



Philadelphia Authority for
Industrial Development

AGENDA

TO: THE MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PHILADELPHIA AUTHORITY
FOR INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

FROM: ILENE BURAK, ESQ., SECRETARY

The following is the Agenda for the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development (PAID) and its affiliates, to be held on Tuesday, May 5, 2026, 5:00 p.m. via Zoom. <https://zoom.us/j/96293583102?pwd=EIChq5xvLHbtP4G0bohHSPOUOFI3aw.1>

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- I. Approval of the Minutes of the Authority for the meeting held on April 27, 2026.
- II. Public Comments
- III. Consider and Approve Resolutions authorizing PAID to:
 - A. enter into a contract with HR&A Advisors, Inc. for planning services for up to \$275,000.

May 5, 2026

RESOLUTION

Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development

HR&A Advisors, Inc.

A Resolution authorizing Philadelphia Authority for Industrial Development (“PAID”) to enter into a contract with HR&A Advisors, Inc. for planning services for up to \$275,000.

Any one of the officers of PAID are hereby authorized and empowered to execute all necessary documents and agreements and to take such other actions upon such terms and conditions as they deem to be in the best interests of PAID.

BACKGROUND

On June 24, 2025, the PAID Board approved a resolution authorizing PAID to submit an application to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development’s (“DCED”) Pennsylvania Strategic Investments To Enhance Sites Grant (“PA SITES”) Program for a grant request of up to \$250,000 and commit up to \$25,000 (approximately 9%) in matching funds from the Philadelphia Industrial and Development Fund (“the Landbank”) to support a project with total project costs of up to \$275,000; and, upon award, to enter into a Grant Agreement to secure the grant. The grant was awarded.

PIDC, on behalf of PAID, issued an RFP for the planning work on January 26, 2026. The scope of work included an economic analysis, an infrastructure gap analysis, and a preliminary site plan. Thirteen (13) teams submitted responses to the RFP by the March 18, 2026, deadline.

HR&A’s response was identified as the strongest, based on its technical approach, qualifications and experience, cost, schedule, and overall proposal quality. The team includes MAKE Advisory Services, LLC and Stromberg/Garrison & Associates, Inc. as subconsultants. MAKE Advisory Services is a nationally certified Women-owned Business Enterprise (WBE), a federally certified Women-Owned Small Business (WOSB), and a Pennsylvania-certified Small Diverse Business (SDB). Stromberg/Garrigan & Associates, Inc. (SGA) is certified as a micro-SWaM business (Small, Women-owned, and Minority-owned business).

The primary source of funds for this contract will be PAID’s PA SITES Planning Grant (\$250,000; contract number C000094698). Up to \$25,000 from the Industrial & Commercial Development Fund (Industrial Landbank) will be used if needed. The grant period ends June 30, 2028.