



June 2017

ULI PHL 2.0 is just getting STARTED!

FAREWELL FROM OUR CHAIR



This week marks the end of my term as Chair of our ULI Philadelphia District Council. I am proud to have put in place a new framework, steps towards strategic actions, new charged leadership, and specific opportunities for you to share in our mission. I encourage you to engage in shaping the next chapter!

Over the course of the past two years we brought the ULI 2016 Spring Meeting to Philadelphia to profile the remarkable developments in our city and region, brought in Laura Slutsky as our dynamic new Executive Director, and sought your feedback about how we can set our organization on an innovative course to continue to grow our role as the preeminent land use and real estate organization.

I often talk about our vision for "ULI PHL 2.0" and how we see ourselves adjusting along with our industry to serve and propel the region into the future. Our new Strategic Plan, a Framework for Action, builds on our strengths and creates a platform for you to join us to advance our common values and goals. The plan is purposely open-ended to make space for our members to engage, put detailed strategies in place, and leave their mark. I invite you to think about where you fit into this framework. As is expected, we also have been working on a terrific lineup of events to kick-off the Fall, and an exciting program year ahead for you.

I am now delighted to introduce you to our new Chair, Paul Commito, Senior Vice President for Development at Brandywine Realty Trust. I know that you will enjoy his commitment to our mission, energy and engaging leadership.

Thank you for the pleasure and honor to serve as your ULI Chair and I look forward to catching up with you at one of our next events!

Best,

Antonio Fiol-Silva
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INTRODUCING OUR NEW CHAIR

Paul Commito is Senior Vice President for Development at Brandywine Realty Trust. Paul brings over 25 years of experience in the real estate development and construction industry, including senior roles with AMC Delancey Group and Toll Brothers. Prior to joining Brandywine, Paul was COO of ACS Development Corporation, a Boston area real estate development, construction, and management firm. As our Chair for Mission Advancement, Paul played a critical role to make the ULI Spring Meeting and new Strategic Plan a success. He is an adamant believer that his role is not just to create individual buildings, but to foster lasting community value while incorporating the best thinking in the industry.

Welcome, Paul!



SPONSORSHIP - DUE JULY 14TH

The exclusive, annual sponsor breakfast will be held at FMC Tower at Cira Centre South on **July 20th**. Breakfast will be followed by content on the City's first vertical neighborhood, the nexus of food and real estate, a word from the design and operations teams and a tour.

This is open only to FY18 ULI Philadelphia sponsors. Please review our updated annual and [program sponsorship opportunities](#) and contact [Bridget Donovan](#) with your [commitment](#) no later than **July 14th**.

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STRATEGIC ACTION PLAN

Our Strategic Action Plan plan is a framework for the future. We need you, the future leaders, to define and drive these areas and our work. Join us to make an impact. Thank you for the input!

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GRAYS FERRY HEALTHY CORRIDOR PROJECT

Philadelphia was one of four cities selected by the [ULI Building Healthy Places Initiative](#) to receive a [Healthy Corridors](#) Grant to study the Grays Ferry corridor from Washington Avenue to Woodland Avenue.

A Local Leadership Group, Chaired by Julie Donofrio, Managing Director of PennPraxis, will convene two workshops with national experts and focused on health outcomes for the neighborhood.

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