



Gentilly Development District Minutes
Board of Commissioners
6400 Press Drive
April 17, 2026
10:00a.m.

At the Board's direction, the Executive Director called the meeting of the Board of Commissioners for the Gentilly Development District (GDD) to order at 10:18 a.m. She welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Gretchen Bradford took the roll call of the Commissioners.

Roll Call

Members Present: The following board members were present: Commissioners: Pastor Aubrey Watson, Councilmember Eugene Green, Nick Harris, Rep. Candace Newell, Sen. Sidney Barthelemy; a quorum was established.

Others Present:

Gretchen Bradford, GDD Executive Director

Welcome New Commissioners

Newly elected Sen. Sidney Barthelemy attended his first GDD Meeting and was welcomed by the Commissioners

Old Business

No Public Comment

Conversation to keep meeting location at Dillard University, 3301 Annette Street

Approval of the minutes: Motion was made to approve the minutes of Jan 20, 2026 by Commissioner Green seconded by Commissioner Newell, to accept the minutes. All approved motion.

Unfinished Business Act 1 2020/2021 line item #945 – GDD requested an extension and believed it was granted; however, the extension concluded in 2024. Consequently, the State requires us to return funds previously disbursed to the Muralist. Senator Jimmy Harris is collaborating with the State Treasurer to address this issue. The conclusion is that we must formally request an extension during this Legislative Session, as the original extension expired in 2024. (Mural at Chef Hwy & Peoples).

Act 1 2025/2026: CEA has been submitted but has not been accepted by the State because we need to submit an updated Board of Resolution. Allowing Gretchen Bradford, GB Solutions &



Consulting LLC, to continue managing and operating as Executive Director, able to carry out daily duties and sign all documents on behalf of GDD.

New Business

Sen. Barthelemy requested to discuss projects; Commissioner Green seconded. The agenda was amended and it was approved by all.

Appropriations for more money: Sen. Barthelemy requested a list of potential projects for upcoming initiatives to secure additional funds.

Commissioner Eugene Green discussed potential projects, including a proposed new mural by the underpass near Popeyes in Gentilly and another on Paris Avenue. Commissioner Nick Harris discussed moving potential mural from 610 underpass due to the magnitude of the scope of work for student artist. Also discussed Mural at London Canal.

Board Resolution(s)-President and Executive Director

Presentation of Resolution

Board Resolution 1 2026. (see attached) read by Executive Director. It was moved to accept by Commissioner Eugene Green and seconded by Commissioner Watson

Board Resolution 2 2026. (see attached) read by Executive Director. It was moved to accept by Commissioner Eugene Green and seconded by Commissioner Harris

Discussed the responsibilities of Gretchen Bradford.

Executive Director Contract Review & Approval

Salary:

Moved to approve an increase in salary of \$5,000 for the Executive Director by Candance Newell and Second by Commissioner Nick Harris. This will increase the Executive Director's contract to \$20,000. Motion was approved by all.

Nomination of new Officers

Elections of New Officers

Chairman: Commissioner Watson nominated Commissioner Eugene Green for Chairman of the Board, seconded by Nick Harris for the position. Prior to proceeding, all members were asked if anyone else expressed interest in the role. No one else volunteered to assume the role of Chairman. All members are in favor in the new Chairman, no opposition. Commission Eugene Green accepted.

Vice-Chairman: Commissioner Newell nominated Nick Harris, (he declined). Commissioner Nick Harris nominated Commissioner Aubrey Watson and it was seconded by Rep Candace Newell. Prior to proceeding, all members were asked if anyone else expressed interest in the role.



No one else volunteered to assume the role of Vice-Chairman. All members favored the new Vice-Chairman, with no opposition. Commission Aubrey Watson accepted.

Treasurer: Commissioner Newell nominated Nick Harris, and it was seconded by Commissioner Watson. Prior to proceeding, all members were asked if anyone else expressed interest in the role. No one else volunteered to assume the role of Treasurer. All members favored the new Treasurer, with no opposition. Commissioner Nick Harris accepted.

Bank Account Changes:

Moved by Commissioner Newell to add new Commissioners: Green and Harris to Liberty Bank Account seconded by Commissioner Watson. (remove old Chairman (Joe Bouie) and old Treasurer (Matthew Willard) off bank account.

Next Meeting: Discuss Project for Nov Appropriations (per Sen. Bartholomew)
Next Meeting Date TBA

Meeting Adjourned

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Gretchen Bradford', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Gretchen Bradford



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**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF GENTILLY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
RESOLUTION # 1 2026**

At a meeting of the Board of Commissioners of The Gentilly Development District duly called and held on the 17th day of April, 2026 the following resolution was offered, seconded, and adopted:

"Be it Resolved, that the board of commissioners of this district hereby authorize, empower, and approve that Gretchen Bradford, GB Solutions & Consulting LLC (as Executive Director) be hired to work with the board of GDD and report to the Chairman to help carry out the mission and projects of the board.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed by a majority of the Board of Commissioners of the Gentilly Development District on the date specified.


Chairman of the Board

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**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF GENTILLY DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT
RESOLUTION # 2 2026**

At a meeting of the Board of Commissioners of The Gentilly Development District duly called and held on the 17th day of April, 2026, the following resolution was offered, seconded, and adopted:

"Be it Resolved, that the board of commissioners, of this district hereby authorize, empower, and approve the work to be done by the Chairman and Consultant Gretchen Bradford, GB Solutions & Consulting LLC to get the Gentilly Development District operational again and all documents to be completed on behalf of the GDD for the city of New Orleans, State of LA including all Capital Outlay forms, FP&C forms, State Treasury forms and CEAs. The chairman has the approval of the board to sign all documents on behalf of the board.

I hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of a resolution passed by a majority of the Board of Commissioners of the Gentilly Development District on the date specified.


Chairman of the Board