

**HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
JANUARY 22, 2013**

RESOLUTION NO. 2013-01

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO), as the Lead Applicant, and the City of New Orleans (City), as the Co-Applicant, were notified by HUD on August 31, 2011 that they were awarded a \$30.5 million dollar Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (CNI) Implementation Grant, comprised of FY 2010 and FY 2011 funds; and

WHEREAS, HANO and the City have further partnered to comply with the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA), and its implementing regulations at 36 CFR Part 800, which require federal agencies to take into account the effects of their proposed projects on historic properties and coordinate with the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP) and the State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO); and

WHEREAS, the Section 106 process for the CNI Implementation Grant shall culminate in the execution of a Programmatic Agreement (PA) evidencing compliance with Section 106, which is a necessary prerequisite to HUD's release of the CNI grant funds to HANO; and

WHEREAS, HANO has agreed to assume certain responsibilities and to perform various actions described by the PA, including phased evaluation and treatment measures to be conducted in the planning and development of project(s) funded through the CNI Implementation Grant; and

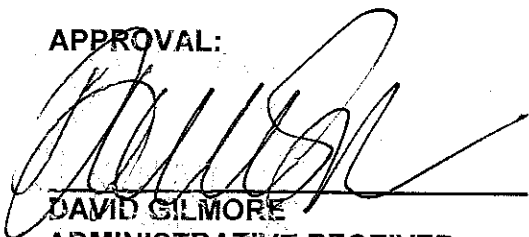
WHEREAS, HANO shall execute the PA as a Signatory to evidence its concurrence and agreement to jointly carry out the responsibilities of the PA in cooperation and partnership with the City; and

WHEREAS, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), the Louisiana State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), and the City have indicated their intention to sign the PA as Signatories, along with HANO, and that other consulting parties who participated in the Section 106 process may also elect to execute the PA.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of New Orleans authorizes the Administrative Receiver to execute the Programmatic Agreement for the CNI Implementation Grant, and any amendments and/or appendices required for the completion of the NHPA Section 106 process.

Executed this 22nd day of January, 2013.

APPROVAL:



**DAVID GILMORE
ADMINISTRATIVE RECEIVER
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**



January 22, 2013

MEMORANDUM

**To: David Gilmore
Administrative Receiver
Chairman, Board of Commissioners**

**From: Maggie Merrill
Senior Advisor to the Administrative Receiver**

**Re: Execution of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (NHPA) Section
106 Programmatic Agreement for Iberville/Tremé Choice Neighborhoods
Initiative Grant**

The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO), as the Lead Applicant, and the City of New Orleans (City), as the Co-Applicant, were awarded a \$30.5 million dollar Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (CNI) Implementation Grant in August 2011. HANO and the City, as the Responsible Entity, are required to fulfill the requirements of Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA) and the governing regulations, 36 CFR 800, before a Request for Release of Funds (RROF) can be submitted to HUD for the Choice Neighborhoods Initiative (CNI) Implementation Grant funds.

The NHPA Section 106 process has been ongoing for nearly one year to date, and shall culminate in the execution and publication of a Programmatic Agreement (PA), which shall evidence compliance with the NHPA, and that will permit the release of CNI grant funds for the Iberville phase of the grant, while also setting forth certain stipulations that will govern the scope and level of effort for evaluation and/or treatment measures that will be required in relation to future phases of development that are not yet conceptualized or concretized.

It is anticipated that the final draft of the Programmatic Agreement may be ready for execution by the Signatories, HANO, the City, the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation (ACHP), and the State Historic Preservation Officer (SHPO), as early as January 18, 2013. In order to proceed with the release of funds for the initial Iberville onsite development phase, it is critical that this Programmatic Agreement be executed as soon as possible.

The Board of Commissioners is hereby requested to authorize the Administrative Receiver to execute the Programmatic Agreement, and any amendments and/or appendices required for the completion of the NHPA Section 106 process.