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**AGENDA**

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

**REGULAR MEETING NO. 7, FISCAL YEAR 2021**

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**Thursday, January 21, 2021  
1:30 P.M. \*\***

**Executive Conference Room\*  
1350 Port of New Orleans Place  
New Orleans, Louisiana 70130**

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- I. Roll Call & Determination of Quorum**
- II. Approval of Meeting Minutes for December 2020**
- III. Public Comment**
- IV. Action Items:**
  - A. Acceptance of the Financial Statement for December 2020**
  - B. Consider Approval of a Resolution Amending the New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Commission for the Port of New Orleans' Financial and Operating Plan for Fiscal Year 2021.**
  - C. Consider Approval of a Resolution Authorizing the Chief Executive Officer to Exercise the Remaining Renewal Options to the Agreement with C.D.L. Electric Company, Inc., for As-Needed Grade Crossing Protection System and Hydraulic Switch Services, for a Cost Not to Exceed \$275,000 Per Year.**
- V. Report of the General Manager**
- VI. Adjournment**

\*The link to access the Zoom livestream of this meeting is available [here](#) 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 Monthly Meeting, scheduled at 1:30 p.m.

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## **Public Notice and Certification to Convene Virtual Board Meeting January 21, 2021**

The New Orleans Public Belt Railroad Commission for the Port of New Orleans has scheduled a Regular Monthly Board meeting for Thursday, January 21, 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 7-JBE-2021](#) to be effective through February 10, 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, January 21, 2021 in a virtual setting. The Board further certifies that the January 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 January meeting will convene remotely, via Zoom videoconferencing.

Agenda-related and general public comment may be submitted during the meeting either verbally, or by using the Zoom Chat feature. 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, January 20, 2021.

For questions regarding board meetings, please email Mandi Verderame [mandi.verderame@portnola.com](mailto:mandi.verderame@portnola.com).

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