# **COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT PLAN - HAYSWOOD PROJECT**

# FRONTIER HOUSING, INC.

The Community Involvement Plan (CIP) serves as a guide for Frontier Housing, Inc. to engage and inform the community members, local officials, community groups, and other interested parties, in environmental and cleanup activities of the Hayswood Project. The project is being funded by the US EPA Brownfield Cleanup Program, Cooperative Agreement # 02D62023.

This CIP is a living document and will be updated or revised as appropriate and as circumstances change.

#### **Revision Log**

Revision #	Revision Date	Revision Description

#### List of Acronyms

ACM	Asbestos Containing Materials
ADD	Area Development District
AST	Aboveground Storage Tank

ASTM American Society of Testing & Materials

AULs Activity and Use Limitations

BTADD Buffalo Trace Area Development District

CA Corrective Action
CAA Clean Air Act

CERCLA Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act

CFR Code of Federal Regulations
CIP Community Involvement Plan
DBE Disadvantage Business Enterprise

DEP Department of Environmental Protection

DoD Department of Defense
DOE Department of Energy
DQA Data Quality Objective
EC Engineering Control

EDR Environmental Data Resource
El Environmental Indicator
EJ Environmental Justice

ESA Environmental Site Assessment

FLB Fluorescent Light Bulb FR Federal Register GC General Contractor GIS Geographic Information System

GPS Global Positions System

GWPS Groundwater Protection Standard

ICMA International City/County Management Association

KBP Kentucky Brownfield Program
KHC Kentucky Heritage Council
KYDOW Kentucky Division of Water

KYEEC Kentucky Energy and Environment Cabinet

KYFW Kentucky Fish & Wildlife

KYSHPO Kentucky State Historic Preservation Office

LBP Lead Based Paint

MCL Maximum Contaminant Level
mg/kg milligram per Kilogram
MOA Memorandum of Agreement
MOU Memorandum of Understanding
NJIT New Jersey Institute of Technology

NPDES National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

NPL National Priorities List

OBLR Office of Brownfields and Land Revitalization
OECA Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance

OSHA Occupational Safety and Health Act PCB Polychlorinated Biphenyls Ballasts

PPM Part per Million

QAPP Quality Assurance Project Plan
QEP Qualified Environmental Professional

RAP Remedial Action Plan
RFP Request for Proposals
RFQ Request for Qualifications
SOP Standard Operating Procedure

TAB Technical Assistance to Brownfields Communities

US United States

USACE United States Army Corp of Engineers
USDA United States Department of Agriculture

USEPA United States Environmental Protection Agency

USFWS United States Fish & Wildlife Service

USGS United States Geologic Survey
UST Underground Storage Tank

# **Section 1: Introduction**

#### 1.A. PROJECT DESCRIPTION

Frontier Housing, Inc., located in Morehead, Kentucky, has recently been awarded \$1,999,900 in US EPA Brownfield Cleanup Funds for the Abandoned Hayswood Hospital in Maysville, Kentucky. Funds will be used towards environmental cleanup of the site, per the standards as set forth by the Brownfield Program. The grant performance period is July 1, 2023, to September 30, 2027. Funds will be used at this targeted site only for planned cleanup activities, as based on both Phase I and Phase II Environmental

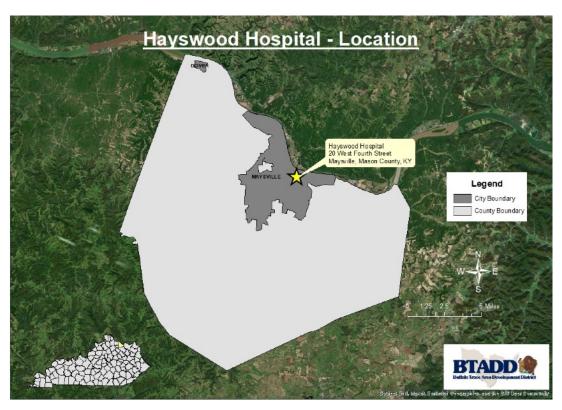
Site Assessments, which are anticipated to include full removal/abatement of Lead Based Paints (LBP), Asbestos Containing Materials (ACM), Fluorescent Light Bulbs (FLB), and Polychlorinated Biphenyls Ballast (PCB).

