

# EAST NEW ORLEANS NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COMMISSION (ENONAC)

## GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday, December 10, 2024 @ 6:00pm via Zoom

### MINUTES

Executive Board Members:

P – Denotes member present, E – Denotes member excused, A – Denotes member absent, V – vacant position

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| P | Dawn Hebert, President                | P | Brenda Jackson, 1 <sup>st</sup> Vice President |
| A | Marcia McWilliams, 2nd Vice President | P | Karol Sanders, Treasurer                       |
| P | Claudia Celestand, Member At Large    | A | Maxine Weaver, Member At Large                 |
| P | Arthur Busby, Parliamentarian         | A | Lydia Leon, Secretary                          |

Attendees: See attached sign-in sheets.

**I. Call to order/Roll Call:** Meeting was called to order by President Dawn Hebert at 6:02pm. After roll call by Admin Secretary Claire White, we had a quorum.

**II. Introduction of Special Guest(s):** there were none

**III. Review & approval of agenda:** Comm. Sanders made a motion to accept the agenda; Comm. Landrum seconded the motion. After the vote, the motion passed without any objections.

**IV. Review & approval of minutes from November 12:** Comm. Jackson made a motion to approve the minutes as disseminated; Comm. Sanders seconded the motion. After the vote, the motion passed without any objections.

**V. Review & approval of Treasurer's Report:** Comm. Sanders reported the finances for November 1 thru November 30 for both ENONAC and East New Orleans Foundation (ENOF). Comm. Jackson moved that the report be accepted as presented. Comm. Williams seconded the motion. After the vote, the motion passed without any objections.

### VI. PRESENTATION: People's Housing Plus---Jonteja Venning, PHPLUSNOLA

Ms. Venning explained the program. They are a housing developer building new construction, energy efficient homes in Orleans Parish. Highlights: they own the land; they build affordable housing; PH+ is not responsible for property taxes; PH+ is exempt from property taxes since they are a nonprofit; must qualify for this program (income, credit score, etc.)

### VII. OLD BUSINESS

#### A. City Council Agenda for 12-5-24: - FEEDBACK

1. Cal No. 34903: zone change request from S-RS to SB-2 at 4523 Read Blvd
2. Cal No. 34906: conditional use to permit a reception facility at 9900 Lake Forest Blvd.
3. Cal No. 34907: zone change request from NA (Natural Area) to M-MU (Maritime-Mixed Use) at an area bounded by Chef Hwy, Rigolets & Lake Pontchartrain

These were all received and no approvals or disapproval were made.

#### B. CPC Mtg of 12-10-24: - FEEDBACK

1. ZD 095/24: to permit the reduction in size of legally non-conforming electronic billboards  
CPC is recommending approval of this
2. Retail Goods Establishment Study: make recommendations re: overrepresentation of & implementation of distance requirements in NOE for beauty stores, nail shops, tire shops, etc.  
The study concluded that there is no proliferation of these types of store, even though there are an above average number of them. But they also said more visible enforcements are needed. There were questions about the location boundaries & formula of measurement used.

**C. NPP: new office bldg. at St. Paul the Apostle Church - NEW MTG DATE: Wednesday, December 11; 4:30p; St. Paul's Church 6828 Chef Hwy, Bldg. B**

Comm. Blouin said that St. Paul's NPP letter said that 30 people are needed for an NPP meeting & that is why they set up a new meeting. Corinne Villavaso said this is not true. Comm. Williams said that this is in her neighborhood and she will attend.

**VIII. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. BZA Mtg of 12-16-24**

**1. BZA 056-24: request for variance to permit construction of a retail goods establishment with excessive corner side yard setback at 4523 Read (O'Reilly's)**

Donna Villa subdivision has already given their comments; no objections.

**B. CPC Master Plan reconsiderations: Tuesday, January 7, 2025; 1:30pm; 8th floor City Hall**

Pres. Hebert asked that we mark our calendars; need a good showing for this.

**C. Pedestrian Bridges across I-10 in NOE**

Pres. Hebert spoke. 2 weeks ago was seen people measuring the median at (Mayo Rd.?). They are planning to build 3 pedestrian bridges across I-10 at Mayo, Wright and Bundy Rds. The City has received \$61 million for the Reconnecting Communities Program via Sen. Troy Carter. There was not adequate community input. There were several questions. A special CAB meeting is needed to discuss this and a possible resolution needed. Comm. Williams moved that a special CAB meeting be held on Tuesday, December 17 2024 to discuss creating a resolution regarding the lack of community input regarding these pedestrian bridges. Comm. Kingvalsky seconded the motion. After a vote, the motion passed without any objections. Comm. Colin asked if we could get Sen. Carter to come and explain. Pres. Hebert said we will invite both Sen. Carter & CM. Thomas.

**IX. COMMUNITY INFO**

**A. Goodwill Open House: Thurs. Dec. 12; 12-3pm; 5770 Read Blvd.**

Pres. Hebert said she will ask about using the facility for ENONAC meetings.

**B. Holiday in the Park: Nightly/begins at dusk till 9pm from Dec 2 thru Jan 5**

**C. Winter Wonderland East of the North Pole/Toy Giveaway by Friends of Joe Brown Park  
Sat. Dec. 14; 11a-4p; Joe Brown Park**

**X. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**A. New Orleans will pay for recycled tires to curb illegal dumping.**

There was news article read about this.

**B. Michelle Butler-Blue Foundation: Christmas Toy Giveaway**

**Sat. Dec. 14; 10am; Big Easy Social Arcade, 9820 Lake Forest Blvd Ste 105**

Comm. Bernard explained that this foundation was founded in honor of her godchild who died of Covid and that this is their first event. Pres. Hebert asked for volunteers to be Santa.

**XI. ADJOURNMENT**

Comm. Celestand made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Comm. Kingvalsky seconded the motion. After the vote, the motion passed without any objections. Meeting was adjourned at 7:12pm.

Submitted by Claire White, Admin Secretary,