



MINUTES

**CUYAHOGA COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING
COMMITTEE MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2024
CUYAHOGA COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE HEADQUARTERS
C. ELLEN CONNALLY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – 4TH FLOOR
3:00 PM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Schron called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Mr. Schron asked Assistant Deputy Clerk Georgakopoulos to call the roll. Committee members Schron, Kelly, Simon and Byrne were in attendance and a quorum was determined. Committee member Stephens was absent. Councilmember Miller was also in attendance.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments given.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM THE OCTOBER 28, 2024 MEETING

A motion was made by Ms. Simon, seconded by Mr. Kelly and approved by unanimous vote to approve the minutes from the October 28, 2024 meeting.

5. MATTERS REFERRED TO COMMITTEE

- a) R2024-0397: A Resolution awarding a total sum, not to exceed \$150,000, to MidTown Cleveland, Inc. for the purpose of the Warner and Swasey building redevelopment project from the District 8 ARPA Community Grant Fund; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Ed Peppers, Vice President of Economic Development for MidTown Cleveland, Inc., addressed the Committee and Councilmember regarding Resolution No. R2024-0397. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmember asked questions of Mr. Peppers pertaining to the item, which he answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Schron with a second by Mr. Kelly, Resolution No. R2024-0397 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

- b) R2024-0413: A Resolution authorizing an amendment to Resolution No. R2021-0223, dated 10/26/2021, which approved an Economic Development Fund Redevelopment and Modernization Loan in the amount not-to-exceed \$1,000,000.00 to LG Blanket Mill, LLC for the redevelopment of a vacant building, located at 3160 West 33rd Street, City of Cleveland, for a mixed-use structure for the Northern Ohio Blanket Mills Project, by changing the interest only period from two (2) years to one (1) year and amending the loan agreement; and declaring the necessity that this Resolution become immediately effective.

Mr. Paul Herdeg, Director and Mr. Anthony Stella, Economic Development Administrator for the Department of Development; and Mr. Morton Levin, President and Mr. Kevin Hudson, Director of Development for the Levin Group, Inc., addressed the Committee and Councilmember regarding Resolution No. R2024-0413. Discussion ensued.

Committee members and Councilmember asked questions of Mr. Herdeg, Mr. Stella, Mr. Levin and Mr. Hudson pertaining to the item, which they answered accordingly.

On a motion by Mr. Byrne with a second by Ms. Simon, Resolution No. R2024-0413 was considered and approved by unanimous vote to be referred to the full Council agenda for second reading.

6. MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

There was no miscellaneous business.

7. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, Chairman Schron adjourned the meeting at 3:45 p.m., without objection.