Frontier Housing Inc is a non-profit agency that has been in operation for 48 years, providing affordable housing solutions to low-income families of the Appalachian Region, specifically with new home construction and rental assistance. Through various collaboration efforts, Frontier acquired the former Hayswood Hospital, which has become a focal point of opportunity for addressing the unmet community need affordable housing. With direct partnership and support of the local units of government, Frontiers re-use strategy plan is to redevelop the site into affordable residential housing units, with the possibility of mixed-use commercial/business.

#### 1.B. SITE DESCRIPTION, LOCATION, & HISTORY

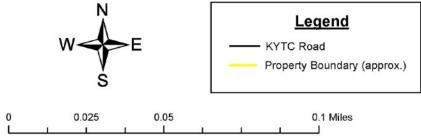
The former Hayswood Hospital is located at 20 West Fourth Street, which is in a residential area of the south edge of downtown Maysville, Kentucky. The Hospital is situated on 2.46 acres. The main building, a four-story structure that contains more 65,000 square feet, is situated at the northeast of the property, with a separate boiler/maintenance building at the rear, and courtyard in the center of the hospital facility. Two walkway bridges cross over the courtyard to connect the main building to the south annex and west wing. A small parking lot is located at the southwest corner of the property.

The building was constructed in 1923 as a hospital facility, with additional floors added in 1952 and 1960. Renovations on the multi-story facility were completed in 1971. The hospital was closed in 1983 and has remained vacant since. Prior use of the property, from 1886 to 1908, contained a structure used as a private seminary for female students (Hayes Female Seminary).



# **Hayswood Hospital - Site**







Maysville is located along the Ohio River in Northeast Kentucky, approximately 60 miles southeast of Cincinnati/NKY area, 65 miles north of Lexington, Kentucky, and approximately 80 miles west of the Ashland/Huntington area. The City of Maysville is the county seat of Mason County and has been since 1848.

According to the USEPA EJScreen Data Resource (which pulls information from the 2020 US Census ACS), the City of Maysville has a population that contains 14.4% with 'Less than High School' education, and 15.7% are living below poverty levels. The poverty rate of the area is 23.6%, with 49% considered 'low-income'. High unemployment numbers through COVID, and pre-COVID, were seen with impacts of the coal decline. However, the area continues to make a comeback with unemployment, and at current is averaging close to the states average for employment rates. The area has a higher-than-average population of 'older persons' than that of Kentucky and of the United States. US Census numbers below highlight this attribute. The EJ Mapper indicates the Haywood project site specifically is within a census tract that ranks 81st percentile nationally for having individuals over the age of 64. US Census data shows that 16.3% of the population of Maysville residents that are under the age of 65, have a disability. This is double that of the US average.

Below are some highlighted quick facts regarding the City of Maysville in comparison to the State of Kentucky.)

	City of Maysville	Kentucky
Population	8,873	4,505,836
Total Households	3,703	1,828,680
Median Household Income	\$41,171	\$59,341
Older Persons (65+)	20.9%	17.5%
Poverty	23.6%	16.5%
Employment Rate	53.7%	56.8%
Total Housing Units	4,516	1,994,323
Median Gross Rent	\$690	\$891
Persons Without Health Coverage	4.2%	5.6%
Educational Attainment (Bachelor's or higher)	21.8%	27.9%

Provided by US Census Bureau 2022 ACS <a href="https://data.census.gov/all?q=Maysville%20city,%20Kentucky">https://data.census.gov/all?q=Maysville%20city,%20Kentucky</a>

Although the City of Maysville and Mason County Fiscal Court are in processes of updating the Maysville Mason County Comprehensive Plan, previous versions of the plan indicate various community needs that have been identified. Specifically, the last updated plan recognizes the following areas of need for the community: Industrial development; transportation and communication systems improvement; economic development that leads to improved quality of life and provides new opportunities; attaining adequate level of community facilities and services for basic needs and improved quality of life; support development of, and have adequate supply of, standard housing; and historic preservation efforts.

#### 1.D. REDEVELOPMENT PLAN, REMEDIAL ALTERNATIVES, AND SCHEDULE

The property is currently vacant and has not been used since its closure in 1983. Frontier Housing intends to rehabilitate and redevelop the property into housing units, after cleanup is completed, with the possibility of mixed-use development for both residential and commercial. No plans have been finalized to date.

