, foster economic
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                                                               THE CHAIRMAN: Motion's been made and
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    growth and create opportunities for black deve-
                                                      20 promptly seconded to approve this resolution.
21 lopers, contractors and real estate professio-
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                                                          All in favor say aye.
22 nals contributing to a more equitable and in-
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                                                          MR. DEMA: Aye.
23 clusive real estate ecosystem in Philadelphia.
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                                                               MS. GREENBERG: Aye
24 Sincerely, Curtis Jones, Jr., council member
                                                             MR. JOHNS: Aye.
                                                      24
25 4th District."
                                                              MS. KRISS: Aye.
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         MR. GOODMAN: Aye.
                                                            risk and yes, you should be working with your
         MS. GONZALEZ: Aye.
                                                            councilperson, but it really is not what the
         MR. JEREMIAH: Aye.
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                                                            process is supposed to look like. So in terms
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         THE CHAIRMAN: Aye. Opposed nay? The
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                                                            of moving forward again, I go back to this. If
                                                        5 Mayor Parker's going to make a push to move
    ayes have it, thank you. And for public com-
    ment old and new business, I have one person
                                                        6 Turn the Key homes, how are we going to make,
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    signed up, Jeremy Blatstein.
                                                        7 ensure that these developers have every oppor-
         JEREMY BLATSTEIN: Hello board, my name is
                                                        8 tunity to make money from it because that's
9 Jeremy Blatstein. I have just two topics to
                                                        9 really difficult right now.
10 talk about. One is it's a shame that forty-
                                                       1.0
                                                               It's that lending, the cost of construc-
11 three homes, Turn the Key homes won't be gett-
                                                       11 tion has gone up, but then and there's certain
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    ing built because councilman Jay Young has de-
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                                                            council people who want homes even less than
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    cided not to introduce the resolution. But it
                                                            280, that those two things don't line up. So I
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    goes further to the point that I brought up two
                                                            think that that's just something to keep in
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    months ago about what this process looks like
                                                       15 mind as we move forward, thank you.
16 because there's only one step of the process,
                                                             THE CHAIRMAN: Any other public comment?
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17 and you're forcing developers to spend more and
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                                                                RESIDENT: You mean to speak?
18 more money without even council approval. So I
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                                                               THE CHAIRMAN: Hearing none can I get a
19 think this just needs to be something that gets
                                                       19 motion to adjourn the --
20 kept in mind and looked at.
                                                             RESIDENT: So the --
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         Because, for example, for that that home
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                                                               THE CHAIRMAN: I'm sorry?
22 on that just got tabled, who knows what will
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                                                              KAREN MCDANIEL: (Inaudible.) So I guess
                                                       23 I'll take the --
23 happen. But you force the developer to get
    plans, elevation drawings for all these proj-
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                                                            THE REPORTER: What's your name again?
    ects to present to the community. Yes, it's a
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                                                                 KAREN MCDANIEL: My name is Karen McDan-
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1 iel, and I feel like I take a little -- I feel
                                                        1 Philadelphia there are so many houses that are
    some kind of the way about people just thinking
                                                           going in that are so unattractive, and they
    that everyone that lives in certain districts
                                                           look horrible because they do not confirm to
   or areas of the city, that because it's south-
                                                        4 the neighborhoods in which these houses are
                                                       5 being built. And I think that it's a major
5 west and I'm going to go back to Ellsworth
6 Street because that's, that's my home. But
                                                       6 problem and that's it for my comments.
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7 just because around, the surrounding area some
                                                              THE CHAIRMAN: Thank you
8 blocks needs preservation, neighborhood preser-
                                                              MR. DEMA: Thank you
9 vation and homes to be built. I think that a
                                                              THE CHAIRMAN: Can I get a motion to ad-
10 lot of these developers are still making money.
                                                      10 journ.
11 I'm listening to developers for their multi-
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                                                               MR. JEREMIAH: So moved.
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12 unit project, and these projects are going for
                                                               THE CHAIRMAN. Second
13 two something per condo or apartment or what-
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                                                               MR. DEMA: Second.
   ever within the same building.
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                                                               THE CHAIRMAN: Motion made, second to ad-
        So they are making money, so I think I
                                                       15 journ. All in favor say aye.
   take objection to Mr. Jeremy about them not
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                                                               MR. DEMA: Ave.
17 making any kind of money because money is being
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                                                               MS. GREENBERG: Ave
18 made. But one of the things that we would like
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                                                               MR JOHNS: Ave
19 or not like is having one of these very unat-
                                                       19
                                                              MS. KRISS: Aye.
20 tractive houses being built in our neighbor-
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                                                              MR. GOODMAN: Aye.
21 hood. And so that, that's my question and I
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                                                             MS. GONZALEZ: Ave
22 feel very strongly about it. And me and Mr.
                                                      22
                                                             MR. JEREMIAH: Ave
23 Jeremy can have a conversation about this
                                                      23 THE CHAIRMAN: Aye
24 later, but I just want -- I just think that
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                                                       25 (Participants excused.)
25 around West Philadelphia and Southwest West
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1	(Hearing concluded at 11:20 a.m.)	Page 67
2		I, TED ALLEN, a Digital Reporter, do hereby certify:
4 5		That the foregoing proceeding hereinbefore set forth
6		was accurately captured with annotations by me during the
7 8		proceeding.
9		I further certify that I am not related to any of the
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12 13		parties to this action by blood or marriage, and that I am
14		in no way interested in the outcome of this matter.
15 16		IN WITNESS THEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this
17		11th day of March, 2025.
18 19		Ted allen vng
20		TED ALLEN, CERTIFIED
21		REPORTER, NOTARY PUBLIC
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25		III COMMISSION MINING 3/4/2021

#### Exhibit B



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## — MEMORANDUM

To: Philadelphia Land Bank Board of Directors

From: Angel Rodriguez, Executive Director

RE: Executive Director's Report

Date: March 11, 2025

### **Approved Changes to Approved Projects:**

Pursuant to Resolution No. 2023-32 allowing the Executive Director of the Land Bank, from time to time, on behalf of the Land Bank to approve an increase in the Maximum Price of affordable homeownership units constructed by a Developer as part of a Board-approved disposition, I have approved the increase of the Maximum Price for:

- Unsolicited Application Mixed Income Ludlow & 44<sup>th</sup> Street (CD 3) Northern Libs Partners, LLC
- Land Bank Board approvals:
  - o Resolution 2024-1; 1/16/2024
- Council approvals:
  - o Resolution 240103; 2/29/2024
- Board-approved disposition of nineteen (19) mixed-income homeownership units were approved: 4 condos @60% AMI, sales price \$199,990; 1 condo @80% AMI, sales price \$250,000; 6 condos @100% AMI, \$280,000, eligible for Turn the Key; Three (3) market rate condominiums, Five (5) single family market rate homes, located at 4422, 4426-30 Ludlow St; 18-20, 24-28, 30, 34-36 S 44th St. The approved change was for the 4 condos @60% AMI, sales price from \$199,990 to \$229,900; 1 condo @80% AMI, sales price from \$250,000 to \$265,000. The AMI of the Board-approved disposition remains at 60%, 80% and 100% AMI.
- The reason for the approval is due to significant lending and construction cost increases from the time of submission of the Board/Council approval and receipt of permits for the project to the current day. As a result, the homes cost more to build than was originally estimated.

#### Exhibit B

#### **FY 2025 SETTLED DISPOSITIONS**

#### **Withdrawal of Application Approvals:**

The approval for the following project has been withdrawn because the transmitted council resolution was not introduced:

- Unsolicited Application BMK Properties, LLC (Dover, Oakdale, Stanley) (CD5):
  - 2518, 2522, 2525, 2530, 2561 N. Dover Street; 2544, 2600, 2603, 2611, 2640, 2710, 2837, 2931, 2935, 3019, 3021, 3027, 3029, 3031, 3039 W. Oakdale Street; 2423, 2425, 2437, 2446, 2468, 2469, 2501, 2502, 2505, 2506, 2513, 2516, 2517, 2526, 2529, 2539, 2542, 2556, 2567, 2609, 2620, 2621, 2626 N. Stanley Street.
  - assemblage for the development of 43 Turn the Key homes at 100% AMI, with a sales price of \$280,000.
  - Council resolution was transmitted to Council and placed on file 11/21/2024 but not introduced.

#### Turn the Key Update as of March 11, 2025:

#### **Ribbon Cuttings:**

• The ribbon cutting event on 3/4/25 at 10th and Cecil B. Moore, for 928 Cecil B. Moore (TTK Civetta Ribbon Cutting), went very well. The mayor attended, and it is important to note that the homeowner for the event is the Chief of Staff for Councilmember Kendra Brooks. This is the second staff member in her office who has purchased a TTK home.

#### **Upcoming Ribbon Cuttings:**

- 3/25/25: TTK Riverwards Ribbon Cutting, 3031 Martha Street, 11 am
- 4/9/25: TTK Civetta Ribbon Cutting, 2141 North Franklin Street, 11 am

#### **Exhibit C**

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - 10**

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE OF 2444 ISLAND AVENUE AND 7401 WHEELER STREET TO CITY OF PHILADELPHIA

**WHEREAS**, Section 16-707 of the Philadelphia Code authorizes the Philadelphia Land Bank (the "**Land Bank**") to convey, exchange, sell, transfer, lease, grant or mortgage interests in real property of the Land Bank in the form and by the method determined to be in the best interests of the Land Bank, subject to the terms and conditions of Chapter 16-404 of the Philadelphia Code.

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors (the "**Board**") has determined that it is in the best interest of the Land Bank to convey the properties known as 2444 Island Avenue and 7401 Wheeler Street (the "**Property**") to the City of Philadelphia (the "**City**") for disposition, reuse and/or management as determined by the City.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Land Bank that:

- 1. The conveyance of the Property to the City for One and 00/100 U.S. Dollar (\$1.00) is in the best interests of the Land Bank and is hereby approved.
- 2. The conveyance of the Property complies with all applicable terms and conditions of Section 16-404 of the Philadelphia Code.
- 3. Subject to the terms of this Resolution, the Executive Director and Senior Counsel are each hereby authorized, in the name of and on behalf of the Land Bank, to prepare, execute, deliver, and perform any and all agreements, deeds, and other documents, as may be necessary or desirable, to consummate the conveyance of the Property (collectively, the "Transaction Documents") and, from time to time and at any time, amend, supplement, and modify the Transaction Documents, or any of them, as may be necessary or desirable. The Transaction Documents and any amendments, supplements, and modifications thereto shall contain such terms and conditions as the Executive Director and Senior Counsel shall deem necessary or appropriate subject to the terms of this Resolution, and, when so executed and delivered by the Land Bank shall constitute the valid and binding obligations of the Land Bank.
- 4. The Executive Director with the advice of Senior Counsel may modify this Resolution as may be necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes and intents. The Executive Director or Senior Counsel will notify the Board of all modifications to this Resolution at the next Board meeting following the date of such modifications.
- 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Board.

