



Board of Commissioners Meeting Minutes

Monday 26 January 2026

2:00 pm

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Commissioners Present: David Bilbe, Glade Bilby, Christine Bondio, Jane Cooper, Joey DiFatta, Alex Fein, Sue Klein, Christian Pendleton, Heidi Raines, Frank Zumbo

Commissioners Absent: Steve Caputo, Mamie Gasperez

Executive Director: Michelle Courseault

Coordinator: Shelby Ursu

Guests: Bob Bejarano, Arielle Desse, Bill Donkervoiet, Katie Kolthoff, Larry Heilbronner

- I. CALL TO ORDER: ROLL CALL: INTRODUCTION OF ATTENDEES – Chair Ms. Bondio called the French Quarter Management District (FQMD) January 26th, 2026 regular meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. Ms. Courseault read the agenda as noticed and Ms. Klein called the roll.
- II. BOARD CHAIR COMMENTS & GUEST INTRODUCTIONS – Ms. Bondio
Ms. Bondio welcomed the Commissioners and guests to the first Board meeting of the year and thanked the Commissioners for their vote of confidence in her leadership. She noted that the Executive Director’s report has been added back as a standing agenda item for all future Board meetings.
- III. PUBLIC COMMENT – The Public Comment Policy can be found at <https://www.fqmd.org/publiccomment-policy>. Written public comment may be submitted electronically via email to publiccomments@fqmd.org.
Ms. Bondio stated that public comments will now be addressed with their corresponding agenda items.
- IV. DECEMBER 8th and 22nd, 2025 MEETING MINUTES – Mr. DiFatta motioned **(M1)** to “approve the December 8th and December 22nd, 2025 Board meeting minutes...”, Mr. Pendleton seconded the motion, and both were approved.
- V. DECEMBER 2025 TREASURER’S REPORT – Mr. Fein
Mr. Fein reviewed the December Treasurer’s report with the Commissioners, noting that the City of New Orleans has \$190,000.00 of outstanding payments due. He stated that Ms. Courseault will be following up on this matter with Austin Wilty of the Chief Administrative Office and the City’s Finance & Budgeting Office.

Mr. Pendleton made a motion **(M2)** to “approve the December Treasurer’s report ...”, seconded by Mr. G. Bilby, and it was approved. ANNEX I.

VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT – Ms. Courseault

Ms. Courseault reported that she has not received the final payment of the 2024-2025 State appropriations as well as the first payment of the 2025-2026 appropriations, but noted that she has been keeping in touch with the Department of Treasury for any updates as the State works through a new system. Also, New Orleans & Company should be sending their \$625,000.00 contribution.

a. PRESENTATION OF THE FRENCH QUARTER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 2025 ANNUAL REPORT – Ms. Courseault reviewed the draft 2025 Annual Report with the Commissioners, stating that the finalized report will be sent out digitally and in print. Ms. Raines recommended adding information within the first few pages that summarizes the FQMD’s major programs funded through the French Quarter Economic Development District.

b. MOTION – CONSIDER A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FRENCH QUARTER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT 2025 ANNUAL REPORT

Mr. G. Bilby made a motion **(M3)** to “approve the French Quarter Management District 2025 Annual Report, with the revision as discussed...”, seconded by Ms. Raines, and it was approved. ANNEX II.

VII. FINANCE AND DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT – Mr. Fein

Mr. Fein reported that FQMD Program Manager Bob Bejarano’s contract ended in December 2025, adding that Ms. Courseault has been conducting interviews with potential candidates for the full-time role, which still remains unfilled. He stated that the Finance & Development Committee agreed on a month-to-month arrangement during this interim, with Mr. Bejarano capped at a maximum of 24 hours per week from January 26th to February 26th, with a clear record of time worked, so that the ongoing street markings and streetlight projects which Mr. Bejarano originally handled can be wrapped. Mr. Fein added that the Committee agreed that Key Performance Indices (KPIs) for the Program Manager be established, and the Board agreed.

a. MOTION – CONSIDER A MOTION TO APPROVE AN EXTENSION OF THE PROGRAM MANAGER MONTH-TO-MONTH CONTRACT, NOT TO EXCEED 24 HOURS PER WEEK, WITH 30 DAY NOTICE OF CONTRACT TERMINATION, EFFECTIVE JANUARY 26TH, 2026.

