



New Orleans Public Library
Executive/Finance Committee Meeting
3rd Floor Conference Room; Main Library
Wednesday April 8, 2026
4:30 p.m.

NOTE REGARDING PUBLIC COMMENT:

The legal purpose of open meetings is to allow individuals to observe and participate in the deliberations of public bodies. Meetings of public bodies must be open to the public unless closed pursuant to a statutory exception, such as set forth in R.S. 42:16 – 42:18, which authorizes closed executive sessions. Public bodies must provide an opportunity for public comment prior to action on the agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken. The governing body may adopt reasonable rules and restrictions regarding the comment period. R.S. 42:14, requires each public body, except school boards, conducting a meeting that is subject to the notice requirement of R.S. 42:19(A), to allow a public comment period prior to action on an agenda item upon which a vote is to be taken.

PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO TWO MINUTES PER INDIVIDUAL

AGENDA

- I. **Call to Order**
Vice chair, Kathleen Coverick, called the April 8, 2026 Executive/Finance committee meeting called the order at 4:48 p.m.
- II. **Roll Call — 4:48 p.m.**
Present: Kathleen Coverick
Absent: Clarice Kirkland, Joel Ross
Staff Present: Emily Painton, Michel Thompson, Tammy Hanson, Tamyka Miles
- III. **Finance Report – 4:49 p.m.**
 - A. The fund balance for Qtr 1 of 2026 is \$12m. Revenue is \$20m with \$1.6m to be received. Personnel expenditures for the quarter were \$3.5m leaving \$13.4m. Operating expenses were \$2.4m with \$12m remaining. Total expenditures for the quarter were \$34.7m and \$35m remains in the 2026 budget. \$147k has been spent on strategic planning initiatives.
- IV. **Executive Director Update – 4:53 p.m.**
 - A. The water pressure at Main is back to normal. Other projects are moving forward. CRC is expected to open on time this summer. ENO and Norman Mayer are closed due to the system-wide HVAC/roofing project.
- V. **Adjournment**
Vice chair, Kathleen Coverick adjourned the April 8, 2026 Executive/Finance committee meeting at 4:58 p.m.