## **Brownfields Coalition Advisory Council Meeting 8**

Assessment & Revolving Loan Fund June 10, 2025 at 3:00 PM North Branch Library

## Attendees:

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## Virtual:

Eric Story Neimeyer Cameron Cooper Chad Dugard Elizabeth Gibson Felicia Crayton Kathleen Nolan Paula Middlebrooks Donald Phoenix Jonathan Mosley

## Minutes:

Mike Larrivee (ML): Welcome and Introduction. Intro/Reminder of origin of this Brownfield Coalition, the grants housed in it, CRA and EDGE, goals of council. \$1M RLF and \$1M Coalition Assessment. Jessica Aytchan: Reminder of RLF. We still have not received any qualified candidates, resulting in delayed implementation. We have had pre-application meetings but have found it challenging to find applicants who are qualified for the funding. Working to enhance outreach efforts to effectively engage with eligible applicants. Because it's a repayment loan, applicants must be in good standing. Needs viable redevelopment plan. Subgrants can go to nonprofits only.

Site must also be eligible through EPA standards as well as following EPA requirements. Sites must have Phase I and II completed prior to purchase of parcels, and applicant has to be able to prove they are not the entity responsible for the contamination. Site also has to be approved through the EPA.

Application Process: Pre-application to EDGE, Determine Eligibility, Invitation to submit formal application, Reviewed/Approved by EDGE FInance.

I have flyers in the back with all the information in a bit more detail as well as my contact information.

- Emma Turri: We at the CRA have a \$1M grant. Task 1: PRoject Management / Compliance Rept. CRA is in compliance and completing reports, EPA has approved and signed our QAPP. Task 2: Community Involvment & Engagement: Qtrly public meetings wil continue, next one in Sept in Uptown area, CIP was updated in Jan and copies available in the back. Task 3: Site ID & Assessments, updates upcoming on next slides. Task 4: Cleanup Planning and VOAP. *Reminder of the Grant Target Areas. Sharing of Work Tracking Chart.* Environmental Awareness Curriculum is currently being piloted at Stax Music Academy / Soulsville Charter School. Will be published and shared soon. Updates:
  - 179 Keel Completed Phase 1 with no recognized environmental conditions
  - Future Lamar Pinnacle Phase 1 completed, with Phase 2 recommended for sampling and ground penetrating radar for UST
  - Griggs Business College Phase 1 complete with historical past use of nearby dry cleaner. Rec for Phase 2 to sample for contamination
  - Former Wayne's Pinball Palace Phase 1 received. Will go into voluntary VOAP State program. Ongoing coordination with TDEC. Will also move to Phase 2 sampling.
  - Former St Thomas Church Phase 1 complete. Concerns are typical ACP, LBP, old gas station across street. Can move to Phase 2 but waiting for developer to put together capital stack.
  - Ibrahim (Chism Trail) Phase 1 received, Phase 2 in progress. Old dry cleaner & gas station on SW corner of site.
  - Manassas Market site has been released for RFP
  - BDC Business Hub Phase 2 in progress. Concern of old UST from generator
  - 1344 Jackson Ave Phase 1 in progress. Concerns ACM & LBP. Need to gather information on past uses
  - 901 Chelsea Phase 1 out for bid. Concerns: need info on past uses, historical nearby dry cleaner and industrial uses. Planned to be Sr Housing Dev
  - 2799 Harvard Multiple parcels in Binghampton. Small multifamily. Phase 1 out for bid. Need more info on past uses, RR, heavy industry nearby

ET: QAPP information. Community Involvment & Engagement. CIP. Sharing of Points of Contact and Community Liaisons. Please don't hesitate to reach out and to ask questions. I encourage everyone to pick up a copy of that Community Involvement Plan. Submit potential brownfield sites for consideration and inventory. The map will show sites that we or others think might be brownfields, you'll be able to see assessments etc there. We have some initial data sources to layer in for sites. For example for Uptown, we have a threat assessment map along the major corridors, we can pull TDEC info in.

Audience Question about data requests, etc

ET: I believe that the State is working on a new data viewer. But yes, there is a lot of data we can use as well, including USPS Vacancy, County Commercial Use Next Advisory Council Meeting will be at TechFit at 945 N Second St in September, and we'll reach out with information on date, etc.

Elizabeth Gibson: Emma, I'll reach out to you, expect an email from me.