

ALGIERS DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

Friday, August 15, 2025 · 10:00 a.m. -10:30 a.m.

Algiers Auditorium · 2485 Guadalcanal · New Orleans Riverside at Federal City

Call to Order/Welcome

Chairman Mark Major called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

Roll Call: Ms. Vanessa Duplessis

ADD Board of Commissioners Present

Mr. Mark Major (Chairman), Representative Delisha Boyd, Councilmember Freddie King III and Mr. Julius Feltus. Unable to attend were Representative Jacob Braud and Senator Gary Carter.

Others Present

Col. Chris Schlaffer, Col. Pat Kline and Mr. George Jacobs (New Orleans Maritime & Military Academy); Ms. Anna Corin Koehl (Beurman Miller Fitzgerald); Dr. Peter Cho, (ADC board member); Col. Anthony Sferrazza (Commanding Officer, Headquarters Battalion, Marine Forces Reserve); Ms. Adelia Doucette (Director, Navy Federal Credit Union); Mr. Michael Samuel (Sureway Transportation); Mr. Scott Zander (Jones-Walker); Ms. Kathy Lynn Honaker (ADD Executive Director) and staff member and Ms. Vanessa Duplessis. Mr. Bill Garrett was unable to attend due to illness.

Pledge of Allegiance: Mr. Julius Feltus led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Meeting Rules Order: Mr. Scott Zander covered the meeting rules of order.

Approval of Minutes – March 21, 2025: A motion was made to approve the March 21, 2025 minutes by Representative Delisha Boyd and seconded by Mr. Julius Feltus. The March 21, 2025 minutes were approved without objection.

Audit Year End 2024 and Financial Update – Mr. Sean Bruno: The Algiers Developments District received an unmodified opinion which is the best possible opinion we could possibly receive. There were no audit findings and no management comments, and the audit was submitted on time.

Chairman Major expressed his gratitude to all individuals who contributed to the preparation of the audit report. He emphasized the importance of their efforts in ensuring the audit was completed thoroughly and on time. Chairman Major also clarified that, following submission of the report, the Louisiana Legislative Auditor has between 30 and 60 days to review and propose any necessary changes. Once this review period concludes and any required adjustments are made, the finalized audit report will be posted online for public access.

A motion was made to accept the Algiers Developments District financial audit report for the year ending December 31, 2024, by Mr. Julius Feltus and seconded by Representative Delisha Boyd. The financial audit report was approved without objection.

Mr. Bruno gave a detailed, balanced Algiers Development District 2026 budget report to be presented to the City Council and the Mayor's office.

A motion to accept the submitted 2026 budget report was made by Mr. Julius Feltus and seconded by Representative Delisha Boyd. The Algiers Development District 2026 budget was accepted without objection.

Old Business:

HUD Pool Update – Ms. Kathy Lynn Honaker reported that as the Board is aware, ADD received a HUD pool grant from Congressman Carter for the Cutoff area of Algiers. Extensive work has been conducted behind the scenes. The first major milestone was to complete the environmental assessment report. Approximately two weeks ago, the assessment was finalized, indicating that no further action is required.

The contract approved by the ADD Board (Landis and Sizeler) has been executed signed by the chairman.

The design work has begun, and Ron Bordelon and Ray Manning have been doing a great job working directly with Landis on this project. A groundbreaking ceremony is expected in the spring of 2026.

Federal City Pool NORD Long-Term Lease – Ms. Honaker covered that the City Council just approved the NORD long-term lease for the Federal City Pool. The Chairman has signed it, and we are waiting for the mayor to sign. Jones Walker is working with the city on this lease.

Federal City Parking Improvements – Ms. Honaker briefed that new parking lots project approved at the last meeting is nearing completion. The striping and surrounding fence are to be completed soon.

Building 4 Riverside Lofts and Riverside Retreat – Ms. Honaker covered the ongoing renovation and construction. Environmental remediation is underway. An eighteen month construction is expected to complete the sixty market rate apartments. The 55+ Riverside Retreat already has more than fifty residents and has applicants for the remaining twenty units.

New Business:

LCDA BOARD Appointment - The Chairman stated that Ms. Honaker has been a long-standing member. Her current two-year term is expiring. (Louisiana Community Development Authority)

A motion to affirm Ms. Honaker LCDA membership representing the Algiers Development District for another two-year period was made by Mr. Julius Feltus and was seconded by Representative Delisha Boyd.

Ms. Honaker's two-year LCDA membership renewal was approved without objection

Funding for Algiers Development Corporation (ADC) – Ms. Kathy Lynn Honaker explained that the ADC is the entity that funds various projects. The most notable one was establishing the New Orleans Maritime and Military Academy (NOMMA). The ADC is requesting a budget of \$50,000 from the Algiers Development District. This will fully fund the ADC for five-seven years.

A motion to allocate \$50,000 to the ADC was made by Mr. Julius Feltus and seconded by Representative Delisha Boyd. The allocation of \$50,000 to the ADC was approved without objection.

State Allocations/Capital Outlay – 2025-2026 - Ms. Kathy Lynn Honaker stated the state allocations occur during the legislative session. Senator Gary Carter, who's not with us today, was able to obtain \$350,000 for the Algiers Development District to manage for needs in the community. \$100,000 that was distributed through local Algiers churches, \$100,000 is for NORD infrastructure, \$150,000 to assist is to assist the Algiers Development District in the demolition of dilapidated barracks buildings.

Representative Delisha Boyd stated that funding has been allocated for DOTD to construct sidewalks on General Meyer to correct a dangerous area for Edna Karr school students walking with no sidewalks. Also \$2M for Brechtel Park improvements. Funding for Algies Main Street beautification. Mentorship funds for children to learn computers and printing.

There is a resolution authorizing Ms. Honaker and team to complete the required paperwork to distribute the funds as described as approved by the state legislature.

A motion to approve the resolution was made by Representative Delisha Boyd and seconded by Mr. Julius Feltus. The resolution was approved without objection.

Third Signatory for Bank Account – The Chairman asked for nominations for a third signatory for our bank account. Mr. Julius Feltus nominated Representative Delisha Boyd and seconded by Chairman Major. Representative Delisha Boyd will be the third signatory for our bank account.

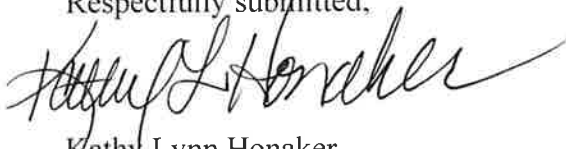
Invite Governor Landry to Federal City – Ms. Kathy Lynn Honaker stated that we are working with our public relations team and the Marine Forces Reserve to invite Governor Landry to Federal City and to meet with Lt. Gen. Anderson. A letter will be sent to Governor Landry next week extending the invitation for a visit.

Ethics/Sexual Harassment Training - Ms. Honaker reminded all commissioners to please complete the required Ethics and Sexual Harassment Training by October 31.

Public Comments - NONE

Adjourn Meeting: A motion to adjourn was made by Councilman Freddie King and seconded Mr. Julius Feltus. The meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Kathy Lynn Honaker
Executive Director