COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION 121 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois Regular Meeting, 1:00 PM November 8, 2022

MEETING MINUTES

I. ROLL CALL OF COMMISSIONERS

Chairwomen Hatten Butler called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. and then undertook a call of the roll to establish the presence of a quorum.

Present

Gwendolyn Hatten Butler, Chris Wheat, Secretary Robert Buford Maurice Cox Dwight Curtis Leslie Davis Cornelius Griggs Jacqueline Gomez Latasha Thomas Ivette Trevino

Not Present

Shirley Newsome Grace Chan McKibben

Resigned Prior to Meeting

Adela Cepeda

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 11th MEETING

Motioned by Commissioner Thomas. Seconded by Commissioner Cox. Approved 7-0-5 Yeas: Hatten Butler, Wheat, Buford, Cox, Davis, Gomez, Thomas Abstain/Not Present: Newsome, Chan McKibben, Curtis, Griggs, Trevino

III. OLD BUSINESS – PUBLIC HEARINGS

 A. PROPOSED 43rd/COTTAGE GROVE TIF REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA AMENDMENT NO. 3 (WARDS 3, 4) Recommend approval of the redevelopment plan for the 43rd/Cottage Grove Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area Amendment No. 3. Ryan Slattery 22-CDC-61

Motioned by Wheat, Seconded by Thomas Approved 8-0-3 Yeas: Hatten Butler, Buford, Cox, Curtis, Davis, Gomez, Thomas, Wheat, Abstain or Not Present: Newsome, Chan McKibben, Griggs, Trevino.

B. PROPOSED BRONZVILLE TIF REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA AMENDMENT NO. 6 (WARDS 3, 4) Ryan Slattery 22-CDC-62

Motioned by Thomas, Seconded by Curtis Approved 9-0-3 Yeas: Hatten Butler, Wheat, Buford, Cox, Curtis, Davis, Gomez, Griggs, Thomas, Abstain or Not Present: Chan McKibben, Newsome, Trevino.

C. PROPOSED MADDEN/WELLS TIF REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA AMENDMENT NO. 1 (WARD 4)

Recommend approval of the redevelopment plan for the Madden/Wells Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area Amendment No. 1. **Ryan Slattery**

22-CDC-63

Motioned by Thomas, seconded by Wheat Approved 8-1-2 Yeas: Hatten Butler, Wheat, Buford, Cox, Curtis, Gomez, Griggs, Thomas; No: Davis; Abstain or Not Present: Newsome, Chan McKibben, Trevino.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. KINZIE INDUSTRIAL CORRIDOR TIF REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT AREA (WARD 27)

Request authority for the Department of Planning and Development to negotiate a redevelopment agreement with mHUB for the rehabilitation of the property located at 240 N. Ashland Avenue in the Kinzie Industrial Corridor Tax Increment Financing Redevelopment Project Area, and to recommend to the City Council of the City of Chicago the designation of the mHUB as Developer.

Beth McGuire / Terrence Johnson 22-CDC-64

Motioned by Thomas, seconded by Gomez Approved 9-0-2 Yeas: Hatten Butler, Buford, Cox, Curtis, Davis, Gomez, Wheat, Thomas, Trevino. Abstain or Not Present: Newsome, Chan McKibben, Griggs.