Adopted by Philadelphia Land Bank Board of Directors on March 11, 2025.

#### **Exhibit D**

JOANNA E. McCLINTON SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE MEMBER, 191ST LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT

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March 6, 2025

Philadelphia Land Bank 1234 Market St. 16<sup>th</sup> Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107

Dear Members of the Board:

I am writing at this time regarding the proposed development of a vacant lot at 6130 Ellsworth Street in Cobbs Creek – an area I call home and proudly represent in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives.

West Philadelphia is a tight-knit, diverse neighborhood of residential, commercial, and green spaces. Historically significant, most of the structures in Cobbs Creek are over 100 years old and contribute greatly to the unique character of our community. While Philadelphia and other cities across the country are dealing with an unprecedented shortage in affordable housing units, we need to consider the fabric of existing neighborhoods as well as concerns of area residents when devising a plan to increase our affordable housing options.

Increasing access to housing in Philadelphia and across the Commonwealth, is an issue of paramount importance to me. While I certainly commend and appreciate the developer's desire to construct a number of affordable housing units, including at 6130 Ellsworth, neighbors have raised several concerns to me personally that I wanted to make the Board aware of. It is my understanding that the developer of 6130 Ellsworth, C. Schofield Finish Carpentry LLC, recently held an informational meeting for neighbors to attend, gather information, and ask appropriate questions. This meeting was held at a considerable distance from the parcel in question, resulting in a number of neighbors not being able to attend. Additionally, residents have approached me to express apprehensions that the proposed design of the structure is not in keeping with the historic architectural style of the neighborhood. Because of this, they fear the proposal could negatively impact the character of the area and, consequently, their property values.

At the required informational meeting, the developer provided little information regarding 6130 Ellsworth specifically, and neighbors were unable to ask a sufficient number of questions. Neighbors that were able to rearrange their calendars and attend, left with just as many concerns as they had at the beginning of the presentation, if not more so. Obviously, residents in the area surrounding 6130 Ellsworth care about their community and want to ensure that any development

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that takes place there benefits all. They should, at the very least, be provided with detailed and thorough information about any project, and the ability to ask questions freely and without stringent time restraints at a location that is near to the parcel in question.

In Cobbs Creek, we have a strong sense of community, with active associations contributing greatly to our quality of life. Neighbors look out for each other and want what is best for the area at large. We are supportive of efforts to make housing available for more people, we just want the process to be open, fair, and considerate of neighbor concerns. I respectively urge the Board to work with the developer to ensure that any development in the area aligns with the interests of the community, and that the proper process is followed.

Thank you for your time. If you would like to discuss this matter further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Joanna E. McClinton, Speaker PA House of Representatives

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191st Legislative District

#### Exhibit D



#### 6100 Ellsworth Street - Cobbs Creek Parkway Block Association

March 9, 2025

Andrea Imredy Saah Senior Counsel Philadelphia Land Bank 1234 Market St., 16<sup>th</sup> Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107

Dear Ms. Saah,

We the 6100 Ellsworth/ Cobbs Creek Block Association, an active group of 57 homeowners with over 40 years of community involvement, is voicing concerns about a proposed development at **6130 Ellsworth Street**- a property we have maintained for over 20 years.

Our key issues include:

- Inadequate Public Engagement: The required informational meeting was held approximately two miles from the property, and the developer provided minimal details about the project. As a result, over 30 neighbors left without having our questions answered.
- 2. **Design and Scale Concerns:** The proposal involves constructing a 1,100 square foot home attached to an existing home of over 1,700 square feet, which is notably smaller than other homes in the neighborhood.
- 3. **Architectural Incompatibility:** The proposed structure does not match the historic architectural style of the community, which we believe could negatively affect the neighborhood's character and property values.
- 4. Call for Transparency and Revision: While the association supports efforts to expand housing availability, they insist that the process must be open, fair and considerate of the community's concerns. We are requesting either a revision of the development plans or a rejection of the proposal to ensure that it aligns with the community's interest.

Submitted by Paula Wright/ Angie Johnson, Co Block Captains, and the residents of the 6100 Ellsworth/ Cobbs Creek Block Association Paula Wright can be contacted via email at <a href="mailto:psff@msn.com">psff@msn.com</a> or at 267-738-4517

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## CITY OF PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL

JAMIE R. GAUTHIER ROOM 316, CITY HALL Philadelphia, PA 19107 (215) 686-0460 or 0459 Fax 215-686-1929

March 11, 2025

Herbert Wetzel Chair, Philadelphia Land Bank Board 1234 Market Street – 17th Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107

RE: 5108 Chester Avenue; 6130 Ellsworth Street; 4910 Kingsessing Avenue

Dear Chairperson Wetzel,

As the Councilmember of the Third Councilmanic District, I write today to express my concerns about the public meeting held for the above-mentioned addresses.

For such a geographically "scattered" disposition application that proposes development in multiple different neighborhoods, more thoughtful consideration is necessary to ensure residents are properly informed.

The 6100 Block of Ellsworth is located in the southwestern corner of the Cobbs Creek neighborhood and is approximately 1.8 miles from where the meeting was held at 47th and Springfield. While a reasonable location for the other two properties, this is beyond inappropriate for the people of Cobbs Creek. It would have been more appropriate to hold the public meeting in a more accessible location or, as this Agency has encouraged in other instances, to offer a virtual or hybrid option.

Furthermore, it is my understanding that residents from the 6100 Block of Ellsworth requested a second meeting, with community leaders offering to assist in finding a more accessible location or even hosting the meeting virtually. It remains unclear why the applicant did not agree to this option.

Furthermore: as this Board is well aware, I believe public land is a powerful tool. If this tool is to be used to expand opportunities for homeownership, I prefer it be for genuine affordability.

If the Land Bank considers proposals almost 2 miles away from one another as a single application, it must give more thought and appropriate guidance on how and where to conduct the required public meetings. Until then, I hope this body considers allowing for more community engagement on this application.

Sincerely,

Jamie R. Gauthier Councilmember, Third District

J. Gauthier

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Committee on Commerce and Economic
Development
Committee on Children and Youth
Committee on Public Property and
Public Works
Committee on Licenses and Inspections

PLB Board of Directors DRAFT Meeting Minutes for March 11, 2025

#### **Exhibit E**



## CITY OF PHILADELPHIA CITY COUNCIL

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March 10, 2025

Philadelphia Land Bank 1234 Market Street, 17<sup>th</sup> Floor Philadelphia, PA 19107

Subject: Support Letter | ReNew, LLC

To the Philadelphia Land Bank,

I am writing to express my strong support for ReNew, LLC's application to acquire five residential lots from the City of Philadelphia.

Mark Lawson, the owner of ReNew, LLC, is an experienced developer and a participant in the Black Squirrel *RiSE Real Estate Accelerator*. This program plays a crucial role in empowering local developers by providing access to capital, hands-on training, and personalized coaching — all backed by Black-led CDFIs — to build quality homes in underserved communities.

Mr. Lawson has collaborated closely with the community and earned their support for his development project, which includes the construction of three affordable housing units and two market-rate units at the following locations:

- 2942 W Wishart St
- 2944 W Wishart St
- 3323 W Allegheny Ave
- 3212 N 33rd St
- 3216 N Newkirk St

#### **Exhibit E**

I wholeheartedly recommend the approval of the property transfers to ReNew, LLC. This project will transform five vacant lots into much-needed housing, foster economic growth, and create opportunities for Black developers, contractors, and real estate professionals — contributing to a more equitable and inclusive real estate ecosystem in Philadelphia.

Sincerely,

Curtis Jones Jr.

Councilmember-4<sup>th</sup> District

#### Exhibit F

#### **RESOLUTION NO. 2025 – 11**

## RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE OF 2942 WEST WISHART STREET, 2944 WEST WISHART STREET, 3323 WEST ALLEGHENY AVENUE, 3212 NORTH 33RD STREET, 3216 NORTH NEWKIRK STREET TO RENEW LLC

WHEREAS, Section 16-707 of the Philadelphia Code authorizes the Philadelphia Land Bank (the "Land Bank") to convey, exchange, sell, transfer, lease, grant or mortgage interests in real property of the Land Bank in the form and by the method determined to be in the best interests of the Land Bank, subject to approval by resolution of Philadelphia City Council, and subject further to the terms and conditions of Chapter 16-404 of the Philadelphia Code.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the "Board") has determined that it is in the best interests of the Land Bank to convey 2942 West Wishart Street, 2944 West Wishart Street, 3323 West Allegheny Avenue, 3212 North 33rd Street, and 3216 North Newkirk Street (collectively, the "Property") to ReNew LLC (the "Purchaser").

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Land Bank that:

- 1. The conveyance of the Property to the Purchaser for Five Thousand and 00/100 U.S. Dollars (\$5,000.00) is in the best interests of the Land Bank and is hereby approved, subject to approval by resolution of Philadelphia City Council.
- 2. The conveyance of the Property complies with all applicable terms and conditions of Section 16-404 of the Philadelphia Code, subject to approval by resolution of Philadelphia City Council.
- 3. Subject to the terms of this Resolution, the Executive Director and Senior Counsel are each hereby authorized, in the name of and on behalf of the Land Bank, to prepare, execute, deliver, and perform any and all agreements, deeds, and other documents, as may be necessary or desirable, to consummate the conveyance of the Property (collectively, the "Transaction Documents") and, from time to time and at any time, amend, supplement, and modify the Transaction Documents, or any of them, as may be necessary or desirable. The Transaction Documents and any amendments, supplements, and modifications thereto shall contain such terms and conditions as the Executive Director and Senior Counsel shall deem necessary or appropriate subject to the terms of this Resolution, and, when so executed and delivered by the Land Bank shall constitute the valid and binding obligations of the Land Bank.
- 4. The Executive Director with the advice of Senior Counsel may modify this Resolution as may be necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes and intents. The Executive Director or Senior Counsel will notify the Board of all modifications to this Resolution at the next Board meeting following the date of such modifications.
- 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Board.

