

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
121 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois
Regular Meeting
November 9, 2021

MEETING MINUTES

I. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS

Chairman Gwendolyn Hatten Butler called the meeting to order at 1:01 p.m. and then undertook a roll call to establish the presence of a quorum.

Present

Gwendolyn Hatten Butler, Chair
Shirley Newsome, Vice Chair
Marc Brooks
Robert Buford
Adela Cepeda
Grace Chan McKibben
Maurice Cox
Jacqueline Gomez
Cornelius Griggs
Latasha Thomas
Ivette Trevino
Chris Wheat

Late

Eileen Rhodes

Not Present

Dwight Curtis
Leslie Davis

In response to the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, prior to the meeting, the Chairman determined that an in-person meeting was not prudent or practical, and thus issued “Emergency Rules Governing the Conduct of Remote Public Commission Meetings and Provisions for Remote Public Participation” to conduct the meeting remotely on Zoom. The meeting was available to be viewed by the public via live stream through the CDC website.

The CDC provided an opportunity for members of the public to submit written comments, up to twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting, through the CDC website. Members of the public wishing to speak on a matter were also given an opportunity to register in advance, also up to 24 hours before the meeting. No members of the public provided written comments or registered to speak at the meeting.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 12TH MEETING

Motioned by Thomas, seconded by Brooks. Approved 12-0-1. Yeas: Newsome, Brooks, Buford, Chan McKibben, Cox, Gomez, Griggs Rhodes, Thomas, Wheat, Butler, Abstain/Not Present: Cepeda, Curtis, Davis

III. VOTE TO ELECT CHRIS WHEAT AS NEW SECRETARY OF CDC

Motioned by Butler, seconded by Cox. Approved 11-0-4. Yeas: Newsome, Brooks, Buford, Cepeda, Chan McKibben, Cox, Gomez, Griggs, Thomas, Trevino, Butler, Abstain/Not Present: Curtis, Davis Rhodes, Wheat.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

**A. MIDWEST REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREAS (WARD 24)
OGDEN/PULASKI REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREAS (WARD 24)**

Request authority to advertise the Department of Housing’s intention to enter into a City Lots for Working Families program redevelopment agreement with Prodigy LLC, or to a related entity, for the disposition of the property located at 1905 S Albany Ave, 1915 S Albany Ave, and 1919 S Albany Ave in the Midwest Redevelopment Project Area and 1916 S Troy St, 1927 S Troy St, 1914 S Albany Ave, and 1926 S Albany Ave in the Ogden/Pulaski Redevelopment Project Area, to request alternative proposals, and to approve the sale of the property to Prodigy LLC, or to a related entity, if no responsive alternative proposals are received.

Brian O’Donnell

Motioned by Newsome, seconded by Chan McKibben. Approved 13-0-2. Yeas: Newsome, Brooks, Buford, Cepeda, Chan McKibben, Cox, Gomez, Griggs, Thomas, Trevino, Rhodes, Wheat, Butler. Abstain/Not Present: Curtis, Davis.

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**B. NORTH BRANCH SOUTH TIF REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA
(WARDS 2 & 27)**

Request authority for the Department of Planning and Development to negotiate a redevelopment agreement with 1357 Owner, LLC, or to a related entity, for the construction of public infrastructure required as part of the redevelopment of the former Morton Salt factory located at 1357 N. Elston Ave. in the North Branch South Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area, and to recommend to the City Council of the City of Chicago the designation of 1357 Owner, LLC as Developer.

Edward Solis

Motioned by Butler, seconded by Cox. Approved 13-0-2. Yeas: Newsome, Brooks, Buford, Cepeda, Chan McKibben, Cox, Gomez, Griggs, Rhodes, Thomas, Trevino, Wheat, Butler, Abstain/Not Present: Curtis, Davis.

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IV. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn made by Newsome, seconded by Cepeda. Voice vote, all yeas.
Meeting adjourned at 1:56 PM.