V. ADJOURNMENT

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2	OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
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10	Zoom Video Teleconference
11	Tuesday, November 8, 2022
12	1:00 o'clock p.m.
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14	GWENDOLYN HATTEN BUTLER, Chairperson CHRIS WHEAT, Secretary
15	ROBERT BUFORD MAURICE COX
16	DWIGHT CURTIS LESLIE DAVIS
17	JACQUELINE GOMEZ CORNELIUS GRIGGS
18	LATASHA THOMAS
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23	Reported by: Nick D. Bowen
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Page 2 1 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Good afternoon, and	Page 4 1 work on behalf of the City of Chicago.
2 welcome to the November 8th, 2022 regular meeting	2 I will now begin the meeting with a
3 of the Community Development Commission of Chicago.	3 call of the roll.
4 I am Gwendolyn Hatten Butler, Chair	4 Commissioners, when your name is
5 of the CDC and host of today's virtual meeting.	5 called, please turn your microphone on, respond by
6 I will now call to order the	6 saying present, and please also indicate that you
7 November 8th meeting of the Community Development	7 can hear me.
8 Commission with a call of the roll.	8 Vice Chair Newsome.
9 On October 14th, 2022, Governor	9 (No response.)
10 Pritzker renewed his executive order proclaiming	10 Secretary Wheat.
11 that all counties in the state of Illinois as a	11 COMMISSIONER WHEAT: Present. And I can hear
12 disaster area. Section 7 of the Illinois Open	12 you.
13 Meetings Act allows the CDC, along with other City	13 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Buford.
14 boards and commissions, to host virtual meetings	14 COMMISSIONER BUFORD: Present. And I can
15 during this COVID-19 public health emergency	15 hear you.
16 provided that certain conditions are met.	16 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Chan
17 One of those conditions is that	17 McKibben.
18 the Chair of this Commission determines that an	18 (No response.)
19 in-person meeting on the scheduled meeting date	19 Commissioner Cox.
20 would not be practical or prudent. To ensure that	20 COMMISSIONER COX: Present. I can hear you.
21 today's virtual meeting meets all conditions of	21 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Curtis.
22 the Open Meetings Act, I am hereby making the	22 COMMISSIONER CURTIS: Present. And I can
23 determination pursuant to Section 7(e)(2) of the	23 hear you.
24 act that due to the COVID-19 public health	24 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Davis.
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Page 6 1 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: So moved by Commissioner	Page 8 1 the start of this meeting through the CDC email
2 Thomas.	2 address, which is cdc@cityofchicago.org. There
3 Do I have a second?	3 were no written comments in the CDC mailbox for
4 COMMISSIONER COX: Seconded by Commissioner	4 today's meeting.
5 Cox.	5 And, Bob, I'm looking at you to
6 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you, Commissioner	6 confirm that is correct.
7 Cox.	7 MR. McKENNA: That is correct.
8 In accordance with the Open Meetings	8 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you.
9 Act, all votes are to be conducted by roll call so	9 MR. McKENNA: There were there were no
10 that each member's vote on each issue can be	10 items within 24 hours before the meeting.
11 identified and recorded.	11 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you.
12 Commissioners, if you were not in	12 Commissioners, today's agenda will
13 attendance during the October meeting, please	13 begin with three items of old business which will
14 abstain from this vote.	14 cause us to recess from our regular CDC meeting in
15 Vice Chair Newsome.	15 order to hold the three required public hearings to
16 (No response.)	16 amend in order to amend the three existing TIF
17 Secretary Wheat.	17 plans on the agenda. Specifically Ryan Slattery
18 COMMISSIONER WHEAT: Yes.	18 from the Department of Planning and Development
19 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Buford.	19 will be requesting approval of three proposed
20 COMMISSIONER BUFORD: Yes.	20 redevelopment plans.
21 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Chan	21 The first excuse me. The first
22 McKibben.	22 for the proposed 43rd/Cottage Grove TIF Amendment
23 (No response.)	23 No. 3; the second for the proposed Bronzeville TIF
24 Commissioner Cox.	24 Amendment No. 6; and the third for the proposed
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Page 7 1 COMMISSIONER COX: Yes.	Page 9
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3 COMMISSIONER CURTIS: Abstain.	3 accepting public comments at the appropriate time
4 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Davis.	
	4 during each of the meetings each of the5 hearings.
5 (No response.) 6 Commissioner Gomez.	6 So we will now we recess from the
	7 regular meeting of the Community Development
7 COMMISSIONER GOMEZ: Yes.	
8 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Griggs.	8 Commission in order to hold the first of the public
9 (No response.)	9 hearings.10 This one on the matter of the
10 Commissioner Thomas.	
11 COMMISSIONER THOMAS: Yes.	11 proposed 43rd/Cottage Grove Area TIF Redevelopment
12 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Trevino.	12 Project Area Amendment No. 3, and to recommend or
13 (No response.)	 13 oppose adoption of Amendment No. 3 for the area. 14 Ryan Slattery will present the staff
14 And Chair Butler votes yes.	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
15 The motion passes.	15 report on behalf of the Department of Planning and 16 Development
16 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Commissioner Davis is	16 Development.17 Ryan, you may begin.
17 here. I just wasn't enabled.	
18 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: All right. Thank you so	18 MR. SLATTERY: Thank you so much.
19 much, Commissioner Davis. And did you would you	19 Good afternoon, Chair Butler and CDC
20 care to vote on the approval of the minutes?	20 Commissioners. For the record, my name is Ryan
21 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes. Approve.	21 Slattery. I'm the financial planning analyst for
22 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you.	22 the Department of Planning and Development.
23 The public was given an opportunity	23 I'm here today with Tim Jeffries,
24 to provide written comments up to 24 hours prior to	24 Deputy Commissioner of Financial Incentives