According to the findings of the Phase I & II EPA funded Environmental Site Assessments, performed by the Kentucky Brownfields Program (KBP) and the US EPA, the former hospital contains PCBs, mercury, lead-based paint, and asbestos containing materials (ACM's). Phase II concluded that identified substances should be removed with proper disposal. The Phase II ESA also states that conditions at site are not above regulatory concern that would require any limitations regarding future re-use of the property (once the site is fully remediated). An underground storage tank was properly removed and cleared in 1992.

Frontier will conduct cleanup planning activities based on evaluation and selection of appropriate remediation strategies. A draft Analysis of Brownfield Cleanup Alternatives indicated the following remedial alternatives as recommended. The draft will require review and finalization of the alternatives, which could possibly change and/or alter the initial list of alternatives, as well as the recommendations.

- Alternative 2 Removal/Abatement of LBP, ACM, FLB, PCB
- Alternative 5 Discarding of Affected Materials

The grant performance period is July 1, 2023, to September 30, 2027, for cleanup activities at the site, which includes abatement/remediation and proper disposal. This period is not for rehabilitation or redevelopment of the property. Those activities will not commence until after the successful completion and closeout of the US EPA grant funded activities.

### Section 2: Community Involvement Plan Goal & Objectives

The CIP has been prepared in accordance with requirements of the EPA Brownfield Program, as a way to engage and inform the community. The CIP is a living document and will be updated and/or revised as necessary and appropriate. The main goal of the CIP is to disseminate information to the public and create opportunities for community input.

The following objectives of the CIP have been identified:

- Provide general Brownfields program information to interested community members.
- Provide timely, project specific information to community members.
- Provide opportunities for community input.
- Ensure community is well informed about site activities and Brownfield processes.
- Enhance communications between Grantee and media to help ensure reporters are provided timely information.

- Maintain administrative record files and information repositories.
- Maintain an Interested Parties Mailing List
- Maintain information distribution and communication.

# **Section 3: Community Involvement Activities and Timing**

# **3.A. POINTS OF CONTACT**

Questions, Comments, Concerns, and/or Public Input should be directed to the Project Points of Contact listed below. Please refer to Section 3.C for more information on formal public commenting periods.

o Local Agency POC: Buffalo Trace Area Development District

Kristie Dodge, Community Development Director

201 Government Street

PO Box 460

Maysville, KY 41056

Phone: (606) 564-6894

Fax: (606) 564-0955

Email: kdodge@btadd.com

Lead Agency POC: Frontier Housing, Inc.

Stephanie Cooley, Director of Real Estate Development

5445 Flemingsburg Rd

Morehead, KY 40351

Phone: (606) 784-2131, ext 224

Fax: (606) 784-2171

Email: s.cooley@frontierky.org

Online Information can be found by visiting <a href="www.frontierky.org">www.frontierky.org</a> or <a href="http://btadd.com">http://btadd.com</a>

3.B. COMMUNITY UPDATES & INFORMATION DISTRIBUTION

Informational Fact Sheets will be made available to the public and updated as needed quarterly. Fact Sheets will include updates to the project, as well as progress, explanations of events and/or issues pertaining to the project, relevant data pertaining to the site, and other such information.

An Interested Parties Mailing List will be maintained, that includes federal, state, and local elected officials; local school district officials; community groups; media contacts; and interested community members. Parties on this list will receive notification whenever key documents are published or the status of the project changes.

The development of the interested parties mailing list will be compiled and kept on file at the offices of Buffalo Trace ADD and Frontier Housing, Inc. This list will be continually updated as needed. Residential names, addresses, phone numbers, and emails will be kept confidential.

Residents wishing to be added to the interested parties mailing list may directly contact either Point of Contact (listed within this Community Involvement Plan in Section 3.A). Persons wishing to be added to the interested parties list should indicate if transmittal is acceptable via email and/or postal mail.

Information will be made available for public viewing, via in person or online at the listed locations below.

