



# *Louisiana Housing Corporation*

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**LHC Board of Directors**

## **Programs Committee Meeting Minutes**

**Tuesday, February 07, 2023**

**V. Jean Butler Board Room, LHC Building  
2415 Quail Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70808  
3:00 P.M.**

### **Committee Members Present**

Steven P. Jackson (Committee Chairman)

### **Committee Members Absent**

Board Vice-Chairwoman Tonya P. Mabry  
Brandon O. Williams

### **Board Members Present**

Tony Ligi, Official Designee obo La. State Treasurer John M. Schroder  
Willie Rack  
Richard A. Winder

### **Board Members Absent**

Board Chairman Anthony P. Marullo, III  
John S. Alford  
Alfred E. Harrell, III  
Steven J. Hattier  
Ericka McIntyre  
Willie M. Robinson  
Jennifer Vidrine

### **Staff Present**

Barry E. Brooks  
Joshua G. Hollins  
Marjorianna Willman  
Donna Deculus  
Tasha Joseph  
Jarvis Lewis  
Portia Johnson

Rachel Haney  
Louis Russell  
Leslie C. Strahan  
Bridgette Richard  
Thomas Bates  
Plezetta M. West  
Winona Connor

**Others Present**

See Sign-In sheet.

**CALL TO ORDER**

Programs Committee Chairman Steven P. Jackson called the meeting to order at 3:01 P.M. Board Secretary Barry E. Brooks called the roll; a quorum was confirmed.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

There was a Prayer by Board Member Richard A. Winder, followed by the recital of the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Next was the approval of the Minutes of the December 13, 2022 Programs Committee Meeting.

**On a motion by Board Member Richard A. Winder and seconded by Board Member Willie Rack, the Minutes of the December 13, 2022 LHC BOD Programs Committee Meeting were unanimously approved, as distributed.**

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Programs Committee Chairman Jackson solicited any public comments. There were none from those present.

**PROGRAMS COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

None.

**LHC PROGRAMS REPORT**

None.

**AGENDA ITEM #7**

Next there was an informative Bond Deals 101 PowerPoint Presentation (**available upon request**) by LHC HFPA Louisiana Russell.

PC Chairman Jackson inquired on Environmental Reviews as part of the Bond Deal.

LHC COO/CLO Marjorianna Willman referenced document submissions via HEROS; and she noted the upcoming March training of new LHC hires on HEROES; as well as advising of other streamlining initiatives of the LHC Environmental Review Process.

LHC Executive Director Joshua G. Hollins commended COO/CLO Willman for her “proactive and mature substantive approach” towards balancing mitigating risks with the need to be prompt and concise.

PC Chairman Jackson applauded the new aspects of the ERP enhancements.

**AGENDA ITEM #8**

Next item discussed was the LHC Homelessness Prevention Initiatives.

The matter was introduced by Secretary Brooks.

Additional information was provided by LHC COO/CLO Marjorianna Willman and LHC HFDA of Homelessness Solutions Winona Connor.

COO/CLO Willman noted that HPI encompasses four (4) Priorities -- (Non-Congregate Shelter Development, Increase the Supply of Affordable Units, Increase the Continuum of Care Funded Services, and Non-Profit Capacity Building); she also discussed the Federal Best Practices aspects; and that LHC has drafted a Letter of Interest to solicit partners to participate and apply for funds.

HFDA Connor noted that in 2021 LHC received \$31M for HPI; that LHC oftentimes co-partners with other entities; that LHC works closely with the CoCs; etc.

PC Chairman Jackson applauded the HPI and requested a follow-up status in the upcoming months.

**AGENDA ITEM #9**

Next item discussed was regarding awarding State Housing Trust Funds to BR RDA II.

The matter was introduced by Secretary Brooks.

Additional information being provided by LHC COO/CLO Marjorianna Willman; noting the developer is a great partner with LHC; that after initially being awarded there were some issues involving a Bridge Loan that prevented the developer to receive the awards; and that staff was recommending approval of the matter.

ED Hollins advised that the matter had been in lengthy discussion; and that the developer would not seek legal action again LHC; and that the developer has acted in good faith.

**On a motion by Board Member Official Designee Tony Ligi and seconded by Board Member Richard A. Winder, the resolution awarding State Housing Trust Funds in the amount of Five Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Dollars (\$547,000) for BR RDA II, located at 5551 Paige Street, Baton Rouge, East Baton Rouge Parish, Louisiana; authorizing the Corporation staff and counsel to prepare the forms of such documents and agreements as may be necessary to allocate State Housing Trust Funds to such facilities; and providing for other matters in connection with the foregoing; be submitted FAVORABLY to the Full Board at the February 08, 2023 BODM for approval.**

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no other matters to discuss, Board Member Official Designee Tony Ligi offered a motion for adjournment that was seconded by Board Member Richard A. Winder. There being no discussion or opposition, the motion passed unanimously.

**The Programs Committee Meeting adjourned at 3:27 P.M.**

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**Board Secretary, Barry E. Brooks**