Page 10 1 Division, Elena Caminer and Geoff Dickinson, who 2 are both of S.B. Friedman, the TIF consultants for	Page 12 1 area to qualify as a conservation area. A study 2 was performed. It was determined that the added
3 this for the amendment.	3 area qualified as an improved improved area with
4 The purpose of this meeting is to	4 the following factors:
5 discuss the amendment for the 43rd/Cottage Grove	5 Deterioration, which includes major
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6 Tax Increment Financing District.	6 defects in the secondary buildings' components and
7 The main purpose for why we're here	7 service improvements.
8 today is to increase the budget based off an	8 Presence of structures below minimum
9 additional 12 years of increment that was	9 code standards which do not meet equitable standard
10 previously approved at the October 26th City	10 of zoning subdivision, building, fire, and
11 Council meeting.	11 government codes.
12 Also we are proposing to expand the	12 And inadequate utilities, which
13 boundaries to include vacant lands and two and	13 includes underground and overhead utilities, such
14 two schools, the former Price Elementary and King	14 as storm sewers, storm drainage, sanitary sewer
15 High School.	15 sanitary sewers, water lines, and gas, telephone,
16As part of the extension process, we	16 electrical services which are either insufficient,
17 will also upgrade update the land use plan and	17 deteriorated, obsolete, or in disrepair to the
18 make minor changes to the plan language prior to	18 service area.
19 receiving Council approval.	19 The redevelopment plan includes a
20 The 43rd/Cottage Grove TIF is	20 general land use plan of the future development
21 generally bounded by Pershing Avenue to the north,	21 within the TIF district. The entire area is
22 Drexel Boulevard to the east, 48th District 48th	22 identified as a mix of uses, which generally
23 Street to the south, Vincennes Avenue to the west.	23 includes commercial, residential, institutional,
24 The entire TIF area measures approximately 232	24 open space, and right of way.
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3 public infrastructure, affordable housing	3 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you for that
4 construction, and property assembly items.	4 confirmation.
5 We anticipate that the pending TIF	5 Commissioners, besides having Ryan
6 fund projects in the area will include the	6 Slattery representing the City staff, DPD is also
7 redevelopment of the Lillian Marcie Phase 1,	7 joined by Elena Caminer and Geoff Dickinson, who
•	8 are the TIF consultants for the first of three
8 43rd-47th and Cottage Grove streetscapes, Small	9 for the first three of today's agenda items, and
9 Business Improvement Fund.	10 they are here to help answer your questions.
10 And then potential future projects	
11 include the 4400 South Grove Phase 2, Bronzeville	11 Commissioners, do you have any
12 Trail construction, the King and Price school	12 questions for DPD or the TIF consultants? If you
13 improvements, and the future phases of the Lillian	13 do, please raise your hand.
14 Marcie Theater.	14 (No response.)
15 I want to thank you for your time,	15 Kamal, I don't see any hands raised
16 and we're happy to answer any questions you may	16 by members of the Commission. Is that correct?
17 have.	17 MR. KAMAL: That's correct, Chairwoman.
18 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you, Ryan.	18 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: All right. Thank you.
19 I don't know if Alderman Sophia King	19The Chair will now invite members
20 or Alderman Dowell are present. If they are or a	20 of the public who have used the raise-your-hand
21 member of their staff are available, if you'd like	21 feature to be recognized by the Chair. Each person
22 to make comments now.	22 called upon by the Chair to speak will be limited
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3 If there are no further questions or	3 go to your normals, to the park districts, to CPS,
4 comments from Lynn Johnson-Stevens.	4 to the City, Cook County, they also get distributed
5 MS. JOHNSON-STEVENSON: Well, he answered my	5 throughout as to those taxing bodies. Anything
6 question, so I don't have any other comments.	6 after that after that year after the basis
7 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: All right. Well, thank	7 set, anything incremental to that then is allocated
8 you so much for participating in today's public	8 into the special allocation fund for TIF. That
9 hearing. It's important that we hear from you.	9 is allows us to use those incremental property
10 The next individual who has raised	10 taxes to do any eligible costs; so that might be
11 their hand is D. Sims. And you have the floor.	11 street improvements, it might be a park, it might
12 MS. SIMS: Good afternoon, and thank you so	12 be an economic development deal, affordable
13 much for your time. You might be educating me a	13 housing, anything that the TIF Act allows us to use
14 little bit because I'm not sure where TIF funds	14 those TIF funds for.
15 come from, so please bear with my questions. And	15 So it's a tax diversion. It's not
16 these questions are the same questions that I have	16 a tax increase. This is what, you know, a lot of
17 for all of the other amendments also proposed.	17 people get confused about.
18But for the defined area, are the	18 So hopefully that answers your first
19 moneys coming from property taxes?	19 question.
20 And then my next question is	20 The future I have to re-share my
21 could you please share again the screen of what	21 screen. Sorry. I can reshow the so the future
22 properties and organizations are going to be	22 projects, the main one that is really going on
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5 del it's not dedicated to anything in	5 add Chip Hastings to the panelists' list?
6 particular. It's when people come out and they	6 MR. KAMAL: Yes.
7 say, I need, you know, job training for this	7 MR. McKENNA: Thank you.
8 particular thing, and we can help reimburse if	8 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Okay. Sharon Polk, thank
9 you're within the area. So I would look at	9 you for participating in today's meeting. We're
10 it's TIFWorks, T-I-F, Works, W-o-r-k-s.	10 ready for your questions or comments.
11 I think I answered all the questions.	11 MR. KAMAL: Sharon Polk, you are unmuted.
12 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Okay. For D. Sims, if	12 You can speak. We don't hear you.
13 there are no follow-up questions or comments,	13 (No response.)
14 because you did have a few minutes left, or at	14 Chairwoman, I think might be
