# NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED, INC.

# FINANCIAL AND COMPLIANCE AUDIT TOGETHER WITH INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT

# FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

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# **INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT**

To the Board of Directors New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited, Inc. New Orleans, Louisiana

## **Report on the Financial Statements**

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of **New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited, Inc. (NORU)** which comprise the statement of financial position as of December 31, 2019, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements.

# Management's Responsibility for the Financial Statements

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America; this includes the design, implementation, and maintenance of internal control relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

To the Board of Directors New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited, Inc. New Orleans, Louisiana

### Auditors' Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of **NORU's** financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to **NORU's** preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of **NORU's** internal control. Accordingly, we express no such opinion. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT (CONTINUED)

To the Board of Directors New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited, Inc. New Orleans, Louisiana

## Opinion

In our opinion, the financial statements previously referred to present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of **NORU** as of December 31, 2019, and the changes in its net assets, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Other Reporting Required by Government Auditing Standards

In accordance with *Government Auditing Standards*, we have also issued our report dated September 30, 2020 on our consideration of **NORU's** internal control over financial reporting and on our tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, and other matters. The purpose of that report is to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the results of that testing and not to provide an opinion on internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. That report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering **NORU's** internal control over financial reporting and compliance.

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BRUNO & TERVALON LLP CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS New Orleans, Louisiana

September 30, 2020

### NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED, INC. STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2019

### ASSETS

Current assets:	
Cash (NOTE 3) Current portion of loans receivable (NOTES 5, 11 and 15)	\$ 141,058 637,268
Prepaid items and other assets	465
Amounts receivable, net (NOTES 6 and 9)	1,212
Grants receivable (NOTE 17)	786,535
Investment (NOTE 18)	<u>1,637,705</u>
Total current assets	<u>3,204,243</u>
Noncurrent assets:	
Loans receivable, net (NOTES 5, 11 and 15)	<u>1,094,174</u>
Total noncurrent assets	<u>1,094,174</u>
Total assets	\$ <u>4,298,417</u>
LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS	
Current liabilities:	
Salaries and related taxes payable	\$ 9,159
Amounts payable vendors	344,670
Current portion of unearned charges (NOTE 5)	637,268
Due to primary government, net	<u>319,970</u>
Total current liabilities	<u>1,311,067</u>
NT	
Noncurrent liabilities: Revolving loan (NOTES 5 and 11)	0 545 200
Unearned charges (NOTE 15)	2,545,320 263,416
Unearned revenues	<u>65,725</u>
Total noncurrent liabilities	<u>2,874,461</u>
Total liabilities	<u>4,185,528</u>
CONTINGENCIES (NOTE 9)	
Net assets:	
Without donor restrictions	112,889
Total net assets	112,889
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ <u>4,298,417</u>

# **NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED, INC.** STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

Operating Activities:	
Grants (NOTE 16)	\$ <u>1,614,180</u>
Total operating income	<u>1,614,180</u>
Expenses:	
Program services	1,614,180
Supporting services	25,517
Total expenses	<u>1,639,697</u>
Change in net assets from operating activities	(25,517)
Non-operating Activities	
Interest income	40,201
Forfeitures and other	6,472
Total non-operating income	46,673
Change in net assets from non-operating activities	46,673
Change in net assets from operating and non-operating activities	21,156
Net assets, beginning of year	<u>91,733</u>
Net assets, end of year	\$ <u>112,889</u>

# **NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED, INC.** STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

		Program <u>Services</u>	-	porting rvices		<u>Total</u>
Personnel salaries and wages	\$	182,335	\$	-0-	\$	182,335
Personnel services employee benefits		40,794		-0-		40,794
Purchased professional and technical						
services		13,710	1	7,497		31,207
Purchased property services		3,474		6,128		9,602
Insurance		3,132		1,859		4,991
Other purchased services		4,313		33		4,346
Property		437		-0-		437
Program	<u>1</u>	<u>,365,985</u>		-0-	]	1 <u>,365,985</u>
Total	\$ <u>1</u>	<u>,614,180</u>	\$ <u>2</u>	<u>5,517</u>	\$ <u>_</u>	1 <u>,639,697</u>

# NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED, INC. STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

Cash Flows From Operating Activities: Change in net assets	\$ 21,156
Adjustments to reconcile change in net assets	
to net cash provided by operating activities:	
Decrease in amounts payable vendors	(346,862)
Increase in interfund	199,569
Increase in salaries and related taxes payable	1,929
Decrease in grants receivable	160,543
Decrease in accrued interest receivable	473
Net cash provided by operating activities	36,808
Cash Flows From Investing Activities:	
Disbursements of loans	(552,800)
Purchase of investments	(795,925)
Cash used in investing activities	<u>(1,348,725</u> )
Cash Flows From Financing Activities:	
Collection on revolving loans	820,820
Grants and unearned charges	377,767
Cash provided by financing activities	1,198,587
Net decrease in cash	(113,330)
Cash, beginning of year	254,388
Cash, end of year	\$ <u>141,058</u>
Interest paid	\$ <u>0-</u>

### NOTE 1 - BACKGROUND GENERAL DATA:

### **Background**

**New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited, Inc. (NORU)** was formed in 2004 as a nonprofit corporation.

The purposes of **NORU** include:

- o Eliminate and prevent the development or spread of slums.
- o Promote neighborhood revitalization, blight removal, community development and construction of affordable housing that is decent, safe and sanitary for low and moderate income families, including support of efforts of entities so engaged through loans with repayment.
- o Allow the rehabilitation, clearance and redevelopment of slums and blighted areas in the City of New Orleans to include but not limited to community improvement plans or projects approved by the governing body of the City of New Orleans.
- o Acquire property by negotiation or gift.
- o Dispose of property by sale, lease or gift.
- o Own real estate, to buy or sell, develop or lease, and generally handle, moveable and immovable property of every nature and kind.
- o Do any and all things necessary with full authority to perform all acts necessary or proper to accomplish the purposes expressed or implied in these Articles, or that may be incidental thereto.

