

## **Hazelwood Initiative August 10<sup>th</sup> , 2021 Meeting Notes**

### **PWSA Stormwater Management Update**

- NE & Pittsburgh are getting much more rain now than we used to
- Severe, highly-localized storms frequently overrun the sewer system and treatment capacity
- Occurrences of severe storms have increased dramatically in Allegheny County
- Too much stormwater + sewer water = polluted river
- Our current system wasn't built for this volume of stormwater
- PWSA is building an innovative stormwater management system including billing system starting 2022, stormwater will be billed differently it will be fairer and more equitable than billing by meter usage
- Rates will be based on an "ERU"
- Payoff: fewer basement backups, less pollution = healthier and better Pittsburgh
- To report basement backups and flooding – call city's 311
- For more info: [www.pgh20stormwater.com](http://www.pgh20stormwater.com)

### **City of Bridges – Land Trust Homes Hazelwood Ave + Chatsworth Ave.**

- What's a community land trust?
  - o A unique approach to affordable homeownership
- CLT homeowners, by signing the ground lease:
  - o Agree to share with future homebuyers the affordability that was initially created for them
  - o Agree to a resale formula that will be used to determine the price at which they can sell their homes
- Seeking CORE certification for the 12 homes
  - o Site A: Three bedroom duplex
  - o Site B: Three bedroom duplex
  - o Site C: Two bedroom duplex
  - o Site D: Two bedroom duplex
  - o Site E: Four unit condo (fully accessible first floor units with units above)
- Home designs with low monthly costs to homeowners through:
  - o Energy efficiency
  - o Reduced water demands
  - o Good daylighting
  - o Natural ventilation
- Construction
  - o Targeted Start: 5/1/22 – Chatsworth
  - o Targeted Start: 10/1/22 – Hazelwood Ave.
- On-site Community Feedback Session will be scheduled soon!

### **Community- Driven Revitalization of the Greater Hazelwood Business District**

- GH- CARED: a division of POORLAW dedicated to the advancement of community development and sustainability with inclusivity and equity for the residents of Greater Hazelwood

- Proposal: construct approx. 40,000 sq. ft., two-story commercial space to accommodate retail businesses that will serve Greater Hazelwood residents, commuters, and residents from surrounding communities as well as future residents of our fast-growing community
- Goals for the 4800 Block South:
  - o Mark the beginning of the Hazelwood business district
  - o Enable substantial business development
  - o Fulfill the Greater Hazelwood Neighborhood Plan
  - o Meet resident needs for healthy food and other services
    - Cooperative Grocery Store
    - Laundromat
    - Credit Union
    - Small Business Opportunities
  - o Ensure equitable community ownership by long-term residents
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