The England Economic and Industrial Development District met in Regular Session at its regular meeting place, the England Authority Board Room, 1611 Arnold Drive, England Industrial Airpark and Community, Alexandria, Louisiana, on Thursday, November 19, 1998, at 4:00 p.m. (Central Standard Time).

There were present: Mr. Martin Johnson, Vice Chairman, Mr. Tom Fowler, Secretary/Treasurer, Ms. Bridgett Brown, Mr. Gene Cotton, Mr. Lane Cripps, Mr. Alvin Mykoff, and Mr. H. K. Stanley, and Mr. Charles Stewart

Absent: Mr. Michael Tudor, Mr. Kit Provine.

Also present were: Mr. Jon Grafton, Executive Director, members of the England Authority staff, legal counsel, and members of the press and media.

Mr. Johnson asked that we observe a few moments of silent prayer. Mr. Cotton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

In the absence of Mr. Michael Tudor, Chairman, the England Economic and Industrial Development District was duly convened as the governing authority of said District by Mr. Martin Johnson, Vice Chairman, who then stated that the England Economic and Industrial Development District was ready for the transaction of business.

At this time, Mr. Johnson, Vice Chairman, presented a plaque from the England Authority to Mr. Cotton in recognition of his service as Chairman of the England Authority Board from 1997-1998. Mr. Cotton expressed his thanks to the board.

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES

Motion by **Ms. Brown**, seconded by **Mr. Stewart** to approve the minutes from the October 22, 1998 Regular Board Meeting. On vote, motion carried. **155-1998**

MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF ATTORNEY'S BILL

Motion by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Cripps to approve payment of attorney's bill for the month of October, 1998. On vote, motion carried. 156-1998

MOTION TO RENEW CONTRACT WITH RAPIDES PARISH SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT Motion by Ms. Brown, seconded by Mr. Mykoff to renew contract with Rapides Parish Sheriff's Department for police service at England Airpark. On vote, motion carried. 157-1998

HEAR AUDIT REPORT OF FISCAL YEAR 1997/1998

Mr. Johnson recognized Mr. Kurt Oestriecher, with Oestricher & Company, who delivered

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the audit report of fiscal year 1997/1998. After discussion, Mr. Oestriecher stated that due to last minute reporting regulations he needed to rewrite the report to include the amended language. The amended report will be delivered as soon as possible.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE IMPLEMENTATION OF 3% PAY RAISE

Motion by **Mr. Cripps**, seconded by **Mr. Fowler** to authorize implementation of 3% pay raise recommended by the Executive Director and contained in the 98/99 budget for all England Authority employees except the Executive Director. On vote, motion carried. **158-1998**

MOTION TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF NAID MEMBERSHIP DUES FOR MR. TUDOR AND MR. JOHNSON

Motion by **Mr. Fowler**, seconded by **Mr. Stanley** to approve payment of NAID membership dues for Mr. Tudor and Mr. Johnson. On vote, motion carried. **159-1998**

MOTION AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR TO SIGN LEASE WITH BOARD OF SUPERVISORS OF LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Motion by **Ms. Brown**, seconded by **Mr. Fowler** authorizing the Executive Director to sign Lease Agreement with Board of Supervisors of Louisiana State University, Agriculture and Mechanical College for building 1901. On vote, motion carried. **160-1998**

MOTION TO APPROVE RESIDENTIAL SUBLEASE OF EEIDD PROPERTY COMMERCIAL TENANTS AND EXHIBITS FOR LEASE OF ENGLAND VILLAGE APARTMENTS TO CORPORATION

Motion by **Ms. Brown**, seconded by **Mr. Mykoff** to approve Residential Sublease of EEIDD Property Commercial Tenants and Exhibits, as drafted by legal counsel, for lease of England Village apartments to corporations. On vote, motion carried. **161-1998**

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Motion by Mr. Cripps, seconded by Mr. Fowler to add the following items to the agenda:

- Motion to recommend to the RPPJ adoption of proposed changes to AICUZ ordinance and recommending reconsideration of the issue upon completion of the Part 150 Noise Study.
- Motion to support the Annual Economic Development Meeting, sponsored by the Central LA Business League, on December 4, 1998.

By unanimous vote the above items were added to the agenda.

MOTION TO RECOMMEND TO THE RPPJ ADOPTION OF PROPOSED CHANGES

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TO AICUZ ORDINANCE

Motion by Mr. Cripps, seconded by Mr. Mykoff to recommend to the RPPJ adoption of proposed changes to AICUZ ordinance and recommending reconsideration of the issue upon completion of the Part 150 Noise Study. On vote, motion carried. 162-1998

MOTION TO SUPPORT THE ANNUAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MEETING SPONSORED BY THE CENTRAL LA BUSINESS LEAGUE

Motion by **Ms.** Brown, seconded by **Mr.** Fowler to support the Annual Economic Development Meeting, sponsored by the Central LA Business League, on December 4, 1998. On vote, motion carried. **163-1998**

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

The Executive Director, Director of Operations and Director of Economic Development gave their reports on the status of their departments.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Mr. Gary Pinnell with the Alexandria Daily Town Talk requested a copy of the audit report. Mr. Pinnell was given a copy and was asked to return the copy when the final report was issued.

There being no further business to come before the board, upon motion by **Mr. Cripps**, second by **Mr. Stewart**, the meeting was adjourned.

Michael Tudor, Chairman

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Tom Fowler, Secretary-Treasurer

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