### General

As of December 31, 2019, **NORU** is primarily engaged in the implementation of a Loan Fund pursuant to Section 105(a)(15) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 for revolving construction loans to facilitate the construction of residential housing in a memorandum agreement with New Orleans Redevelopment Authority (NORA).

## NOTE 1 - BACKGROUND GENERAL DATA, CONTINUED:

### Housing Opportunity Zone

This program uses State CDBG funds to finance the development of affordable housing on NORA -owned property located in the nine City-designated Housing Opportunity Zone.

### Orleans Housing Investment Program

Th newest phase of **NORU's** Residential Construction Lending Program, is funded through HUD CDBG Locally-held Program Income derived from sale of former Road Home properties. NORA will fund the development of primarily single-family affordable homes in neighborhoods like Central City, Seventh Ward, Gentilly, and New Orleans East.

### Construction Lending Extended

The program is funded through HUD CDBG State held Program income derived from the sales of former Road Home Properties. NORA has awarded properties and **NORU** is providing financing for the development of affordable housing in Gentilly, Tulane-Gravier and New Orleans East.

### Construction Lending Expanded

The program uses State CDBG funds to finance the development of affordable housing on NORA owned properties located in New Orleans East and the Lower Ninth Ward.

### JP Morgan

The grant provided by JP Morgan Chase Foundation is for the development of a public sector organizational and funding structure for the sustainable long term implementation of commercial corridor revitalization strategies in New Orleans.

### NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

### **Estimates**

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America, requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect the reported amounts of assets, liabilities and disclosure of contingent assets and liabilities at the date of the financial statements and the reported amounts of revenues and expenses during the reporting period. Actual results could differ from those estimated.

### Basis of Presentation

**NORU's** basic financial statements consist of the statement of financial position, statements of activities, statements of functional expenses and cash flows. The statements are prepared in accordance with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

### Financial Statement Presentation

As required by Financial Accounting Standards Board's Accounting Standards Codification (FASB ASC) sections ASC Sections 958-205 and 605 (Not-for-Profit Entities Presentation of Financial Statements and Revenue Recognition), **NORU** recognizes contributions received as revenue, including unconditional promises to give, in the period received at their fair value. At the same time, contributions made, including unconditional promises to give, are recognized as expenses in the period made at their fair value.

### NOTE 2 - <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u>, CONTINUED:

### Financial Statement Presentation, Continued

FASB ASC 958 dated August 2016 and the provisions of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants "Audit and Accounting Guide for Not-for-Profit Organizations (the Guide) Update 2016-14 was effective January 1, 2018.

Under the provisions of the Guide, net assets and gains and losses are classified based on the existence or absences of donor-imposed restrictions. Accordingly, the net assets of **NORU** and changes therein are classified as follows:

<u>Net assets without donor restrictions</u>: Net assets that are not subject to donor-imposed restrictions and may be expended for any purpose in performing the primary objectives of **NORU**. **NORU's** board may designate assets without restrictions for specific operational purposes from time to time.

<u>Net assets with donor restrictions</u>: Net assets subject to stipulations imposed by donors, and grantors. Some donor restrictions are temporary in nature; those restrictions will be met by actions of **NORU** or by the passage of time. Other donor restrictions are perpetual in nature, where by the donor has stipulated the funds be maintained in perpetuity.

At December 31, 2019, **NORU's** net assets without donor restrictions reports the results of revenues generated by providing services, receiving unrestricted contributions, grants, interest from investments, disposition of real property, less expenses incurred in providing program and supporting related services. In addition, **NORU** presents a statement of cash flows in the accompanying financial statements.

## NOTE 2 - <u>SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES</u>, CONTINUED:

### Financial Statement Presentation, Continued

Further, update No. 2016-14 affecting ASC 958, *Not-for-Profit Entities*, established standards for external financial reporting by not-for-profit organizations. The standard main provisions require:

- presentation on the face of the statement of activities the amount of the change in each of the two classes of net assets;
- continued to present on the face of the statement of cash flows the net amount for operating cash flows using either the direct or indirect method of reporting; and
- included enhanced disclosures of board designations etc. affecting resources used without donor restrictions and the composition of donor restrictions and its affect on use of resources.

### Statement of Cash Flows

For purposes of the statement of cash flows, **NORU** considers all highly liquid investments with an original maturity of ninety (90) days or less when purchased to be cash equivalents.

### Loans Receivable

Loans receivable are recorded at the face value of the note at point of execution. The revolving construction loan program is used to support economic and rehabilitation development activities.

**NORU** uses the allowance method (based on prior year's experience and analysis) to determine uncollectibility of loans receivable.

# NOTE 2 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES, CONTINUED:

## **Investment**

Investment consist of participation in Louisiana Asset Management Pool (LAMP). The portfolio includes only securities and other obligations in which Local governments in Louisiana are authorized to invest in accordance with LA-R.S. 33:2955.

# Measure of Operations

The statement of activities reports all changes in net assets, including changes in net assets from operating and non-operating activities. Operating activities consist of those items attribute to **NORU's** ongoing activities. Non-operating activities are limited to resources that generate return from investments, financing costs, and other activities considered to be of a more unusual or nonrecurring nature.

# Revolving Loan:

Revolving loan is recorded at face value at point of disbursement. The loan is used to further the construction loan program aimed at economic and rehabilitation development activities.