Mr. Pendleton made a motion **(M4)** to “approve an extension of the Program Manager month-to-month contract, not to exceed 24 hours per week, with 30 day notice of contract termination, effective January 26th, 2026...”, seconded by Mr. DiFatta, and it was approved. ANNEX III.

VIII. GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT – Mr. G. Bilby

Mr. G. Bilby reported that both Mr. Daniel Hammer, President and CEO of the Historic New Orleans Collection, and Commissioner Steve Caputo will be joining the Government Affairs Committee roster this year.

a. IMPACT STUDY – Mr. G. Bilby reported that he and Ms. Courseault met with Dr. Richardson at the beginning of the year to discuss his study and upcoming presentation. He noted that the study is close to completion, and anticipates the presentation to the Board by February or March. Ms. Bondio recommended using FQMD’s public relations contractor to promote the Impact Study.

IX. LIVABILITY COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT – Mr. Bejarano

- a. STREETLIGHTS REPORT – Mr. Bejarano reported that the initial streetlights assessment reported 947 different lights, with 614 of these lights repaired to date. He noted that he is working to finalize the warranty period final project reports, reminding the Board that the warranty for streetlight maintenance ends at the end of February. Mr. Bejarano recommended that the Commissioners still report any streetlight issues through 311. He added that there are a number of unfulfilled repair requests in the 311 queue, stating that he hopes to use some of the remaining project funds to address as many repair requests as possible. Ms. Courseault noted that the Board can revisit the streetlight maintenance proposal, should this responsibility be placed back onto the FQMD in the future.
- b. STREET MARKINGS REPORT – Mr. Bejarano reported that the 2025 street markings have been completely wrapped within the 10% margin of error. He stated that he will be out on the streets with the contractor this week to assess any properties that need supplemental street markings with the \$38,000.00 of project funds that have been set aside. Mr. Bejarano added that Esplanade Avenue, Bourbon Street, and Decatur Street have not been addressed yet. Ms. Klein asked Mr. Bejarano to keep in mind that some locations on Royal Street may be retail on the ground floor, but have residential driveways. Everyone agreed there needs to be stronger contract controls for future projects.

X. SECURITY & ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORT – Mr. Pendleton

Mr. Pendleton reported that attendance and public comment at the January Security & Enforcement Committee meeting was higher than ever, noting that the main topic of discussion at the meeting was the NOPD's drone program. He stated that the Committee discussed measurable KPIs for the Mobile Crisis Unit and Low Barrier Shelter, as well as potential ways to measure progress revolving around nuisance crimes this year.

Resident and guest, Bill Donkervoiet, made a public comment regarding public safety and speeding in the French Quarter. He stated that in October 2025 he was almost hit by a speeding vehicle at the corner of Esplanade Avenue and Decatur Street. Mr. Donkervoiet added that he has reached out to Cpt. Palumbo of the Eighth District to voice his concerns about the incident, but has not observed any improvements. Mr. Pendleton thanked Mr. Donkervoiet for voicing his frustration, stating that speeding is a regular topic of discussion at the Security & Enforcement Committee meetings. He added that this issue comes down to enforcement, noting that because the Supplemental Police Patrol Program vehicles are not equipped with speed radars, the officers cannot pull cars over for speeding. Mr. Pendleton stated that the FQMD has offered to purchase these radar detectors in previous years, but were informed that the NOPD would also need funding for the radar training. He informed Mr. Donkervoiet that he will bring this issue up at the upcoming Committee meeting so that the group can map out an aggressive plan for improved enforcement.

- a. FQ TASK FORCE APP – Mr. Pendleton stated that there are four versions of the FQ Task Force app (Apple version/Android version/NOPD version/Administrative version) which all have to be updated and released at the same time. He reported that SDT Productions is currently BETA testing the app and anticipate the updated app to launch after Mardi Gras.

