

**HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 26, 2019**

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-02

WHEREAS, the Bylaws of the Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) currently state in Article VIII, Section 10 that a quorum for the Committees of the HANO Board is defined as a majority of the members of the Committee; and

WHEREAS, to better facilitate the functioning of the Committees of the HANO Board of Commissioners, the HANO Board of Commissioners seeks to amend Article VIII, Section 10 of the HANO Bylaws to allow a quorum for the Committees of the HANO Board to be defined as exactly half of the members of the Committee;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of New Orleans hereby amends Article VIII, Section 10 of the HANO Bylaws to state as follows:

A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum, which is required for the purpose of transacting business at all meetings and special meetings of the Board. For Committee meetings, exactly half of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum. If at any meeting of the Board there shall be less than a quorum present, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting or recess the meeting to take measures to obtain a quorum. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, all actions of the Board may be taken by a vote of the majority of the members present at any meeting where a quorum exists.

Executed this 26th day of February, 2019

APPROVAL:



**CASUS PEALER
PRESIDENT, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**



February 26, 2019

MEMORANDUM

**To: Board of Commissioners
President Casius Pealer, Vice President Lisha A. Wheeler,
Commissioner Isabel Barrios, Commissioner Toni Hackett Antrum,
Commissioner Sharon Jasper, Commissioner Debra Joseph,
Commissioner Kim Piper and Commissioner Alice Riener**

**Through Gregg Fortner
Executive Director**

**From: Kevin Oufnac
General Counsel**

**Re: Amendment to the Quorum Requirement of the Bylaws of the Housing
Authority of New Orleans**

Art. VII, Sec. 10 of the Bylaws of the Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) currently states as follows:

A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum, which is required for the purpose of transacting business at all meetings and special meetings of the Board. If at any meeting of the Board there shall be less than a quorum present, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting or recess the meeting to take measures to obtain a quorum. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, all actions of the Board may be taken by a vote of the majority of the members present at any meeting where a quorum exists.

In order to better facilitate the functioning of the Committees of the HANO Board of Commissioners, the following amendment (detailed in bold and underlined below) to HANO's bylaws is recommended:

A majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum, which is required for the purpose of transacting business at all meetings and special meetings of the Board. **For Committee meetings, exactly half of the members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.** If at any meeting of the Board there shall be less than a quorum present, a majority of those present may adjourn the meeting or recess the meeting to take measures to obtain a quorum. Except as otherwise provided in this Section, all actions of the Board may be taken by a vote of the majority of the members present at any meeting where a quorum exists.

Therefore, it is requested that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of New Orleans amend the Bylaws of the Housing Authority of New Orleans to allow for exactly half of the members of a HANO Board Committee to constitute a quorum.