# Functional Expenses

The costs of providing program and other activities have been summarized on a functional basis in the statements of activities. Accordingly, certain costs have been allocated between program and supporting services benefitted. Such allocations are determined by management on an equitable basis.

The expenses that are allocated include the following:

# **Expenses**

Method of Allocation

Salaries and related benefits Occupancy Travel Other Time and Effort Square Footage Time and Effort Time and Effort

## NOTE 3 - <u>CASH</u>:

At December 31, 2019 the carrying amount of **NORU's** deposits was \$141,058 and the collected bank balance was \$141,058. The cumulative collected bank balance at December 31, 2019 is covered by federal deposit insurance and through the pledge of securities in NORA's (parent entity) name. Custodial credit risk, is the risk that in the event of a failure by the financial institution, **NORU's** deposits may not be returned to it. **NORU** has a deposit policy for custodial credit risk.

# NOTE 4 - <u>LIQUIDITY</u>:

**NORU's** financial assets available within one year of the balance sheet date for general expenses are as follows:

Cash	\$ 141,058
Investments	1,637,705
Grants receivable	786,535
Amounts receivable, net	1,212
	\$2,566,510

**NORU's** financial assets have been reduced by amounts not available for general use because of donor imposed restrictions within one year of the balance sheet date.

As part of **NORU's** liquidity management, it has a policy to structure its financial assets to be available as its general expenses, liabilities, and other obligations come due. In addition, **NORU** invests cash in excess of projected requirements in short-term investments.

# NOTE 5 - LOANS RECEIVABLE, NET:

At December 31, 2019, loans receivable, net consisted of the following:

# **NON-FORGIVABLE LOANS**

<i>Jericho Road Episcopal</i> Loan, secured by residential property, to a corporation at a rate of 2.00% per annum; payment of principal plus interest due in 36 equal monthly installments to begin 6 months after Certificate of Occupancy (COA)	\$ 118,015
<i>Armstrong Construction</i> Loan, secured by residential property, to a corporation at a rate of 2.00% per annum; entire unpaid principal plus interest due on the 3 <sup>rd</sup> anniversary of the 1 <sup>st</sup> day of the month following the completion of the last unit in each phase	45,000
<i>NewCorp, Inc.</i> Loan, secured by residential property, to a corporation at a rate of 2.50% per annum; payment of principal plus interest due in 36 equal monthly installments to begin 6 months after COA	30,000
<i>SBP, Inc.</i> Loan, secured by residential property, to a corporation at a rate of 2.50% per annum; payment of principal plus interest due in 36 equal monthly installments to begin 6 months after COA	50,000
<i>Habitat for Humanity</i> Loan, secured by residential property, to a corporation at a rate of 2.50% per annum; payment of principal plus interest due in 36 equal monthly installments to begin 6 months after COA	50,000

# NOTE 5 - LOANS RECEIVABLE, NET, CONTINUED:

# NON-FORGIVABLE LOANS, CONTINUED

# Iris East Homes

Loan, secured by residential property, to a corporation at a rate of 2.50% per annum; payment of principal plus interest due in 36 equal monthly installments to begin 6 months after COA	\$ 147,268
Residential construction loan (home buyer assistance) mortgage with varying amounts executed starting in 2016 and thereafter, and expiring on various dates	
through November 19, 2029	829,219
Credit sale loans which are forgivable based on the	
accomplishment of defined terms	33,665
Non-forgivable loans	1,303,167

# FORGIVABLE LOANS

<i>Jericho Road Episcopal</i> Loan, secured by residential property, to a corporation at a rate of 2.00% per annum; loan shall be forgiven at <b>NORU's</b> sole discretion, provided no event of default has occurred	50,000
<i>Armstrong Construction</i> Loan, secured by residential property, to a corporation at a rate of 2.00% per annum; loan shall be forgiven at <b>NORU's</b> sole discretion, provided no event of default has occurred	30,000
<i>NewCorp, Inc.</i> Loan, secured by residential property, to a corporation at a rate of 2.00% per annum; loan shall be forgiven at <b>NORU's</b> sole discretion, provided no event of default has occurred	70,000

## NOTE 5 - LOANS RECEIVABLE, NET, CONTINUED:

### FORGIVABLE LOANS, CONTINUED

## SBP, Inc. Loan, secured by residential property, to a corporation at a rate of 2.50% loan shall be forgiven at NORU's sole discretion, provided no event of default has occurred \$ 50,000 Habitat for Humanity Loan, secured by residential property, to a corporation at a rate of 2.50% loan shall be forgiven at NORU's sole discretion, provided no event of default has occurred 40,000 Iris East Homes Loan, secured by residential property, to a corporation at a rate of 2.50% loan shall be forgiven at NORU's sole discretion, provided no event of default has occurred 150,000 Loans to a non-profit corporation secured by real property. Payment is due upon sale, lease other transfer of property or the fulfillment of prescribed requirements 37,800 Forgivable loans <u>\_427,800</u> Other 475 Total loans 1,731,442 Less: current portion <u>(637,268)</u> Total noncurrent loans \$1,094,174

## NOTE 6 - <u>AMOUNTS RECEIVABLE, NET</u>:

At December 31, 2019 amounts receivable, net is as follows:

Funds due from sale of land, unimproved land and structures from <b>NORU's</b> inventory Loan to corporation which is currently in default	\$ 1,212 <u>328,928</u>
Subtotal	330,140
Less: allowance for doubtful accounts	(328,928)
Total	\$ <u>1,212</u>

## NOTE 7 - <u>RISK MANAGEMENT</u>:

**NORU** is exposed to various risks of loss related to torts, theft of, damage to and destruction of assets for which **NORU** carries commercial insurance. Liabilities are reported when it is probable that a loss has occurred and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated.

