

# Buffalo & Erie County Greenway Fund Standing Committee

City of Buffalo • Erie County • Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy • New York Power Authority

# Minutes of the December 9, 2022, Meeting

Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo. 726 Exchange St., Buffalo, NY

1. The meeting was called to order by Chair Daniel Castle at 4:09 PM.

### 2. Roll Call and Remarks

Members in Attendance: Daniel Castle, (Erie County); Kevin Kelly, (Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy); Brendan R. Mehaffy (City of Buffalo) and Carol Jasen Sampson & Lou Paonessa (New York Power Authority).

#### 3. <u>Meeting Minutes</u>

Motion to adopt the meeting minutes of November 18, 2022. Moved by Kevin Kelly , Second by Carol Jasen Sampson.

Approved 4-0

4. <u>Update on the Niagara River Greenway Commission (NRGC) Activities and Priorities</u>
Greg Stevens, Executive Director of NRGC articulated in 2022 NRGC continues to complete and enhance the Niagara Shoreline Trail by completing critical on-road sections with cycle shared lane markings on the pavement, and unified improvement of signage, wayfinding, and amenities. NRGC is working with the four Greenway Committees on the obtainment of project consistency with the Greenway Plan and also mapping the WNY greenway funded projects, resulting in an ongoing effort for the Commission staff.

A general discussion took place on the mapping of all projects awarded grants by all four Greenway Committees. No action required.

#### 5. Status overview on existing delayed Greenway Awarded Projects

Jean McKeown, Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo, provided an overview on awarded projects by the Buffalo & Erie County Greenway Committee and the delay in advancing and the closing out of projects. For the majority of awardees, project completion delay resulted due to COVID and Supply Chain issues. It is anticipated that within the 2022 Annual Report that will be before the Committee at the upcoming February 22, 2023 meeting, it should reflect a number of project closeouts.

# 6. Public Comment (reserved for agenda items only) NONE

# 7. Other Business

a. <u>Claw back wavier and extension request from Buffalo & Erie County Navel & Military Park</u>
Jean McKeown, Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo presented the Naval Park
request for a claw back wavier and project extension for the Master Plan Design Phases and
USS The Sullivans- Emergency Repairs.

Motion to approve the claw back waivers and project extensions for the Master Plan Design Phases and the USS The Sullivans- Emergency Repairs.

Moved by Kevin Kelly, Second by Brendan Mehaffy.

Approved 4-0

#### 8. Adjournment

A motion to adjourn was made by Brendan Mehaffy, Second by Kevin Kelly. Meeting adjourned 4:49 PM.