15 least one minute left, from your public remarks,	15 something wrong with Sharon's mic. Cannot hear
16 we will	16 her.
17 MS. SIMS: The other question that I have was	17 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Okay. Well, let's give
18 did and I do appreciate you answering my	18 it just another second or two. Perhaps she can
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20 But the last question that I had	20 on our end.
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22 overlooked. I was just wondering if you have an	22 her microphone may not be working.
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2		2 Jeffries, Deputy Commissioner of the Financial
3		3 Incentives Division, along with Elena Caminer and
4		4 Geoff Dickinson, who are both with S.B. Friedman,
5		5 the TIF consultants for this amendment.
6		6 The main purpose for why we're here
7		7 is to increase the Bronzeville TIF District budget
8		8 based off an additional 12 years of increment that
9		9 was previously approved at the October 26th City
10		10 Council meeting.
1		11 Also we are proposing to extend the
12		12 boundaries of the area to include vacant lands and
1:	3 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Curtis.	13 a portion of the future Bronzeville Trail. As part
14	4 COMMISSIONER CURTIS: Yes.	14 of this extension process, we are we'll also
1:	5 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Davis.	15 update the land use plan and make minor changes
16	6 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Yes.	16 to the plan language prior to receiving Council
17	7 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Gomez.	17 approval.
18	8 COMMISSIONER GOMEZ: Yes.	18 The Bronzeville TIF is generally
19	9 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Griggs.	19 bounded by the Stevenson Expressway to the north,
20	0 (No response.)	20 Moe Drive to the east, 40th Street to the south,
2	1 Commissioner Thomas.	21 and the Dan Ryan Expressway to the west. The
22	2 COMMISSIONER THOMAS: Yes.	22 entire TIF area measures approximately 491 acres.
2:	3 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Trevino.	23 The added area, as you can see by
24		24 the hatch, includes the Michael Reese expansion
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1	And Chair Butler votes yes.	1 area, Pilgrim Gospel expansion area, and then the
2	2 MR. KAMAL: Chairwoman, Commissioner Griggs	2 Kenwood expansion area.
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3 runoff from a hundred percent of the added area	3 that will be generated with the additional 12 years
4 contributed to flooding within the watershed for	4 of the TIF. The expected increase will generate
5 both of them.	5 is to be generated and expended is \$260 million.
6 For the improved lands, at least	6 As you can see, it's expected the majority of the
7 three of thirteen factors must be present for the	7 funds in the area will be used for public
8 area to qualify as a conservation area. A study	8 infrastructure, affordable housing construction,
9 was performed. It was determined that the Kenwood	9 and property assembly items.
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11 the following factors:	11 funded projects in the area will include the
12 Deterioration, which includes major	12 redevelopment at 21st District police station,
13 defects in the secondary building components and	13 Renaissance Apartments, and the SBIF program.
14 surface improvements.	14 I want to thank you for your time
15Presence of structures below minimum	15 again today. And we're happy to answer any
16 code standards, which do not meet the applicable	16 questions you may have.
17 standards for of zoning subdivision	17 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you, Ryan.
18 subdivision, building, fire, and government codes.	18 Kamal, can you confirm? I don't see
19And then also inadequate utilities,	19 Alderman Sophia King or Alderman Dowell, Pat
20 which includes underground and overhead utilities	20 Dowell, on the list of participants. Is that
21 such as storm sewers, storm drains, sanitary sewer,	21 correct?
22 water lines, gas, telephone, and electrical	22 MR. KAMAL: That is correct, Chairwoman. I
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3 could you explain why the boundary is being expanded	3 that they would be able to apply TIF-eligible
4 to include these areas?5 MR. SLATTERY: Sure. So the Michael Reese	4 expenses, whatever and often adaptive reuse and
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6 extension area actually was was amended back in7 2014 to include it. However, the legal description	6 So I that is in part what that7 very small addition is all about. I thought that
8 wasn't correct at the time. So we're just	8 would be clear, and I appreciate the clarification
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11 additional increment within throughout the area	11 neighborhood, which would be a walking and biking
12 to further help redevelopment in the greater	12 trail in the middle of Bronzeville.
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14 For the Pilgrim Gospel extension	14 wanted the public to understand that these are
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4 be, I believe, a museum. So we have done religious	4 questions?
5 organizations for different community like if	5 COMMISSIONER CURTIS: No. That was all.
6 there was a community center or something of that	6 Thank you.
7 sort. The churches, you're right, we've never	7 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you.
8 to my knowledge have never used TIF funding to	8 Commissioner Thomas.
9 build or construct a church. But I think when	9 COMMISSIONER THOMAS: Thank you.
10 there is a community use out of it we have used it	10 And actually this is directed to
11 before. And I'm trying to think of one off the top	11 Commissioner Cox. Just to clarify, you mean that
12 of my head right now. And maybe Tim or Chip would	12 the separate entity will be a taxpaying entity that
13 be able to help me with that, but	13 will pay real estate taxes on the property, right?
14 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Is there anyone on	14 COMMISSIONER COX: That is that is the
15 MR. JEFFRIES: This is Tim Jeffries.	15 that is the assumption. I mean, I'm sure
16 I would also add that this is a	16 COMMISSIONER THOMAS: Okay.
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18 historic building. It was originally designed by	18 see Tim Jeffries or others who would know about
19 Louis Sullivan and Dankmar Adler. It was	19 other similar cultural institutions that have been
