A meeting of the Board of Commissioners (the "Board") of the New Orleans City Park Improvement Association (the "NOCPIA") was called to order Tuesday, August 23, 2022, at 4 p.m. The meeting was held in person at City Park Administration Building.

PRESENT: Commissioners Waller, Adams, Arata, Coaxum, Dale, Savoie, Giarrusso, Green, Hardie, Katz, King, Laborde, LeCorgne, Lupo, McNeil, Pate, and Sterbcow

ABSENT: Commissioners Giffin, Leger, and Sherman

STAFF: Cara Lambright, Rebecca Dietz, Keith Hemel, Casie Duplechain, Keith Claverie, Jake Webster, and Denise Joubert

COUNSEL: Michael DeShazo

GUESTS: Liz Sloss, Catherine Koppel, Ben Myers, and Keith Tregle

Chairman David Waller called the meeting to order. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by the Board. He introduced the newly appointed board members Peggy Laborde and Doug Adams.

A quorum is present and voting throughout the meeting.

A motion was made to accept the minutes from the June 16 meeting, as circulated via email. The motion was seconded, voted on, and approved unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Liz Sloss, Chair of City Park Conservancy, reported that earlier today the CPC voted and approved the Cooperative Endeavor Agreement.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT:

President David Waller read the Resolution authorizing New Orleans City Park Improvement Association (NOCPIA) through its Chair, David Waller, to execute a Cooperative Endeavor Agreement (CEA) between City Park Conservancy (CPC) and NOCPIA for the operation, care, and management of City Park by CPC, which shall establish a non-profit conservancy model of operations, ensuring sustainable and enhanced operation, care, and management of City Park while maintaining NOCPIA's governance of City Park. Commissioner Larry Dale moved, seconded by Acclamation, and unanimously approved.

In addition to thanking everyone, Lambright noted that this is the most important development since 1989. Special thanks were extended to David Waller and Liz Sloss for their tireless efforts.

In the Management Report, Cara Lambright, Chief Executive Officer stated:

- Working to develop the following policies:
  - o Naming Rights Guidelines
  - Procurement Procedures
  - o Code of Ethics
  - o Financial Investment Policy

- The Friends of City Park merger with City Park Conservancy was approved
- The Park incorrectly reported the endowments by Friends of City Park on the balance sheet. The Park's balance sheet and retained profits were reduced by \$7 million.
- We had a successful legislative session. Senator Harris worked very hard towards securing \$750,000 in unrestricted funds for general support.
- The September issue of National Geographic, titled "America the Beautiful," will include City Park. Stephen Wilkes, a photographer, acquired day to night pictures of the Wisner Tract.
- The Goldring/Woldenberg Great Lawn is being restored.
- Working on a solution to remove the aquatic weeds from the lagoons.
- First Horizon donated \$250,000 to City Park Conservancy to restore the Bio Swale at the Festival Grounds.
- If you are interested in joining the Governance or Finance Committee, please contact David Waller.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m.