# THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING THURSDAY, AUGUST 24, 2023

A MEETING OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE PORT OF NEW ORLEANS, HELD IN THE COMMERCIAL CONFERENCE ROOM, ON THE THIRD FLOOR, AT ITS OFFICES LOCATED AT 1350 PORT OF NEW ORLEANS PLACE, NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA, WAS CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN JOSEPH F. TOOMY AT 1:34 P.M.

**COMMITTEE** Joseph F. Toomy, Committee Chairman

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Walter J. Leger, Jr., Member

James J. Carter, Jr., Member Jeanne E. Ferrer, Member Darryl D. Berger, Member Todd P. Murphy, Member

**COMMITTEE** Sharonda R. Williams, Member

**MEMBER ABSENT:** 

STAFF: B. Christian, President & Chief Executive Officer

R. Wendel, Chief Financial Officer

L. Mellem, Chief of Staff

J. Escudier, Executive Counsel A. Evett, Chief of Infrastructure M. Wypyski, Chief Operating Officer

G. Brown, Chief of People & Culture

R. Aragon Dolese, Director Marketing & Communications

M. Singley, Board Secretariat

GUEST: J. Stuckey, Phelps Dunbar

### I. Roll Call & Determination of Quorum

Following a roll call of Committee members Chairman Toomy confirmed a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

#### II. Public Comment

Chairman Toomy called for public comment but there was none.

#### III. Briefing on Hurricane Ida Property Insurance Claims

Mr. Wendel provided a detailed briefing on the status of the final settlement of the Hurricane Ida property insurance claims.

Commissioner Berger asked for clarification on the modalities of the insurance payment.

## IV. Closed Executive Session, Convened in Accordance with *La R.S. 42:17A(2)*, to Discuss the Matters Entitled:

- Coastal Cargo Company, L.L.C. v. Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans, Docket No. 2023-2511, pending before the Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans, State of Louisiana.
- Stop the Destruction of St. Bernard, Inc., et al. v. Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans and St. Bernard Port, Harbor and Terminal District, Case No. 2023-CA-0323, pending before the Fourth Circuit Court of Appeals, State of Louisiana.
- St. Bernard Parish Government v. Board of Commissioners of the Port of New Orleans, Docket No. 23-1006, pending before the 34th Judicial District Court for the Parish of St. Bernard, State of Louisiana.
- James G. Delery and Edward J. Delery, Jr. v. The Borgnemouth Realty Company, Ltd., et al., Docket No. 2023-0017, pending before the 22<sup>nd</sup> Judicial District Court for the Parish of St. Tammany, State of Louisiana.

Chairman Toomy read the agenda items aloud and called for a motion to enter into a closed executive session, convened in accordance with La. R.S. 42:17A(2), to discuss the above matters.

Commissioner Carter moved to enter into a closed executive session and Commissioner Leger seconded. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** and the Committee entered into closed session.

Following the conclusion of the discussion, Commissioner Berger moved to end the closed executive session and return to the open meeting. Commissioner Carter seconded. The <u>MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</u> and the closed executive session concluded.

#### V. Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Toomy called for a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Ferrer moved, and Commissioner Leger seconded. The **MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** and the meeting was adjourned at 2:41 p.m.