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BURA BOARD MEETING

February 23, 2023



**CITY OF BUFFALO URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY
BOARD MEETING**

February 23, 2023, 9:30 a.m.



MAYOR BYRON W. BROWN

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

2.0 READING OF THE MINUTES OF October 27, 2022 *(Action)*

3.0 MONTHLY REPORTS

3.1 Financial Control of Agencies Update *(Information) (Tracy Cooley)*

4.0 NEW BUSINESS

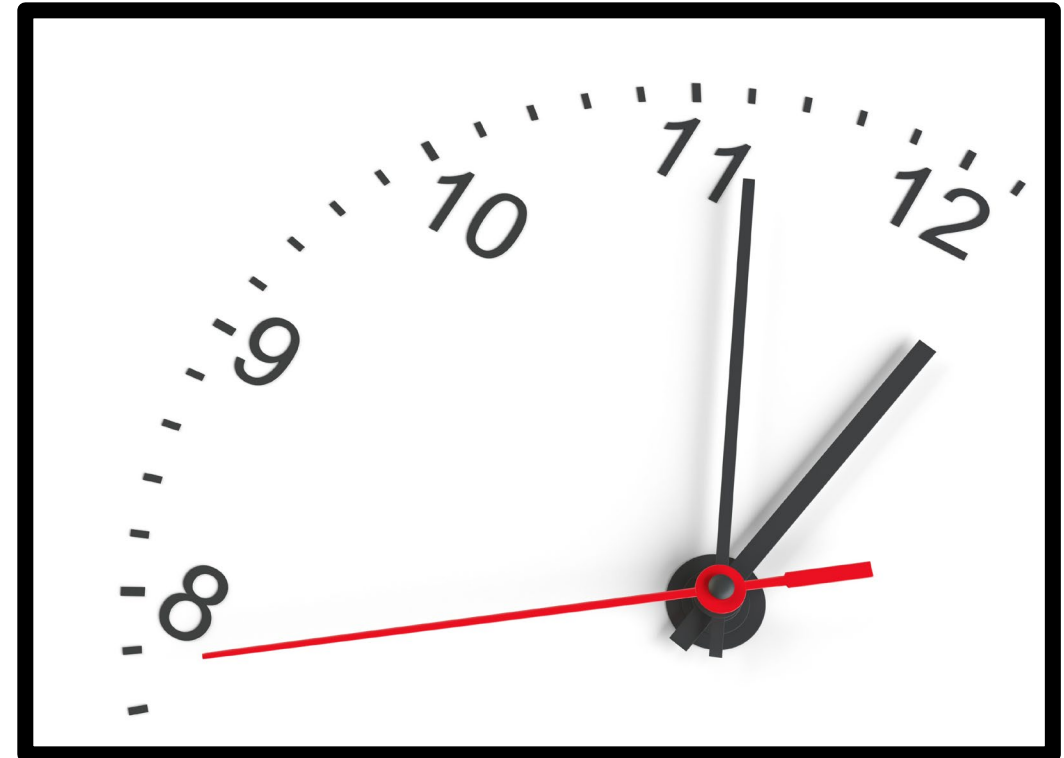
4.1 Community Partnerships Initiative (CPI) *(Action) (Joanne Kearns)*
Budget Modification & Time Extension #1

4.2 First Time Homebuyer Assistance Program *(Action) (Joanne Kearns)*
Budget Modification & Time Extension - #1

5.0 EXECUTIVE SESSION

6.0 ADJOURNMENT *(Action)*

Approval of the Minutes



Update from
Tracy Cooley

Financial Control of Agencies



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Community Partnerships Initiative (CPI)
Budget Modification & Time Extension #1



Presented by Joanne Kearns

PROPOSED BOARD ACTION:

BURA issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) on July 6, 2022, for experienced housing groups to participate in the Community Partnerships Initiative (CPI) for the City of Buffalo. BURA received four responses and the evaluation committee made the recommendation to management for all four organizations to advance to the negotiation round of the RFP progress. The four agencies were Heart of City Neighborhoods, Inc., Polish Community Center (Lt. Col. Matt Urban Center), Old First Ward Community Association, Inc. and University District Community Development Association, Inc. Due to limited program delivery funds, a six-month contract was requested and approved by the BURA Board on September 22, 2022. The CPI contracts, in the amount of \$218,300, commenced on November 1, 2022, and will continue through February 28, 2023.

Before BURA today is a request for the approval of a contract budget modification and time extension for the four Community Based Organizations (CBO).

