



HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING

HELEN W. LANG MEMORIAL BOARDROOM, BUILDING B
4100 TOURO STREET, NEW ORLEANS, LA 70122

APRIL 26, 2018 at 4:00 P.M.

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AGENDA

- I. STATEMENT BY GENERAL COUNSEL
- II. CALL TO ORDER
- III. ROLL CALL
- IV. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA
- V. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MARCH 27, 2018
- VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S REPORT
- VII. COMMITTEE REPORT(S)
- VIII. ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

AUTHORIZATON(S)

- Resolution #2018-05 – Approval of HANO’s Smoke-Free Policy

- IX. COMMENTS
 - Public Comment(s)
 - Board of Commissioners Comment(s)

X. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session pursuant to R.S. 42:17(A)(1), to discuss the “character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of a person” in relation to the performance evaluation of HANO’s Executive Director.

XI. ADJOURNMENT



April 26, 2018

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: Maggie Merrill
Director, Asset Management**

Re: Approval of HANO's Smoke-Free Policy

In accordance with The United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Final Rule FR-5597-F-03, the Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) is required by HUD to implement a smoke-free policy banning the use of prohibited tobacco products in all public housing living units, indoor common areas in public housing, and in HANO's administrative office buildings. The smoke-free policy must also extend to all outdoor areas up to 25 feet from the public housing and administrative office buildings. Public housing dwelling units in mixed-finance developments are exempt from this rule.

HANO has drafted this Smoke-Free Policy to ensure that the agency is in full compliance with HUD Final Rule FR-5597-F-03 and 24 CFR 965, Subpart G. The deadline for implementation of this smoke-free policy is July 30, 2018. In order to implement the policy, HANO and its Agents must enter into a smoke-free lease addendum with all tenants by July 30, 2018. Public housing residents must be notified at least 60 days before the lease addendum is to take effect. Therefore, it is imperative that this smoke-free policy be approved to provide ample notice of the lease addendum to our residents.

We ask the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of New Orleans to hereby approve the HANO Smoke-Free Policy to go into effect on July 30, 2018 for all HANO-owned property and to authorize the Executive Director to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the policy.

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RESOLUTION NO. 2018-05

WHEREAS, the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) issued its Final Rule "Instituting Smoke-Free Public Housing", FR-5597-F-03 to be effective February 3, 2017; and

WHEREAS, FR-5597-F-03 requires the Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) to implement a smoke-free policy no later than 18 months from the effective date of the rule, stated as July 30, 2018; and

WHEREAS, the smoke-free policy must ban the use of prohibited tobacco products in all public housing living units, indoor common areas in public housing, and in HANO's administrative office buildings. The smoke-free policy must also extend to all outdoor areas up to 25 feet from the public housing and administrative office buildings; and

WHEREAS, although public housing units in mixed-finance developments are exempt from this rule, HANO's smoke-free policy will apply to all HANO-owned property and units, whether conventional public housing or mixed-finance. Signature communities can opt to mandate this or similar smoke-free policies; and

WHEREAS, HANO must issue Smoke-Free Lease Addendums to its residents to implement its smoke-free policy at least 60 days before the addendums take effect on July 30, 2018;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED, that the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of New Orleans hereby approves the HANO Smoke-Free Policy, and authorizes the Executive Director to execute any and all documents necessary to effectuate the policy.

Executed this 26th day of April, 2018

APPROVAL:

**ALICE RIENER
PRESIDENT, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**