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The workshop is scheduled to be broadcast live on Channel 16, and will be viewable at a later date on the City’s YouTube Channel. Comcast subscriber: Channel 16 AT&T U-Verse subscriber: Channel 99, select Evanston, select City Channel 16

Collete English Dixon (moderator), Executive Director
Marshall Bennett Institute of Real Estate, Roosevelt University
Collete English Dixon has more than 30 years in investment management with a focus on commercial real estate investing. Prior to her current role at Roosevelt University, she was Executive Director – Transactions for PGIM Real Estate (formerly known as PREI), a business unit of Prudential Financial, and co-leader of PREI’s investment funds. Prior to her role in dispositions, English Dixon was responsible for sourcing more than $2.75B of wholly-owned and joint venture real estate investment opportunities in the Midwestern markets covering all property types, including office, multi-family, hotel, industrial and retail properties. Collete’s experience also includes property development and asset management. She is a Past President of CREW Network, a Past Chair of the CREW Network Foundation, a Past President of CREW Chicago, a full member of ULI and the 2016-2019 Chair of the UDMU Council/Purple. She is a member of the Board of Directors and Chair of the Investment Committee for the Housing Partnership Equity Trust, a member of the Board of Directors for BDREX and a member of its Audit and Governance Committees, a board member of the Chicago Forum of the International Women’s Forum, and member of the Board of Directors of the Oak Park River Forest Food Pantry.

Tim Klont, Vice President and Manager, Community Investment Programs, Federal Home Loan Bank of Chicago
Tim Klont’s focus is on expanding the understanding and utilization of the Bank’s affordable housing resources. Tim has extensive experience with the implementation of community development initiatives, housing finance, and fair housing education. He has held positions with the Corporation for Supportive Housing, the Arizona Department of Housing, the City of Tempe (AZ), and the Michigan State Housing Development Authority.

Mark Müller, President, Fulton Developers
Mark Müller is driven by a desire to bring innovative thinking to unique projects that provide quality and complete client satisfaction. Müller, Fulton Developers’ co-founder and president, started his career in Uruguay, earning master’s degrees in both architecture and urban planning. During six years with the design/build firm Rodolfo Margoniner, Müller worked with the principal architect in the design of many commercial and residential projects. He personally managed the construction of the Regency Suites Hotel (5-star), a multifamily residential building, an office building for Varig Airlines, and an Air Force country club facility. He has been with Fulton since 2002 working on projects throughout the Chicagoland area. As a LEED Accredited Professional he strives for Green buildings which are more energy efficient, sustainable and healthier. Müller currently serves on the Highland Park Zoning Board of Appeals.

Al Weel, Senior Vice President, Wintrust Bank
Mr. Weel is currently the Senior Vice President, Commercial Real Estate for Wintrust Bank in Chicago, which he joined in 2009. He manages a team of five individuals responsible for over a $330M non-owner occupied commercial real estate loan portfolio. Prior to joining Wintrust Bank, Mr. Weel was Senior Vice President – Commercial Real Estate for MB Financial Bank from 2002 – 2009. He has been in commercial lending since 1985 and finances various types of commercial properties (construction and stabilized) primarily throughout the Chicago MSA. Mr. Weel holds two Bachelor's degrees from MacMurray College in Jacksonville, IL, one in business administration and one in physical education. He currently is a member of the finance committee in the Village of Niles, where he also sat as a Village Trustee, and was Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission. In addition to his involvement in the Village of Niles, he also is a member of the Morton Grove Foundation which has provided financial grants and education to a number of local charities.

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Wednesday, May 30, 2018
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