

CITY OF BUFFALO URBAN RENEWAL AGENCY

Board Of Directors Meeting

Thursday, November 20, 2025

9:30 a.m., Room 901 City Hall

And was available via Microsoft Teams

at

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Vice Chairman Nadine Marrero      Acting Corporation Counsel Robert Quinn  
Council President Bryan Bollman      Council Member Joseph Golombek  
Commissioner Raymour Nosworthy      Ms. Rashida Dowell

**ABSENT:** Mayor Christopher P. Scanlon  
Council Woman Zeneta Everhart

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Hope Young-Watkins, BURA Senior Director, Scott C. Billman, Senior Director, Yvonne McCray, BURA Director of Housing, Tracy Cooley, BURA Director of Finance, Tashene Eubanks, Brandon Baxter, Gabrielle Gannon, Jessica Jowrey, Gerffred Ngayot, Javier Mejia, David Judson, Lindsay Frazier, Raiah Brown, Gina Notaro, Jessica Starks, Henry Bell, France Charles, Andrew Dearing, Demetrius Richards

**1.0** Vice Chairman, Nadine Marrero, called the meeting to order at 9:34 am.

**2.0** Council President Bollman made the motion to waive the reading of the minutes of the October 23, 2025 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Raymour Nosworthy and carried unanimously.

**MONTHLY REPORT/ INFORMATIONAL UPDATES:**

**3.1 Financial Control of Agencies Update**  
Tracy Cooley, Director of Financial Control of Agencies, provided the Board with an update.

**ACTION ITEMS:**

**4.1 CDBG Small Business Assistance Program; Agreement with Pursuit Lending**  
Agency Members approved a request to enter into an agreement with Pursuit Lending in the amount of \$60,000, which will be funded through administrative allocation. Pursuit will be responsible for program delivery and implementation. BURA will also utilize the remaining program delivery allocations to lead the business selection process as well as oversee and monitor Pursuit's performance throughout the duration of the program. In addition, BURA will continue to conduct all program monitoring and will be responsible for administering funds to participating applicants.

**Motion made by Commissioner Raymour Nosworthy to approve Item 4.1, seconded by Acting Corporation Counsel Robert Quinn and carried unanimously.**

**4.2 Contract Approvals for Public Service Activities, ESG & HOPWA**  
Agency Members approved a request for Entitlement agreements under the CDBG, ESG & HOPWA grants. The BURA Board also authorized BURA Board to execute all agreements and related documents to carry out the projects identified in this item, consistent with the rules and regulations governing the CDBG Public Services, ESG, and HOPWA programs and granted authorization for the Chairman, or his/her designee to execute any necessary amendments and related documentation required, or useful in facilitating BURA's receipt and utilization of the subject funding.

**Motion made by Commissioner Raymour Nosworthy to approve Item 4.2, seconded by Acting Corporation Counsel Robert Quinn and carried unanimously.**

**5.0 ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to discuss, Ms. Rashida Dowell made the motion to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Raymour Nosworthy and carried unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 9:49 am.