

Algiers Development District Board Meeting
Thursday, August 30, 2018 · 10:00 a.m.
Algiers Auditorium · 2485 Guadalcanal Street
New Orleans, LA 70114

Call to Order/Welcome

Chairman Carter called the meeting to order at 10:13 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance: Led by Councilmember Kristin Gisleson Palmer.

Roll Call: Ms. Vanessa Duplessis.

ADD Board of Commissioners Present

Chairman Troy Carter, Mr. Mark Major (Secretary), Councilmember Kristin Gisleson Palmer, Rep. Gary Carter, Mr. Paul Collins and Sen. J.P. Morrell. Col. Del Dempsey was unable to attend due to a previous planned vacation.

Others Present

Mr. Richard Cortizas (Jones-Walker); Mr. Ron Bordelon (Consultant to the Algiers Development District Board); Mr. Sean Bruno (CPA); Mr. Travis Chase (Councilmember Palmer's Director of Special Projects); Ms. Courtney Stuckwisch (City of New Orleans Mayor's Staff); Col. Chris Schlafer (New Orleans Maritime and Military Academy Commandant); Mr. Andy Thomas (Marine Forces Reserve Assistant JAG Officer) and Major Chris Bibeau (Marine Forces Reserve Provost Marshall); Ms. Maria Bilello and Ms. Bentley Boldt (Beuerman Miller Fitzgerald); Mr. David da Cunha (Property One); Ms. Adelia Doucette (Navy Federal Credit Union); Ms. Brenda Davis (Patrician Management); Ms. Irene Burrus (Community Leader); Algiers Development District Executive Director Ms. Kathy Lynn Honaker and staff members Mr. Bill Garrett and Ms. Vanessa Duplessis.

Chairman's comments: Chairman Carter welcomed all to the Algiers Development District Board meeting and reminded the public of the use of the comment cards to be used for any public comments.

Minutes Approval: Chairman Carter asked for a motion to approve the June 29 minutes. A motion was made by Mr. Major to approve the minutes, seconded by Mr. Collins. The minutes were approved without objection.

2019 Proposed Annual Budget: Mr. Sean Bruno gave detailed report on the Algiers Development District 2019 proposed annual budget. Councilmember Kristin Gisleson Palmer inquired about years remaining on the Bike and Hike Trail Bond. Mr. Bruno answered there were approximately four years remaining. Mr. Collins asked if there were any administrative fees in the professional services budget line. Mr. Bruno said that there were none except for the minimal amount for the Algiers Development District staff office supplies. Mr. Major asked if the stated TIF revenue were consistent with previous years. Mr. Bruno replied that the TIF revenues were consistent with previous years. Chairman Carter asked for a motion to accept the Algiers Development District 2019 proposed annual budget. A motion to accept the 2019 proposed budget was made by Rep. Carter, seconded by Mr. Major. Without objection, the Algiers Development District 2019 annual budget was accepted.

Old Business

Security Cameras for Complex: Ms. Honaker gave a detailed brief to the Board on the security camera options that the Algiers Development District staff had studied in detail including the Homeland Security Crime Center monitored options which is not available. No cameras are available. Ms. Honaker recommended to the Board that they approve the Flock Safety camera system as it is solar powered with its own integrated internet and that it is the most cost-effective option by a significant total. She also indicated that ten cameras are required to provide coverage for all vehicle entrances and the levee access points. Chairman Carter thanked the staff for being good stewards of the funds expended by the Board. Chairman Carter then asked for a motion to accept the option for the Flock Safety camera system. A motion to accept the Flock Safety option was made by Rep. Carter and was seconded by Mr. Major. Councilmember Kristin Gisleson Palmer asked if the 2019 budget would support the approved option. Ms. Honaker replied that the cameras were included in the the approved option. Chairman Carter asked if there were any additional questions or comments. There were none and the motion to accept the Flock Safety option was adopted.

Update - Recovery of Funds/Damage to Fitness Center Gym Floor: Mr. Richard Cortizas gave a review of the discussions concerning the two contractor's settlement amounts for the gym floor replacement. He explained that a recovery settlement had been reached and accepted from one of the two contractors. Mr. Cortizas stated he is optimistic for a resolution with the second contractor, without initiating litigation.

Delgado Center of Excellence: Chairman Carter commented that he was certain that all have seen the reports in the local media regarding the Delgado Center of Excellence to be built at Federal City with a \$13M state investment for a 3,500 sq. ft. Technology Building of Excellence for 2000 Delgado students. Chairman Carter thanked the Governor for recognizing Algiers as the location for this significant ACT 360 project. He also thanked Sen. Morrell and Rep. Carter for their support in ensuring the state funding for this project. There will be additional details forthcoming from the Algiers Development District Board on the property transfer actions. Chairman Carter asked if there were any questions or comments. Rep. Carter commented on the very difficult state budget decisions that took place and publicly thanked Sen. Carter for his tireless personal efforts in making this Delgado Center of Excellence a reality.

New Orleans Riverside at Federal City Weekly Inspections: Mr. Garrett reported that he inspects all buildings weekly and provided a review of current issues. A recent problem with building 700 revealed open windows which had been previously closed. They were all closed again. Further investigation also found one broken window on the second floor in building 700 over the a/c unit mezzanine. This broken window was boarded up by a contractor obtained through Property One. The only access to the mezzanine was by utilizing a large vented steel refrigeration enclosure as a "ladder". The contractor securely attached razor wire to the top of the vented refrigeration enclosure to prevent further entry.

Building 59 glassed back door was found shattered and the contractor boarded up the damaged door, as well as all exposed glass doors to this building.

A glass door was discovered shattered this morning in building 22 next to the auditorium. The contractor is working to board up the damaged door as well as all exposed glassed doors in building 22. The contractor also removed several small concrete bumpers which was used to shatter the door.

2018 Algiers Fest: Ms. Honaker stated that the Festival date is October 6 from 11:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. She indicated that flyers and sponsorship information would be emailed to all Board. Ms. Honaker stated that we have several sponsors we are actively working and asked for Board member's assistance in securing any

additional sponsors. Ms. Honaker stated that sponsorships are the way that we maintain the Algiers Fest as a free festival. She also said that the printed flyers and cards will be available soon for distribution to all local locations and that the musical acts this year are awesome. Councilmember Kristin Gisleson Palmer asked if there is a budget for the Algiers Fest which was included in the 2019 budget that was approved earlier. Ms. Honaker replied that the expenses are about \$37k-40k and the sponsorship goal is \$45K. Ms. Honaker explained that the Algiers Fest falls under our 501(c)3, the Algiers Development Corporation.

New Business: None.

Public Comments: None.

Adjourn Meeting: Chairman Carter asked for a motion to adjourn. A motion to adjourn was made by Mr. Major and was seconded by Rep. Gary Carter. The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully submitted



Kathy Lynn Honaker
Executive Director

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