### NOTE 8 - <u>CONCENTRATION OF CREDIT RISK</u>:

**NORU** receives primarily all of its revenues from NORA as a pass-through the State of Louisiana, and through donations. If the amount of revenues received from NORA and others fall below contract levels, **NORU's** operating results could be adversely affected.

### NOTE 9 - <u>CONTINGENCIES</u>:

**NORU** is subject to possible examinations by regulatory agencies who determine compliance with laws and regulations governing grants provided to **NORU**. These examinations may result in required refunds by **NORU** to agencies and/or program beneficiaries.

### NOTE 9 - <u>CONTINGENCIES</u>, CONTINUED:

**NORU** in the exercise of due diligence obtained through the Court, a filed judgment on May 25, 2018 in connection with a loan agreement with a developer for the balance of loan funds totaling \$365,864. It is Counsel's opinion at December 31, 2019 and September 30, 2020, that there are no other matters that will have a material effect on the financial condition of **NORU**. Accordingly, no additional provision has been made in the financial statements for that contingency other than as described in NOTE 6.

### NOTE 10 - <u>PER DIEM FOR DIRECTORS</u>:

During the year ended December 31, 2019, no board member received per diem in his/her capacity as a Director.

### NOTE 11 - <u>REVOLVING LOAN</u>:

Revolving loan at December 31, 2019 of \$2,545,320 represents the balance of funds provided to **NORU** through a memorandum of understanding with NORA. The funds are to be used to implement a loan fund pursuant to section 105(a)(15) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 for revolving construction loans to facilitate the construction of residential housing in accordance with policies and procedures and as otherwise approved by **NORU**. See NOTE 5, for additional discussion.

### NOTE 12 - <u>RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS</u>:

**NORU** paid fees and made various reimbursements for cost incurred on **NORU's** behalf totaling \$273,712 to NORA for the year ended December 31, 2019 of which management fees paid was \$15,164.

## NOTE 12 - <u>RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS</u>, CONTINUED:

**NORU**, during the year ended December 31, 2019, continued to administer Construction Lending Expanded, Construction Lending Expanded, Housing Opportunity Zone and Orleans Housing Investment Program with contract awards totaling \$1,579,905 for construction projects on behalf of NORA. At December 31, 2019, the total cumulative amount disbursed, net of repayments results to a total revolving loan balance of \$2,545,320. Further, NORA has funded through the Construction Lending program \$33,665 in a forgivable loan to a nonprofit corporation (see NOTE 5).

# NOTE 13 - CORONAVIRUS:

On January 30, 2020, the World Health Organization declared the Corona Virus "COVID-19" as a global health emergency. On March 13, 2020, the President of the United States of America declared a national emergency. At September 30, 2020 management of **NORU** continues to assess the impact of COVID-19 on its overall operations as it navigates through initiatives, guidelines and various executive orders mandated by the Governor of the State of Louisiana and the Mayor for the City of New Orleans.

### NOTE 14 - <u>SUBSEQUENT EVENTS</u>:

**NORU** is required to evaluate events or transactions that may have occurred after the statement of financial position date for potential recognition or disclosure in the financial statements. **NORU** performed such an evaluation through September 30, 2020, the date which financial statements were available to be issued, and noted no subsequent events or transactions that occurred after the statement of financial position date that required recognition or disclosure.

# NOTE 15 - PROVISION FOR FORGIVABLE LOANS:

**NORU** continues to participate with NORA (related party) in several real estate loan transactions resulting from inception to date the provision by NORA to the benefit of the respective home buyers forgivable mortgage loans totaling \$427,800 at ended December 31, 2019.

# NOTE 16 - <u>GRANTS</u>:

A detail of grants earned during the year ended December 31, 2019 is as follows:

Program	<u>Amount</u>
J P Morgan Construction Lending Expanded Housing Opportunity Zone Orleans Housing Investment Program	\$ 34,275 197,151 4,380 <u>1,378,374</u>
	\$ <u>1.614,180</u>

## NOTE 17 - <u>GRANTS RECEIVABLE</u>:

At December 31, 2019, grants receivable represents funds expended on various programs and pending reimbursement from the state as follows:

Program	<u>Amount</u>
Construction Lending Expanded Construction Lending Extended Housing Opportunity Zone Orleans Housing Investment Program	\$155,100 221,782 4,380 <u>405,273</u>
	\$ <u>786,535</u>

# NOTE 18 - <u>INVESTMENT</u>:

At December 31, 2019, investment of \$1,637,705 consisted of shares in Louisiana Asset Management Pool, Inc.'s (LAMP) investment pool.

# NOTE 18 - <u>INVESTMENT</u>, CONTINUED:

LAMP is an investment pool that, to the extent practical, invests in a manner consistent with GASB Statement No. 79. The following facts are relevant for the investment pools.

- <u>Credit risk</u>: LAMP is rated AAAm by Standard & Poor's.
- <u>Custodial credit risk</u>: LAMP participants' investment in the pool are evidenced by shares of the pool. Investments in pools should be disclosed, but not categorized because they are not evidenced by securities that exist in physical or book-entry form. **NORU's** investment is with the pool, not the securities that make up the pool; therefore, no disclosure is required.
- <u>Concentration of Credit risk</u>: Pooled investments are excluded from the 5 percent disclosure requirement.
- Interest rate risk: LAMP is designed to be highly liquid to give its participants immediate access to the account balances. LAMP prepares its own interest rate risk disclosure using the weighted average maturity (WAM) method. The WAM of LAMP assets is restricted to not more than 90 days, and consists of no securities with a maturity in excess of 397 days or 762 days for U.S. Government floating/variable rate investments. The WAM for LAMP's total investments is (NUMBER days) (from LAMP's monthly Portfolio Holdings) as of (DATE Month-end).