- City of Maysville 216 Bridge Street, Maysville, KY 41056; Hours: M-F 8:30 am 4:30 pm
- Mason County Fiscal Court 221 Stanley Reed Court, Maysville, KY 41056; Hours: M-F 8:30 am
   -4:30 pm
- Mason County Public Library 218 E. Third Street, Maysville, KY 41056; Hours: M-F 8:00 am
   -6:00 pm & Sat 9:00 am 2:00 pm
- Buffalo Trace ADD 201 Government Street, Suite 300, Maysville, KY 41056; Hours: M-F 8:00 am
   4:30 pm
- Frontier Housing, Inc 5445 Flemingsburg Rd, Morehead, KY 40351; Hours: M-F 8:00 am 5:00 pm
- Online at <a href="https://frontierky.org">http://btadd.com</a>

Information, which may include fact sheets, notices, community participation opportunities, news releases, and announcements, will be distributed to the following local media sources.

- Maysville Ledger Independent
- Maysville Radio WFTM

The Administrative Record File and Information Repository will house site specific environmental investigative reports and other pertinent project information that has been or will be considered or relied upon with project action. Information repositories are located at:

- Buffalo Trace Area Development District 201 Government Street, Suite 300, Maysville, KY 41056; Hours: M-F 8:00 am – 4:30 pm
- Frontier Housing Inc. 5445 Flemingsburg Rd, Morehead, KY 40351; Hours: M-F 8:00 am 5:00 pm

#### **3.C. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIODS**

Public comment periods are formal time periods during which Frontier accepts comments from the public. Notices to the public indicating dates/times of comment periods will be made available to the public. Notices will contain information for comment submittal.

Appendix B contains previous and current notice information. This section will be updated and/ or revised as necessary to include notices as they are occur.

General questions, comments, concerns, may be submitted any time by mail, email, fax, or by phone call to the Points of Contact listed in Section 3.A.

#### 3.D. PUBLIC MEETINGS, FORUMS, & WORKSHOPS

Various public meetings, forums, and workshops will be held during the duration of the project to provide information and allow for community input. Meetings will focus on various topics, including but not limited to, project updates, future planning processes, and educational workshops on brownfield topics. The Community is encouraged to participate in these meetings. Language translation will be made available with written materials for such meetings. Community input and information is encouraged as it will help facilitate open lines of communication.

Meetings will be held locally, preferably at City or County municipal buildings, as these are easily accessible and ADA compliant meeting spaces with adequate parking. Times and dates of such meetings will be publicly advertised in advance of the meetings. Quarterly meetings will be held during the duration of the project. More meetings will be established as necessary.

Appendix D contains previous meeting information, including topics, handouts, comments, questions, and answers. This section will be updated and/or revised as necessary to include meetings as they occur.

Information on public meetings, forums, workshops, Q&A, and FAQ's, can be found at <a href="http://btadd.com">http://btadd.com</a>

# Section 4: Site Selection process & Surrounding Area

#### 4.A. SITE SELECTION

Frontier Housing has worked closely with local officials in determining possible avenues for the development of housing within the Mason County area. Through ongoing collaboration, the Hayswood Hospital was identified as a viable opportunity for such a need. Frontier purchased the property from private ownership in late 2022 and applied for EPA Brownfield Cleanup Funds to remediate identified environmental hazards.

#### 4.B. SURROUNDING AREA

The structure is located within a residential area of the south edge of the downtown area; however, it is also in very close proximity to a mix of amenities, including businesses, churches,

restaurants, entertainment venues, government offices, and other such amenities. The downtown area hosts frequent tourism and public events, festivals, and outdoor entertainment.

Immediately adjoining properties to the abandoned hospital are commercial and residential, and are identified as below:

- North Adjacent property is West 4<sup>th</sup> Street which contains residences and a church
- South Adjacent property is a wooded hillside with a utility right of way.
- East Adjacent property is Market Street which contains residences.
- West adjacent property is a single family residence.