XI. NEW BUSINESS: To consider and take action upon any other matters that may properly come before the French Quarter Management District Board of Commissioners.

Ms. Klein stated that the FQ Task Force app is currently down for all Android users, and recommended that Commissioners call the Eighth District Station if they need to report any issues until the new app version is released. She was told that Android users should call the NOPD 8th District directly at (504) 658-6080 if they need to report any issues.

Mr. Fein shared that the NOPD transport van has been of major help to the 8th District.

Mr. Pendleton congratulated Ms. Raines upon the recent sale of her business.

- XII. NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING DATE: 23 February 2026 at the Historic New Orleans Collection
- XIII. ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Zumbo motioned (**M5**) to “adjourn the January 26th, 2026 Board of Commissioners meeting...”, Mr. Fein seconded the motion to unanimous approval, and the meeting was adjourned at 3:08 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
(Signed original available)
Susan Klein, Secretary

ANNEX I – December 2025 Treasurer Reports
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Treasurer's Report

French Quarter Management District

For the period ended December 31, 2025

Prepared on

January 9, 2026

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Balance Sheet

As of December 31, 2025

		Total
	As of Dec 31, 2025	As of Nov 30, 2025 (PP)
ASSETS		
Current Assets		
Bank Accounts		
Appropriations	125,093.56	348,999.50
FQMA	50,796.86	50,740.80
FQMD general operating account	259,923.14	298,706.23
FQMD Patrol	13,365.66	13,339.24
Total Bank Accounts	449,179.22	711,785.77
Accounts Receivable		
Contract Receivable	18,658.50	18,658.50
Total Accounts Receivable	18,658.50	18,658.50
Other Current Assets		
Prepaid Expenses	38,408.37	42,181.60
Total Other Current Assets	38,408.37	42,181.60
Total Current Assets	506,246.09	772,625.87
TOTAL ASSETS	\$506,246.09	\$772,625.87
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY		
Liabilities		
Current Liabilities		
Accounts Payable		
Accounts Payable (A/P)	21,894.43	121,025.55
Total Accounts Payable	21,894.43	121,025.55
Other Current Liabilities		
CEA Membership Dues	39,819.56	39,819.56
Total Other Current Liabilities	39,819.56	39,819.56
Total Current Liabilities	61,713.99	160,845.11
Total Liabilities	61,713.99	160,845.11
Equity		
Retained Earnings	3,641,274.12	3,641,274.12
Net Income	-3,196,742.02	-3,029,493.36
Total Equity	444,532.10	611,780.76
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$506,246.09	\$772,625.87

A/R Aging Summary

As of December 31, 2025

	Current	1 - 30	31 - 60	61 - 90	91 and over	Total
City of New Orleans			6,741.50	11,917.00		18,658.50
TOTAL	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,741.50	\$11,917.00	\$0.00	\$18,658.50

A/P Aging Summary

As of December 31, 2025

	Current	1 - 30	31 - 60	61 - 90	91 and over	Total
Bankcard Center		240.06	283.19	925.74		1,448.99
Credence Construction LLC		4,550.00				4,550.00
HILTI, Inc.			9,592.42			9,592.42
John Wyatt Foard, LLC	3,120.04					3,120.04
Omni IT Solutions LLC		1,232.98				1,232.98
Robert Bejarano	1,950.00					1,950.00
TOTAL	\$5,070.04	\$6,023.04	\$9,875.61	\$925.74	\$0.00	\$21,894.43