The investment in LAMP at December 31, 2019 is stated at fair value. The fair value is determined on a weekly basis by LAMP and the value of the position in the external investment pool is the same as the net asset value of the pool shares.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

To the Board of Directors **New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited, Inc.** New Orleans, Louisiana

# **Other Matters**

Report on Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards Required by the Uniform Guidance

We have audited the financial statements of **New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited** (**NORU**) as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019, and have issued our report dated September 30, 2020, which contained an unmodified opinion on the financial statements as a whole.

Our audit was conducted for the purpose of forming an opinion on the financial statements as a whole. The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards (Schedule I) is presented for the purposes of additional analysis as required by *the Uniform Guidance* and is not a required part of the financial statements. The information in Schedule I is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements. Such information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the accompanying Schedule I is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements taken as a whole.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON <u>SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION</u> (CONTINUED)

### Other Matters, Continued

Supplementary Other Information

The supplementary information comprised of the Schedule of Compensation Benefits and Other Payments to Executive Director (Schedule II), Combining Statements of Financial Position, Activities and Functional Expenses (Exhibits A, B and C) is presented for the purpose of additional analysis and is not a required part of the financial statements. Such information is the responsibility of management and was derived from and relates directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the basic financial statements. Also, the information has been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the financial statements and certain additional procedures, including comparing and reconciling such information directly to the underlying accounting and other records used to prepare the financial statements or to the financial statements themselves, and other additional procedures in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. In our opinion, the accompanying supplementary information (Schedule II, Exhibits A, B and C ) is fairly stated, in all material respects, in relation to the financial statements as a whole.

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BRUNO & TERVALON LLP CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS New Orleans, Louisiana

September 30, 2020

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### **SCHEDULE I**

# **NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED, INC.** SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

Program Grantor/Title	<u>CFDA</u>	Federal <u>Expenditures</u>
PROGRAM FUNDED BY THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING		
<u>AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT</u>		
Pass-Through New Orleans Redevelopment Authority as Subgrantee of the State of Louisiana and the City of New Orleans		
(Office of Community Development):		
Construction Lending Expanded	14.228	\$ 197,151
Housing Opportunity Zone	14.228	4,380
Orleans Housing Investment Program	14.228	<u>1,378,374</u>
Total U.S. Department of Housing		
and Urban Development		\$ <u>1,579,905</u>

- NOTE: <u>Basis of Presentation</u>: The accompanying Schedule of Expenditures of Federal Awards includes all Federal activity of **NORU** and is presented on a modified accrual basis of accounting. The information on this schedule is presented in accordance with other requirements of the *Uniform Guidance*.
- NOTE: NORU has not elected to use the 10% de minimis indirect cost rate.

See Independent Auditors' Report on Supplementary Information.

### <u>SCHEDULE II</u>

# NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED, INC. SCHEDULE OF COMPENSATION, BENEFITS AND OTHER PAYMENTS TO EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

**Executive Directors Name:** Mrs. Brenda M. Breaux

### PURPOSE

NONE

AMOUNT

NOTE: New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited, (NORU) does not have any paid employees. NORU is managed by the Executive Director of New Orleans Redevelopment Authority. NORU is assessed a management fee by New Orleans Redevelopment Authority for services provided. A schedule of New Orleans Redevelopment Authority's Executive Director's "Compensation, Benefits and Other Payments" is included in New Orleans Redevelopment Authority's annual audit for fiscal year ended December 31, 2019.

See Independent Auditors' Report on Supplementary Information.

### EXHIBIT A Page 1 of 2

### NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED COMBINING STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION DECEMBER 31, 2019

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### ASSETS

	General Fund <u>Unrestricted</u>	JP Morgan	Construction Construction Lending Lending Expanded Extended		Housing Opportunity Zone	Orleans Housing Investment <u>Program</u>	Totals (Memorandum <u>Only)</u>	
Current Assets:								
Cash	\$ 141,058	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 141,058	
Current portion of loans				_	_			
receivable, net	637,268	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	637,268	
Prepaid items and other assets	465	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	<b>-</b> 0-	465	
Amounts receivable, net	1,212	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,212	
Grants receivable	-0-	-0-	155,100	221,782	4,380	405,273	786,535	
Due from primary government	47,109	67,578	6,334	177,750	-0-	-0-	298,771	
Investment	<u>1.637.705</u>			0			1,637,705	
Total current assets	2,464,817	67,578	<u>161,434</u>	<u>399,532</u>	4.380	<u>405,273</u>	3,503,014	
Noncurrent Assets:								
Loans receivable, net	<u>1,094,174</u>						<u>1,094,174</u>	
Total noncurrent assets	<u>1,094,174</u>	0	0			0-	<u>1,094,174</u>	
Total assets	\$ <u>3,558,991</u>	\$ <u>.67,578</u>	\$ <u>161,434</u>	\$ <u>399,532</u>	\$ <u>4,380</u>	\$ <u>405,273</u>	\$ <u>4,597,188</u>	

The accompanying notes are an integral part of these financial statements.

