



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT ADVISORY SUBCOMMITTEE MEETING
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2023
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
COMMITTEE ROOM A – 4TH FLOOR
2:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairwoman Stephens called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Ms. Stephens asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Georgakopoulos to call the roll. Subcommittee members Stephens, Anderson, Benjamin, Martin O’Toole, Seren and Zone were in attendance. A quorum was established. Subcommittee members Jones, Blackwell, Nowak and Welo were absent from the meeting. Ms. Blue Donald arrived after the roll call was taken. Mr. Frank Ford of Frank Ford Consulting, LLC was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 27, 2023 MEETING

A motion was made by Mr. Seren, seconded by Mr. Benjamin, and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the September 27, 2023 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) **Enhanced Scope of Work/Objectives of the Subcommittee to include:**

- Increase and Sustain Home Ownership
- Home Repair Loans and Home Repair Assistance
- Working Capital for Non-Profits and Small Businesses

b) Decision to Pursue Specific Objectives

Mr. Ford addressed the subcommittee and reviewed the list of the enhanced scope of work/objectives. Discussion ensued. Subcommittee members asked questions of Mr. Ford pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Benjamin with a second by Mr. Zone, the item was considered and approved by unanimous vote.

6. DISCUSSION

- a) Review of Preliminary 2022 Lending Data – Frank Ford
- b) Update on Banking services Request for Proposals (RFP) Process – Treasurer’s Office

Mr. Ford and Ms. Lisa Rocco, Director of Operations for the Fiscal Office, addressed the subcommittee regarding the presentation on Preliminary Bank Lending Research Findings. Discussion ensued. Subcommittee members asked questions of Mr. Ford and Ms. Rocco pertaining to the findings, which they answered accordingly.

Ms. Rocco addressed the subcommittee and provided an update on the banking services Request for Proposals process. Discussion ensued. Subcommittee members asked questions of Ms. Rocco pertaining to the Request for Proposals, which she answered accordingly.

7. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mr. Zone recommended more community engagement through a listening tour to recognize the work of the subcommittee. Ms. Stephens asked Mr. Zone to forward related information to the clerk.

Ms. Stephens announced that the next meeting of the subcommittee is scheduled for November 15, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.

8. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairwoman Stephens adjourned the meeting at 3:01 p.m., without objection.