Profit and Loss

December 2025

	Total
INCOME	
Interest Income	1,243.08
Total Income	1,243.08
GROSS PROFIT	
	1,243.08
EXPENSES	
Conference & Meeting Expenses	
Conferences and meetings	31.44
Parking	23.35
Total Conference & Meeting Expenses	54.79
Operations Expenses	
Bank Charges & Fees	55.00
Insurance	3,708.03
Interest Paid	18.32
Office Supplies & Software	3,703.35
Rent	1,600.00
Utilities	
Telephone	203.05
Total Utilities	203.05
Total Operations Expenses	9,287.75
Payroll Expenses	
Employee Benefits	1,473.87
Payroll	15,247.28
Processing Fees	106.00
Taxes	1,166.41
Worker's Compensation	82.59
Total Payroll Expenses	18,076.15
Professional Fees	
Accounting Fees	2,788.00
Advertising / Marketing	4,913.07
Program / Project Manager	3,725.00
Website	65.20
Total Professional Fees	11,491.27
Services Rendered / Programming	
GHF Recycling	8,043.70
Patrol Expenses - UQP/E	
Mobile Data Charges	461.19
Police Patrols	106,116.89
Security Administration	13,440.00
Total Patrol Expenses - UQP/E	120,018.08
Public Safety	

	Total
Traffic/Ped Safety	1,520.00
Total Public Safety	1,520.00
Total Services Rendered / Programming	129,581.78
Total Expenses	168,491.74
NET OPERATING INCOME	-167,248.66
NET INCOME	\$ -167,248.66

Profit and Loss by Location

January-December, 2025

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT	APPROPRIATION	FQEDD ADMIN	FQEDD STREETLIGHT	FQMA	FQMD OPERATING	OJP BRYNE	PATROL	NOT SPECIFIED	TOTAL
Income									
Admin. Fees		171,041.74			134,697.00				305,738.74
Billable Expense Income		0.00							0.00
Contract Revenue				5,000.00	104,681.22	205,799.05	254,891.00		570,371.27
FQMA Fiscal Agent Fee					617.56				617.56
Interest Income	22,317.80			1,435.32	29,100.72		3,712.55		56,566.39
Membership Dues				22,000.00					22,000.00
Sales		0.00			0.00		0.00	0.00	0.00
Total for Income	22,317.80	171,041.74		28,435.32	269,096.50	205,799.05	258,603.55	0.00	\$955,293.96
Cost of Goods Sold									
Gross Profit	22,317.80	171,041.74		28,435.32	269,096.50	205,799.05	258,603.55	0.00	\$955,293.96
Expenses									
Conference & Meeting Expenses									
Conferences and meetings					1,834.62				1,834.62
Parking		0.00			504.56				504.56
Travel					988.23				988.23
Total for Conference & Meeting Expenses		0.00			3,327.41				\$3,327.41
Marketing				4,075.73					4,075.73
Meals & Entertainment					111.33				111.33
Operations Expenses									
Bank Charges & Fees					195.00				195.00
Insurance		21,444.84			7,566.83		3,233.86		32,245.53
Interest Paid					364.81				364.81
Memberships					2,170.62				2,170.62
Office Supplies & Software	12,132.75	1,913.50			22,193.78		9,449.10		45,689.13
Rent		9,600.00			9,600.00				19,200.00
Utilities									
Telephone					3,613.37				3,613.37
Total for Utilities					3,613.37				\$3,613.37
Total for Operations Expenses	12,132.75	32,958.34			45,704.41		12,682.96		\$103,478.46
Other Business Expenses					1,950.00				1,950.00
Payroll Expenses									
Employee Benefits	309.59	8,987.14			6,955.20				16,251.93
Payroll	3,648.05	121,945.56			47,473.75				173,067.36
Processing Fees	14.33	492.69			863.98				1,371.00
Taxes	291.85	9,755.64			5,263.04				15,310.53
Worker's Compensation	36.48	1,219.47			-408.56				847.39
Total for Payroll Expenses	4,300.30	142,400.50			60,147.41				\$206,848.21
Professional Fees	14,060.00								\$14,060.00
Accounting Fees	3,544.50	2,847.00			12,614.50				19,006.00
Advertising / Marketing	58,090.00			5,025.21	10,428.25				73,543.46
Audit Fees					14,100.00				14,100.00
Legal Fees			0.00		12,203.56				12,203.56
Program / Project Manager	35,821.43	17.50							35,838.93
Website	1,700.00			366.80	1,220.20				3,287.00
Total for Professional Fees	113,215.93	2,864.50	0.00	5,392.01	50,566.51				\$172,038.95
Services Rendered / Programming									
GHF Recycling	217,240.50								217,240.50
Patrol Expenses - UQP/E									
Mobile Data Charges	2,321.74						3,405.80		5,727.54

