

ATTACHMENT A

PRIORITIES RUBRIC

Do total costs of the Project exceed \$5 million? Yes ☐ No ☐

Does the present value of proposed City assistance exceed \$3 million? Yes ☐ No ☐

CATEGORY	APPLICABLE?	EXCEEDS	MEETS
<u>BALANCED HOUSING PRODUCTION</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project creates or preserves, low-income (51%-80% AMI) housing units and/or very low-income housing units (31%-50% AMI) to the extent financially feasible given project conditions. Project creates or preserves extremely low-income housing units (0%-30% AMI) to the extent financially feasible given project conditions. Project creates a mixture of extremely low (0%-30% AMI), very low (31%-50% AMI), and/or low-income (51%-80% AMI) housing units with workforce/middle housing units (81%-120% AMI) and/or market-rate units to the extent financially feasible given project conditions. Project creates additional market-rate or workforce/middle income (81%-120% AMI) housing units that promote a balanced, mixed-income neighborhood without displacing existing lower income residents. 	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>IMPROVEMENT OF VACANT, BLIGHTED AND/OR UNDERUTILIZED PROPERTIES</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project replaces a vacant and/or underutilized property and adds net-new housing units without displacing existing residents. Project activates a previously vacant building or property. Project eliminates a blighted parcel or parcels (as defined in Ohio Revised Code Section 1.08). Project enhances an underutilized site (i.e. vacant parcel or surface parking lot) and adds new amenities (like housing, office, commercial, community space, etc.) to the neighborhood. Project will involve remediation of a brownfield site or involves mitigation of previously existing site conditions that make redevelopment difficult. 	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project will obtain requisite level of U.S. Green Building Council Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Silver, Gold or Platinum or Living Building Challenge Net Zero or Petal (which must comply with the requirements of LBC). 	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<u>VOLUNTARY TAX INCENTIVE CONTRIBUTION</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant has represented that it (i) will contribute at least 15% of the exempted value of the improvements either in support streetcar operations or to further 	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

neighborhood improvements in the neighborhood of the project and affordable housing city-wide and (ii) will execute an agreement with a third-party memorializing such contribution.			
<u>INCLUSION</u>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant has committed to using good-faith efforts to achieve 17% MBE and 10% WBE utilization goals for construction contracts related to the Project consistent with Chapter 324 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code. Applicant will (or will cause the end-user to) adopt hiring policies to ensure at least 25% of any new employees hired are residents of the City and such policies will give preference to residents of the City. Applicant has participated, is participating, or will participate in the City's program advancing minority development professionals. 			
<u>COMMUNITY OUTREACH</u>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant has engaged all necessary stakeholders in the community in an open and public process, as early as feasible. DCED made information available to Applicant regarding best practices for community engagement. In the interest of mitigating displacement directly associated with the Project, Applicant has engaged any and all tenants, businesses, and persons that as a direct result of the Project may be entitled to relocation benefits pursuant to Chapter 740 of the Cincinnati Municipal Code. 			
<u>LIVING WAGES</u>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Applicant has committed that all jobs created by the Project (during construction and after) will comply with the City's Living Wage Policy. Applicant has represented that it will engage a partner in the Labor community on construction of the Project to ensure good wages and career training. 			
<u>JOB CREATION AND RETENTION</u>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project will create and/or retain significant jobs and payroll. Project will create and/or retain small/neighborhood business jobs and payroll. Project will create and/or retain more than 10 jobs per acre. 			
<u>PLACE-BASED INVESTMENT</u>	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Project is located in a Federally designated NRSA and/or Opportunity Zone. Project is located within 1/2 mile of a Neighborhood Business District. Project is located along a transit corridor. Project encourages traditional compact, walkable neighborhood development. Project is placed within a federally designated Hub Zone. 			

HISTORIC PRESERVATION <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project will directly lead to the preservation of a historic structure. • Project will create increased market activity and investment that will support and encourage preservation of proximate historic structures. 	Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
	No <input type="checkbox"/>		
TRANSFORMATIVE PROJECT <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Project fills a neighborhood need and/or adds a new community asset (i.e. retail, commercial, grocery, housing). • Project saves or preserves existing community asset. • Project creates or enhances a public space to be utilized by the community. • Project creates/repairs City infrastructure. • Project is within a "Targeted Neighborhood" as defined in Ordinance No. 275-2017, as amended. • Project is a "Catalytic Project" as defined in Ordinance No. 275-2017, as amended. 	Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

This Priorities Rubric is intended to be utilized as a starting point for discussions of certain public benefits created by applicable projects, and is not intended to prevent or discourage the City Administration from presenting projects for Council consideration that do not meet the criteria listed herein. Acknowledging that projects may have benefits that are not captured in the criteria set forth in this Priorities Rubric, Council encourages the City Administration to bring forth all worthy projects.