Adopted by Philadelphia Land Bank Board of Directors on March 11, 2025.

# APRIL 8, 2025 PLB BOARD MEETING MATERIALS FOR AGENDA ITEM III

1234 Market St., 16th Floor, Philadelphia PA 19107 philadelphialandbank.org

#### — MEMORANDUM -

To: Philadelphia Land Bank Board of Directors

From: Angel Rodriguez, Executive Director

RE: Executive Director's Report

Date: April 8, 2025

#### **APPROVED CHANGES TO APPROVED PROJECTS**

Pursuant to Resolution No. 2023-32 allowing the Executive Director of the Land Bank, from time to time, on behalf of the Land Bank to approve an increase in the Maximum Price of affordable homeownership units constructed by a Developer as part of a Board-approved disposition, I have approved the increase of the Maximum Price for:

- 1. Unsolicited Application Affordable Homeownership (CD 2) Fine Print Construction, LLC
- Land Bank Board approvals:
  - o Resolution 2023-41; 9/12/2023
- Council approvals:
  - o Resolution 230685; 10/12/2023
- Board-approved disposition for the development of twenty-six (26) affordable homeownership units at 80% AMI with a maximum sales price of \$250,000, located at 1324 S. Bancroft Street; 1213 S. Bonsall Street; 1202, 1223 S. Bucknell Street; 2117, 2221 Earp Street; 2007 Ellsworth Street; 2537 Oakford Street; 1818, 2229 Latona Street; 1730, 2014, 2114, 2236, 2426, 2532 Manton Street; 1545 S. Ringgold Street; 1506, 1511, S. Stillman Street; 1519, 1527, 1529 S. Taney Street; 1702 S. 20th Street; 1419 S. 22nd Street; 1230, 1303 S. 23rd Street. The approved change was for an increase in the maximum sales price for the 26 units from \$250,000 to \$280,000. The AMI of the Board-approved disposition remains at 80% AMI.
- The reason for the approval is due to increased building supply costs and challenging soil conditions in the Point Breeze area resulting in higher expenses related to the foundation from the time of submission of the Board/Council approval and receipt of permits for the project to the current day. As a result, the homes cost more to build than was originally estimated.
- 2. Request for Proposal Grays Ferry Sears St. Affordable Homeownership (CD 2) Civetta Property Group, LLC
- Land Bank Board approvals:
  - o Resolution 2023-39; 9/12/2023

- Council approvals:
  - o Resolution 230684; 10/12/2023
- Board-approved disposition for the development of twelve (12) affordable homeownership units at 80% AMI with a maximum sales price of \$250,000, located at 2609-27 Sears Street (incl 1308-14 S. 26th Street). The approved change was for an increase in the maximum sales price for the 12 units from \$250,000 to \$280,000. The AMI of the Board-approved disposition remains at 80% AMI.
- The reason for the approval is due to new city regulations and increased building supply costs. As a result, the homes cost more to build than was originally estimated.
  - City Regulatory Impact New R3 Regulations impact all new construction regulations strictly
    prohibit benching. All excavations are to be sloped based on the OSHA soil designation, which is
    usually Type C, requiring a 1½:1 slope or pile supported excavations Approximate additional
    cost of \$16,000/house
    - A Pre-construction survey and third-party report to obtain permit are now required: ~\$6,000
      - ~1 hr. inspection, \$400/ test pit, 2 pits per lot, 2 hrs. per test pit
    - A Monitoring plan (report) is now required: ~\$2,000
      - ~2 hrs. consultant time per report, 1 report for each home
    - Neighbor notifications are now required: ~\$1,000
      - ~1 hr. per letter, certified mail
    - Excavation plan. Even for simple buildings, resulting in more design documentation for any excavation over 5ft: > ~\$7,000 increase
      - 2 consultants, time varies depending on complexity of design
  - Material & Labor Escalation Since proposal submission, material & labor escalation indicates, the home proposed cannot be constructed for a sale price of \$250,000 without impacting profitability and sustainability of the business. Approximate additional cost of \$6,300/ house
  - Using Sears' hard bid numbers, cost impacts to select trades when compared to subcontractor bids in 2023 and 2024 for the same scope are as follows:
    - Insulation, Drywall, Framing: ~\$2,000 ~5% increase
    - Foundations: ~2,500 ~9% increase
    - Fire Protection & Electrical ~\$1,800 ~15% increase

#### **WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION APPROVALS**

The approval for the following projects has been withdrawn because the transmitted council resolution was not introduced:

- Unsolicited Application (Side Yard) Raymond Wing Shing Ng and Ching W. Sullivan (CD3):
  - o 719 S. 51st Street, a side yard application.
  - Council resolution was transmitted to Council and placed on file 1/29/2025 but not introduced.

- Unsolicited Application The Prime Corporation of New Jersey, Inc. (CD5):
  - 2406, 2434, 2440, and 2444 N 6th St; 2425 and 2427 N 7th St; and 2434, 2438, 2440, and 2445 N Marshall Street, 10 Single Family homes @100% AMI, sales price \$280,000 Turn the Key eligible.
  - Council resolution was transmitted to Council and placed on file 1/23/2025 but not introduced.

#### LAND BANK WEBSITE - https://phillylandbank.org/

On 3/28/2025 the new Philadelphia Land Bank Website went live. This was a collaborative effort from Land Bank Staff (shout out to Todd Hestand), Communications Department, and Philadelphia OIT. This working group meets regularly to address any issues and revisions at least 4-5 times weekly. We welcome any feedback and hope that this website will address many concerns the public has had about how the user experience they experienced with the previous version.

#### SHERIFF SALES

On 3/22/2024 the Board approved a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Philadelphia Sheriff's Office and the Philadelphia Land Bank. The staff and the Sheriff executed the agreement the same day. The MOU went into effect on 3/24/2024.

The MOU creates a unified and systematic approach to the exercise of the Land Bank's priority bid at Sheriff's Tax Sales on the Bid4Assets platform. The MOU does not authorize acquisition of any specific property/ies or payment of any delinquent municipal charges. Such authorizations will be addressed in future resolutions.

- SHERIFF'S FEES
  - \$630/property; This is lower than the previous \$1,200-1,300/property
    - \$150 for receiving and processing writs of execution.
    - \$300 for conducting and processing the sale.
    - \$180 for deed preparation.
  - Up to \$500 for unforeseen issues.
- TIMING upon execution staff will meet with the servicers and the City to review the properties that have been postponed or stayed. We expect to use the priority bid at the June Sheriff sales.
- SPENDING AUTHORITY as part of the staff's preparation, we will meet with the Finance Committee and the Revenue department to review our intended expenditures.
  - The staff will then present to the board a resolution requesting spending authority for the acquisition of properties at the Sheriff sale.
- BUDGET
  - The Land Bank has 5M total escrowed for acquisitions
    - 3.5M for regular acquisition and
    - 1.5M for US Bank garden properties

#### **GARDEN DISPOSITIONS**

The outstanding issues regarding mortgages and notes have been finalized between the Redevelopment Authority and the Land Bank. Land Bank Legal staff and Sr. Development Specialists have issued final drafts of the Purchase Development Agreements (PDA), which include the mortgage and note, to applicants for review and signature and then to settlement.

#### Turn the Key Update as of April 8, 2025

**TTK** is fast approaching its 200<sup>th</sup> settlement. We are coordinating with the administration, council and PHDC about organizing a celebration.

**Turn the Key Open House - Spring into Home Ownership!** April 26, 2025 10-2 pm at Vare Recreation Center (2600 Morris Street, Philadelphia, PA 19145)

#### **Ribbon Cuttings:**

• A ribbon cutting was held on 3/28/25 at 3031 Martha Street, for Martha Street TTK Riverwards Ribbon Cutting. The event went well.

#### **Upcoming Ribbon Cuttings:**

• 4/11/25: TTK Civetta Ribbon Cutting, 2141 North Franklin Street, 11 am TTK Numbers as of 3/23/2025

- **792** units of affordable housing approved for development
- 400 Homes under Construction
- 235 homes completed
- 218 homes sold or under agreement
  - o 195 homes sold
  - o 23 homes under agreement
- 75 homes sold to City of Philadelphia employees
- \$13.6M total amount of TTK mortgages committed
- \$1.9M total amount of Philly First Home Grants committed

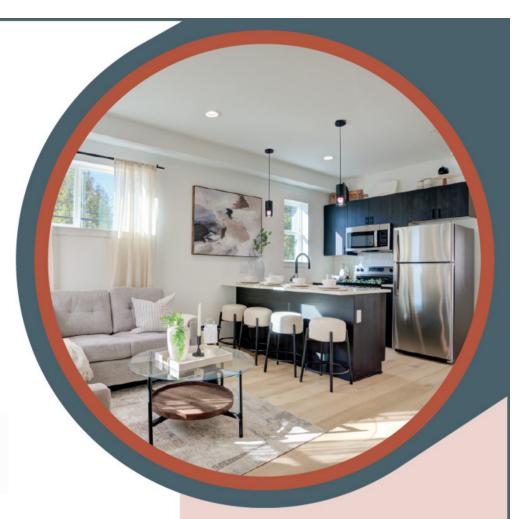
# TURN THE KEY OPEN HOUSE

**April 26, 2025** 

10:00 AM-2:00 PM

#### **Vare Recreation Center**

2601 Moore Street Philadelphia, PA 19145







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#### PHILADELPHIA LAND BANK TURN THE KEY-APPROVED PROJECT STATUS AS OF 4/3/2025