# **APPENDIX**

# **APPENDIX A**

#### List of Contacts

#### A.1 FEDERAL ELECTED OFFICIALS

U.S. Senator Mitch McConnell 361-A Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510 202-224-2499

U.S. Senator Rand Paul 167 Russell Senate Office Building Washington, DC 20510-1703 202-224-4343

U.S. Congressman Thomas Massie 2453 Rayburn House Office Building Washington, DC 20515-1704 202-225-3465

#### A.2. STATE ELECTED OFFICIALS

KY Senator Steve West 702 Capital Ave Annex Room 228 Frankfort, KY 406001 502-564-8100

KY Representative William Lawrence 702 Capital Ave Annex Room 424E Frankfort, KY 40601 502-564-8100

#### A.3. LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS

Mason County Judge Executive Owen J. McNeill 221 Stanley Reed Court Maysville, KY 41056 606-564-6706

Mayor Debra Cotterill, City of Maysville 216 Bridge Street Maysville, KY 41056 606-564-9419

#### A.4. EPA REGION 4 OFFICIALS

Sarah S. Janovitz, Manager Brownfields & Redevelopment Section USEPA Atlanta Federal Center 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, GA 303-8960 404-562-9870

Austin Gilly, Project Manager Brownfields & Redevelopment Section USEPA Atlanta Federal Center 61 Forsyth Street, S.W. Atlanta, GA 303-8960

#### A.4. STATE ENVIRONMENTAL AGENCY OFFICIALS

Tony Hatton, Commissioner Department for Environmental Protection 300 Sower Blvd Frankfort, KY 40601 502-782-6648

Amanda Lafevre, Deputy Commissioner Department for Environmental Protection 300 Sower Blvd Frankfort, KY 40601 502-782-6398

Lynn True, KY Brownfield Coordinator 300 Sower Blvd Frankfort, KY 40601 502-782-6484

#### A.6. LOCAL MEDIA SOURCES

WFTM Radio 626 Forest Ave Maysville, KY 41056 wftmsales@maysvilleky.net 606-564-3361

Maysville Ledger Independent 120 Limestone Street Maysville, KY 41056 606-564-9091

#### A.7. OTHER MEDIA SOURCES (TWITTER, FACEBOOK, ETC)

Buffalo Trace Area Development District Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">https://www.facebook.com/</a> BuffaloTraceAreaDevelopmentDistrict/

Frontier Housing, Inc. Facebook <a href="https://www.facebook.com/frontierkentucky/">https://www.facebook.com/frontierkentucky/</a>

# **APPENDIX B**

# Information Repositories and Potential Meeting Locations

#### **B.1.** Public Information Locations – Fact Sheets and Notices

Mason County Public Library 218 E. Third Street Maysville, KY 41056 606-564-3286

#### **B.2. POTENTIAL PUBLIC MEETING LOCATIONS**

City of Maysville 216 Bridge Street Maysville, KY 41056 606-564-9419

Mason County Fiscal Court Room 221 Stanley Reed Court Maysville, KY 41056 606-564-6706

#### **B.3.** Administrative Record Location

Buffalo Trace Area Development District 201 Government Street, Suite 300 Maysville, KY 41056 606-564-6894

Frontier Housing, Inc. 5445 Flemingsburg Rd Morehead, KY 40351 606-784-2131

# APPENDIX C E.1. COMMUNITY GROUP NAMES

Mason County Public Library 218 E. Third Street Maysville, KY 41056 606-564-3286

#### APPENDIX D

#### D.1. PUBLIC MEETINGS, FORUMS, WORKSHOPS, Q&A, FAQS

# COMMUNITY NOTIFICATION & PUBLIC MEETING NOTICE DRAFT GRANT APPLICATION PROPOSAL FOR A US EPA BROWNFIELD CLEAN UP GRANT

Frontier Housing, Inc., is applying for a United States Environmental Protection Agency Brownfields Cleanup Grant to remediate hazardous substance contamination at a property located at 20 West Fourth Street, Maysville, Kentucky. A public meeting is being held to discuss the draft grant proposal and to solicit public comments on the proposal and the proposed use of funds. The meeting will be held Monday, November 14, 2022, at 5:30 p.m. at the City of Maysville, City office building, 216 Bridge Street, Maysville, KY 41056. The meeting will also be accessible by virtual meeting platform, via computer or smartphone, at <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84064086762?pwd=RzlEY1ZzMnIJTGEwUi90Vm1CbkJPQT09">https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84064086762?pwd=RzlEY1ZzMnIJTGEwUi90Vm1CbkJPQT09</a>; Meeting ID: 840 6408 6762; or by calling 1-646-931-3860 and entering in Meeting ID 840 6408 6762 and Passcode 587765. To find your local number for dial in, you can go to <a href="https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kc18YqaRjr">https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kc18YqaRjr</a>