DISTRIBUTION ACCOUNT	APPROPRIATION	FQEDD ADMIN	FQEDD STREETLIGHT	FQMA	FQMD OPERATING	OJP BRYNE	PATROL	NOT SPECIFIED	TOTAL
Police Patrols	304,132.57						1,125,612.42		1,429,744.99
Security Administration	56,194.22						123,109.82		179,304.04
Vehicle							29,424.00		29,424.00
Total for Patrol Expenses - UQP/E	362,648.53						1,281,552.04		\$1,644,200.57
Public Safety	9,592.42								\$9,592.42
Infrastructure	50,000.00								50,000.00
Traffic/Ped Safety	341,495.21		1,397,306.78		370.41				1,739,172.40
Total for Public Safety	401,087.63		1,397,306.78		370.41				\$1,798,764.82
Total for Services Rendered / Programming	980,976.66		1,397,306.78		370.41		1,281,552.04		\$3,660,205.89
Total for Expenses	1,110,625.64	178,223.34	1,397,306.78	9,467.74	162,177.48		1,294,235.00		\$4,152,035.98
Net Operating Income	-1,088,307.84	-7,181.60	-1,397,306.78	18,967.58	106,919.02	205,799.05	-1,035,631.45	0.00	-\$3,196,742.02
Other Income									
Other Expenses									
Net Other Income									
Net Income	-1,088,307.84	-7,181.60	-1,397,306.78	18,967.58	106,919.02	205,799.05	-1,035,631.45	0.00	-\$3,196,742.02

French Quarter

MANAGEMENT
DISTRICT



2025
Annual
Report

History & Purpose

Our History

Following Hurricane Katrina, the French Quarter—though largely spared major flooding—faced significant disruptions to its infrastructure, tourism economy, and neighborhood stability. In response to both recovery needs and longstanding challenges, the Louisiana Legislature established the French Quarter Management District (“FQMD”) in 2007 as a political subdivision of the state to support coordinated revitalization, economic development, and quality-of-life improvements. The FQMD held its first Board of Commissioners meeting on January 28, 2008.

Purpose

As a state political subdivision, FQMD supports the long-term vitality of the French Quarter in New Orleans. FQMD administers dedicated funding and coordinates supplemental services aligned with its statutory mandate, including:

- **Public Safety** – Supporting supplemental public safety services and related initiatives.
- **Quality of Life** – Addressing sanitation, homelessness, pedestrian safety, and other place-based needs.
- **Infrastructure** – Funding street lighting, street markings, and public realm improvements.
- **Economic Vitality** – Supporting business activity, tourism, and the overall health of the District.
- **Planning & Coordination** – Partnering with public agencies and community stakeholders.

FQMD’s work is supported through a combination of voter-approved sales tax revenues and public and intergovernmental funding. The District acknowledges support from the City of New Orleans, the State of Louisiana, the U.S. Department of Justice, and New Orleans & Company.

Our Leadership



2025 BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

A thirteen member Board of Commissioners governs the FQMD. They are appointed by the following elected officials and residential and business organizations:

Mayor of New Orleans appoints two members: Joey DiFatta & TBD

New Orleans City Council member, District “C” appoints one member: Heidi Raines

Vieux Carre Property Owners, Residents & Assoc., Inc. appoints one member: Jane Cooper

Louisiana Restaurant Association, Inc. appoints one member: Christian Pendleton

Greater New Orleans Hotel and Lodging Association, Inc. appoints two members:

David Bilbe & Frank Zumbo

French Quarter Business Association appoints one member: Christine Bondio

French Quarter Business League appoints one member: Alex Fein

French Quarter Citizens, Inc. appoints one member: Glade Bilby

North Rampart Main Street, Inc. appoints one member: Sue Klein

New Orleans & Company appoints one member: Steve Caputo



David
Bilbe



Glade
Bilby



Christine
Bondio
Vice Chair



Steve
Caputo



Jane
Cooper
Board Chair



Joey
DiFatta



Alex Fein
Treasurer



Mamie
Gasperecz



Sue
Klein
Secretary



Christian
Pendleton



Heidi
Raines



Frank
Zumbo

**MICHELLE
COURSEAULT**
EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR



SHELBY URSU
COORDINATOR

2025 Committees

FINANCE & DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE

Supports the Board in carrying out its statutory responsibilities for strategic planning, business and commercial development activities, and the administration of capital improvement funds,



ALEX FEIN
Committee Chair

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

Advises the Board on matters related to intergovernmental coordination and legislative authority necessary to fulfill the District's purposes under LA. R.S. 25:799



GLADE BILBY II
Committee Chair

LIVABILITY COMMITTEE

Supports the Board's statutory mandate to preserve the District's architecture and charm, beautify the District's appearance, improve quality of life, and enhance commercial and residential vitality,



MAMIE GASPERECZ
Committee Chair

SECURITY & ENFORCEMENT COMMITTEE

Advises the Board's public safety and supplemental security initiatives within the French Quarter. Reviews programs' performance, coordination with public safety partners consistent with the District's role.



**CHRISTIAN
PENDLETON**
Committee Chair



RESILIENCE IN THE QUARTER

January 1 brought a sobering reminder of the challenges inherent in managing a district as dynamic and heavily visited as the French Quarter. This tragic incident affected our community and showcased how the French Quarter which has always been defined by its resilience. This moment reinforces our shared responsibility—to lead thoughtfully, invest responsibly, and remain focused on safety, preparedness, and collaboration as we move forward.

OPERATIONAL READINESS

In January 2025, a rare snowstorm in the French Quarter tested the FQMD’s operational readiness, requiring enhanced coordination in sanitation, public safety, and infrastructure monitoring to ensure the district remained safe and accessible during an unprecedented weather event.



GLOBAL STAGE SUPERBOWL LIX

With the world watching during Super Bowl LIX, the French Quarter stood front and center as New Orleans’ most iconic stage. National media coverage consistently highlighted the Quarter’s unique character, historic streets, and unmatched sense of place—reinforcing why this district remains a cornerstone of the city’s tourism and economic engine.



NOV 15

Quarter for the Quarter

0.245% TAX RENEWAL

On November 15, 2025, French Quarter **residents approved—by 87%**—the renewal of the special sales tax supporting public safety within the French Quarter Economic Development District (FQEDD). The resulting Trust Fund is administered by the French Quarter Management District (FQMD), which provides fiscal administration, quarterly budget and expenditure reporting to the City Council, and convenes monthly meetings with City, NOPD, and Council representatives to monitor program performance.



French Quarter Patrols



FQMD supports public safety in the French Quarter through a coordinated set of supplemental services designed to enhance existing enforcement resources. These include the Supplemental Police Program, which funds additional patrols by the **New Orleans Police Department**; Upper Quarter Patrols provided in partnership with the Orleans Parish **Sheriff's Office** and the **Louisiana State Police**; and a dedicated transport van to support timely processing of French Quarter arrests. FQMD also invests in force multipliers such as license plate readers, security cameras, enhanced lighting, and other technology and infrastructure tools to supplement public safety efforts and support coordination among partner agencies, consistent with the District's statutory role.