CD 1 M	Fast Kensington - E Orleans et al  Martha St 091322  Grays Ferry - Sears et al 031022	2863, 2868 Amber Street; 2118, 2138, 2142, 2150 Bellmore Street; 2044, 2077 E. Birch Street; 2115, 2140 E. Monmouth Street; 2100, 2108, 2117, 2120, 2138 E. Orleans Street; 2106, 2150 E Stella Street	NEW KENSINGTON CDC							
CD 2 (				17	17	17	80%	\$250,000	\$60,000	SETTLED 11/7/2024
CD 2	Grays Ferry - Sears et al 031022	3013-3049 Martha St (former 3001 Martha St)	BMK PROPERTIES	1	19	19	80%	\$250,000	\$60,000	55% COMPLETE
		2609-27 Sears St (incl 1308-14 S 26th St)	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	2	12	12	80%	\$250,000	\$60,000	55% COMPLETE
CD 2 (	Grays Ferry - Dover & Wharton et al	2809, 2822, 2824, 2825, 2826, 2827, 2828 Wharton St; 1308, 1310, 1312, 1314, 1316, 1318, 1320, 1322, 1323, 1324, 1326, 1327, 1355 S. Dover St; 1351 S. 29th St, 1354 S. Dover St	AFFORDABLE ALLIANCE	12	22	22	80%	\$250,000	\$60,000	75% COMPLETE
	Grays Ferry - Wharton & Titan et al	1310, 1315, 1320, 1322, 1326, 1349 S Corlies St; 1537 S Patton St; 3000, 3010, 3018, 3036, 3046, 3050 Titan St; 3002, 3003, 3009, 3014, 3016, 3018, 3020, 3022, 3024, 3026 Wharton St; 1334 S 30th St; 1329 S 31st St	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	25	26	26	80%	\$230-250,000	\$50k and \$60k	CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE UNITS SOLD
CD 2	Grays Ferry - Dover & Myrtlewood et al	1540, 1542, 1544, 1546, 1548, 1550, 1552, 1554 S Myrtlewood St; 1543, 1545, 1547, 1549, 1551, 1553, 1554, 1555 S Dover St; 1546 S 30th St	AFFORDABLE ALLIANCE	17	17	17	80%	\$250,000	\$60,000	65% COMPLETE
CD 4	Pastor James Allen	650, 658, 662 N Conestoga St; 5436 W Girard Ave; 5552 Harmer St; 653 N Sickels St (SF); 534-36, 538-40, 546, 550 N 54th St (PUD); 623-33 N 55th St (PUD)	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	17	36	36	80%	\$230-250,000	\$50k and \$60k	65% COMPLETE
CD 5	Hartranft - 9th & Diamond et al - Phase 1	924, 927, 928 Edgley St; 2106, 2112, 2140, 2141, 2142, 2151, 2166, 2170, 2172, 2215, 2217, 2219 N Franklin St; 2102, 2109, 2126, 2128, 2130, 2131, 2134, 2135, 2136, 2150, 2210 N 7th St; 2130 N Marshall St; 2105, 2133, 2150 N Percy St; 910, 912 W Susquehanna Ave; 2113, 2201 N 8th St; 2126 N 9th St	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	35	35	35	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	65% COMPLETE
CD 5	Hartranft - 9th & Diamond et al - Phase 2	936 Edgley St; 926, 928 French St; 2112, 2144, 2214 N Marshall St; 2107, 2109, 2110, 2111, 2112, 2119, 2121, 2140, 2143, 2146 N Percy St; 904 W Susquehanna Ave; 2101, 2121, 2155, 2167-69 N 8th St; 2124, 2150, 2165 N 9th St; 2121 N 10th St	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	25	26	26	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	SETTLED 10/4/2024 - 30% COMPLETE
CD 5	Strawberry Mansion - Clifford Street 092122	3101, 3113, 3117, 3118, 3123, 3125, 3126, 3127, 3129, 3130, 3132, 3134 Clifford Street	BMK PROPERTIES	12	12	12	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	SETTLED - APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 5	Brewerytown - Jefferson & Marston (Sub-Area 1)	Area 1: 1402, 1403, 1405, 1407, 1408, 1409, 1411, 1412, 1413, 1414, 1417, 1418, 1421, 1422, 1423, 1424, 1425, 1426, 1427, 1429, 1431, 1432, 1433, 1435, 1436, 1438, 1441, 1443, 1445, 1446, 1447, 1449, 1462 N Marston St (33)	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	33	33	33	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE 80% UNITS SOLD
CD 5	Brewerytown - Jefferson & Marston (Sub-Area 2)	Area 2: 1420, 1444, 1450, 1453 N Etting St; 2704, 2705, 2710, 2720 Jefferson St; 1457 N Marston St; 1316, 1318, 1400, 1406, 1408, 1414, 1418, 1422, 1434, 1436, 1438, 1444, 1448, 1450 N 27th St (23)	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	23	20	20	100%	\$290,000	\$75,000	CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE 80% UNITS SOLD
CD 5	Brewerytown - Jefferson & Marston (Sub-Area 3)	Area 3: 1602, 1608, 1614, 1637, 1639, 1641 N Bailey St; 1513, 1532, 1536, 1561, 1611, 1629, 1631, 1633, 1635, 1641 N Marston St; 2712, 2714, 2810, 2836, 2838 Cecil B Moore Ave; 1544, 1546 N 26th St; 1634 N 27th St (25)	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	24	24	24	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	95% COMPLETE 40% UNITS SOLD
(.D.5 I	North Central - 10th & Cecil B Moore Energy Efficient Homeownership Pilot	1635, 1637, 1639, 1641 N. 10th Street; 929, 931, 933, 935, 937, 939, 941, 943 Turner Street; 926, 928, 930 Cecil B. Moore Avenue	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	1	15	15	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	80% COMPLETE 40% UNITS SOLD
CD 5	udlow - W Oxford et al	1600-40 N. 9th Street	FE OXFORD	21	19	19	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	SETTLED - APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 5	udlow - N Darien et al	1510, 1512, 1514, 1520-26, 1530, 1532-34, 1538, 1540, 1542, 1552, 1554, 1556, 1558 N. Darien St; 1526, 1528, 1540 N. 8th St; 1501-13, 1529, 1545, 1549, 1551 N 9th St	FE DARIEN	31	35	35	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	SETTLED - APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 5	Brewerytown - Myrtlewood (Sub-Area 1)	1240, 1446 N. Dover Street; 1330, 1458 N. Hollywood Street; 2815 Jefferson Street; 1330, 1332, 1334, 1336 N. Marston Street; 1347, 1412, 1427, 1512, 1516, 1519, 1534 N. Myrtlewood Street; 1446, 1455 N. Newkirk Street; 2713 W. Thompson Street; 1218, 1511-13, 1521, 1523, 1525, 1537 N. 28th Street; 1457 N. 30th Street (26 lots)	FE MYRTLEWOOD	26	27	27	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 5	Brewerytown - Myrtlewood (Sub-Area 2)	1265, 1271, 1304, 1318 N. Dover Street; 1460, 1500 N. Hollywood Street; 1309, 1324, 1348, 1410, 1421, 1424, 1428, 1429, 1433, 1437, 1440, 1443, 1451, 1452, 1454, 1457, 1459, 1463 N. Myrtlewood Street; 1339, 1416, 1632 N. Newkirk Street; 3000 W. Oxford Street; 2922 W. Thompson Street; 1253, 1257, 1402, 1648, 1652 N. 30th Street (34 lots)	FE MYRTLEWOOD	34	34	34	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 5	West Poplar - Melon et al (Sub-Area 1)	1000, 1026-36 Fairmount Ave (including the former 671 and 681-87 N. 11th Street and 1015-29 Melon Street); 1005, 1007, 1013 Melon St; 662-68, 670, 672 N 10th St; 667, 677 N 11th St	FE WEST POPLAR	34	34	34	100%	\$250,000	\$60,000	SETTLED - APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 5	Nest Poplar - Melon et al (Sub-Area 2)	647-67 N 10th St	FE WEST POPLAR	1	18	18	100%	\$250,000	\$60,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 5	Nest Poplar - Melon et al (Sub-Area 3)	1019, 1021 Wallace St	FE WEST POPLAR	2	2	2	100%	\$250,000	\$60,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS - removing encroachment
CD 8	Germantown - Ashmead et al	23, 24, 44, 45, 49, 51, 53, 55, 57, 59, 61, 62, 65, 67, 73, 75, 77, 78, 89-91, 93, 106 E Ashmead St	HOW AFFORDABLE HOUSING	21	21	21	80%	\$250,000	\$60,000	Sent to Council; Sent transmittal package to city 9/15

