

**LAKEFRONT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY  
FINANCE COMMITTEE MINUTES  
THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 2025 – 5:00PM**

**6001 Stars and Stripes Blvd.  
New Orleans, LA 70126**

**PRESENT:** Commissioner Howard Rodgers – Vice Chair  
Commissioner Stan Cohn  
Commissioner Sandra Thomas  
Commissioner Carlos Williams

**ABSENT:** Commissioner Brian Egana

**STAFF:** Louis Capo – Executive Director  
Vanessa McKee – Assistant to the Executive Director  
Laith Alshamaileh – Director of Operations and Engineering  
Kristin Clinard – Finance  
Breal Hillery - Finance  
Kel Brownfield – HR Director

**ALSO**

**PRESENT:** Gerry Metzger – LMA Counsel  
Michael Dorris, Principal – Del Sol  
Matthew Barclay, Program Manager – Del Sol  
Lisa Goodgion, Program Manager – Del Sol

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The regular monthly Finance Committee meeting of the Lakefront Management Authority was held on Thursday, August 28, 2025 5:00 PM at the Lakefront Terminal Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Center, 6001 Stars and Stripes Blvd., New Orleans, LA 70126 after due notice of the meeting was sent to each board member, the news media, and posted.

- I. Called to Order at 5:06 pm**
- II. Pledge of Allegiance by Vice Chair Rodgers**
- III. Roll Called by Mr. Capo. (4) members present for a quorum.**

**IV. Opening Comments – Vice Chair Rodgers had no opening comments.**

**V. Motion to Adopt Agenda**

**A motion to adjourn was offered by Commissioner Cohn and seconded by Commissioner Thomas.**

**Hearing no questions or comments, Vice Chair Rodgers called for a vote. All were in favor. The motion passed.**

**VI. Public Comments - Limited to (2) Minutes – No Public Comment**

**Commissioner Adonis Exposé arrived at 4:34 PM**

**VII. Director's Report**

**Mr. Capo reported the following:**

- We are coming to an end of the Audit. The auditors should be issuing a draft report for our review. They should report to the board at the September or October board meeting.**
- The Fried Chicken Fest is coming up October 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. We are approaching the third year of a three-year agreement and will negotiate another contract after the festival.**
- Mr. Cletus Junius of Junius Ship Shape has agreed to lease the space at 7200 Lakeshore Dr. He is currently renting a smaller section and paying \$161/mo. He will assume the entire space at 7200 Lakeshore dr. and his rent will be \$26,542/yr. We will prepare the resolution and lease agreement to go before Commercial Real Estate committee and the board for approval in September.**
- We took back possession of Oceana who had been in default. We are preparing to put it back into commerce.**

- He talked about the motion to recoup legal fees that was recommended by the Legal committee.

## **VIII. New Business**

1. **Motion to recommend approval of the 2026-2027 Capital Outlay Projects Request**

**A motion was offered by Commissioner Cohn and seconded by Commissioner Williams.**

**Mr. Capo** mentioned that Senator Bouie's office called to alert us that he would be leaving his seat to become Chancellor of SUNO in October. He asked that we send our Capital Outlay information in September for his letter of Support.

**Hearing no questions or comments, Vice Chair Rodgers called for a vote. All were in favor. The motion passed.**

2. **Motion to recommend amending the contract with Del Sol Consulting, Inc. for Disaster Recovery Management Services for FEMA Projects caused by Hurricanes Zita and Ida to increase the annual fee for services by \$60,000.00, thereby increasing the total annual fee for services to \$160,000.00, which fees are eligible for reimbursement by FEMA**

**A motion was offered by Commissioner Cohn and seconded by Commissioner Williams.**

**Hearing no questions or comments, Vice Chair Rodgers called for a vote. All were in favor. The motion passed.**

**Vice Chair Rodgers announced the next Finance Committee meeting and called for adjournment.**

## **IX. Announcement of the next Finance Committee Meeting**

1) Thursday **September 18**, 2025, at 4:30 PM

**X. Adjourn**

**A motion was offered by Commissioner Cohn and seconded by Commissioner Williams.**

**Hearing no questions or comments, Vice Chair Rodgers called for a vote. All were in favor. The motion passed.**

**The meeting adjourned at 5:15 pm.**