Meeting Minutes
Steering Committee
West Cook County Housing Collaborative
8:30 a.m.

The Village of Forest Park
517 Des Plaines Avenue
Forest Park, IL

February 7, 2013

I. **Attendees** – **Steering Committee**: Trustee Ronald Nightengale (Bellwood), Alderman Cesar Santoy (Berwyn), Trustee Colette Lueck (Oak Park) and Trustee Gil Guzman (Maywood): Absent: Mayor Anthony Calderone (Forest Park)

II. Other attendees included Chair Lori Sommers (Maywood), Michelle Hoereth (IFF), Co-Chair Tammie Grossman (Oak Park), Kristine Giornalista (IFF), Marisa Navarro (MPC), Allison Milld (Metro Mayors Caucus) and Kurtis Pozsgay (Berwyn Development Corporation)

III. **Agenda Approval –** Motion to approve agenda made by Alderman Santoy and seconded by Trustee Guzman passed unanimously.

IV. **Meeting Minute Approval –** Motion to accept minutes of December 19, 2012 made by Trustee Lueck and seconded by Trustee Guzman passed unanimously.

V. **Non-agenda Public Comment –** None

VI. **HUD Grant Updates –** Tammie Grossman presented an overview of where the Collaborative was at regarding Comprehensive Plans. HUD is still reviewing the TOD Housing Strategy that the Steering Committee approved in December. Hopefully, we will have an answer on Friday, February 8, 2013 about the few remaining questions so that we can draw down the funds next week. IFF is willing to front the HUD funds until we can draw them down.

VII. **Developer Selection Berwyn Project –** IFF and Berwyn Development Corporation presented an overview of the eight submissions and is recommending that further conversations be pursued with Heartland Housing, Inc. and that Brinshore Development & Alden Foundation be an alternate should discussions with Heartland not proceed. Alderman Santoy moved to accept IFF and the Berwyn Development Corporation's recommendation, Trustee Guzman seconded and the Motion passed unanimously.

VIII. **Attorney General's RFP –** Michelle presented an overview of the AG's proposal. IFF would like to apply for $10 million to coordinate a single

family and multi-family acquisition and rehab strategy. The AG proposal does not contain any income restrictions, IFF would propose to help homeowners up to 120% of the Area Median Income. Trustee Lueck moved to authorize IFF to proceed with the application submittal, seconded by Trustee Guzman and passed unanimously.

IX. **DCEO Update -** IFF has purchased 15 homes in Bellwood, Maywood and Forest Park. Three of the homes are under contract, two homes have pending offers, and four additional homes are available. The rest are under construction.

X. **Marketing Update –** Tammie informed the Committee that HUD approved the expenditure of funds to hire a marketing firm to draft a brochure and website. IFF will prepare the messaging information and will circulate to the committee for its review.

XI. **Motion to adjourn made by Alderman Santoy and seconded by Trustee Guzman, meeting adjourned at 9:45 am.**