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2/19/2013	<p>I just wanted to know, was curious about every presentation, every section of the presentation, about impacts and what exactly is it? What do you mean by "impact"?</p> <p>So I just wanted to know if that's just the overall outcome?</p>	<p>Basically when we talk about impacts, there's a host of different things that we had to look at. And when we looked at a preferred alternative and we wanted to look at how those impacts would effect the residents, and the business owners of the surrounding area. So basically, there's tons of different evaluations as we looked at the impacts of what will actually happen if that preferred alternative is actually done.</p>
2/19/2013	<p>I listen to everyone talk about the meetings you had. This is the first time I heard of a meeting and I figured by me being a resident, I should have know about a meeting.</p> <p>I never got a notice or anything about it and I'm glad that we have a nice outcome about the meeting, but I don't see too many residents.</p> <p>First of all, I stay next door to a lady that's in her late 70's, she cannot walk over here. So it's not convenient for all the residents to be at this meeting and I think it's unfair that a lot of us didn't know about the meeting until the last minute.</p>	<p>Thank you, ma'am. And we've worked with the residence to get word out to the community. We actually had residents pass flyers out in the development for all three meetings that we had. In addition, we had a community group to actually go out as well, so we worked aggressively to try and do as much community outreach as possible.</p> <p>Again, we will continue to do as much as we can, but we want to make sure that we have - and I don't know if there's any members of the Iberville working team that are here today, but, you know, we have some here. But, you know, we - and I apologize if you hadn't directly gotten the information, but we have made an effort to canvas it and tag every single door.</p>
2/19/2013	<p>My questions is: For the preferred Alternative Number 11, the two buildings that are going to remain, who will own those buildings?</p> <p>Will HANO own the buildings and what would they be used for? Will they be used as in Economic Development means? Recreation?</p> <p>What's going to actually be housed in those buildings? And will they be available for the community people, not so much for the preservationist that may setup their own lil' tourist? Who's going to own the building? The one on Basin and will the residents or former residents of the Iberville have stake or say in it? That's what I want to know.</p> <p>And my last question is: How many total units will now occupy that space? Cause you have increased the green space. Originally, it was 821 and I think a couple of years ago it was like, 900.</p> <p>Okay, and my reason for asking that is because economic development in this neighborhood, "Treme/Iberville", is very important and residents are giving up a lot. You-all have not meant all of the resistance that you could have gotten because this coming down, the development.</p> <p>Even if those preservationist groups are to somehow start or becoming control of that building, I think, well that's what I'm trying - that's why I'm asking. I want to know on Record, who's going to own the building and benefit from it?</p>	<p>880, but we are planning on still maintaining 304 for replacement units on site. So the 304 as been the same number and that's public housing, so there'll be 304 public housing units on site and we've kept that number the same, even with the loss of building space giving it more green space. We've kept that 304 number the same. So the overall number has dropped slightly, but the public housing units are going to stay the same.</p> <p>To answer, who's going to own it is slightly complicated only for one reason. Because that depends on where the financing comes from, but it's always contemplated to either be HANO or the developer, it just depends on the financing mechanism. But, HANO will also have the final say over what happens in both of those buildings. It's not going to be controlled by any outside entity, it will always be an ultimate decision.</p>



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2/19/2013	<p>Now, I want to know if the seniors will be able come back on the old site? I was told they want to throw them by Winn Dixie and they want to put them in a new building out where the Texaco building is at.</p>	<p>For the seniors they will be moving on site with the Iberville, the 304 replacement units is that we've created a new occupancy plan that provides seniority or preference, the people who've lived at Iberville the longest.</p> <p>So if your move-in date back was, you know, 1975 and someone else on the waiting list was 1984, the person who's been there from 75 will go and would be above them on the waiting list.</p> <p>So that means a lot of times the seniors would actually be the higher priority because they have often been at the development longer.</p> <p>There are other options for seniors off-site, the Texaco buildings is one option for seniors, but it's not a requirement that seniors live there, it's just an option. We would hope to also create a few additional options in the surrounding neighborhood for seniors, but all of this would be choices.</p> <p>Now, the other important thing about all of these units that we're creating on-site and off-site is that, current Iberville residents have first priority in all of this.</p> <p>So, for instance, the Texaco, when it's complete and they open it up for people to come rent, anybody who's at Iberville now has first priority before they can open it up to anybody else. And that's true on-site and that's true with all the off-site units.</p> <p>So there is always the right of return and first priority for the current Iberville residents.</p>
