David Rowe — Executive VP, CAMBA Housing Ventures

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Shawn Rickenbacker — Director, J. Max Bond Center for Urban Futures

Shawn L. Rickenbacker is an Associate Professor of Architecture and Director of the J. Max Bond Center for Urban Futures of City College of New York, Spitzer School of Architecture. He is a trained architect, urbanist and systems technologist whose work has focused on the convergence of physical space, human and digital systems within the built environment. He is especially interested in using data as a design tool, how and what we can learn from it and its relationship to the human experience. As Director of the applied research and design J. Max Bond Center for Urban Futures, he leads and directs the Center’s transdisciplinary team’s research efforts and commissioned projects. The Center’s focus is on generating and disseminating new knowledge and strategies to increase spatial design equity, social and cultural engagement and design policy reform.

Steve Lewis — *Keynote Speaker — Design Director, City of Detroit, Central Region

Steven Lewis is a tireless advocate for social justice and diversity within the field of architecture. In his role as Urban Design Director for the City of Detroit’s Central Region, he is helping to shape the vision of present and future development. In addition be being a AIA 2016 Whitney M. Young, Jr. Award recipient, a Loeb Fellow in 2006-2007, and a past President of the National Organization of Minority Architects, Steven has also recently launched a consulting practice – “Thinking Leadership – What we Do...Who we Are” – aimed at assisting clients attain superior outcomes through his engagement. More than anything, Steven is a facilitator of partnerships and alliances between groups and individuals who seek to use architecture and design to effect positive change to our world.

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