BioDistrict New Orleans
Board of Commissioners Meeting Agenda
November 18, 2026 | 2:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Location: Greater New Orleans Foundation, 919 St. Charles Ave, New Orleans, LA 70130

I. Call to Order
II. Board Member Roll Call
III. Introduction of Guest(s)
IV. Adoption of previous board meeting minutes from September 9, 2026
V. Virtual Presentation and Update to the BioDistrict board on XOCOM progress by Dr. Leonardo Seoane
VI. Financial Report
    a. Update on City and State Funds
    b. Update on Congressionally-Directed Spending award to support Xavier Ochsner College of Medicine and SAM.gov Account
VII. Action Items
    a. Authorization for the BioDistrict to partner with the Global Institute on Innovation Districts (GIID) Global Network for two years at a membership cost of $16,800 per year
    b. Review proposed board meeting schedule for 2027
VIII. Chair's Report/Discussion Items
    a. Review Annual Report and budget submitted to City and LED
    b. Opportunity Zones 2.0 Designations Finalized
    c. Update on BioChallenge
    d. Front Porch Lab neighbor led projects by the Committee for a Better New Orleans
    e. Galvez Greenway Project
    f. Discussion of CEO Search
    g. Discussion of Potential Leased Space at NOBIC
    h. Reminder that board member ethics, IT and sexual harassment training must be completed by end of year, Andreas Pashos will begin communications
    i. Update on EDA Funding Opportunity for BioDistrict
    j. Update on Charity Hospital Redevelopment

k. Update on efforts to secure NCI Designation

l. Update on Congressionally Directed Spending Requests

m. Update on Groundwork New Orleans Tree Planting Project on Tulane Avenue

n. Update on Bus Shelters & CEA with the RTA

o. Update on RFP processes for Executive Search, Communications, Public Affairs, and Public Realm

p. Update on Governance Items

q. Update on Public Engagement

r. Update on Greater New Orleans Foundation's efforts to create an Affordable Housing Fund prioritizing the BioDistrict area

IX. Vice Chair's Report/Discussion Items

a. Update on biosciences entrepreneurship strategy

X. New Business

XI. Partner Updates

XII. Public Comment

XIII. Adjournment