

**Columbus Consolidated Government
Council Meeting Agenda Item**

TO:	Mayor and Councilors
AGENDA SUBJECT:	Housing Authority of Columbus for Redevelopment of Chase Homes - Memorandum of Agreement
AGENDA SUMMARY:	Approval is requested to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement for the Redevelopment of Chase Homes with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia and enter into a revised Memorandum of Agreement for the Redevelopment of the Booker T. Washington Apartments with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia and execute other documents as required by HUD.
INITIATED BY:	Community Reinvestment

Recommendation: Approval is requested to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the Redevelopment of Chase Homes with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia (HACG) and enter into a revised Memorandum of Agreement for the Booker T. Washington Apartments with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia (HACG), and execute other documents as required by HUD.

Background:

- On May 31, 2013 Resolution No. 176-13 was passed which authorized the City Manager to enter into an agreement with the HACG to provide financial assistance to construct the Booker T. Washington Apartments.
- A Memorandum of Agreement was entered into on May 13, 2013 between the City and the HACG which the City agrees to contribute a sum of \$2.5 million to the development. At the time, the proposal was originally brought before Council to utilize the use of the Economic Development reserves and the General Fund-Fund Balance.
- The original agreement was for the city to pay the HACG \$400,000 per year for 5 years with a final payment of \$500,000 in the 6th year beginning in FY 2015.
- On May 26, 2015 Resolution No. 127-15 was passed which authorized the use of up to \$2.5 million in Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funding for the Booker T. Washington development to offset the use of the Economic Development reserves and the General Fund-Fund Balance.
- It was determined there was approximately \$1.5 million of eligible site work construction that can be paid from CDBG funds.
- On July 12, 2016 Resolution No. 244-16 was passed to specify the use of CDBG funds and change the payment schedule to \$500,000 per year for 5 years beginning in FY 2016.
- The current balance due to the HACG is \$1 million from the General Fund reserves.
- The HACG has requested \$1 million of CDBG Funds for the redevelopment of Chase Homes to replace the \$1 million balance due on the Booker T. Washington redevelopment from the General Fund reserves.

- All other requirements of the original MOA for the Booker T. Washington redevelopment will remain unchanged.

Analysis: The redevelopment of the Chase Homes site and the revision to the Booker T. Washington MOA is in the best interest of the City and the HACG.

Financial Considerations: The sources of federal funding for the City's contribution towards this redevelopment will be the CDBG funds in the amount of \$1 million, \$250,000 per year for 4 years beginning in FY20.

Legal Considerations: Council must approve all revisions made to the MOA and to execute an MOA between the City of Columbus and the HACG.

Recommendation/Action: Approval is requested to enter into a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) for the Redevelopment of Chase Homes with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia (HACG) and enter into a revised Memorandum of Agreement for the Booker T. Washington Apartments with the Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia (HACG), and execute other documents as required by HUD.

A RESOLUTION

NO.

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO ENTER INTO A REVISED MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR THE BOOKER T. WASHINGTON REDEVELOPMENT WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA AND A NEW MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT FOR THE CHASE HOMES REDEVELOPMENT FOR \$1 MILLION WITH THE HOUSING AUTHORITY OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA, AND EXECUTE REQUIRED HUD DOCUMENTS.

WHEREAS, on May 31, 2013 Resolution No. 176-13 approved a Memorandum of Agreement for \$2.5 million with The Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia for the Booker T. Washington Redevelopment; and,

WHEREAS, on May 26, 2015 Resolution No. 127-15 the City authorized the use of up to \$2.5 million in CDBG funding to offset the use of Economic Development reserves and General Fund-Fund Balance; and,

WHEREAS, on July 12, 2016 Resolution No. 244-16 the City revised the Memorandum of Agreement to adjust the payment schedule; and,

WHEREAS, the balance due on the Memorandum of Agreement for Booker T. Washington redevelopment is \$1 million; and,

WHEREAS, The Housing Authority of Columbus, Georgia is requesting support for the Chase Homes redevelopment of \$1 million in lieu of the balance owed on the Booker T. Washington redevelopment; and,

WHEREAS, all other requirements of the original MOA will remain unchanged.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE COUNCIL OF COLUMBUS, GEORGIA HERBY RESOLVES:

That the City Manager is hereby authorized to enter into a revised Memorandum of Agreement for the Booker T. Washington redevelopment and enter into a new Memorandum of Agreement for the Chase Homes redevelopment, and execute other documents as may be required by HUD.

Introduced at a regular meeting of the Council of Columbus, Georgia held on the _____ day of _____ 2020 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 Thompson voting _____.
Councilor Woodson voting _____.

Sandra T. Davis, Clerk of Council

B.H. "Skip" Henderson, Mayor