

Agenda Item – No. 1

Certification of Inability to Operate Due to Lack of Quorum

Action:

Action was taken on April 1, 2020.

Staff Resource(s):

J. Daniels, Secretary/CEO

External Resource(s):

DeCuir, Clark & Adams

Background/Explanation:

On March 16, 2020, Gov. John Bel Edwards issued Proclamation No. JBE 2020-30: Additional Measures for COVID-19 Public Health Emergency. In the proclamation, Section 4 states: All state agencies, boards and commissions, and local political subdivisions of the state shall provide for attendance at essential governmental meetings via teleconference or video conference and such attendance shall be allowed during the pendency of this emergency. All efforts shall be made to provide for observation and input by members of the public. Before any meeting conducted pursuant to this section, the state agency, boards and commission, or local political subdivision of the state shall first provide a written certification that it will otherwise be unable to operate due to quorum requirements. Such certification shall be posted at the same time and in the same manner as the agenda for the meeting. Nothing in this order shall be interpreted to waive any notice requirements.

Therefore, in observation of this emergency declaration, EBRPHA will hold its monthly meeting via video and teleconference in a manner that allows for observation and input by members of the public as set forth by the Notice of Meeting posted on April 6, 2020.

Time Sensitivity:

Immediate – Emergency Declaration

Funding Source:

N/A

MWBE/DBE/Section 3:

DeCuir, Clark & Adams

Attachments:

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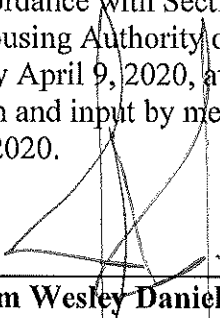
**STATE OF LOUISIANA
PARISH OF EAST BATON ROUGE**

CERTIFICATION OF INABILITY TO OPERATE DUE TO LACK OF QUORUM

In accordance with Executive Order JBE 2020-30, issued by Governor John Bel Edwards on March 16, 2020, this notice shall serve as certification of the Housing Authority of East Baton Rouge Parish's inability to otherwise operate in due to the quorum requirements in compliance with La R.S. 42:19, as provided in Louisiana's Open Meetings Law as a result public health emergency created by COVID-19, and the special emergency directives ordered in place to protect the health and safety of the public.

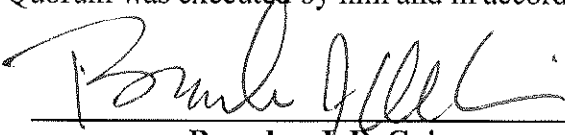
The Executive Director and Secretary to the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of East Baton Rouge Parish has conferred with the members of the Board of Commissioners and confirmed their inability to attend a meeting in public due to compliance with the directives of the Governor of the State of Louisiana, the Center Disease Control, and local and state governing health authorities and officials.

Considering the foregoing, and in accordance with Section 4 of Executive Order JBE 2020-30, the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of East Baton Rouge Parish will hold its Regularly scheduled meeting Thursday April 9, 2020, at 12:00pm via video and teleconference in a manner that allows for observation and input by members of the public as set forth by the Notice of Meeting posted on April 6, 2020.



Jim Wesley Daniels, Jr.
Executive Director and Secretary
The Housing Authority of East Baton Rouge Parish

On the 1st day of April, 2020, before me personally appeared Jim Wesley Daniels, Jr., who declared under oath that the above and foregoing Certification of Inability to Operate Due to Lack of Quorum was executed by him and in accordance with Executive Order JBE 2020-30.



Brandon J. DeCuir
Notary Public, No. 66743
My Commission expires upon death



OFFICIAL SEAL
BRANDON J. DECUIR
NOTARY ID # 66743
STATE OF LOUISIANA
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Agenda Item – No. 2

Minutes – April 9, 2020 Regular Board Meeting

Action:

1. Approve the Minutes of the April 9, 2020 Regular Board Meeting

Staff Resource(s):

J. Daniels, Secretary/CEO

April Downs, Executive Assistant

External Resource(s):

N/A

Background/Explanation:

Parliamentary Procedure

Time Sensitivity:

None

Funding Source:

N/A

MWBE/DBE/Section 3:

N/A

Attachments:

Transcribed Minutes

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MOTION PASSED

**AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 3:
LOUISIANA LEGISLATIVE AUDITOR COMPLIANCE QUESTIONNAIRE
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-07**

Mr. Daniels presented the agenda item. He stated that the questionnaire does not need to be submitted to the legislative auditor and properly noted in our files.

Motion was made by Commissioner Brown to approve and Commissioner Smith seconded the motion. No abstentions or oppositions were noted. No further discussion was made.

MOTION PASSED

**AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 4:
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER REPORT**

Mr. Daniels presented the report. He addressed the agency's response to the current issue of COVID-19. He reviewed the status of the CNI initiative and the status of the RAD initiative.

There was discussion on the items.

This concluded presentation of the Chief Executive Officer's report.

**AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 5:
DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

A. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS & REPORTS

Mrs. Melonie Bayham presented the financial reports.

B. HOUSING CHOICE VOUCHER PROGRAM

This report was not addressed.

C. PUBLIC HOUSING

This report was not addressed.

D. CAPITAL FUND PROGRAM

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This report was not addressed.

E. HUMAN RESOURCES

This report was not addressed.

Commissioner Payton asked if there were any questions regarding any of the reports. None were voiced.

This concluded the presentation of the departmental reports.

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 6: PARTNERS SOUTHEAST COO REPORT

This report was not presented.

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 7: NEW BUSINESS

No new business was addressed.

AGENDA ITEM NUMBER 8: ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Payton asked if there were any other matters that needed to be addressed in the meeting. None were voiced.

MEETING ADJOURNED

APPROVED:

Dianna Payton
Chairman
East Baton Rouge Parish Housing Authority

J. Wesley Daniels, Jr.
Secretary/Chief Executive Officer
East Baton Rouge Parish Housing Authority

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