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CD	UNSOLICITED AFFORDABLE APPLICATIONS AWARDED TO DATE	ADDRESS	DEVELOPER	PARCELS	UNITS	AFFORDABLE	АМІ	SALE PRICE	TTK AWARD	STATUS
CD 1	2544 S 5th St	2544 S 5th St	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	1	1	1	100%	\$275,000	\$75,000	CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE SOLD
CD 1	E Birch and Stella et al	2148, 2150, 2154, 2156 E Birch St; 2032 E Lehigh Ave; 2055, 2057 E Rush St; 2154, 2155, 2156, 2157, 2158, 2159, 2160, 2161 E Stella St	BVG PROPERTY GROUP	15	18	12	90%	\$264,999	\$60,000	CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE SOLD
CD 1	Cantrell and Mercy et al	1739 S 5th St; 1919 S 6th St; 411, 418, 424, 432-34, 624, 626 Cantrell St; 424, 426 Mercy St	BVG PROPERTY GROUP	12	12	8	100%	\$274,999	\$75,000	90% COMPLETE - SOLD
CD 1	Cantrell, Mercy, Tree et al	372, 702 Cantrell Street; 613, 625, 723 Mercy Street; 737 Tree Street; 535, 537, 602 Winton Street	BVG S PHILADELPHIA AH	9	9	5	100%	\$279,000	\$60,000	CONSTRUCTION STARTED - 30% SOLD
CD 1	William and Collins et al	2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2042, 2044, 2047, 2050, 2052, 2056, 2058, 2060, 2062, 2066, 2068, 2201-29 E William St; 2306 Collins St	BMK PROPERTIES	31	29	20	80-100%	\$230-280,000	\$50-75,000	CONSTRUCTION COMPLETE - CONVERTING MRT RT TO AFFORDABLE
CD 1	Kensington - Amber St et al Phase 1	2501, 2855, 2857 Amber St; 2143, 2155, 2157 E Birch St; 2103 E Cumberland St; 2478, 2480 Emerald St; 2022 E Fletcher St; 1943 E Harold St; 2649 Janney St; 2068 E Monmouth St; 2140, 2151, 2153 E Orleans St; 2089 E Somerset St; 2106, 2133, 2135, 2252 E William St (21 lots)	BMK PROPERTIES	22	22	17	80-100%	\$250-280,000	\$50-75,000	65% COMPLETE
CD 1	Kensington - Amber St et al Phase 2	2134, 2172 E Cambria St; 2107 E Cumberland St; 2107 E Dakota St; 1929, 1935, 2215, 2217 E Harold St; 2637, 2639, 2643, 2645 Janney St; 2536 Jasper St; 2639, 2641, 2643, 2653 Kensington Ave; 1844 E Oakdale St; 2156 E Orleans St; 2646, 2658 Ritter St (21 lots)	BMK PROPERTIES	17	17	8	80-100%	\$230-280,000	\$50-75,000	SETTLEMENT TO OCCUR MARCH 2024 - removing encroachments
CD 2	Greenwich, Ellsworth et al Phase 1	2315, 2316, 2317, 2318, 2337, 2339, 2349 Greenwich St; 1555 S Ringgold St	FINE PRINT CONSTRUCTION	8	8	8	80%	\$250,000	\$60,000	SETTLED MAR. 2024, UNDER CONSTRUCTION 50%
CD 2	Manton, S 23rd et al	1324 S Bancroft St; 1213 S Bonsall St; 1202, 1223 S Bucknell St; 2117, 2221 Earp St; 2007 Ellsworth St; 2537 Oakford St; 1818, 2229 Latona St; 1730 Manton St, 2014, 2114, 2236, 2426, 2532 Manton St; 1545 S Ringgold St; 1506, 1511 S Stillman St; 1519, 1527, 1529 S Taney St; 1702 S 20th St; 1419 S 22nd St; 1230, 1303 S 23rd St	FINE PRINT CONSTRUCTION	26	26	26	80%	\$250,000	\$60,000	APPYING FOR PERMITS - working on title issue
CD 2	Fernon, Norwood et al	1811, 2114, 2123 Fernon St; 1930, 1932 Norwood St; 1629, 1642, 1648, 1652 Point Breeze Ave; 1824 S 20th St; 1835 S 22nd St	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	22	22	22	80%	\$250,000	\$60,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 2	Gerrit Titan St et al CHEESECAKE PROPERTIES	1911 Gerritt St; 1932, 2044 Titan St; 1212 S 17th St; 1317, 1511 S 20th St; 1904 S 23rd St; 1216 S 31st St	CHEESECAKE PROPERTIES	8	8	8	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	BOARD APPROVED SEP. 2024 - Sent to Council; Sent transmittal package to city 9/15
CD 3	Ludlow and S 44th St et al NORTHERN LIBS PARTNERS	4422, 4426-30 Ludlow St; 18-20, 24-28, 30, 34-36 S 44th St	NORTHERN LIBS PARTNERS	12	19	11	60-100%	\$199-280,000	\$40-75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS - just received Council approval for interagency transfer
CD 3	Folsom St et al GIL PROPERTY GROUP (UDA)	3914, 3917, 3927, 3935, 3936, 3937, 3938, 3940, 3946, and 3948 Folsom St	GIL PROPERTY GROUP (UDA)	9	9	9	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS - REDUCED by 1 unit
CD 3	Brown Melon St et al BLA HOLDINGS (UDA)	3833, 3915 Brown St; 735 N DeKalb St; 3605 Melon St; 3517 Mount Vernon St; 524 N 35th St; 740, 765 N 38th St; 839 N 39th St	BLA HOLDINGS (UDA)	9	9	9	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 3	Aspen Brown St et al BKP HOLDINGS (UDA)	3842, 3844, 3851, 3855 Aspen St; 3902, 3903, 3906 Brown St; 666, 674 Union St; 747 N 39th St	BKP HOLDINGS (UDA)	9	9	9	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS - REDUCED by 1 unit
CD 3	Pennsgrove State St et al HOW CHARITIES	3924 Cambridge St; 3909 Pennsgrove St; 1110, 1112, 1113, 1118, 1128 State St; and 3900, 3902, 3904, 3906, 3911, 3912, 3919, 3921, 3926 Wyalusing Ave	HOW CHARITIES	16	16	16	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 3	Parrish Reno St et al HUGHES HOUSING (UDA)	3731, 3940 Aspen St; 3936, 3959 Brown St; 3958 Parrish St; 3900, 3972 Reno St; 773 Sloan St	HUGHES HOUSING (UDA)	8	8	8	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 3	Shedwick Wallace St NORTHWEST DEVELOPMENT GROUP (UDA)	3539 Aspen St; 3624 Brown St; 610, 612, 614 N Shedwick St; 3405, 3830, 3832 Wallace St; 682 N 33rd St; 620 N 35th St	NORTHWEST DEVELOPMENT GROUP (UDA)	9	9	9	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS - REDUCED by 1 unit
CD 3	Mount Vernon Union St et al PROJECT IV (UDA)	3841, 3843 Melon St; 3858 Mount Vernon St; 642, 647, 658 Union St; 3903, 3905, 3907, 3930 Wallace St	PROJECT IV (UDA)	9	9	9	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS - REDUCED by 1 unit
CD 3	Melon Union St et al ROSARIO ESTATES (UDA)	3607, 3830, 3832 Melon St; 3837, 3917, 3938, 3940, 3944 Mount Vernon St; 612 Union St	ROSARIO ESTATES (UDA)	9	9	9	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS - REDUCED by 1 unit
CD 3	Reno St et al SEAMLESS DEVELOPMENT GROUP2 (UDA)	3801, 3803, 3811, 3814, 3816, 3850, 3852, 3960, 3962, 3964 Reno St	SEAMLESS DEVELOPMENT GROUP2 (UDA)	9	9	9	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS - REDUCED by 1 unit
CD 4	N 24th St et al LEVAN ALSON, SR.	3148 N 24th St	LEVAN ALSON, SR.	1	1	1	80%	\$250,000	\$60,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 5	Camac and N 13th et al CAMAC COMMONS	3812, 3826, 3834, 3846, 3850 N Camac St; 3861 N 13th St	CAMAC COMMONS	6	6	6	80%	\$220,000	\$50,000	SETTLING IN NOV./DEC. 2024 - Removing encroachments

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CD	UNSOLICITED AFFORDABLE APPLICATIONS AWARDED TO DATE	ADDRESS	DEVELOPER	PARCELS	UNITS	AFFORDABLE	AMI	SALE PRICE	TTK AWARD	STATUS
CD 5	N 28th St et al SOAR CITY DEVELOPMENT (BS)	2500 , 2503, 2542, 2552, 2559 N 28th St	SOAR CITY DEVELOPMENT (BS)	-5	-5	-5	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	BOARD APPROVED APR. 2024 - Sent to Council; Sent transmittal package to city 9/5/2024; Issued a withdrawal of award letter.
CD 5	N 29th St et al JES CAPITAL INVESTMENT (BS)	2605, 2607, 2608, 2610, 2622 N 29th St	JES CAPITAL INVESTMENT (BS)	-5	-5	-5	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	BOARD APPROVED JUL. 2024 - Sent to Council;Sent transmittal package to city 9/5/2024; Issued a withdrawal of award letter.
CD 5	Cecil B Moore Ave et al CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	2806, 2903, 2907, 2913, 2917-19, 2925, 2937-39 Cecil B Moore Ave	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	-9	-9	-9	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	BOARD APPROVED MAY 2024 - Sent to Council; Sent transmittal package to city 5/30/2024; Issued a withdrawal of award letter.
CD 5	N Marshall and N 6th St et al PRIME (MDP)	2406, 2434, 2440, and 2444 N 6th St; 2425 and 2427 N 7th St; and 2434, 2438, 2440, and 2445 N Marshall Street	THE PRIME CORPORATION (MDP)	-10	-10	-10	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	BOARD APPROVED JAN. 2024 - Resolution package for city council sent. Issued a withdrawal of award letter.
CD 7	N Bodine Hope St et al SEAMLESS DEVELOPMENT (BS)	1766-72 N Bodine St; 2244, 2246 Hope St; 218 Cecil B Moore Ave	SEAMLESS DEVELOPMENT (BS)	7	7	7	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS
CD 7	N 6th St et al PRIME (MDP)	2407, 2409, 2411, 2413, 2415, 2439, 2441, 2443, 2445, 2447 N 6th St	THE PRIME CORPORATION (MDP)	-10	-10	-10	100%	\$280,000	\$75,000	BOARD APPROVED SEP. 2024 - Resolution package for city council sent. Issued a withdrawal of award letter.
CD 8	E Ashmead E Earlham St et al CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	423-27*, 429-39* (including 429-39 Rear) E Ashmead St; 226*, 260, 278, 292, 313 (aka 313-15) E Bringhurst St; 49 E Earlham St; 4635 Germantown Ave; 30 Good St; 5608, 5618, 5619, 5642, 5669 Heiskell St; 4946* Keyser St; 5514, 5515, 5642 Morton St; 6672*, 6674 Musgrave St; 53 E Pastorius St; 207 E Penn St; 248* E Phil Ellena St; 35 E Seymour St; 227*, 261, 263 E Sharpnack St; 111, 112 E Springer St; 4951, 4957, 4961, 4975 Sheldon St; 218, 326, 342, 343-45 Shedaker St; 4925, 5222 Wakefield St; 42, 44 Reger St	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	41	58	58	80%	\$250,000	\$60,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS - working on title issues
CD 8	W Venango St et al CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	1520-40, 1600-20 W Venango St	CIVETTA PROPERTY GROUP	2	22	22	80%	\$250,000	\$60,000	APPLYING FOR PERMITS
			TOTAL UNSOLICITED AWARDED TO DATE	288	333	288				

