

## Notes Government Affairs Committee Meeting

Wednesday, 23 September 2020  
2:10 to 3:40pm

**Via Teleconference:**

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- I. CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 2:10 pm and the agenda was read into the record.  
ROLL CALL:

COMMITTEE MEMBERS				VOTES	
First Name	Last Name	Present	Absent	Amend the Agenda to add approval of meeting notes	Approval of the previous meeting notes
David	Bilbe	X		yes	yes
Sherry	Cannon	X		yes	yes
Jane	Cooper	X		yes	yes
Jeremy	DeBlieux	X		yes	yes
Brian	Furness	X		yes	yes
Juliet	Laughlin	X		yes	yes
Brittany	McGovern	X		yes	yes
Christian	Pendleton		X		
Kim	Rosenberg	X		yes	yes
Frank	Zumbo	X		yes	yes

INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES:

GUESTS		
First Name	Last Name	Role
Karley	Frankic	Executive Director
Sue	Klein	Commissioner
Gail	Cavett	Commissioner
Robert	Watters	Commissioner
Bridget	Neal	Lt. Governor
Michael	Stein	The Lens-Reporter
Chris	Finch	Fox 8-Reporter
Eric	Smith	City CAO Analyst
Chris	Young	FQ Business Alliance
Erin	Holmes	VCPORA

- II. Public Comment: Anyone who wishes to comment on actionable items must announce their name for the record and indicate the item(s) upon which s/he wishes to comment.
- Ms. Rosenberg made the motion to amend the agenda to add approval of the previous meeting notes. Ms. Laughlin seconded the motion, and it was approved. Ms. Cooper made the motion to approve the previous meeting notes of July and August. Ms. Laughlin seconded the motion, and it was approved.

# French Quarter MANAGEMENT DISTRICT

## III. Discussion of the French Quarter Economic Development District sales tax referendum

- a. Review of previous French Quarter Economic Development District Cooperative Endeavor Agreement
- b. Discussion of outline for new French Quarter Economic Development District Cooperative Endeavor Agreement

The committee discussed the prior cooperative endeavor agreements for the French Quarter Economic Development District and the French Quarter Improvement Fund as related to the structure of the FQMD Supplemental Police Patrol Program. The committee also looked at the Mid-City Security District CEA related to the structure of their neighborhood security district police patrols. And reviewed and revised an outline, *attached*, of the high level recommendations for the Committee Chair, residential Committee representative, and Executive Director to provide to counsel for the purpose of crafting a first draft of a new CEA with the FQ EDD Governing Authority and City.

## IV. Update on Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery appropriation

The \$1M appropriation from the spring special session of the state legislature is for Katrina relief projects. The funds can be used for capital investment related to damages or loss and data supported population shift. Replacement of the French Quarter circulator bus may be an eligible project. Scraping and repaving Katrina damaged streets may be a possibility

## V. Discussion of potential governmental funding opportunities

Ms. Laughlin reported that Sen. Henry is prepared to support an appropriation for gap funding in this fall special session of the state legislature.

## VI. New Business

Ms. Klein requested that as the staff and committee members are looking for funding opportunities, they keep an eye out for finding money to address the flooding issues that have arisen since the N. Rampart streetcar line was installed.

## VII. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting of the committee will be Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>

## VIII. Adjournment

Mr. Furness made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Cooper seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 3:20 pm.