20 originally a synagogue and then subsequently became	20 set up that are taxpaying. I mean, I don't know if
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2 Tim just addressed the question I	2 MS. JACKSON: Hi. Good afternoon. Thank you,
3 was going to answer as well. It's not unusual	3 everyone, for providing us with this opportunity
4 for us to fund and we're getting to the	4 first and foremost.
5 Commissioner's point, we're getting a little bit	5 I have a question. I constantly
6 ahead of ourselves on construction of the project.	6 see I own businesses in the Bronzeville as well
7 But it's not unusual to support financially,	7 as I'm a resident and land that I'm looking to
8 whether it's TIF, New Market Tax Credits, et cetera,	8 develop. But I always see a gap in terms of
9 et cetera, support not-for-profit entities that are	9 funding and opportunity for the area along the
10 operated by others. Whether it's a private entity	10 State Street corridor. I'm at 39th to 47th. It
11 or a not-for-profit, it would be eligible for both	11 doesn't fit in the Bronzeville, 43rd, or 47th
12 TIF and other resources that we can contribute to	12 Street TIF.
13 get the building up and running and support the	13 Is there something specific to this
14 rehab of a historic structure.	14 area along the east side of the 4 State Street
15 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: All right. Thank you,	15 corridor that is not part of housing that's
16 Chip, for that additional information.	16 privately owned?
17 Are there other members of the CDC	17 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Is there a member of
18 that have questions or comments?	18 the department that would like to address this
19 (No response.)	19 question?
20 Kamal, you can confirm that there	20 COMMISSIONER COX: Ryan, I mean, I think
21 are no additional CDC members that have their hands	21 obviously the speaker is making reference to a map.
22 raised? I see Commissioner Curtis.	22 So I'm not quite sure what the map is. I don't
23 COMMISSIONER CURTIS: Yes. Thank you.	23 know if you can put it back up.
24 So then am I to understand that if	24 MS. JACKSON: It's the Bronze
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2 would come before the Commission at that time?	2 MS. JACKSON: Yeah, it was the Bronzeville
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2 reason why we had to go through the major amendment	
3 to extend it for an additional 12 years.	3 McKibben.
4 MS. JACKSON: Thank you very much for	4 (No response.)
5 clarifying.	5 Commissioner Cox.
6 MR. SLATTERY: You're welcome.	6 COMMISSIONER COX: Yes.
7 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you. Ms. Johnson,	7 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Curtis.
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11 Are there other members of the	11 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Gomez.
12 public who have questions or comments?	12 COMMISSIONER GOMEZ: Yes.
13 (No response.)	13 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Griggs.
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15 raised. Can you confirm?	15 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Thomas.
16 MR. KAMAL: No other hands raised,	16 COMMISSIONER THOMAS: Yes.
17 Chairwoman.	17 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Trevino.
18 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Great. Thank you.	18 (No response.)
19 If there are no further questions or	19And Chair Butler votes yes.
20 comments regarding the proposed Bronzeville TIF	20 The motion passes.
21 amendment, we will now adjourn the public hearing	21 Commissioners, for our third item of
22 and reopen the regular CDC meeting so that we can	22 old business, we are again required to recess from
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5 additional 12 years to allow further redevelopment	5 institutional, open space, and right of way.
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7 expand the boundaries to include vacant lands to	7 goals and objectives. The general goal is to
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10 we'll amend the termination date from 12/31/2026	10 the future development of the CHA Transformation
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12 use plan, and make minor changes to the plan	12 and creating new job opportunities within the
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 5 MR. McKENNA: Sorry. That yes. I can 6 confirm that, that no there were no items that 7 were submitted or questions submitted 24 hours 8 before the meeting. 9 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Great. Thank you. 10 Commissioners, do you have any 11 questions for the department or the TIF consultant? 12 If you do have questions, please use the raise- 	 5 there's not development and then using money for 6 that area, but then the other area is not done? 7 How do you ever get it where it's all fully 8 developed if that's the way in which to go about 9 it? 10 MR. SLATTERY: That's a great question. You 11 know, I think those additional 12 years, hopefully 12 that will help with the in-fill. I mean, part
 13 your-hand function. 14 So Commissioner Davis. 15 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: Thank you. This is just 16 a question in terms of just information. I'm very 17 familiar with the area. 18 The addition of this new TIF area, I 19 guess I'm wondering about in the sense of there's a 20 lot of unused land that's still in the existing TIF 	 13 of part of the problem that we had and I 14 don't think this is going to answer your question. 15 I apologize. But part of the problem that we had 16 was they were to the west of Vincennes Avenue, 17 they were already starting development within the 18 area. And so we were unable to use TIF as a 19 resource within that. 20 I don't have an answer of how we get
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2 I think it has taken a bit of a	2 to do that.
3 scattershot development pattern, and I think the	3 But I am I think I'm as much a
4 most recent projects you know, it started a	4 critic of what has of this way of developing as
5 while ago and it's moving forward now and I	5 you are. It does leave those communities feeling
6 mean, we worked with both CHA and the Department	6 incomplete. You buy a spanking new house and you
7 of Housing to get these individual components and	7 are next to a vacant lot because they haven't built
8 individual phases on.	8 the second or third phase.
9 I think I can say I mean, I don't	9 But be that as it may, I do think
10 want to I can let the Commissioner speak for	10 that our commitment is to let them finish the job,