TOTAL AWARDED/APPROVED AFFORDABLE UNITS 702

#### **FY 2025 SETTLED DISPOSITIONS**

	Property Address	Project Name	Purchaser	No. of DOR Parcels	No. of Lots in Parcels	Council District	Actual Settlement Date	Cash at Closing	Appraisal Value	OPA Value (at time of approval)	Mortgage Amount	Notes	Housing - # of Lots	Housing - Total # of Units	# of Units 30% to 60% AMI	# of Units 61% to 80% AMI	# of Units 81% to 120% AMI	# of Units Market	Sideyard	Open	Business/ Organ. Expansion	LOT TOTALS
	FISCAL YEAR 2025 - PLB PROPERTIES CONVEYED (Title Transfer or L	ongterm Lease)																				
1	2521 N Hancock St, 2522 Mutter St	yard	Zoraya Nieves	2	2	7	8/8/2024	\$2	\$95,000	\$17,600	\$94,998	side yard (with 30-yr self-cancelling mortgage)							2			2
2	3750 Brown St (f/k/a 777-85, 787 N. 38th Street; 770, 772-74 N. Dekalb Street; 3716-26 Brown Street)	Abigail Pankey LIHTC project	Community Justice Land Trust (WCRP)	5	15	3	8/13/2024	\$5	\$610,000	\$513,600	N/A	32 rental units: 22 2-BR, 10 3-BR; 4 units @20%, 6 units @30%, 11 units @50%, 11 units @60%; community space w/kitchen, bike storage, management office, supportive services office	15	32	21	11						32
3	239 N Paxon St	yard	Bonnie Magrum	1	1	3	9/4/2024	\$1	\$50,000	\$6,900	\$49,999	side yard (with 30-yr self-cancelling mortgage)							1			1
4	4310R Haverford Ave, 4419R Market St	interagency transfer	PHA (West Park)	2	2	3	9/5/2024	\$1	N/A	N/A	N/A	for inclusion in Westpark Choice mixed-income development	2	2		2						2
5	1517 N 33rd St	interagency transfer	РНА	1	1	5	9/5/2024	\$1	N/A	\$209,100	N/A	Miles Davis Cultural Center									1	1
6	2410, 2412 N Orianna St	yard	Daniel McShane & Victoria Noll	2	2	7	9/10/2024	\$2	\$70,000	\$73,000	\$69,998	side yard (with 30-yr self-cancelling mortgage)							2			2
7	2609-27 Sears St (incl 1308-14 S 26th St)	Grays Ferry - Sears RFP	Civetta Property Group LLC	1	12	2	9/13/2024	\$1,200	\$930,000	\$264,400	\$0	12 SF homes @80% AMI, \$250K, 15 yrs	12	12		12						12
8	815 W Firth St	yard	Carmen Gomez	1	1	5	9/19/2024	\$1	\$20,000	\$12,700	\$19,999	side yard (with 30-yr self-cancelling mortgage)							1			1
9	936 Edgley St; 926, 928 French St; 2112, 2144, 2214 N Marshall St; 2107, 2109, 2110, 2111, 2112, 2119, 2121, 2140, 2143, 2146 N Percy St; 904 W Susquehanna Ave; 2101, 2121, 2155, 2167-69 N 8th St; 2124, 2150, 2165 N 9th St; 2121 N 10th St	RFP - Hartranft 9th & Diamond (Phase 2)	Civetta Property Group LLC	25	26	5	10/4/2024	\$2,600	\$2,240,000	\$1,200,700	N/A	25 SF homes @100% AMI, \$280K, 15 yrs (have to consolidate 2143 N Percy St with 2142 N 9th St)	25	25			26					25
10	2863, 2868 Amber St; 2118, 2138, 2142, 2150 Bellmore St; 2044, 2077 E Birch St; 2115, 2140 E Monmouth St; 2100, 2108, 2117, 2120, 2138 E Orleans St; 2106, 2150 E Stella St	RFP - Kensington	NKCDC	17	17	1	11/6/2024	\$17	\$765,000	\$144,400	N/A	17 SF homes @80% AMI, \$250K, 15 yrs	17	17		17						17
11	2400, 2414, 2448 N Newkirk St; 2433, 2450 N Dover St; 2427 N 29th St	condemnation	PHA (28th & York)	6	6	5	11/12/2024	\$6	N/A	\$998,600	N/A	for Strawberry Mansion LIHTC project	6	6	6							6
12	3418, 3420, 3422 Kensington Ave	assemblage	3434 Kensington, LLC	3	3	7	12/17/2024	\$95,000	\$95,000	\$14,100	N/A	expansion of existing business parking lot									3	3
13	2201 E Tioga St	unsolicited	Sepviva Lofts LLC	1	1	6	12/18/2024	\$50,000	\$315,000	\$241,400	N/A	51 residential rental units: 25 1-BR units, 13 2-BR units, 13 3-BR units; 45 units to be leased at or below 50% AMI, 6 units to be leased at or below 20% AMI; 16 units to be accessible	1	51	51							51
14	1934 N Lawrence St	interagency transfer	PHDC	N/A	N/A	7	1/23/2025	\$1	NA	\$81,500	N/A	Iglesias Garden swap with Allan Nadav for 425 Arlington St										0
15	2453 N Carlisle St	yard	Charo Harvey	1	1	5	3/13/2025	\$1	\$25,000	\$11,200	\$24,999	side yard (with 30-yr self-cancelling mortgage)							1			
	FY 2025 - PLB TOTAL CONVEYED			68	90			\$148,838	\$5,215,000	\$3,789,200	\$259,993		78	145	78	42	26	0	7	0	4	155
	PLB TOTAL CONVEYED SINCE INCEPTION			763	981			\$3,681,229	\$54,509,400	\$26,146,147	\$3,240,044		836	1212	327	391	396	99	96	23	18	

### AGGREGATE REPORT ON LAND BANK DISPOSITIONS SINCE INCEPTION

Disposition Category	No. of DOR Parcels	Lots in	Price/Rent	Appraisal Value	OPA Value (at time of approval)		Housing - #	Housing - Total # of Units	# of Units 30% or 50%AMI as upper limit	# of Units 60% or 80% AMI as upper limit	# of Units 100% or 120% AMI as upper limit	# of Units Market Rate	Sideyards	Gardens/ Open Sp.	Business/ Organ. Expansion/ Developmt	TOTAL # OF UNITS
FISCAL YEAR 2025 STRATEGIC PLAN DISPOSITION TARGETS							NA	316	63	95	79	79	124	50	10	500
PROPERTIES CONVEYED in FY 2025 (Title Transfer, Longterm Lease)	68	90	\$148,838	\$5,215,000	\$3,789,200	\$259,993	78	145	78	42	26	0	7	1	4	157
PARTIALLY OR FULLY APPROVED, NOT SETTLED (Title Transfer, Longterm Lease)	551	641	\$435,067	\$27,912,500	\$18,610,889	\$2,761,459	505	640	7	274	304	55	30	51	5	<b>726</b>
TOTAL - CONVEYED IN FY 2025 OR APPROVED AND NOT YET SETTLED	619	731	\$583,905	\$33,127,500	\$22,400,089	\$3,021,452	583	785	85	316	330	55	37	52	9	883
PERCENT OF GOAL ACHIEVED							N/A	248.42%	134.92%	332.63%	417.72%	69.62%	29.84%	104.00%	90.00%	176.60%
VARIANCE TO ANNUAL GOAL							N/A	469	22	221	251	-24	-87	2	-1	383
FY 2024 DISPOSITIONS (SETTLED)	231	309	\$409,008	\$28,300,500	\$11,379,400	\$866,483	286	313	2	65	225	21	17	0	3	333
FY 2023 DISPOSITIONS (SETTLED)- PANDEMIC	172	216	\$329,138	\$11,696,000	\$3,578,300	\$659,992	200	257	74	78	75	30	8	6	1	272
FY 2022 DISPOSITIONS (SETTLED)- PANDEMIC	60	75	\$22,136	\$4,535,600	\$1,359,900	\$1,453,576	49	78	47	24	6	1	20	6	0	104
FY 2021 DISPOSITIONS (SETTLED)- PANDEMIC	34	38	\$68,032	\$845,800	\$935,800	N/A	17	86	8	78	0	0	23	0	2	111
FY 2020 DISPOSITIONS (SETTLED) - PANDEMIC	53	58	\$615,919	\$1,992,500	\$790,000	N/A	36	41	5	24	5	7	8	6	8	63
FY 2019 DISPOSITIONS (SETTLED)	49	91	\$547,170	\$1,256,000	\$2,638,732	N/A	78	159	104	0	42	13	8	5	0	172
FY 2018 DISPOSITIONS (SETTLED)	78	86	\$1,217,197	\$404,000	\$510,526	N/A	77	118	9	80	9	20	2	0	0	120
FY 2017 DISPOSITIONS (SETTLED)	18	18	\$323,791	\$264,000	\$1,164,289	N/A	15	15	0	0	8	7	3	0	0	18
PLB TOTAL CONVEYED SINCE INCEPTION (FY 2017-FY 2025)	763	981	\$3,681,229	\$54,509,400	\$26,146,147	\$3,240,044	836	1212	327	391	396	99	96	24	18	1017

Philadelphia Land Bank Board Meeting Package for April 8, 2025

# APRIL 8, 2025 PLB BOARD MEETING MATERIALS FOR AGENDA ITEM IV.A

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - \_\_\_

#### RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING CONVEYANCE OF 1437, 1438, 1539, 1544, 1546, 1610 AND 1613 OGDEN STREET; 863 N. 15TH STREET; 841, 845 AND 851 N. 16TH STREET TO PHILADELPHIA HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

**WHEREAS**, Section 16-706 of the Philadelphia Code authorizes the Philadelphia Land Bank (the "**Land Bank**") to convey, exchange, sell, transfer, lease, grant or mortgage interests in real property of the Land Bank in the form and by the method determined to be in the best interests of the Land Bank, subject to the terms and conditions of Chapter 16-400 of the Philadelphia Code.

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the "Board") has determined that it is in the best interest of the Land Bank to convey 1437 Ogden Street, 1438 Ogden Street, 1539 Ogden Street, 1544 Ogden Street, 1546 Ogden Street, 1610 Ogden Street, 1613 Ogden Street, 863 North 15th Street, 841 North 16th Street, 845 North 16th Street, and 851 North 16th Street (collectively, the "Property") to the Philadelphia Housing Development Corporation ("PHDC") for disposition, reuse and/or management as determined by PHDC.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Land Bank that:

- 1. The conveyance of the Property to PHDC for One and 00/100 U.S. Dollar (\$1.00) is in the best interests of the Land Bank and is hereby approved.
- 2. The conveyance of the Property complies with all applicable terms and conditions of Section 16-404 of the Philadelphia Code.
- 3. Subject to the terms of this Resolution, the Executive Director and Senior Counsel are each hereby authorized, in the name of and on behalf of the Land Bank, to prepare, execute, deliver, and perform any and all agreements, deeds, and other documents, as may be necessary or desirable, to consummate the conveyance of the Property (collectively, the "Transaction Documents") and, from time to time and at any time, amend, supplement, and modify the Transaction Documents, or any of them, as may be necessary or desirable. The Transaction Documents and any amendments, supplements, and modifications thereto shall contain such terms and conditions as the Executive Director and Senior Counsel shall deem necessary or appropriate subject to the terms of this Resolution, and, when so executed and delivered by the Land Bank shall constitute the valid and binding obligations of the Land Bank.
- 4. The Executive Director with the advice of Senior Counsel may modify this Resolution as may be necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes and intents. The Executive Director or Senior Counsel will notify the Board of all modifications to this Resolution at the next Board meeting following the date of such modifications.
- 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Board.



