

**Columbus Consolidated Government  
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

<b>TO:</b>	Mayor and Councilors
<b>AGENDA SUBJECT:</b>	<b>Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia, and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO)</b>
<b>AGENDA SUMMARY:</b>	Approval is requested to execute a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for archival photographic recordation.to be conducted at Elizabeth Canty Homes Building 704. The City Manager's signature is required because the City of Columbus is the federal grantee of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development dollars.
<b>INITIATED BY:</b>	<b>Community Reinvestment</b>

**Recommendation:** Approval is requested to allow the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for archival photographic recordation.to be conducted at Elizabeth Canty Homes Building 704. The City Manager's signature is required because the City of Columbus is the federal grantee of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development dollars.

**Background:** An MOU was executed May 24, 2019 by and between the Columbus Consolidated Government, Housing Authority of Columbus Georgia, and the Georgia State Historic Preservation Office. The Housing Authority of Columbus Georgia (HACG) is initiating RAD conversion of most of its Public Housing stock. The intent of RAD conversion is to convert distressed public housing units into Project Based Voucher (Section 8) affordable housing units. As such, the HACG is seeking to utilize this program to finance rehabilitation improvements on their Elizabeth F. Canty Housing site located on 100 Canty Place. Prior to receiving funding, originally three buildings are needing to be demolished, buildings 701, 702, and 704, all of which are in a designated Regulatory Floodway (see attached map). It has been determined that only one building is eligible for demolition (Building 704). However, prior to demolishing this structure a MOA is needed with the Georgia State Historic Preservation Office because the project site is a good and representative local example of the national trends in public housing, and therefore makes it eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places. To mitigate this and be compliant with federal regulations, the building seeking to be demolished will need to undergo Archival Photograph Recordation. Although this project is being entirely undertaken by the Housing Authority, the City Manager's signature is still required because the City of Columbus is the federal grantee of U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development dollars.

**Analysis:** A resolution is needed to allow the City Manager to execute this memorandum of agreement.

**Financial Considerations:** There are no financial considerations.

**Legal Considerations:** Any agreement involving City of Columbus requires Council approval.

**Recommendation/Action:** Approval is requested to allow the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for archival photographic recordation.to be conducted at Elizabeth Cauty Homes Building 704.

**A RESOLUTION**

**NO.**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF GREATER COLUMBUS, GEORGIA (HACG), AND THE STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICE (SHPO) FOR ARCHIVAL PHOTO RECORDATION TO BE CONDUCTED AT ELIZABETH CANTY HOMES BUILDING 704.**

**WHEREAS**, the Georgia State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO), Columbus Consolidated Government (CCG), and Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia (HACG) executed a memorandum of agreement (MOA) for the photographic recordation of Buildings 701, 702, and 704 prior to demolition; and,

**WHEREAS**, the memorandum of agreement has changed from the demolition of three buildings within the Elizabeth Canty Homes Complex to the demolition of one building (#704) within the Elizabeth Canty Homes Complex; and,

**WHEREAS**, the memorandum of agreement should be amended to reflect this change.

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, HEREBY RESOLVES AS FOLLOWS:**

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to execute the amended memorandum of agreement with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) for archival photographic recordation.to be conducted at Elizabeth Canty Homes Building 704.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of February 2021 and adopted at said meeting by the affirmative vote of ten members of said Council.

Councilor Allen voting	_____.
Councilor Barnes voting	_____.
Councilor Crabb voting	_____.
Councilor Davis voting	_____.
Councilor Garrett voting	_____.
Councilor House voting	_____.
Councilor Huff voting	_____.
Councilor Thomas voting	_____.
Councilor Tucker voting	_____.
Councilor Woodson voting	_____.

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Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

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B.H. "Skip" Henderson, III, Mayor