

MEETING MINUTES OF THE COOK COUNTY LAND BANK AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

November 21, 2014

Board of Directors of the Cook County Land Bank Authority met pursuant to notice on November 21, 2014 at 8:00 AM in the offices of Holland and Knight, 131 South Dearborn, thirtieth floor, Chicago, Illinois.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chairwoman Gainer called the meeting of the Board to order.

Present: Directors Brawley, Brewer, Dworkin, Friedman, Gainer, Grisham, Helmer, Holmes, Jenkins, Planey, Richardson, Saffo, Ware (13)

Not Present: Directors Ostenburg, Porras, Sherwin (3)

Also Present: Brian White (*CCLBA Executive Director*)

Others Present: **Irina Bajic** (*Commissioner Bridget Gainer*), **Natasha Cornog** (*CCLBA*), **Brent Denzin** (*AnceL Glink*), **Amy Ellingson** (*Commissioner Bridget Gainer*), **Ron Feldman**, **Adam Gross** (*BPI*), **Eugene Hardy** (*AASG*), **Mike Jasso** (*Cook County Planning & Development*), **Kathy McKee** (*Cook County State's Attorney*), **Stephanie Milito** (*Cook County Planning & Development*), **Grady Norwood Jr.** (*Chicago Black Chamber of Commerce*), **Courtney Pogue** (*Cook County Economic Development*), **Alex Simmons** (*CCLBA*), **Sara Toering** (*Center for Community Progress*), **Vincent Waller** (*Cook County Environmental Control*), **Bryant Williams** (*Cook County Environmental Control*), **Eric Williams** (*CCLBA*)

II. Public Speakers

Chairwoman Gainer noted there were no public speakers.

III. 2014 Annual Report (Brian White)

Brian White, CCLBA Executive Director, gave the CCLBA 2014 Annual Report. Brian updated the Board on the land bank's year-to-date progress and gave a look ahead to 2015. **No action taken.**

IV. 2015 Vision and Strategy Discussion

Sara Toering of the Center for Community Progress facilitated a 2015 Vision and Strategy planning discussion. The Directors identified areas of strength and challenge the land bank has seen this year and reaffirmed the CCLBA Mission and Goals.

Directors discussed CCLBA property inventory sources and identified acquisition priorities for 2015. In 2015, CCLBA seeks to target high-impact programs that support neighborhood revitalization, job creation, economic development, and/or conservation and green reuse. The Cook County Land Bank Board recommended that a planning committee be convened in order to finalize the 2015 Strategy based on additional board interviews and feedback.

No action taken.

V. Adjournment

Director Brewer seconded by Director Grisham, moved to adjourn. **THE MOTION CARRIED AND THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED.**

Respectfully submitted,
Board of Directors of the Cook County Land Bank Authority

Bridget Gainer, Chairman

Attest.

Director Ostenburg, Secretary