East Baton Rouge Redevelopment Authority
Board of Commissioners Meeting

MINUTES
JANUARY 20, 2011
9:00 A.M.
Baton Rouge Area Foundation, 402 North 4th Street, Baton Rouge, LA 70802

Meeting called to order by Mr. Noland at 9:00 A.M.

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Agenda topics

CALL TO ORDER
JOHN NOLAND

DISCUSSION

CONCLUSIONS

ACTION ITEMS
PERSON RESPONSIBLE
DEADLINE

N/A

DECEMBER 16, 2010 MINUTES
JOHN NOLAND

DISCUSSION
Mr. Noland asked for approval of the minutes from the December 16, 2010 Board of Commissioners Meeting.

CONCLUSIONS
Dr. Jenkins made a motion for the approval of the minutes. Dr. Perkins seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

ACTION ITEMS | PERSON RESPONSIBLE | DEADLINE
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N/A |  |  

DISCUSSION

CONCLUSIONS
Mrs. Turner made a motion for the Board to approve the financial reports. Dr. Jenkins seconded the motion. The financial reports were unanimously approved.

ACTION ITEMS | PERSON RESPONSIBLE | DEADLINE
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DISCUSSION
Ms. Bing updated the Board on the Community Improvement Plans:

**Scotlandville/Gateway:** complete and final plans to be delivered on January 21, 2011.

**Zion City/Glen Oaks:** complete and final plan to be delivered on January 21, 2011.

**Northdale:** reviewing plans and will submit to Brown+Danos.

**Choctaw Corridor:** final plans due January 27, 2011.

**Melrose East:** will receive first draft on January 27, 2011.

Meetings with Fregonese Associates to merge RDA Community Improvement Plans with FutureBR plans are ongoing.

**GAP FINANCING**

Ms. Bing updated the Board on the status of Gap Finance applicants:

**One Stop (36 unit)** – converted into grant and documents are currently under review.

**OSBR Gateway (17 unit)** – awaiting terms of OCD loan.

**Mid-City (32 unit)** – reviewed and awaiting other financial commitments.

**The Elysian (100 units)** – partial application received, awaiting supporting documents.
**CONCLUSIONS**

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**DISCUSSION**

**RENTAL REHAB**

Ms. Smith updated the Board on the status of the Cabana Gardens application:

**Cabana Gardens (68 unit)** – loan documents are complete and awaiting final documents from Borrower prior to closing.

**SMALL BUSINESS FACADE**

Ms. Smith updated the Board on the status of the Small Business Façade applications:

**College Barber Shop (Swan Avenue)** – construction is underway.

**All In Favor (Scotland Avenue)** – interior work in progress. Exterior work approved by the Board must begin no later than January 29, 2011.

**Brother’s Automotive (Plank Road)** – environmental clearance was received and a contract meeting is scheduled for the week of January 24, 2011.

**Istrouma Mattress (Choctaw)** – awaiting environmental clearance.

**Boyd’s Bakery (N. Acadian Thruway West)** – was approved by the Grants Review Committee and applicant will have the assistance of the Southern Architecture Department in preparing package for Board consideration in February.

**CONCLUSIONS**

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**DISCUSSION**

**LAND BANKING**

Mr. Briscoe updated the Board on the adjudicated properties acquired by the RDA. To date, 128 properties have been acquired with surveys and title abstracts completed on 23 properties and appraisals on 5 properties.

**LINCOLN THEATER**

Mr. Perkins asked Mr. Briscoe to update the Board on the status of the Lincoln Theater. Mr. Briscoe informed the Board that the Lincoln Theater was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in December. The RDA and Louisiana Black History Hall of Fame are in the process of applying for federal historic tax credits.
CONCLUSION

ACTION ITEMS | PERSON RESPONSIBLE | DEADLINE
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**DISCUSSION**  
**PET AND MOBILE APPLICATION DEMONSTRATION**  
Mark Goodson gave a demonstration of the East Baton Rouge Redevelopment Authority’s Property Evaluation Tool (“PET”) software developed to access information on real estate within the City of Baton Rouge.

CONCLUSION

**ACTION ITEMS**  
**NEW BUSINESS**  
**JOHN NOLAND**

**DISCUSSION**  
No new business to report.

CONCLUSIONS

**ACTION ITEMS**  
**PUBLIC COMMENT**  
**JOHN NOLAND**

**DISCUSSION**  
No public comment.

CONCLUSION

**ACTION ITEMS**  
**ADJOURNMENT**  
**JOHN NOLAND**

**DISCUSSION**  
Dr. Perkins made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Dr. Jenkins seconded the motion. Mr. Noland adjourned the meeting at 9:43 a.m.

CONCLUSION
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