11 himself. You know, this this administration	11 and the TIF tool is the tool that will enable that
12 and my commissioner certainly have a different	12 to happen. If that if that helps a little bit
13 prioritization on design and development, and I	13 contextualize it.
14 think that we'll see these things move forward in a	14 COMMISSIONER DAVIS: One last question. I
15 more cohesive fashion right now with the future	15 don't want to monopolize the conversation.
16 phases.	16 So in adding the additional TIF
17 You know, that said, it's like these	17 area, is that to add additional options for CHA, or
18 are these are, you know, affordable housing CHA	18 is it to add additional options for market rate and
19 replacement, and, you know, the City funds will be	19 affordable, or is it to add additional options for
20 needed throughout for them.	20 additional businesses?
21 And so I it's yeah, that's	21 Because if you look at the last two
22 just an unfortunate reality of, you know, the CHA	22 things we've discussed, even that 43rd Street
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18 from members of the public. Thank you so much.	18 Chicago Avenue, getting the TIF money from us, and
19 And so I think let me see. Did I	19 other folks to be able to enhance the area and
20 see Walter Burnett?	20 space where folks can invent and create businesses
21 MR. KAMAL: Yes. One was Alderman Burnett.	21 that they would all move back to my ward. Right
22 I just promoted him.	22 after they grow that they move into the 27th Ward.
23 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Okay. So we will let	23 That's my goal. But but if they move anywhere
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2 to seek funds to improve their housing stock or3 their environments or their infrastructures. I	3 Wells TIF Redevelopment Project Area Amendment
4 didn't see any notation of any funds being	4 No. 1, and the adoption of Amendment No. 1 for the
5 allocated to residential.	5 area.
6 Is are there any funds being	6 Do I have a motion?
7 allocated to residents, existing residents?	7 COMMISSIONER THOMAS: So move. Thomas.
8 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you for your	8 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you, Commissioner
9 question.	9 Thomas.
10 Can I ask a member of the Department	10 Do I have a second?
11 of Planning and Development to respond?	11 COMMISSIONER WHEAT: Second. Wheat.
12 MR. SLATTERY: Sure. Ryan Slattery with	12 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you, Secretary
13 Department of Planning and Development.	13 Wheat.
14 We previously had the TIF	14 I will now call the roll. In
15 Neighborhood Improvement Program funds. It is	15 accordance with the Open Meetings Act, all votes
16 currently not not active as of right now. And	16 are to be conducted by roll call so that each
17 so I don't believe it was ever was actually	17 member's vote on each issue can be identified and
18 within Madden/Wells primarily because of the CHA	18 recorded. Please signify your vote on approval of
19 Transformation projects that have taken the	19 the motion by saying yes, no, or abstain.
20 majority of the TIF funds throughout the area.	20 Vice Chair Newsome.
21 But I would highly recommend	21 (No response.)
22 reaching out to your alderman and let him know that	22 Secretary Wheat.
23 you're interested in the TIF NIP program throughout	23 COMMISSIONER WHEAT: Yes.
24 the area. They they can work with the	24 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Buford.
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4 early 2023; the completion expected by end of year	4 dissolves?
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6 This is a rendering of the building	6 been around for a while with a significant you
7 exterior once refurbished. An example of space in	7 know, with significant institutional investors. I
8 the in the interior.	8 appreciate that. I don't think it's going to I
9 If approved, the City will provide	9 don't think this is like a fly-by-night thing.
10 mHUB with a lump sum reimbursement after completion	10 MR. JOHNSON: Correct.
11 of the work, a certification that they have	11 COMMISSIONER WHEAT: But I am trying to
12 complied with the City's construction requirements,	12 understand kind of the protections that the City is
13 including MBE and WBE participation.	13 establishing here around a pretty valuable piece of
14 The City's investment will be	14 property in an area that seems to be improving
15 protected by provisions of the RDA that require	15 quickly.
16 mHUB to occupy the location of the for a term of	16 MR. JOHNSON: Correct. This is Terrence
17 no less than 20 years. Should mHUB cease	17 Johnson, Department of Planning and Development.
18 operations or sell the building during the term,	18 Your last comment, I think, hits it
19 they are obligated to reimburse the City for any	19 on the head in terms of if for any reason that they
20 TIF funds previously expended.	20 cease to operate or move out of the building, the
21 Overall DPD is in support of the use	21 value that's still left in the building, we've got
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2 jobs in the manufacturing economy. And so those 2 question.
3 corporate partners largely are investing in 3 So you currently have a facility on
4 programs that support or more recently 4 Chicago Avenue. And so then what becomes
5 subsidizing the costs for underrepresented 5 incremental with the move? So I guess let's maybe
6 founders, you know, with a goal, again, to kind 6 start there. Right? Like what is what
7 of have an economic impact. 7 essentially is new? I know it's obviously a much
8 I'll defer to Haven to speak a 8 larger space. But kind of what else happens
9 little bit about the investment fund that is 9 because you're moving over to Ashland?
10 wholly owned by the nonprofit. 10 MR. ALLEN: I think, you know, primary
11 MR. ALLEN: Thanks, Manas. Yeah. I mean 11 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: I'm sorry. This is a
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19 investments in early stage startup companies and19You know, we have been in our
20 also used to attract teams to the region. So, you 20 location for approximately seven years. And we
21 know, over two-thirds of the investments we've made 21 were a subleasee of Motorola. So when Motorola was
22 have come from out of state. Over 50 percent of 22 purchased by Lenovo, Lenovo decided to shut down
23 our portfolio has founders of color on the teams. 23 this location and move those jobs outside of
24 And overall when you look at underrepresented, the 24 Chicago and generally outside the U.S.