2/19/2013	<p>I heard that it was touched on before, but my concern is the trees in Iberville. If you notice that they cut up -- cut out about 160 large Oak trees out of Lafitte and they cut the rest of them down to barely anything.</p> <p>I'm wondering if you could - you-all could reiterate your policy for cutting the large Oaks out of Iberville?</p>	<p>Our goal is to preserve as many trees as possible. One of the consultants that will be brought on board is the trees loggers. He's going to look at the trees, the existing trees and determine which ones can be preserved. And then there will be a construction plan created in order to make sure that the trees that are healthy enough to survive the process can be preserved.</p> <p>And certainly the goal is to preserve as many of those old trees as possible.</p> <p>Merrill is pointing out that as we look at Alternative 11, one of our strategies is to even adjust and modify building and parking locations in such a way to preserve the trees, so that open space is, you know, would be defined around where these Oak trees are.</p> <p>So we share your concern and we'll make every attempt to preserve as many trees as possible.</p>



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2/19/2013	<p>Good evening, my name is Cynthia Wiggins, with the Citywide Tenant Association. I know we're here talking about the environmental component of this redevelopment. But I wanted to put it in the Record that the Citywide Tenant Association had some concerns, it is to primarily directed to the housing authority in the City.</p> <p>With respect to the over-income families, that we've been not able to get any information on. As to the housing authority and the developers are going to through with those families. If in fact, they've researched and identified units that's going to be made available to them, it could either be a housing units or units within the criteria.</p> <p>We have -- our understanding that a relocation plan had been developed; however, we have not had total access or the document that we review, does not address the over-income families.</p> <p>It is also our understanding from some of the residents that we've been speaking with, that they were being offered units whereas 80 percent of the income requirement, which would only allow some of them, based on their income, to be in the program for maybe six months, and after that their going to be avoided off. Which could possibly put these families at risk if they become homeless.</p> <p>So there is some serious concerns that we have, that have not be addressed, nobody has not being able to provide us with any numbers, especially with the amount of families or the number of families that are actually over-income in those sites.</p> <p>The last number that we got, initially it was 3, it went from 3 to 12, from 12 to 39. So we want to know what that number is? How many families actually live in Iberville that is over the income requirement for the Section 8 Program and the Section 8 Public Housing Tax Credit Program?</p>	<p>At this point today is when I found out that the first phase of relocation we have approximately 201 families that will be moving. And at this point, we have done an assessment on 186 of those families as far as being ineligible for the tenant protection vouchers. There are some folks that still need to be issued the voucher, but the number that I was getting today are two families, that are at this point. We're not talking about the second phase of this, just the first phase of this. There are two families that will not be eligible for the tenant protection vouchers.</p> <p>And when I say, "not eligible", it basically means, based on their income, they are not going to get at lease a dollar worth of subsidy. So unlike the housing choice voucher program, it's not at 80 percent. It's basically, looking at their eligibility and looking at their income to see if they need a dollar worth of subsidy. If they get a dollar worth of subsidy, we have to issue that voucher.</p>
2/19/2013	<p>I was just asking like meaning what? Because from what I heard here today, we have like two groups of people. We have some that are clever and trying to solve the problem, and then we also have some that seem to just, you know, forget about it.</p> <p>So I just wanted to know basically, what does this mean, they wont get anyone's help, to come and help the over-income people in Iberville?</p>	<p>But that is a good question that you asked, but obviously, our commitment for new location in Iberville is to help every single resident at Iberville to relocate, whether or not they qualify for a Section 8 voucher or not.</p> <p>So we are helping those tenants to identify units. Those tenants that are over-income, we have to categorize some solutions and basically include additional subsidy to help them pay the difference in their rent when they move offsite. But we are looking at those solutions and we'll get you the numbers, cause I don't know the numbers.</p>