RESOLUTION NO. 2016-16

WHEREAS, the 1998 Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act (QHWRA) was passed by Congress and implemented by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) which requires the development of a Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan with Annual and 5-Year components; and,

WHEREAS, the Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO)'s current, adopted 5-Year Plan is in effect for the period October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2020, and this submission is limited to the Annual Plan for its fiscal year beginning October 1, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the PHA Annual Plan was compiled according to the template format prescribed by HUD and further outlined in Notice PIH 2015-18; and

WHEREAS, HANO issued public notice and made the PHA Annual Plan available for 45-day comment on April 29, 2016; and held a Plan consultation meeting with the Resident Advisory Board on May 26, 2016; and

WHEREAS, the required "Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan" was executed by the City of New Orleans Office of Community Development on June 6, 2016; and

WHEREAS, HANO conducted a Public Hearing on June 14, 2016; and the PHA Annual Plan was discussed at the Development, Asset Management & Operations Committee of the HANO Board of Commissioners on June 16, 2016; and all comments were considered before finalizing the PHA Annual Plan document;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Board of Commissioners hereby adopts HANO's PHA Annual Plan for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2016 and authorizes its submission with the requisite certifications to HUD.

Executed this 21st day of June, 2016

APPROVAL:

[Signature]

DWAYNE G. BERNAL
PRESIDENT, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
June 21, 2016

MEMORANDUM

To: Board of Commissioners
   President Dwayne G. Bernal, Vice President Alice Riener,
   Commissioner Toni Hackett Antrum, Commissioner Donna Johnigan,
   Commissioner Debra Joseph, Commissioner Andreanecia M. Morris,
   Commissioner Vonda Rice and Commissioner Cantrese Wilson

Through Gregg Fortner
   Executive Director

From: Shelley Smith
   Director, Strategic Planning

Re: Authorization to Submit HANO’s Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plan to HUD

The Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act (QHWRA) of 1998 and accompanying United States Department of Housing Urban Development (HUD) regulations require the nation’s housing authorities to develop 5-Year and Annual Public Housing Agency (PHA) Plans. The 5-Year Plan, which is prepared every fifth fiscal year, delineates the PHA’s mission, goals, and objectives. The Annual Plan describes the Agency’s immediate operations, policies, services, and programs.

The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO)’s current 5-Year Plan was adopted through last year’s planning cycle and is in effect for the period October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2020. For purposes of this planning cycle, HANO’s proposed submission is limited to the Annual PHA Plan for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2016.

The Capital Fund Program (CFP) Final Rule “decoupled” the CFP 5-Year Action Plan from the PHA Plan requiring that the two Plans be separately submitted to HUD. HANO’s PHA and CFP Plans, however, were developed under a concurrent preparation schedule and through a combined stakeholder engagement process.

The PHA Annual Plan was compiled in the template format prescribed by HUD as outlined in Notice PIH 2015-18; and posted for 45-day public comment on April 29, 2016. There was a Plan review and consultation meeting with the HANO Resident Advisory Board (RAB) on May 26, 2016 and a report containing RAB comments and HANO responses has been appended to the Plan document. On June 6, 2016 the required “Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan” was executed by the City’s Office of Community Development.
On June 14th, a Public Hearing was conducted at the end of the 45-day comment period, and on June 16th the PHA Annual Plan was presented to the Development, Asset Management & Operations Committee of the HANO Board of Commissioners. All comments were carefully considered before finalizing the Plan. It is requested that the HANO Board of Commissioner’s adopt the FY 2016 PHA Annual Plan and provide authorization to submit the Plan and related certifications to HUD.