Page 82 1 We came in, signed a sublease, and	Page 84 1 MR. JOHNSON: So this is Terrence Johnson
2 very likely could stay here, but our current	2 with DPD as well.
3 landlord has drastically increased the rents and	3 And I'll attempt to answer that
4 will provide us with a very short-term lease with	4 question and then, again, turn it over to Manas or
5 nonmarket terms.	5 Haven.
6 So we essentially need to find a	6 But in the staff report that you
7 home. So like the first thing that happens is mHUB	7 got, it was you're absolutely right. The
8 exists after the later part of this year because	8 sustainability requirements are a baseline, and we
9 otherwise we would have no home. Right?	9 are speaking to that as it relates to the actual
10 What we're able to also invest in is	10 building. But I think in terms of Manas and
11 further expanding out the lab spaces to support	11 Haven can answer more. But a good chunk well, a
12 more climate energy-related startups, to support	12 portion of the budget is going to make the building
13 further in the scaleup. So not only when teams are	13 either meet or exceed that the sustainability
14 coming from ideation, but scaling up in that sort	14 requirements that are required in the RDA.
15 of precarious moment where they're starting to	15 Manas or Haven, do you want to
16 deliver product, helping support those teams, and	16 provide any additional detail on that?
17 then provide a similar space for these teams to	17 MR. ALLEN: Manas, maybe you can touch upon
18 grow as they're at their earliest stages.	18 the building. I can talk about our startup and
19 So there will be an extension of	19 broader economic development.
20 resources. There is an extension of programs. But	20 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: And can I just remind
21 existentially mHUB will be continue to be an	21 each of you before you speak to for the record
22 economic development engine for the Chicago region.	22 introduce yourself?
23 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Secretary Wheat, any	23 MR. MEHANDRU: This is Manas Mehandru, COO of
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4 climate and energy technologies. And we do that5 either through the commercialization of new	
6 technologies or the development of new intellectual	5 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Great. Thank you,
7 property in partnership with industry, again,	6 Commissioner Thomas. Any additional questions or
	7 comments?
8 to advance things around long energy storage,	8 COMMISSIONER COX: This is Commissioner Cox.
9 sustainable building technologies, doing predictive	9 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Yeah. No. Mr. Cox, I'm
10 maintenance, and so forth. And, you know, some	10 going to give I see you have your hand raised.
11 case studies that I can point to right now, we	11 I just want to make sure, since Commissioner Thomas
12 we're supporting a startup that spun out of Argonne	12 was patiently waiting, that we address all of her
13 National Labs that uses a water and a saline	13 questions.
14 solution passed through a vacuum tube to create	14 COMMISSIONER THOMAS: I and that is the
15 refrigeration. This is similar technology that	15 reason why I wanted Secretary Wheat to go ahead and
16 would be leveraged on the Space Station, but	16 make his questions because they were related to my
17 we're working to develop it so that it can be	17 questions.
18 incorporated into refrigerators anywhere, whether	18 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Okay. Great.
19 at your store or at your home, to reduce the demand	19 COMMISSIONER THOMAS: Thank you, Madam
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 21 refrigeration technology. 22 COMMISSIONER WHEAT: Thank you, Madam Chair. 	21 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: All right. Thank you.
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23 No other questions at this time.24 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Great. Thank you,	23 you for so patiently waiting yourself.24 COMMISSIONER COX: Not a problem.
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2 the 21st Century in light manufacturing for, quite	2 that they get space, and to directly scissored are
3 frankly, Chicago to keep it on the map. And, you	3 not what our intention are. It's more
4 know, the fact is it's in a very you know, very	4 participation within the community and within the
	5 programs within the space. So it would be wholly
5 prestigious location. It's on the edge of the6 Innovation District and Fulton Market, which means	6 owned and occupied by mHUB.
7 that it has the building comes at a pretty high	7 COMMISSIONER WHEAT: Correct. Maybe to ask
8 cost. But it also is a very prestigious building	8 the question a different way, are there plans to
9 and will have to be renovated to the highest level.	9 lease any space to entities that are not core or
10 So this is a bricks and mortar	10 central to mHUB's mission?
11 investment that we're making in the future of light	11 MR. MEHANDRU: No.
12 manufacturing in Chicago. So it's a pretty big	12 COMMISSIONER WHEAT: Thank you.
13 deal. And I'm thrilled that this group has been	13 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Any additional questions
14 able to shepherd this. They've been working on	14 or comments from members of Commission?
15 this for quite a long time, and it took us quite a	15 Commissioner Buford.
16 long time to get comfortable that they are poised	16 COMMISSIONER BUFORD: Just digging into this,
17 for success. And so I feel really confident in	17 the further I get, is there an appraisal on the
18 that.	18 building?
19 I also think I understand, much like	19 MR. JOHNSON: This is Terrence Johnson with
20 startups, some startups, you know, don't reach	20 Department of Planning and Development.
21 their goals, and if in the end of this it doesn't	21 Yes, there was an appraisal done
22 work, we have the capacity, we will the City	22 with a value of 29.5 million.
23 will have access to this asset if I understand	23 COMMISSIONER BUFORD: 25-1/2, you said?
24 correctly. So but that's not going to happen	24 MR. JOHNSON: Yeah.
Page 91 1 because they're going to be an amazing success.	Page 93 1 MS. McGUIRE: That was 29.5, Commissioner.
2 But we do have that assurance that, you know, that	2 MR. JOHNSON: I'm sorry. Yeah, 2
3 the investment we're making, it could be in	3 MS. McGUIRE: Beth McGuire for the record.
4 addition to the hundreds of jobs that companies	4 29.5.
5 that will be started and developed with this, we	5 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: 29.5 million for the
6 will get a return on the investment if this	6 record?
7 experiment proves not to meet meet their goals.	7 MS. McGUIRE: Yes, Commissioner.
8 And I want to make sure, Clarence,	8 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you.
9 that that is clear. I don't want to necessarily	9 Commissioner Buford, additional
10 dwell on that because I'm hoping for their success.	10 questions or comments?
11 But I do want to make clear that this sizable	11 COMMISSIONER BUFORD: Yeah. I'm
12 investment, you know, has a return for the City if	12 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: I see you furiously
13 it doesn't all work out.	13 looking at your notes. But you take your time.
14 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you, Commissioner	14 We're good.
15 Cox.	15 COMMISSIONER BUFORD: And at the end so in
16 Secretary Wheat.	16 terms of the entity that's acquiring it, is there a
17 COMMISSIONER WHEAT: One last question. I	17 balance sheet on the on that entity? Is there
18 promise I'll stop.	18 you know, mHUB.
19 Are there any plans on leasing any	19 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Was a balance sheet
20 parts of the building to non-mHUB entities?	20 included
21 MR. JOHNSON: Go ahead, Manas.	21 COMMISSIONER BUFORD: You're buying it for
22 MR. MEHANDRU: This is Manas Mehandru, COO of	22 more than its value, right? Slightly more. You're
23 mHUB.	23 remodeling it, furnishing it. And how does that
24 Typically the way our structure	24 contribute to the overall capitalization of mHUB?