Contract Budget Modification: The revised CBO contract budgets were determined by reviewing current program activities and existing contract balances. The **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)** funding amount, previously set at \$218,300, will be amended to \$497,000 with the increase of funds in the amount of **\$278,700**. There is no increase in the amount of **Community Development Block Grant CARES (CDBG-CV)** funding amount currently set at \$56,000.

Contract Time Extension: The original contract dates of November 1, 2022, through February 28, 2023, have been revised to include a one-year contract time extension. The revised contract dates will be **November 1, 2022, through February 29, 2024**.

There are no changes/updates for the contract Scope of Services, assignment of planning areas, and the HUD CDBG & HOME household income limits. This contract modification will allow the above agencies to continue to participate in the Community Partnerships Initiative and assist with the administration of the various program offerings.

NEW BUSINESS

**First Time Homebuyer Assistance Program
Budget Modification & Time Extension #1**



Presented by Joanne Kearns



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ITEM:

BURA issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) on July 6, 2022, for experienced housing groups to assist in the administration of the First Time Homebuyer Assistance Program for the City of Buffalo. BURA received three responses and the evaluation committee made the recommendation to management for all three organizations to advance to the negotiation round of the RFP progress. The three agencies were Belmont Housing Resources for WNY, Inc., Heart of the City Neighborhoods, Inc., and University District Community Development Association, Inc. Due to limited program delivery funds, a six month contract was requested and approved by the BURA Board on September 22, 2022. The HB contracts, in the amount of \$9,300, commenced on November 1, 2022, and will continue through February 28, 2023.

Before BURA today is a request for the approval of a contract budget modification and time extension for the three Community Based Organizations (CBO).

Contract Budget Modification: The revised CBO contract budgets were determined by reviewing current program activity and existing contract balances. The **Community Development Block Grant (CDBG)** funding amount, previously set at **\$9,300** will be amended to **\$19,500** with the increase of funds in the amount of **\$10,200**.

Contract Time Extension: The original contract dates of November 1, 2022, through February 28, 2023, have been revised to include a one-year contract time extension. The revised contract dates will be **November 1, 2022, through February 29, 2024**.

There are no changes/updates for the contract Scope of Services and the HUD CDBG & HOME household income limits. This contract modification will allow the above agencies to continue to provide financial assistance to first time homebuyers to purchase a home and help create wealth building opportunities for income eligible applicants, especially historically underserved minority borrowers.



