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AGENDA

**THE NEW ORLEANS PUBLIC BELT RAILROAD COMMISSION
FOR THE
PORT OF NEW ORLEANS**

REGULAR MEETING NO. 3, FISCAL YEAR 2022

**Thursday, September 23, 2021
1:30 P.M. ****

**Zoom Teleconference*
1350 Port of New Orleans Place
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130**

- I. Roll Call & Determination of Quorum**
- II. Approval of Meeting Minutes for August 2021**
- III. Public Comment**
- IV. Action Items:**
 - A. Acceptance of the Financial Statement for August 2021**
 - B. Briefing on the Chief Executive Officer's Declaration of Extreme Public Emergency in Connection with Mitigating Impacts of Hurricane Ida.**
- V. Report by the General Manager**
- VI. Adjournment**

***The link to access the Zoom meeting is available [here](#) (Meeting Passcode: 024066), as well as on the RailNOLA website: <https://www.railnola.com/info/board-staff/board-meetings>.**

****Or as soon as the end of the Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans' Regular Meeting, scheduled at 1:30 p.m.**

POSTED: 1:30pm on Wednesday, September 22, 2021

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Public Notice and Certification to Convene Virtual Board Meeting September 23, 2021

The New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Commission for the Port of New Orleans has scheduled a Regular Monthly Board meeting for Thursday, September 23, 2021. This meeting must occur in order to ensure continuity of business operations regarding time-sensitive action items for Board review and approval.

On March 11, 2020, the Governor of Louisiana issued [Proclamation 25 JBE 2020](#), declaring a Public Health Emergency in response to the COVID-19 outbreak in Louisiana. The COVID-19 Public Health Emergency was subsequently extended by [Proclamation 168 JBE 2021](#), to be effective through September 29, 2021.

The Board hereby certifies that in order to ensure the presence of a quorum of board members, which would otherwise not be possible under the present circumstances, it is necessary to conduct the meeting on Thursday, September 23, 2021 in a virtual setting. The Board further certifies that the September meeting will be limited to one or more of the following: matters directly related to the Board's response to the current public health emergency, matters critical to the continuation of business, and matters that if delayed, will cause severe economic dislocation. Therefore, in accordance with [La R.S. 42:17.1 et seq.](#), and in consideration of the safety and well-being of the Board's members, staff, and communities directly impacted by the COVID-19 Public Health Emergency, the Board's September meeting will convene remotely, via Zoom videoconferencing.

Public comment will be accepted during the designated public comment period at the start of the meeting. Agendas, as well as the link to access the public meeting livestream, will be posted on the [RailNOLA](#) Board website and distributed to our public notification list, no later than 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 22, 2021.

For questions regarding board meetings, or to submit a request for public comment in advance of the meeting, please email Mandi Verderame mandi.verderame@portnola.com.

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