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### NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED COMBINING STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION, CONTINUED DECEMBER 31, 2019

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#### LIABILITIES AND NET ASSETS

	General Fund Unrestricted	JP Morgan	Construction Lending Expanded	Construction Lending Extended	Housing Opportunity Zone	Orleans Housing Investment Program	Totals (Memorandum Only)
Current Liabilities: Salaries and related payroll							
taxes payable	\$ -0-	\$ 1.695	\$ 2,115	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$ 5,349	\$ 9,159
Amounts payable - vendors	98	158	42,063	22,187	-0-	280,164	344,670
Due to primary government	0-		117,256	<u>377.345</u>	4,380	119,760	618,741
Total current liabilities	98	1,853	<u>161,434</u>	399,532	4,380	405,273	972,570
Noncurrent Liabilities:							
Revolving loans	2,545,320	-0-	-0-	-0-	· <b>-</b> 0-	-0-	2,545,320
Unearned charges	<u>900,684</u>	<u>_65,725</u>		<u> </u>	<u>-0-</u>		966,409
Total noncurrent liabilities	3,446,004	65,725					3,511,729
Total liabilities	<u>3,446,102</u>	67.578	161,434	<u>399,532</u>	4.380	<u>405,273</u>	4,484,299
Net Assets:							
Without donor restrictions	112,889	<u>    -0-</u>			<u> </u>	-0-	112,889
Total net assets				<u>-0-</u>		0	112,889
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ <u>3,558,991</u>	\$ <u>67,578</u>	\$ <u>161,434</u>	\$ <u>399,532</u>	\$ <u>4,380</u>	\$ <u>405,273</u>	\$ <u>4,597,188</u>

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#### EXHIBIT B

#### **NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED** COMBINING STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

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	General Fund Unrestricted	<u>JP Morgan</u>	Construction Lending Expanded	Construction Lending <u>Extended</u>	Housing Opportunity Zone	Orleans Housing Investment <u>Program</u>	Totals (Memorandum Only)	
Operating Activities: Grants	\$0-	\$ <u>34,275</u>	\$ <u>197,151</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>4,380</u>	\$ <u>1,378,374</u>	\$ <u>1.614,180</u>	
Total operating revenues		<u>34.275</u>	<u>197,151</u>	0-	<u>4,380</u>	<u>1,378,374</u>	<u>1,614,180</u>	
Expenses: Program services Supporting services	-0- _25.517	34,275 	197,151 0-	-0- 0-	4,380 0-	1,378,374 0-	1,614,180 25,517	
Total expenses	25,517	<u>34,275</u>	<u>197,151</u>	0-	<u>4.380</u>	<u>1,378,374</u>	<u>1,639,697</u>	
Change in net assets from operating activities	<u>(25.517</u> )			0-	0-	-0-	(25,517)	
Nonoperating Activities: Interest income Forfeitures and other	40,201 6,472	-0- 0-	-0- 0-	-0- 0-	-0- 0-	-0- 0-	40,201 <u>6.472</u>	
Total nonoperating activities	46,673	0-		0-		0	46.673	
Change in net assets from nonoperating activities	46,673	0-	0 <b>-</b> _	0	0-	0-	46,673	
Change in net assets from operating and nonoperating activities	21,156	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	21,156	
Net assets, beginning	91.733			0-		0	91.733	
Net assets, ending	\$ <u>112.889</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>0-</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>112,889</u>	

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#### NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED COMBINING STATEMENT OF FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

													Tota	ls
	Ge	neral			Const	ruction	Const	ruction ·	Hous	ing	Orleans	Housing	(Memora	mdum
	Fund Ur	restricted	JP N	viorgan	Lending	Expanded	Lending	<u>r</u> Extended	<u>Opportu</u>	<u>nity Zone</u>	Investmen	nt Program	Or	<u>ıly)                                     </u>
	Program	Supporting	Program	Supporting	Program	Supporting	Program	Supporting	Program	Supporting	Program	Supporting	Program	Supporting
	Services	Services	Services	Services	Services	Services	Services	Services	Services	Services	Services [Variable]	Services	Services	Services
Personnel salaries and wages	\$ -0-	\$ -0-	\$24,769	\$-0-	\$ 41,969	\$-0-	\$-0-	· \$-0-	\$ -0-	\$ <b>-</b> 0-	\$ 115,597	<b>\$-0-</b>	\$ 182,335	\$ -0-
Personnel services employee			-		-								-	
benefits	-0-	-0-	4,420	-0-	10,196	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	· _0-	26,178	-0-	40,794	-0-
Purchased professional and			-											
technical services	-0-	17,497	-0-	-0-	900	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,380	-0-	8,430	-0-	13,710	17,497
Purchased property services	0-	6,128	140	-0-	870	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,464	-0	3,474	6,128
Insurance	-0-	1,859	639	-0-	633	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,860	-0	3,132	1,859
Other purchased services	-0-	33	4,210	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	103	· -0-	4,313	33
Property	-0-	-0-	97	-0-	83	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	257	-0 <b>-</b>	437	-0-
Programs	<u>-0-</u>	<u>0-</u>	<u> </u>	<u>-0-</u>	142,500	-0-	<u>-0-</u>	<u>-0-</u>	0-	<u>-0-</u>	<u>1.223,485</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>1,365,985</u>	<u> </u>
Total expenses	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>25,517</u>	\$ <u>34.275</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>197_151</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>4.380</u>	.\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>1,378,374</u>	\$ <u>-0-</u>	\$ <u>1,614,180</u>	\$ <u>25,517</u>

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<u>EXHIBIT C</u>



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN <u>ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS</u>

To the Board of Directors New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited, Inc. New Orleans, Louisiana

We have audited in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards* issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America, the financial statements of **New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited, Inc. (NORU)** which comprise the statement of financial position, as of December 31, 2019, and the related statements of activities, functional expenses and cash flows for the year then ended, and the related notes to the financial statements and have issued our report thereon dated September 30, 2020.

# **Internal Control Over Financial Reporting**

In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements, we considered **NORU's** internal control over financial reporting to determine the audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of **NORU's** internal control over financial reporting. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of **NORU's** internal control over financial control control over financial control control over financial control cont

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN <u>ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS</u> (CONTINUED)

# Internal Control Over Financial Reporting, Continued

Our consideration of internal control over financial reporting was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. Given these limitations, during our audit we did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

A *deficiency in internal control* over financial reporting exists when the design or operation of a control does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct, misstatements on a timely basis.