Page 94 1 MR. JOHNSON: So this is this is Terrence	Page 96
2 Johnson again with the Department of Planning and	2 And then as we mentioned before,
3 Development.	3 the indirect benefit in terms of the jobs and the
4 The so it will they are	4 collaboration that is expected to come out of mHUB
5 purchasing at market. And I and, again, Manas	5 in terms of the, you know, young, small to mid-size
6 can go further on this. My understanding is that	6 entrepreneurs, those are the types of things that,
7 there were some other folks interested as well.	7 as we look at the use of TIF, for us it puts it
8 But finding a building of this size with the floor	8 right in a sweet spot.
9 space to do what it is that mHUB does was very	9 COMMISSIONER BUFORD: It seems like you
10 difficult. So in order to make sure that they	10 say there was several other buyers or would-be
11 secured the building, they paid a little bit more	11 buyers at above the as the appraised value.
12 for it in terms of the appraisal.	12 Sounds like the building was about to be put into
13 But, Manas, I don't know if there's	13 active use again. No? Was it necessary to fund
14 more to add to that.	14 this operation, the City itself were to fund this
15 MR. MEHANDRU: Yes. This is Manas Mehandru,	15 operation, to put that building back into use?
16 COO of mHUB.	16 COMMISSIONER COX: If I might.
17 Yes, that is correct. There was	17 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Cox.
18 someone interested in the building and something	18 COMMISSIONER COX: Yeah. This is
19 that did fall through largely for a variety of	19 Commissioner Cox.
20 reasons. But that did price it up to that level.	20 I might add it, and it most likely
21 I think when we looked at comparable properties,	21 would have been high-end condominiums. And there
22 there are very few options that are within, I'd	22 is a so what is unique about this is that one
23 say, 65 and a hundred thousand square feet that	23 of the key priorities for the city's economy is
24 didn't require two to three to four times the	24 advanced manufacturing. And so this fits squarely
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3 through their financial model and their mission, I	3 of the City of Chicago the designation of mHUB as
4 think we came to believe that this is a project	4 developer.
5 that the City should be in full support. And I	5 Do I have a motion?
6 think as you heard from the Alderman Burnett, he is	6 COMMISSIONER THOMAS: So move. Thomas.
7 in full support largely because of the demographics	7 COMMISSIONER GOMEZ: Gomez seconds.
8 that they reach and the importance of what they	8 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you, Commissioner
9 produce for the Chicago manufacturing economy,	9 Thomas, for moving, and, Commissioner Gomez, for
10 so	10 your second. Thank you so much.
11 But, yes, I thought too this would	11 In accordance with the Open Meetings
12 have some really swanky, high-end condominiums, and	12 Act, all votes are to be conducted by roll call so
13 I think we'd all be quite disturbed by that trend.	13 that each member's vote on each issue can be
14 But that is by and large what's being produced in	14 identified and recorded. Please signify your vote
15 that area.	15 on approval of the motion by saying yes, no, or
16 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Commissioner Buford,	16 abstain.
17 additional comments or committees?	17 Vice Chair Newsome.
18 COMMISSIONER BUFORD: No. That's it. Thank	18 (No response.)
19 you.	19 Secretary Wheat.
20 CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you.	20 COMMISSIONER WHEAT: Yes.
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2 members of the public who remain as participants in	2 Commissioner Cox.
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6	couple of things.	
7	CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Okay.	
8	MR. McKENNA: So we should probably do it	
	after adjournment, though.	
10	CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Oh, okay.	
11	MR. McKENNA: I didn't want everybody to jump	
	off.	
13	CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: All right. So let's	
	adjourn the meeting. Thank you for can I have	
	a motion to adjourn from the Commission?	
16 17	COMMISSIONER CURTIS: So move. Curtis. CHAIRWOMAN BUTLER: Thank you. So we are now	
17 18	officially adjourned.	
19	(The proceedings adjourned at	
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