Copies of the draft grant proposal, including the draft Analysis of Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA), will be available for review and comment at the office of the Buffalo Trace Area Development District, 201 Government Street, Suite 300, Maysville, KY 41056, during the hours of 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Monday thru Friday. Copies of the draft grant proposal, with ABCA, can also be obtained by visiting <a href="https://frontierky.org">https://frontierky.org</a> or <a href="https://btadd.com">http://btadd.com</a>. Comments can be submitted up through November 17, 2022, to Kristie Dodge, Community Development Director, Buffalo Trace Area Development District, PO Box 460, Maysville, KY, by calling 606-564-6894, or via email at <a href="mailto:kdodge@btadd.com">kdodge@btadd.com</a>.

Frontier Housing Inc. – Former Hayswood Hospital Brownfield Project
Public Meeting Minutes
November 14, 2022 – 5:30 pm
City of Maysville Offices & Via Zoom

Frontier Housing, Inc., held a public meeting at the above listed date and time, to discuss the former Hayswood Hospital Brownfield Project. The meeting was held in person, but also made available in virtual platform via zoom for remote access of the public.

Frontier Project Director Stephanie Cooley, and Kristie Dodge, of Buffalo Trace Area Development District, opened the meeting at 5:30 pm, by discussing Frontiers submission for an EPA Brownfield Cleanup Grant and the ABCA, regarding this project. Frontiers efforts in trying to clean up the existing site and future plans for re-use, if awarded funding, was also relayed to the public. Kristie Dodge, BTADD, provided information on EPA Brownfield opportunities. The floor was opened up for question and comment. Answers were provided by Frontier Housing and Buffalo Trace ADD.

Q: How many retail units are expected to be in the reuse?

A: That has not been determined yet. We (Frontier) are not at the planning phase for the reuse and redevelopment of the project, so the number of retail units are unknown at this time.

Q: Is the application reviewed with a scoring system? Will added points be given for certain criteria? For example, if the application shows new tenants are from ARC region, would that get extra points? And do you see there being any place in the application where points might be added or lost?

A: In trying to answer all those questions. Yes, the applications are scored on a point system. The application requires various sections, and within those sections are subsections of information. Each main section has a designated amount of points, and then those points are divided up with ability under each subsection. Points are given on how well each area addresses the information being requested. There are no points specifically for things like 'if your project will serve ARC region' but there are points to show how the project can address health and environmental issues and impacts, especially to disadvantaged and/or sensitive populations. The only place we see points being hard to obtain, in comparison to other applications that may go in, is with having lower numbers of community health incidences than other applications may have. Maysville has less pollution and health problems than other areas in the state and US that may be denser population and more metropolitan. The application won't lose points but may not get as high a number of points that a community who has more evidence of disparity and higher health issues might get. We do show in the application that intended use of the hospital will be for housing geared towards both low-income families and individuals, as well as marketbased rentals, which is the purpose and vision of Frontier – to provide housing to individuals that may not otherwise qualify. Of course, the project will also help the area by eliminating hazards that could have health impacts.

Q: Does the property have to be owned in order to pursue the grant? Does it have to be owned prior to the application being submitted? When is the deadline for the grant? Has the property already been purchased?

A: Yes, the applicant has to own the property before the application can be submitted. Frontier has not taken ownership of the property yet but anticipates ownership to be transferred this week. The deadline for submittal of the grant is November 22<sup>nd</sup>.

Q: On the housing units....the application states there are going to be 70 units. Is this right? And what kind of housing will this be? Single apartments, family?

A: The draft application on file for review to the public was a draft and was noted that it was subject to change. The scope of work and proposed use of funding has not changed from that draft, but there have been some edits to formatting and also, getting it into the constraints of the page limits. Seventy was an early estimated projection that has since been revised in the application to a lower number. I would like to put emphasis on these numbers being estimates. This is because the facility as it is now, is not accessible to architects; so the estimates are based on what is believed to be possible usable square footage. This number will be better pegged in planning processes of redevelopment when the architect can go into the building and access the space to create actual redevelopment plans. The units, as of now, are planned to be geared towards low-income families and individuals, with some market-based rentals available too.

With no other comments or questions, the meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.