WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) authorized the qualification of 20 partners (Partners) for the development of HANO owned scattered sites by Resolution No. 2015-01, Approval of Scattered Sites Development Partners Pursuant to Request for Qualifications #14-911-48; and

WHEREAS, Requests for Proposal (RFPs) have been issued to the Partners for development of the Bywater/Marigny and Uptown neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, HANO’s Board of Commissioners approved awards to several qualified partners and authorized staff to undertake negotiations for the development of specific properties in the Bywater/Marigny and Uptown neighborhoods; and

WHEREAS, HANO desires to expand the effort to generate affordable housing opportunities to a nationwide audience for the remaining scattered sites and for infill portions of the traditional public housing sites at the former BW Cooper, Florida, Fischer, and Desire properties; and

WHEREAS, the development of the remaining scattered sites is currently restricted to the 20 partners authorized by the Board in Resolution No. 2015-01; and

WHEREAS, HANO issued Request for Information #17-911-18 (RFI) in order to receive proposals for development ideas for these properties; and

WHEREAS, in order for HANO to accept responses to the RFI from interested parties beyond the Partners, Resolution No. 2015-01 would need to be rescinded.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that in order to provide the greatest opportunity to develop the scattered sites portfolio the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of New Orleans hereby rescinds Resolution No. 2015-01, Approval of Scattered Sites Development Partners Pursuant to Request or Qualifications #14-911-48.

Executed this 14th day of September, 2017

APPROVAL:

ALICE RIENER
PRESIDENT, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
September 14, 2017

MEMORANDUM

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

Through Gregg Fortner
   Executive Director

From: Jennifer Adams
   Director, Development and Modernization

Re: Rescind Resolution No. 2015-01, Approval of Scattered Sites Development Partners Pursuant to Request for Qualification #14-911-48

In the Fall of 2014, the Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) issued Request for Qualifications (RFQ) #14-911-48 soliciting Statements of Qualifications from organizations and individuals interested in developing approximately 230 vacant scattered site properties throughout Orleans Parish, which range in size from 1,300 to 158,000 square feet. HANO determined that many of these sites were underutilized and had development potential. Via Resolution #2015-01, HANO’s Board of Commissioners authorized the qualification of 20 RFQ respondents who were also approved to respond to subsequent Request for Proposals (RFPs) to be issued for scattered site properties bundled in broad neighborhood groups. Two such RFPs were issued to the qualified developers for the Bywater/Marigny and Uptown neighborhoods. HANO’s Board of Commissioners approved awards to several qualified partners and authorized staff to undertake negotiations for the development of specific properties.

Due to the fact that the list of qualified developers is nearly three years old, and the affordable housing needs in New Orleans continue to increase while financial resources decrease, HANO desires to expand the effort to generate affordable housing opportunities to a nationwide audience for the remaining uncommitted scattered sites and for infill portions of the traditional public housing sites at the former BW Cooper, Florida, Fischer, and Desire properties. To that end in July 2017, HANO issued Request for Information #17-911-18 in order to receive proposals for development ideas for these properties. Since the development of the scattered sites is currently restricted to the 20 partners authorized by the Board in Resolution No. 2015-01, HANO wishes to rescind that resolution in order to allow RFI submissions from beyond the list of partners qualified in 2015.