

**LAKEFRONT MANAGEMENT AUTHORITY
LEGAL COMMITTEE MINUTES
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2026 – 2:30 P.M
6001 Stars and Stripes Blvd.
New Orleans, LA 70126**

PRESENT: Commissioner Robert Drouant – Vice Chair
Commissioner Stanley Cohn
Commissioner Adonis Exposé

ABSENT: Commissioner Jennifer Herbert
Commissioner Carlos Williams

STAFF: Louis Capo – Executive Director
Vanessa McKee – Assistant to the Executive Director
Bruce Martin – Director of Aviation
Laith Alshamaileh – Director of Ops and Engineering
John Peters – Engineering Department
Kel Brownfield – HR Director
Elaina King – Finance
Breal Hillery - Finance

**ALSO
PRESENT:** Gerry Metzger – LMA Counsel
Jeff Dye – LMA Counsel
Gordon, Arata – LMA Legal Counsel

The regular monthly Airport Committee meeting of the Lakefront Management Authority was held on Tuesday, February 26, 2026, at 2:37 PM at the Lakefront Terminal Building, 2nd 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 2:37 PM.**
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Drouant.**
- III. **Roll Called by Mr. Capo. (3) members present quorum established.**

IV. Opening Comments – Vice-Chair Drouant had no comments.

V. Motion to Adopt Agenda

A motion was offered by Commissioner Cohn and seconded by Commissioner Exposé.

Chair Drouant called for a vote. All were in favor. The motion passed.

VI. Public Comments - Limited to (2) Minutes – NO COMMENTS

VII. Legal Counsel's Update

Mr. Metzger gave the following update:

- **Extension to T-Hangar Leases. The appraisal is done. And negotiations are set to begin.**
- **Blue Crab and Felix: still working on lease negotiations**
- **Iron Triangle: 2019 case. LMA had its claims dismissed. Motion for new trial to be heard next Thursday, March 5th.**
- **Renton boathouse W-9, Judge Cates signed order to bring LMA back into the suit.**

Chair Drouant called for a motion to go into executive session.

A motion was offered to go into executive session at 2:50 pm by Commissioner Cohn and seconded by Commissioner Exposé.

Hearing no Questions or comments, Chair Drouant called for a vote. All were in favor. The motion passed.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Mr. Metzger stated that these items are pending. Open discussion would be detrimental to the case.

- 1) **Executive Session — Status Report in the case of *Lakefront Management Authority v. J&J Partners, L.L.C.*, No. 2020-8075, Division "I-14", Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans.**

- 2) Executive Session --- Status Report in the case of *Lakefront Management Authority v. AECOM, Inc. and URS Corporation*, No. 2023-12141, Division "F-14", Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans.
- 3) Executive Session — Status Report in the case of Non-Flood Protection Asset Management Authority v. Lathan Company, Inc., No. 2014-6983, Division "G-11", Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans.
- 4) Status report in the case of *Lakefront Management Authority v. Errol G. Williams and Norman White*, Division "E", No. 2024-7548, Civil District Court for the Parish of Orleans.

Chair Drouant announced that we were out of executive session at 3:36 pm. No actions were taken during the executive session He announced the next legal committee meeting and called for adjournment.

IX. Announcement of the next Legal Committee Meeting

1) Thursday, March 19, 2026 – 2:30 P.M.

X. Adjourned at 3:37 pm

A motion was offered by Commissioner Exposé and seconded by Commissioner Drouant.

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