HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
SEPTEMBER 18, 2012

RESOLUTION NO. 2012-33

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) is the owner of certain land located in the State of Louisiana, Parish of Orleans, City of New Orleans, which is known as the piece of land located between B.W. Cooper Housing Development and Booker T. Washington High School from Earhart Blvd. to Erato Street (also known as S. Prieur Access Road), New Orleans, LA 70125; and

WHEREAS, Orleans Parish School Board (OPSB) has requested that HANO as the owner of the above described property, provide an easement to OPSB for the benefit of Booker T. Washington High School to have street access to this property; and

WHEREAS, this easement will allow OPSB to be able to move forward with the designs at Booker T. Washington High School; and

WHEREAS, this easement will provide benefit to the community and is critical to ensuring that the Booker T. Washington High School will have viable ingress and egress.

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Administrator Receiver or his designee is hereby authorized and directed to negotiate and execute on behalf of HANO all documents necessary or convenient to effectuate this easement herein contemplated to the Orleans Parish School Board.

Executed this 18th day of September, 2012.

APPROVAL:

[Signature]

DAVID GILMORE,
ADMINISTRATIVE RECEIVER
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
September 18, 2012

MEMORANDUM

To: David Gilmore,  
Administrative Receiver

From: Desiree Andrepont, Director  
Real Estate Planning and Development

Re: Easement to Orleans Parish School Board for the S. Prieur Access Road in Connection with Booker T. Washington High School

Approval is requested to authorize HANO to provide an easement to the Orleans Parish School Board (OPSB) in connection with the development of the Booker T. Washington High School (BTWHS). Currently, this strip of land is identified in the master plan as a street adjacent to what will either be BW Cooper Phase II, or if the land is transferred to the OPSB, it would be a street adjacent to green space for recreational use for students and the redeveloped community. In either event, HANO anticipates that the land will remain a thoroughfare.

The Orleans Parish School Board requested this easement to allow redevelopment designs for the Booker T. Washington High School (BTWHS) to move forward. The current plan for the BTWHS includes access over this property. The designs and plans for construction are contingent on BTWHS having this access and HANO granting this easement prior to the OPSB’s plan submission to the City of New Orleans.

It is anticipated that the OPSB will assume the obligation to construct the street in accordance with all applicable codes and legal requirements. HANO’s interests will be protected with language in the development agreement which insures that any construction is in accordance with plans and specifications approved by HANO and will provide for appropriate indemnification to HANO.

Until a decision has been made about the ultimate use of the adjoining property, HANO will continue to own this property and the B. W. Cooper development will also continue to have access to it. B.W. Cooper and BTWHS will both utilize this right of way therefore allowing the students and community to both benefit from this easement.

Board of Commissioners approval granting the easement to OPSB for the Booker T. Washington High School is requested including authorization to the Administrative Receiver to execute any and all documents necessary to grant the easement.