

EAST BATON ROUGE  
REDEVELOPMENT  
AUTHORITY

**East Baton Rouge Redevelopment Authority  
Board of Commissioners Meeting**

MINUTES	APRIL 10, 2014	9:00 A.M.	EBR REDEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY, 801 NORTH BLVD., SUITE 200, BATON ROUGE, LA 70802
MEETING CALLED BY	Mr. John Noland , Chairman		
TYPE OF MEETING	Board of Commissioners - Regular Meeting		
FACILITATOR	N/A		
NOTE TAKER	Rebecca Normand		
TIMEKEEPER	N/A		
ATTENDEES	<p>Attending Board Members: Mr. John Noland., Chairman Mr. Van Mayhall, and Mr. Rodney Braxton</p> <p>Also attending: Walter Monsour, RDA President &amp; CEO; Chip Boyles, RDA Vice President of Administration &amp; Programs; James Andermann, RDA Real Estate Director; Susannah Bing, RDA Director of Finance and Economic Development; Melissa Neyland, Rodney Richbourg, Rebecca Normand, RDA Staff; Byron Turner, Fannie Mae Corporation; Erica McGeachy Crenshaw, Execute Now; Rev. Tommie Gipson, Donaldson Chapel Baptist Church; Amanda Wells &amp; Charles Landry, Jones Walker; Whitney Cooper, DDD; Boo Thomas, CPEX; Ryan Holcomb, CPPC; Dalton Honore II; and Quincy Hodges, NOLA.com</p>		
	<b>CALL TO ORDER</b>		<b>JOHN NOLAND</b>
DISCUSSION	Meeting called to order by Mr. Noland at 9:06 a.m.		
CONCLUSIONS			
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE		DEADLINE
N/A			
	<b>APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 16, 2014 MINUTES</b>		<b>JOHN NOLAND</b>
DISCUSSION	Mr. Noland asked for approval of the minutes from the January 16, 2014 Board of Commissioners Meeting.		
CONCLUSIONS			

Mr. Mayhall made a motion to approve the minutes. Mr. Braxton seconded the motion. The minutes were unanimously approved.

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
N/A		

**GENERAL EMPOWERING RESOLUTION**

**WALTER MONSOUR**

**DISCUSSION**

Mr. Monsour presented the board members with the amendment to the General Empowering resolution that replaces Mr. Chip Boyles with Mr. John Noland; RDA Chairman and Mr. Van Mayhall; RDA Board Vice Chairman. The resolution will allow Mr. Noland and Mr. Mayhall the ability to act on behalf of the RDA in administrative functions.

After the initial motion and second, a suggestion that the authorization be pursuant to title rather than by name. Mr. Braxton and Mr. Mayhall agreed to an amended motion to change from name to title.

**CONCLUSIONS**

Mr. Braxton made a motion to adopt the General Empowering resolution. Mr. Mayhall seconded the motion.

Mr. Braxton made a motion to approve the amended General Empowering Resolution. Mr. Mayhall seconded the motion.

In a voice vote, Mr. Braxton, Mr. Mayhall and Mr. Noland voted aye. The amended motion and second was unanimously approved.

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
N/A		

**FAIR HOUSING MONTH RESOLUTION**

**SUSANNAH BING**

**DISCUSSION**

Ms. Bing reported on Fair Housing Month and explained the purpose of the Resolution

**CONCLUSIONS**

N/A

ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
N/A		

**RDA LEGISLATION UPDATE**

**WALTER MONSOUR**

**DISCUSSION**

Mr. Monsour updated the board on the Redevelopment Authority's House Bill 918 and presented them with the House Bill summary and diagram of the transaction flowchart.

CONCLUSIONS	N/A	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
N/A		
	<b>NATIONAL MORTGAGE SETTLEMENT</b>	<b>WALTER MONSOUR</b>
DISCUSSION		
Mr. Monsour updated the board on the National Mortgage Settlement Proposal.		
CONCLUSIONS	N/A	
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
N/A		
	<b>1509 GOVERNMENT STREET UPDATE</b>	<b>JAMES ANDERMANN</b>
DISCUSSION		
Mr. Andermann reported that all the transfers of services to the RDA are complete. Along with additional project updates, Mr. Andermann also reported that the RDA and LSU School of Architecture are having on-going meetings and presentations for conceptual building and site designs.		
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
N/A		
	<b>PROJECT UPDATE</b>	<b>SUSANNAH BING</b>
DISCUSSION		
Ms. Bing updated the board on Renaissance Gateway, GAP Affordable Housing project; Model Block GAP Commercial project; Choctaw Village Business Improvement Grant project and the Lincoln Theater Community Impact project.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Renaissance Gateway(\$350k)- 257 units. Construction to be completed June 2014.</li> <li>• Model Block(\$700k)- closed April 2, 2014. They have begun renovations on the Darrensboung Building.</li> <li>• Choctaw Village(\$120k)- All renovations are complete and the owner will begin to submit invoices for reimbursement.</li> <li>• Lincoln Theater- Roof repairs are complete. Other clean up and minor renovations are in process.</li> </ul>		
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
N/A		

	<b>NEW MARKET TAX CREDIT UPDATE</b>	<b>WALTER MONSOUR</b>
DISCUSSION		
<p>Mr. Monsour gave a status update on the EBRCDE 2013 New Market Tax Credit application. The Board members were provided a list of potential projects that were included in the application. The total amount of allocation requested was \$75.46 million. Awards should be announced in May/June 2014.</p>		
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
N/A		
	<b>TRANSITION UPDATE</b>	<b>WALTER MONSOUR</b>
DISCUSSION		
<p>Mr. Monsour provided a transition update in regards to Chip Boyles' departure as Vice President of Administration and Programs. Mr. Monsour added that the job responsibilities and duties will be dispersed among fellow RDA staff until the position is filled. Mr. Monsour reported that the job of Vice President of Administration and Programs will not be filled until the RDA receives a permanent funding source.</p>		
CONCLUSIONS		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
N/A		
	<b>NEW BUSINESS, PUBLIC COMMENT &amp; ADJOURNMENT</b>	<b>JOHN NOLAND</b>
NEW BUSINESS	No new business	
PUBLIC COMMENT	No public comment.	
ADJOURNMENT	Mr. Noland adjourned the meeting at 10:01 a.m.	