#### **BOARD FACTSHEET**

Meeting of April 8, 2025
Conveyance of Land Bank Property to PHDC

**NATURE OF TRANSACTION:** The Philadelphia Land Bank (the PLB) will convey title to 1437 Ogden Street, 1438 Ogden Street, 1539 Ogden Street, 1544 Ogden Street, 1546 Ogden Street, 1610 Ogden Street, 1613 Ogden Street, 863 North 15th Street, 841 North 16th Street, 845 North 16th Street, and 851 North 16th Street (the Properties), which are owned by the PLB, to the Philadelphia Housing Development Corporation (PHDC).

The conveyance of these properties will be for disposition, reuse, and management by PHDC, specifically for the development of affordable housing through PHDC's Minority Developer Program (MDP).

The properties have been approved for conveyance in consultation with the 5th Council District Office.

#### PROPERTY INFORMATION:

The properties listed below will be conveyed to PHDC for nominal consideration, pursuant to Section 2109 of Land Bank Act, 68 Pa. C.S.A. § 2109(d)(3.

#### 5th Councilmanic District

1437 Ogden Street - CD5

1438 Ogden Street - CD5

1539 Ogden Street - CD5

1544 Ogden Street - CD5

1546 Ogden Street - CD5

1610 Ogden Street - CD5

1613 Ogden Street - CD5

863 North 15th Street - CD5

841 North 16th Street - CD5

845 North 16th Street - CD5

851 North 16th Street - CD5

# APRIL 8, 2025 PLB BOARD MEETING MATERIALS FOR AGENDA ITEM IV.B.1

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - \_\_\_

RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2024-21 TO REVISE UNIT SALES PRICE AND MAXIMUM INCOME ELIGIBILITY LEVEL FOR HOMEOWNERSHIP UNITS CONSTRUCTED ON 423-27 AND 429 E. ASHMEAD STREET; 226, 260, 278 AND 313 E. BRINGHURST STREET; 49 E. EARLHAM STREET; 4635 GERMANTOWN AVENUE; 30 GOOD STREET; 5608, 5618, 5619, 5642 AND 5669 HEISKELL STREET; 4946 KEYSER STREET; 5514, 5515 AND 5642 MORTON STREET; 6672 AND 6674 MUSGRAVE STREET; 53 E. PASTORIUS STREET; 207 E. PENN STREET; 248 E. PHIL ELLENA STREET; 42 AND 44 REGER STREET; 35 E. SEYMOUR STREET; 227, 261 AND 263 E. SHARPNACK STREET; 218, 326, 342 AND 343 SHEDAKER STREET; 4951, 4957, 4961 AND 4975 SHELDON STREET; 111 AND 112 E. SPRINGER STREET; 4925 AND 5222 WAKEFIELD STREET

**WHEREAS**, Section 16-706 of the Philadelphia Code authorizes the Philadelphia Land Bank ("**Land Bank**") to convey, exchange, sell, transfer, lease, grant or mortgage interests in real property of the Land Bank in the form and by the method determined to be in the best interests of the Land Bank, subject to approval by resolution of Philadelphia City Council, and subject further to the terms and conditions of Chapter 16-400 of the Philadelphia Code (the "**Code**");

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the "Board"), pursuant to Resolution 2024-21 adopted on June 11, 2024, approved the conveyance of 423-27 and 429 East Ashmead Street; 226, 260, 278 and 313 East Bringhurst Street; 49 East Earlham Street; 4635 Germantown Avenue; 30 Good Street; 5608, 5618, 5619, 5642 and 5669 Heiskell Street; 4946 Keyser Street; 5514, 5515 and 5642 Morton Street; 6672 and 6674 Musgrave Street; 53 East Pastorius Street; 207 East Penn Street; 248 East Phil Ellena Street; 42 and 44 Reger Street; 35 East Seymour Street; 227, 261 and 263 East Sharpnack Street; 218, 326, 342 and 343 Shedaker Street; 4951, 4957, 4961 and 4975 Sheldon Street; 111 and 112 East Springer Street; and 4925 and 5222 Wakefield Street to Civetta Property Group LLC (the "Purchaser") for the development of fifty-eight (58) single-family homeownership units, to be sold to households with an income at or below eighty percent (80%) of Area Median Income ("AMI") (the "Maximum Income Eligibility Level") for a price not to exceed \$250,000 (the "Maximum Sale Price");

**WHEREAS**, the rapidly rising cost of construction materials and construction financing and the compliance costs related to the recent implementation of new Code regulations have led to increases in development and construction costs;

**WHEREAS**, the Developer has requested an increase in the Maximum Sale Price for the affordable homeownership units to \$280,000 to cover the additional development and construction costs for each unit;

**WHEREAS**, an increase in the Maximum Sale Price requires that the Maximum Income Eligibility Level for the homes be raised from eighty percent (80%) of AMI to one hundred percent (100%) of AMI in order to conform to the Turn the Key program parameters;

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that it is in the best interests of the Land Bank to approve an increase in the Maximum Sale Price from \$250,000 to \$280,000 and an increase in the Maximum Income Eligibility Level from eighty percent (80%) of AMI to one hundred percent (100%) of AMI;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Land Bank that:

- 1. An increase in the Maximum Sale Price for the affordable homes from \$250,000 to \$280,000 and an increase in the Maximum Income Eligibility Level from eighty percent (80%) of AMI to one hundred percent (100%) of AMI are in the best interests of the Land Bank and are hereby approved, subject to approval by resolution of Philadelphia City Council.
- 2. The approved revisions comply with all applicable terms and conditions of Section 16-404 of the Philadelphia Code, subject to approval by resolution of Philadelphia City Council.
- 3. Subject to the terms of this Resolution, the Executive Director and Senior Counsel are each hereby authorized, in the name of and on behalf of the Land Bank, to prepare, execute, deliver, and perform any and all agreements, deeds, and other documents, as may be necessary or desirable, to consummate the approved revisions (collectively, the "Transaction Documents") and, from time to time and at any time, amend, supplement, and modify the Transaction Documents, or any of them, as may be necessary or desirable. The Transaction Documents and any amendments, supplements, and modifications thereto shall contain such terms and conditions as the Executive Director and Senior Counsel shall deem necessary or appropriate subject to the terms of this Resolution, and, when so executed and delivered by the Land Bank shall constitute the valid and binding obligations of the Land Bank.
- 4. The Executive Director with the advice of Senior Counsel may modify this Resolution as may be necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes and intents. The Executive Director or Senior Counsel will notify the Board of all modifications to this Resolution at the next Board meeting following the date of such modifications.
- 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Board.

Adopted by Philadelphia Land Bank Board of Directors on									
Philadelphia City Council Resolution No dated									

#### **AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 2024-21**

Last Updated: April 2, 2025

423-27, 429 E. Ashmead Street; 226, 260, 278, 313 E. Bringhurst Street; 49 E. Earlham Street; 4635 Germantown Avenue; 30 Good Street; 5608, 5618, 5619, 5642, 5669 Heiskell Street; 4946 Keyser Street; 5514, 5515,

1. ADDRESS:

5642Morton Street; 6672, 6674 Musgrave Street; 53 E. Pastorius Street; 207 E. Penn Street; 248 E. Phil Ellena Street; 42, 44 Reger Street; 35 E. Seymour Street; 227, 261, 263 E. Sharpnack Street; 218, 326, 342, 343 Shedaker St; 4951, 4957, 4961, 4975 Sheldon St; 111, 112 E. Springer Street; 4925, 5222 Wakefield Street

#### 2. PROPERTY INFORMATION

<b>Zip Code</b> : 19144	Census Tract: 014900	Council District: 8					
Zoning: RSA-3, RSA-5, RM-1	<b>Lot Area</b> : 111,990 SF						
<b>OPA Value</b> : \$717,900	Appraised Value: \$2,705,000	Appraised Value: \$2,705,000					
Redevelopment Area: N/A	Urban Renewal Area: N/A						

#### 3. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: Civetta Property Group LLC	Type: Business / Legal Entity							
Entity Owners: Michael Tomasetti & Brennan Tomasetti								
Mailing Address: 51 N. 3rd Street Unit 154, Philadelphia PA 19106								
Authorized Contact: Michael Tomasetti								
Application Date: 10/06/2023								

#### 4. PROJECT INFORMATION

<b>Disposition Type</b> : Non-Comp: 51% of Site as Affordable, Workforce, or Mixed Income Housing	Strategic Plan Goal (Land Bank Only): Housing - Workforce (61%-120% AMI)
Price Paid at Settlement: \$5,800	Proposed Use: Residential
Development Type: New Construction	No. of Buildings: 58
<b>Units</b> : 58 units - Residential / 0 units - Commercial	End User: Sale to Homebuyer
Gross Floor Area (sq. ft.): 68,150SF	Construction Cost / sq. ft.: \$162
Construction Costs: \$11,040,300	<b>Project Funding Available</b> : Committed and Verified - Applicant has provided documentation of available, committed funds in an amount no less than total project costs.
Total Project Costs: \$14,710,600	Mortgage Amount: \$N/A

#### 5. APPROVALS, DEADLINES, EOP

Agreement Executed: TBD	Economic Opportunity Plan Goals: 20% MBE, 20% WBE
Land Bank Board Approval: TBD	PRA Board Approval: N/A
Construction Commencement Deadline: 3 months	Construction Completion Deadline: 18 months after
after settlement	settlement

#### **AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 2024-21**

Last Updated: April 2, 2025

#### 6. DEVELOPMENT SUMMARY

#### How was title acquired?

The properties that the City and the PRA own have all the approvals to be transferred to the Land Bank.

#### **Project Summary:**

Pursuant to Board Resolution No. 2024-21, adopted by the Philadelphia Land Bank on June 11, 2024, Civetta Property Group LLC intended to develop fifty-eight (58) single-family affordable homeownership units, to be sold to households with incomes at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI) at a maximum sale price of \$250,000. The homes would be eligible for the Turn the Key program.

Since receiving Board approval, the applicant has conducted a thorough review of the budget and project plans and identified an underestimation of construction costs, primarily due to the recent implementation of R3 regulations and the overall rise in construction prices. As a result, they are requesting an increase in the maximum sale price of each home to \$280,000. The higher price requires an increase in the AMI level to 100% in order to remain in conformance with the Turn the Key program parameters.