COMPARED TO 2024

Reduction
24%
in Person Crimes

Reduction
36%
in Property Crimes



82%
Solve Rate
for Persons Crimes





French Quarter Patrols ~NOPD

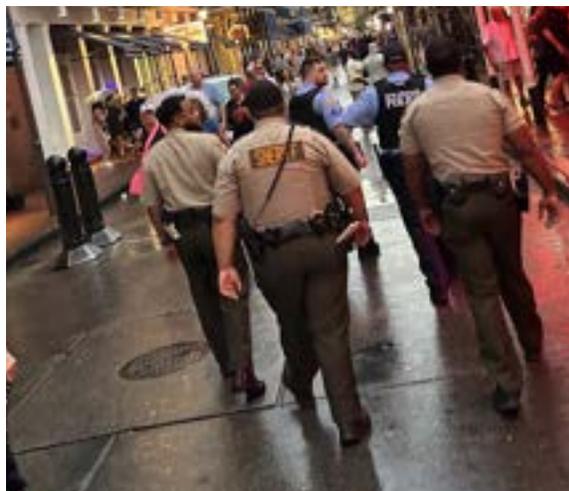
FQEDD-funded supplemental patrols enhance public safety in the French Quarter through a partnership between the French Quarter Management District and the **New Orleans Police Department**. The program provides dedicated, high-visibility coverage and is monitored through regular reporting and oversight.



Citizen Contacts	Business Checks	App Response Time	Traffic & Parking Citations	Arrests	% Shifts Worked
Monthly Average: 2,878	Monthly Average: 924	5 mins	Monthly Average: 20	Monthly Average: 27	96%
2025 Total: 34,531	2025 Total: 11,087	Total App Calls: 4,878	2025 Total: 2,879	2025 Total: 328	



French Quarter Patrols ~ Sheriffs



New Orleans & Company partners with FQMD to provide funding support for POST-certified **Orleans Parish Sheriff's Office** foot patrols in the Upper French Quarter, referred to as the Upper Quarter Patrols (UQP). These patrols are supplemental to existing law enforcement resources and support enhanced visibility in designated areas of the neighborhood.

Business Checks	Citizen Contacts	NOPD Assists	Traffic Violations	Arrests
Monthly Average: 559	Monthly Average: 36	Monthly Average: 82	Average: 33	Average: 5
2025 Total: 6,712	2025 Total: 427	2025 Total: 982	2025 Total: 393	2025 Total: 60

Safety Force Multipliers

FQMD supports supplemental public safety through force multipliers including the Real Time Crime Center, license plate readers, NOLA SafeCam cameras, the Remove, Lock, Take program and the FQ Task Force App.

Real Time Crime Center (RTCC)

Supports access to centralized, real-time information shared by partner agencies to enhance situational awareness and coordination during public safety activities.



License Plate Readers (LPRs)

16 LPRs are present in the French Quarter as supplemental technology that captures vehicle information in public rights-of-way to support law-enforcement data resources consistent with applicable policies and privacy standards.



NOLA SafeCam Cameras

A voluntary camera-registration program enabling businesses and residents to register privately owned cameras for potential law-enforcement access upon request during investigations, with nearly 100 cameras registered as of year-end.

Remove, Lock, Take is a vehicle-theft prevention signage program designed and funded by FQMD to encourage secure vehicle practices in the French Quarter.

Citywide crime data compiled by the Metropolitan Crime Commission show that several major categories—including homicides, shootings, armed robbery, and carjacking—remained below prior peak levels in Orleans Parish in 2025. FQMD uses this citywide information to support Board oversight and to guide its supplemental public safety coordination efforts in the French Quarter.

French Quarter Quality of Life

Quality of life in the French Quarter is shaped by a range of interconnected factors, including cleanliness and pedestrian safety. FQMD focuses on supplemental, neighborhood efforts, in coordination with City agencies and nonprofit partners that support a safe, clean, and accessible public environment.



Street Markings, Pedestrian Safety & Lighting

In coordination with the City of New Orleans Department of Public Works, FQMD supports street-level improvements including approved pavement markings, “State Law – Stop Here” pedestrian signage, and street lighting repairs. In 2025, FQMD inspected nearly 1,000 street lights in the French Quarter, with more than 600 repaired or replaced to improve visibility and safety.

Homelessness remains a visible quality-of-life issue in the French Quarter. Consistent with its statutory authority and voter-approved mandate, FQMD supports supplemental outreach and case management services delivered by partners including the Travelers Aid Society of Greater New Orleans and Covenant House New Orleans, in coordination with City-led strategies such as the Home for Good initiative implemented in 2025.



