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**Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation
Minutes for the Board of Directors
Special Meeting of September 12, 2025**

LOCATION: Caxton Building
812 Huron Road E., Conference Room 830
Cleveland, OH 44115

DATE/TIME: September 12, 2025 at 11:00 a.m.

PURPOSE: Special Meeting to consider the following business:

1. Call to Order by the Chair. The special meeting of the Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation Board of Trustees was held on September 12, 2025 at 812 Huron Road, E., Conference Room 830, Cleveland, Ohio and called to order at 11:02 a.m. A quorum of the Board was present:

Board Chair Brad Cromes, Treasurer of Cuyahoga County
Vice Chair Anthony Brancatelli, Former Council Member, City of Cleveland
Michael King, representative of Cuyahoga County Council President Dale Miller
Sally Martin O'Toole, Director of Building and Housing, City of Cleveland
Katie Gallagher, representative for County Executive Chris Ronayne
Michael Booker, Mayor, Village of Highland Hills

After calling the meeting to Order, Board Chair Cromes reminded the Board and the audience that discussion during the special meeting was limited to the items identified on the agenda. Thereafter, the Board discussed the following:

2. Resolution 2025-3. Board Chair Cromes invited Chief Strategy Officer Dennis Roberts to provide an update on the Circle East Homebuyer Financing Initiative Program and to explain the need for the Board to pass a resolution authorizing the President to open a bank account with First National Bank. Mr. Roberts provided an explanation of the Program and the Corporation's efforts to implement the Program to date. Mr. Roberts shared photographs of the homes currently under construction and explained it was necessary to transfer \$400,000.00 into an account with First National Bank for immediate use consistent with the parameters of the Program. Mr. Brancatelli asked Mr. Roberts to clarify certain aspects of the Program and inquired about responsibility for greenspace maintenance. Mr. Roberts answered Mr. Brancatelli's questions.

Ms. Akeesha Abdullah asked Board Chair Cromes if the Board would entertain questions from the audience. Board Chair Cromes invited Ms. Abdullah to ask any questions she wished to ask. Ms. Abdullah asked how residents can hold the Corporation responsible for responsibly implementing the Program. Mr. Roberts advised Ms. Abdullah that he and his team were available to answer any questions she had, and encouraged her to reach out to

any members of his team, or Mr. Roberts, with specific questions and he would ensure they would be responded to in an appropriate and timely manner.

Mr. Brancatelli moved for adoption of the resolution. Mr. King seconded the motion for adoption. On calling the question of adoption of Resolution 2025-3, all members of the Board present voted Aye in favor of adoption.

3. Resolution 2025-4. Board Chair Cromes provided introductory and background comments regarding the purpose behind Resolution 2025-4, noting that adoption of policies and procedures governing virtual meetings of the Board of Directors will allow the Board to meet virtually, and explaining that adoption of such policies and procedures will ensure the Board can make prompt decisions on matters affecting the Corporation that cannot wait until the next quarterly Regular Meeting. Board Chair Cromes then invited Board Counsel Ben Chojnacki to explain to the Board the purpose of the policies and procedures. Mr. Chojnacki explained the policies and procedures, highlighting that Section 1724.11(C) and (D) establishes specific requirements for county land reutilization corporations to conduct special meetings by interactive video conference or by teleconference. Mayor Booker asked several questions regarding the proposed Policy attached to Resolution 2025-4 as Exhibit A. Mayor Booker asked that the word “optional” be deleted from Section A.2 of the Policy. The Board agreed that deletion was appropriate. Mayor Booker also asked whether the restrictions on topics appropriate for discussion during virtual meetings of certain public bodies established in R.C. 121.221 should be incorporated into the policies and procedures. Mr. Chojnacki advised that R.C. 1724.11(C) and (D) specifically regulate virtual meetings of land reutilization corporations, and those provisions are accounted for in the policy and procedures up for adoption by the Board.

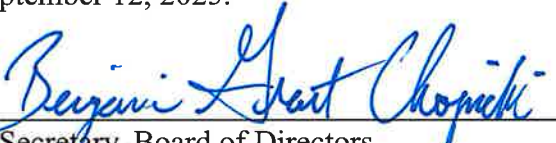
Ms. Martin O’Toole moved for adoption of the resolution. Ms. Gallagher seconded the motion for adoption. On calling the question of adoption of Resolution 2025-4, all members of the Board present voted Aye in favor of adoption.

4. Adjournment. There being no other business to come before the Board, Director Martin O’Toole moved to adjourn the meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:17 a.m.

CERTIFICATE

The undersigned Secretary of the Board of Directors of the Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation hereby certifies that the forgoing is a true copy of the Minutes duly adopted by the Board of Directors of said Corporation on September 12, 2025.


Secretary, Board of Directors
Cuyahoga County Land Reutilization Corporation