The Board is being asked to approve an amendment for the following revisions:

- To increase the maximum sale price of the homes to be constructed at 423-27 and 429 E. Ashmead St.; 226, 260, 278 and 313 E. Bringhurst St.; 49 E. Earlham St.; 4635 Germantown Ave.; 30 Good St.; 5608, 5618, 5619, 5642 and 5669 Heiskell St.; 4946 Keyser St.; 5514, 5515 and 5642 Morton St.; 6672 and 6674 Musgrave St.; 53 E. Pastorius St.; 207 E. Penn St.; 248 E. Phil Ellena St.; 42 and 44 Reger Street; 35 Seymour St.; 227, 261 and 263 E. Sharpnack St.; 218, 326, 342 and 343 Shedaker St.; 4951, 4957, 4961 and 4975 Sheldon St.; 111 and 112 E. Springer St.; and 4925 and 5222 Wakefield Street, to \$280,000.
- To increase the maximum AMI target level from 80% AMI to 100% AMI, to maintain conformance with the Turn the Key program parameters.

**Summary of Restrictions or Covenants:** This transaction is subject to the following only if the box is checked:

☐ Irrevocable Power of Attorney ☐ Right of Re-entry/Reverter

A Declaration of Restrictive Covenants will be placed on all the affordable properties. The restrictive covenant will be in effect for a period of at least fifteen (15) years after the initial homebuyer purchase. All purchasers of the affordable homes will be required to be income certified.

#### 7. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends an increase in the maximum sale price and targeted AMI level for the 58 single-family homes to be developed by Civetta Property Group LLC at 423-27, 429 E. Ashmead St.; 226, 260, 278, 313 E. Bringhurst St.; 49 E. Earlham St.; 4635 Germantown Ave.; 30 Good St.; 5608, 5618, 5619, 5642, 5669 Heiskell St.; 4946 Keyser St.; 5514, 5515, 5642 Morton St.; 6672, 6674 Musgrave St.; 53 E. Pastorius St.; 207 E. Penn St.; 248 E. Phil Ellena St.; 42, 44 Reger St.; 35 E. Seymour St.; 227, 261, 263 E. Sharpnack St.; 218, 326, 342, 343 Shedaker St.; 4951, 4957, 4961, 4975 Sheldon St.; 111, 112 E. Springer St.; 4925, 5222 Wakefield St.

**Prepared by:** Mathen Pullukattu – Senior Development Specialist

**Reviewed by:** Angel Rodriguez – Executive Director

# APRIL 8, 2025 PLB BOARD MEETING MATERIALS FOR AGENDA ITEM IV.B.2

#### RESOLUTION NO. 2025 - \_\_\_

## RESOLUTION AMENDING RESOLUTION 2024-48 TO REVISE UNIT SALES PRICE AND MAXIMUM INCOME ELIGIBILITY LEVEL FOR HOMEOWNERSHIP UNITS CONSTRUCTED ON 1520-40 W. VENANGO STREET AND 1600-20 W. VENANGO STREET

WHEREAS, Section 16-706 of the Philadelphia Code authorizes the Philadelphia Land Bank ("Land Bank") to convey, exchange, sell, transfer, lease, grant or mortgage interests in real property of the Land Bank in the form and by the method determined to be in the best interests of the Land Bank, subject to approval by resolution of Philadelphia City Council, and subject further to the terms and conditions of Chapter 16-400 of the Philadelphia Code (the "Code");

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the "Board"), pursuant to Resolution 2024-48 adopted on October 8, 2024, approved the conveyance of 1520-40 West Venango Street and 1600-20 West Venango Street to Civetta Property Group LLC (the "Purchaser") for the development of twenty-two (22) single-family homeownership units, to be sold to households with an income at or below eighty percent (80%) of Area Median Income ("AMI") (the "Maximum Income Eligibility Level") for a price not to exceed \$250,000 (the "Maximum Sale Price");

**WHEREAS**, the rapidly rising cost of construction materials and construction financing and the compliance costs related to the recent implementation of new Code regulations have led to increases in development and construction costs;

**WHEREAS**, the Developer has requested an increase in the Maximum Sale Price for the affordable homeownership units to \$280,000 to cover the additional development and construction costs for each unit;

**WHEREAS**, an increase in the Maximum Sale Price requires that the Maximum Income Eligibility Level for the homes be raised from eighty percent (80%) of AMI to one hundred percent (100%) of AMI in order to conform to the Turn the Key program parameters;

**WHEREAS**, the Board has determined that it is in the best interests of the Land Bank to approve an increase in the Maximum Sale Price from \$250,000 to \$280,000 and an increase in the Maximum Income Eligibility Level from eighty percent (80%) of AMI to one hundred percent (100%) of AMI;

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Land Bank that:

- 1. An increase in the Maximum Sale Price for the affordable homes from \$250,000 to \$280,000 and an increase in the Maximum Income Eligibility Level from eighty percent (80%) of AMI to one hundred percent (100%) of AMI are in the best interests of the Land Bank and are hereby approved, subject to approval by resolution of Philadelphia City Council.
- 2. The approved revisions comply with all applicable terms and conditions of Section 16-404 of the Philadelphia Code, subject to approval by resolution of Philadelphia City Council.
- 3. Subject to the terms of this Resolution, the Executive Director and Senior Counsel are each hereby authorized, in the name of and on behalf of the Land Bank, to prepare, execute, deliver, and perform any and all agreements, deeds, and other documents, as may be necessary or desirable, to consummate the approved revisions (collectively, the "**Transaction Documents**") and, from time to time and at

any time, amend, supplement, and modify the Transaction Documents, or any of them, as may be necessary or desirable. The Transaction Documents and any amendments, supplements, and modifications thereto shall contain such terms and conditions as the Executive Director and Senior Counsel shall deem necessary or appropriate subject to the terms of this Resolution, and, when so executed and delivered by the Land Bank shall constitute the valid and binding obligations of the Land Bank.

- 4. The Executive Director with the advice of Senior Counsel may modify this Resolution as may be necessary or desirable to carry out its purposes and intents. The Executive Director or Senior Counsel will notify the Board of all modifications to this Resolution at the next Board meeting following the date of such modifications.
- 5. This Resolution shall take effect immediately upon adoption by the Board.

Adopted by Philadelphia Land Bank Board of Directors on	
Philadelphia City Council Resolution No dated	

#### **AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 2024-48**

Last Updated: April 2, 2025

1. ADDRESS: 1520-40 W. Venango Street; 1600-20 W. Venango Street

#### 2. PROPERTY INFORMATION

<b>Zip Code</b> : 19140	Census Tract: 020101	Council District: 8
Zoning: RSA5	<b>Lot Area</b> : 24,698 SF	
<b>OPA Value</b> : \$224,400	Appraised Value: \$500,000	
Redevelopment Area: N/A	Urban Renewal Area: N/A	

#### 3. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Applicant Name: Civetta Property Group LLC	Type: Business / Legal Entity	
Entity Owners: Michael Tomasetti & Brennan Tomasetti		
Mailing Address: 51 N. 3rd Street Unit 154, Philadelphia PA 19106		
Authorized Contact: Michael Tomasetti		
Application Date: August 22, 2023		

#### 4. PROJECT INFORMATION

<b>Disposition Type</b> : Non-Comp: 51% of Site as Affordable, Workforce, or Mixed Income Housing	Strategic Plan Goal (Land Bank Only): Housing - Workforce (61%-120% AMI)	
Price Paid at Settlement: \$2,200	Proposed Use: Residential	
Development Type: New Construction	No. of Buildings: 22	
Units: 22 units - Residential	End User: Sale to Homebuyer	
Gross Floor Area (sq. ft.): 27,500 SF	Construction Cost / sq. ft.: \$155	
Construction Costs: \$4,262,400	<b>Project Funding Available</b> : Committed and Verified - Applicant has provided documentation of available, committed funds in an amount no less than total project costs.	
Total Project Costs: \$5,594,082	Mortgage Amount: \$N/A	

#### 5. APPROVALS, DEADLINES, EOP

Agreement Executed: TBD	Economic Opportunity Plan Goals: MBE 20 % and WBE 20 %	
Land Bank Board Approval: TBD	PRA Board Approval: N/A	
Construction Commencement Deadline: 3 months	Construction Completion Deadline: 18 months after	
after settlement	settlement	

#### **AMENDMENT TO RESOLUTION NO. 2024-48**

Last Updated: April 2, 2025

#### 6. <u>DEVELOPMENT SUMMARY</u>

#### How was title acquired?

The properties that the City and the PRA own have all the approvals to be transferred to the Land Bank.

#### **Project Summary:**

Pursuant to Board Resolution No. 2024-48, adopted by the Philadelphia Land Bank on October 08, 2024, Civetta Property Group LLC intended to develop twenty-two (22) single-family affordable homeownership units, to be sold to households with incomes at or below 80% of the Area Median Income (AMI at a maximum sale price of \$250,000. The homes would be eligible for the Turn the Key program.

Since receiving Board approval, the applicant has conducted a thorough review of the budget and project plans and identified an underestimation of construction costs, primarily due to the recent implementation of R3 regulations and the overall rise in construction prices. As a result, they are requesting an increase in the maximum sale price of each home to \$280,000. The higher price requires an increase in the AMI level to 100% in order to remain in conformance with the Turn the Key program parameters.

The Board is being asked to approve an amendment for the following revisions:

- To increase the maximum sale price of the homes to be constructed at 1520-40 W. Venango Street and 1600-20 W. Venango Street to \$280,000.
- To increase the maximum AMI target level from 80% AMI to 100% AMI, to maintain conformance with the Turn the Key program parameters.

Summary of Restrictions or Covenants: This transaction is subject to the following only if the box is checked:

☐ Irrevocable Power of Attorney ☐ Right of Re-entry/Reverter

A Declaration of Restrictive Covenants will be placed on all the affordable properties. The restrictive covenant will be in effect for a period of at least fifteen (15) years after the initial homebuyer purchase. All purchasers of the affordable homes will be required to be income certified.

#### 7. STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends an increase in the maximum sale price and AMI level for the 22 single-family homes to be developed by Civetta Property Group LLC at 1520-40 W. Venango Street and 1600-20 W. Venango Street.

**Prepared by:** Mathen Pullukattu – Senior Development Specialist

**Reviewed by:** Angel Rodriguez – Executive Director