FQMD supports **waste-reduction** efforts through year-round public glass **recycling** services in the French Quarter and expanded Mardi Gras bead recycling during Carnival season, in partnership with hotels and Glass Half Full, collecting over 10,740 pounds of beads for recycling. FQMD also supported community clean-up efforts during Louisiana’s annual Love the Boot Week as part of its broader cleanliness and stewardship initiatives.



Fiscal Responsibility



INCOME	
Admin. Fees	\$300,000
Contract Revenue	<u>\$2,450,000</u>
EXPENSES	
Administration & Governance	\$(313,653)
Infrastructure Improvements	\$(319,610)
Quality of Life Programs	\$(267,240)
Marketing & Communications	\$(70,218)
Professional Services	\$(96,428)
Public Safety Patrols	\$(1,644,200)

FQMD’s work is supported through a combination of voter-approved sales tax revenues and public and intergovernmental funding. The District acknowledges support from the City of New Orleans, the State of Louisiana, the U.S. Department of Justice, and New Orleans & Company.

Operational Responsibility. In 2025, the FQMD met all requirement for reporting to New Orleans City Council and secured Louisiana Auditor’s Successful Audit Approval.





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Program Manager Contract Extension

2025 Contract Terms:

a) Supervisor. FQMD Executive Director

b) Extension Start Date. October 1, 2025 (*previous contract: 1/1/25-9/30/25*)

c) End Date. The term of this Agreement shall expire on December 31, 2025, unless earlier terminated upon the start date of a new employee filling the position.

d) Rate: \$50 /hr, 35hrs / week- max. (*previous contract: \$35/hr, 24 hrs/ week -max*)

Note: In 2025, \$35,835 was paid to contractor of the \$56,350 budgeted according to contract terms. Remaining Funded Hours from 2025: 140

2026 Responsibilities:

1. Street Markings Project – Residential Driveway Supplemental Buffers

- Vendor Coordination
- Track completion status, locations, and quantities for all marked driveways
- Review vendor documentation (including required photo verification and measurements) to confirm proper installation and billing
- Coordinate with FQMD staff and City departments (as applicable) to resolve field questions or conflicts
- Provide progress updates and closeout summaries to the Executive Director

2. Street Lights Project – Closeout

a. Warranty Reconciliation

- Compile and organize warranty documentation for fixtures, electrical components, and related infrastructure
- Coordinate with vendors to confirm warranty terms, coverage periods, and points of contact
- Flag unresolved warranty issues for Executive Director review

b. Vendor Coordination

- Serve as primary point of contact for closeout coordination with lighting vendors and subcontractors
- Facilitate resolution of outstanding punch-list items
- Coordinate final inspections or confirmations as required

c. Asset Transfer

- Assist with documentation and coordination related to the transfer of lighting assets, where applicable
- Compile asset inventories and supporting records for FQMD files and City coordination

d. Contract Closeout

- Support preparation of final project documentation, including confirmation of deliverables and completion status
- Assist with reconciliation of final invoices and verification against contract terms
- Coordinate submission of closeout materials for internal records

3. State Appropriations Reporting

Scope: Administrative support for reporting requirements associated with state appropriations allocated to FQMD projects.

Responsibilities include:

- Compile project data, timelines, and expenditure information required for state reporting
- Coordinate with vendors and internal staff to obtain supporting documentation
- Assist with preparation and submission of required reports in alignment with state guidelines
- Maintain organized records of submissions and confirmations for audit and compliance purposes

4. Pedestrian Signage Installation

(Dependent on DPW leadership transitions and implementation readiness)

Scope: Implementation coordination for pedestrian and traffic control signage installations within the French Quarter. (Stop Signs, Do Not Enter Signs, One-Way Directional Signs, Flexposts)

- Coordinate with DPW, vendors, and internal stakeholders on installation sequencing and timing
- Track approved signage locations and installation status
- Assist with vendor coordination and documentation of completed work
- Provide status updates and identify dependencies related to City leadership or operational transitions

Additional Upcoming Budgeted Projects:

1. Public Safety Right of Way Guidelines
2. Sidewalk Repairs