A *significant deficiency* over financial reporting is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting, that is less severe than a material weakness, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

A *material weakness* over financial reporting is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies in internal control over financial reporting such that there is a reasonable possibility that a material misstatement of **NORU's** financial statements will not be prevented, or detected and corrected in a timely basis.

### **Compliance and Other Matters**

As part of obtaining reasonable assurance about whether **NORU's** financial statements are free from material misstatement, we performed tests of its compliance with certain provisions of laws, regulations, contracts and grant agreements, noncompliance with which could have a direct and material effect on the determination of financial statement amounts. However, providing an opinion on compliance with those provisions was not an objective of our audit and, accordingly, we do not express such an opinion. The results of our tests disclosed no instances of noncompliance that are required to be reported under *Government Auditing Standards*.

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON INTERNAL CONTROL OVER FINANCIAL REPORTING AND ON COMPLIANCE AND OTHER MATTERS BASED ON AN AUDIT OF FINANCIAL STATEMENTS PERFORMED IN <u>ACCORDANCE WITH GOVERNMENT AUDITING STANDARDS</u> (CONTINUED)

## **Purpose of this Report**

The purpose of this report is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over financial reporting and compliance and the result of that testing and not to provide an opinion on the effectiveness of **NORU's** internal control over financial reporting or on compliance. This report is an integral part of an audit performed in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* in considering **NORU's** internal control over financial reporting and compliance. Accordingly, this communication is not suitable for any other purpose.

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September 30, 2020

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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL <u>OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE</u>

To the Board of Commissioners New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited New Orleans, Louisiana

## Report on Compliance for Each Major Federal Program

We have audited New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited's (NORU's) compliance with the types of compliance requirements described in the U. S. Office of Management and Budget (OMB) Compliance Supplement that could have a direct and material effect on each of NORU's major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2019. NORU's major federal programs are identified in the Summary of Auditors' Results section of the accompanying Summary Schedule of Findings and Questioned Costs.

# Management's Responsibility

Management is responsible for compliance with the federal statutes, regulations, and the terms and conditions of its federal awards applicable to its federal programs.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL <u>OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE</u> (CONTINUED)

## Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on compliance for each of **NORU's** major federal programs based on our audit of the types of compliance requirements previously described. We conducted our audit of compliance in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America; the standards applicable to financial audits contained in *Government Auditing Standards*, issued by the Comptroller General of the United States of America; and the audit requirements of Title II of the United States *Code of Federal Regulations Part 200, Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles, and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards (Uniform Guidance).* Those standards and *the Uniform Guidance* require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether noncompliance with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on a major federal program occurred. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence about **NORU's** compliance with those requirements and performing such other procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion on compliance for each major federal program. However, our audit does not provide a legal determination of **NORU's** compliance.

### **Opinion on Each Major Federal Program**

In our opinion, **NORU** complied, in all material respects, with the types of compliance requirements referred to above that could have a direct and material effect on each of its major federal programs for the year ended December 31, 2019.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL <u>OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY *THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE* (CONTINUED)</u>

#### **Report on Internal Control Over Compliance**

Management of **NORU** is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over compliance with the types of compliance requirements previously discussed. In planning and performing our audit of compliance, we considered **NORU's** internal control over compliance with the types of requirements that could have a direct and material effect on each major federal program to determine the auditing procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances for the purpose of expressing an opinion on compliance for each major federal program and to test and report on internal control over compliance in accordance with *the Uniform Guidance*, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of internal control over compliance. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of **NORU's** internal control over compliance.

Our consideration of the internal control over compliance was for the limited purpose described in the preceding paragraph and was not designed to identify all deficiencies in **NORU's** internal control over compliance that might be significant deficiencies or material weaknesses. We did not identify any deficiencies in internal control over compliance that we consider to be material weaknesses. However, material weaknesses may exist that have not been identified.

A *deficiency in internal control over compliance* exists when the design or operation of a control over compliance does not allow management or employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions, to prevent, or detect and correct noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program on a timely basis.

A *significant deficiency* in internal control over compliance is a deficiency or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program, that is less severe than a material weakness in internal control over compliance, yet important enough to merit attention by those charged with governance.

# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON COMPLIANCE FOR EACH MAJOR FEDERAL PROGRAM AND ON INTERNAL CONTROL <u>OVER COMPLIANCE REQUIRED BY *THE UNIFORM GUIDANCE* (CONTINUED)</u>

#### Report on Internal Control Over Compliance, Continued

A *material weakness* in internal control over compliance in internal control over compliance is a deficiency, or a combination of deficiencies, in internal control over compliance such that there is a reasonable possibility that material noncompliance with a type of compliance requirement of a federal program will not be prevented, or detected and corrected in a timely basis.

#### Purpose of this Report

The purpose of this report on internal control over compliance is solely to describe the scope of our testing of internal control over compliance and the results of that testing based on the requirements of *the Uniform Guidance*. Accordingly, this report is not suitable for any other purpose. Under Louisiana Revised Statute 24:513, this report is distributed by the Legislative Auditor as a public document.

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September 30, 2020

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# **NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED, INC.** SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

# Section I - Summary of Auditors' Results

# Financial Statements

Type of Auditor's report issued:	Unmodified
Internal control over financial reporting:	
• Material weakness(es) identified?	No
• Significant deficiency(ies) identified?	None Reported
Noncompliance material to financial	
statements noted?	No
Federal Awards	
<ul> <li>Internal control over major programs:</li> <li>Material weakness(es) identified?</li> <li>Significant deficiency(ies) identified?</li> </ul>	No None Reported
Type of auditor's report issued on compliance for major programs:	Unmodified
Any audit findings disclosed that are required to be reported in accordance	
with the Uniform Guidance?	No

# NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED, INC. SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS, CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

Section I - Summary of Auditors' Results, Continued

### Federal Awards, Continued

Identification of major programs:

CFDA Number

14.228

Name of Federal Program or Cluster

Community Development Block Grant (Construction Lending Expanded and Orleans Housing Investment Program)

Dollar threshold used to distinguish between type A and type B programs:

\$750,000

Auditee qualified as low-risk auditee?