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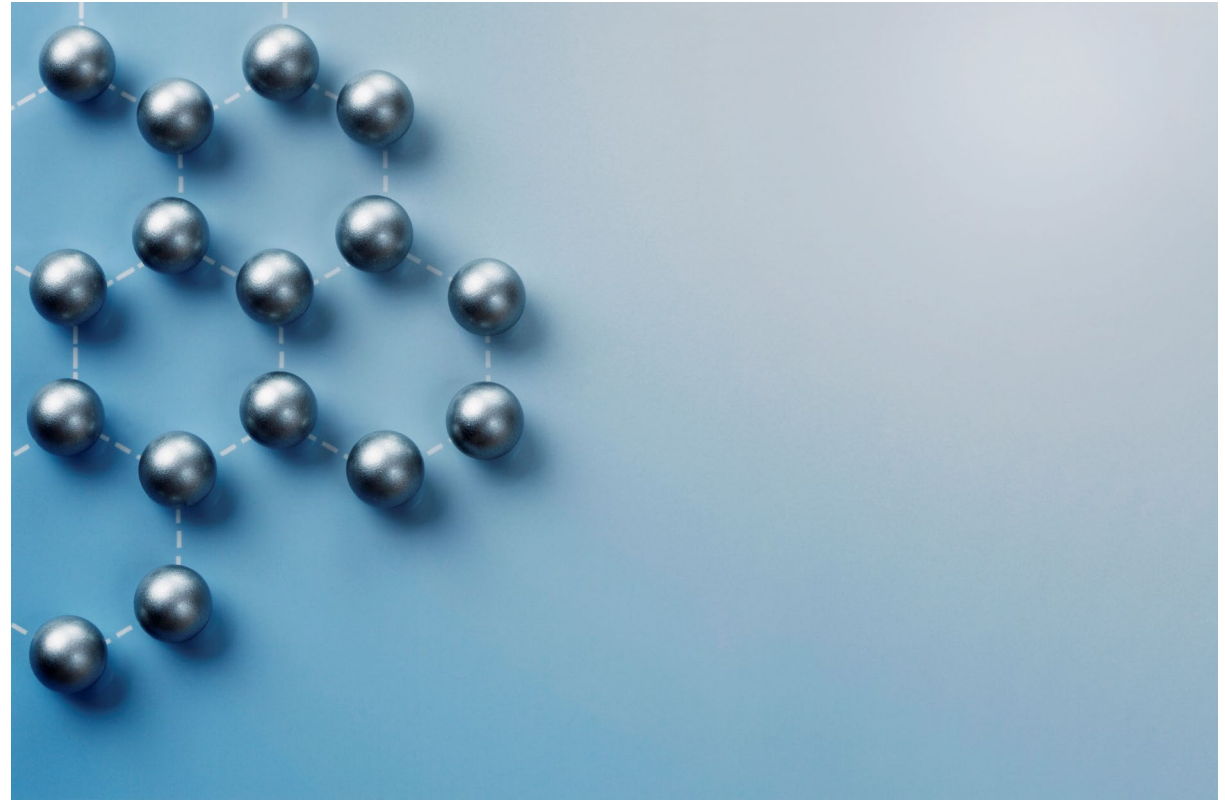
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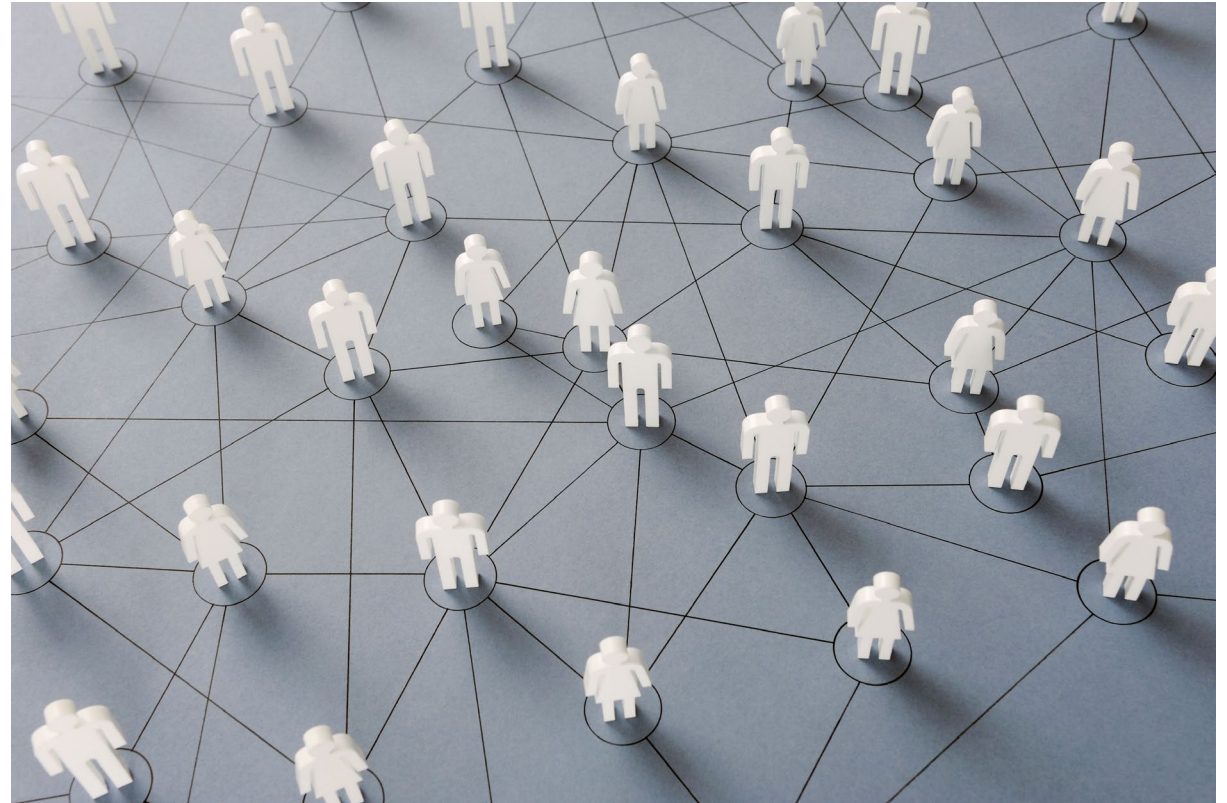


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EXECUTIVE SESSION



ADJOURNMENT (ACTION)





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Next Meeting

March 23rd

Thank you!