Yes

# NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED, INC. SUMMARY SCHEDULE OF FINDINGS AND QUESTIONED COSTS, CONTINUED FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 2019

# Section II - Financial Statement Findings and Questioned Costs

No financial statement findings and questioned costs were reported for the year ended December 31, 2019.

# Section III - Federal Award Findings and Questioned Costs

No federal award findings and questioned costs were reported for the year ended December 31, 2019.

## Section IV - Status of Prior Year's Findings and Questioned Costs

No prior year findings and questioned costs were reported for the year ended December 31, 2019.

### NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED, INC.

### EXIT CONFERENCE

Exit conferences were held with representatives of **NORU**. The contents of this report were discussed and management indicated their concurrence in all material respects. The following were in attendance and/or participated in various discussions:

#### NEW ORLEANS REDEVELOPMENT UNLIMITED, INC.

Mr. Wayne Woods \*Ms. Brenda M. Breaux Mr. Derrick Muse

- -- Board President
- -- Executive Director
- -- Chief Financial Officer

# **BRUNO & TERVALON LLP, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS**

Paul K. Andoh, Sr., CPA, MBA, CGFM, CGMA Clyde Hunter, CPA

- -- Partner
- -- Senior Accountant

\*Ms. Brenda M. Breaux has primary responsibility for the responses and action plans in connection with all findings listed in this report.



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# INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT ON OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO INTERNAL CONTROL

Ms. Brenda Breaux, Executive Director New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited, Inc. New Orleans, Louisiana

Management of **New Orleans Redevelopment Unlimited, Inc. (NORU)** is responsible for establishing and maintaining effective internal control over financial reporting. In planning and performing our audit of the financial statements of **NORU**, as of and for the year ended December 31, 2019 in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America, we considered **NORU's** internal control to determine our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the financial statements and not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of **NORU's** internal control. Accordingly, we do not express an opinion on the effectiveness of **NORU's** internal control.

As a part of our audit, we reviewed the current status of prior year's other matters with management. We previously reported on **NORU's** internal control in our report dated September 30, 2020. This letter does not affect our report dated September 30, 2020 on the financial statements or internal control of **NORU**.

Further, we will review the status of other matters during our next audit engagement. We have already discussed the current status of prior year's other matters with **NORU's** management, and will be pleased to discuss in further detail at your convenience.

**Current Year's Other Matters** 

# <u>2019</u>

For the year ended December 31, 2019, no other matters were reported.

## **Prior Year's Other Matters**

### <u>2018</u>

Our discussion of prior year's other matters follows:

#### Reference Number

OM 2018-001

#### <u>Criteria</u>

Management must establish internal control objectives to provide reasonable assurance regarding the achievement of objectives in the areas of effectiveness and efficiency of operations, reliability of financial reporting and compliance with applicable contracts, laws, regulations and board policy.

#### <u>Condition</u>

Based on our review of the current cooperative endeavor agreement between the City of New Orleans and the New Orleans Redevelopment Authority for "IT" Services, we were unable to determine if the "Enterprise Security" section of the referenced agreement and the Logos.Net (formerly New World System) network system used by **NORU** specifically, addresses access, transactional and general controls to include periodic access updates as a matter of policy.

It is our understanding through discussion with management that the referenced system has features for implementation of said controls.

This condition is similar to a prior year's other matter reference number OM 2017-01.

#### **Questioned Costs**

None.

## Prior Year's Other Matters, Continued

## <u>2018</u>

### Reference Number, Continued OM 2018-001

### <u>Context</u>

Total operating and nonoperating revenues and expenses for the year ended December 31, 2018 were \$1,813,785 and \$1,777,200.

### <u>Cause</u>

No clearly defined written process.

## Effect or Potential Effect

Potential for unauthorized access.

## **Recommendation**

Management should revisit with the referenced condition as a part of its risk assessment.

## **Current Status**

Partially resolved.

Prior Year's Other Matters, Continued

## <u>2018</u>

## **Reference Number**

OM 2018-002

### <u>Criteria</u>

Management must establish internal control objectives to provide reasonable assurance regarding the achievement of objectives in the areas of effectiveness and efficiency of operations, reliability of financial reporting and compliance with applicable contracts, laws, regulations and board policy.

### **Condition**

The statewide agreed-upon procedures for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019 through May 31, 2020 approved and published by the Legislative Auditor, dictated a policy and a procedure for disaster recovery and business continuity.

### **Questioned Costs**

None.

### **Context**

Total operating and non-operating revenues and expenses for the year ended December 31, 2018 were \$1,813,785 and \$1,777,200.

Prior Year's Other Matters, Continued

# <u>2018</u>

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Cause

None.

### **Effect or Potential Effect**

Lack of a defined written policy and strategy regarding disaster recovery and business continuity.

### **Recommendation**

Management should review its current disaster recovery and business continuity process to ensure alignment with the processes, systems, verification, etc. discussed in the referenced procedure.

### Current Status

Partially resolved.

**NORU's** response to the other matters identified in our audit is described in the accompanying report under the caption "Management's Response and Planned Corrective Action". We did not audit **NORU's** response and, accordingly, we express no opinion on it.

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As always, we appreciate the courtesies extended to us by you and your staff during our audit. Should you have any questions and/or require further detail, please do not hesitate to call.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management, the Board of Directors and is not intended to be and should be used by anyone other than these specified parties.

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