

MITCHELL J. LANDRIEU, MAYOR
CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR

MITCHELL J. LANDRIEU
MAYOR

EXECUTIVE ORDER
MJL 10-06

WHEREAS, public safety in New Orleans is vital to promoting and securing the quality of life that residents of New Orleans deserve and expect;

WHEREAS, the buildings that composed the Orleans Parish Prison complex were severely damaged and destroyed during Hurricane Katrina;

WHEREAS, the Department of Justice has partnered with the City of New Orleans to transform the criminal justice system into a national model;

WHEREAS, the Orleans Parish Sheriff urgently requires the construction of a modern prison facility in order to deliver lawful and appropriate housing for inmates; and

WHEREAS, the determination of an optimal size for a new Orleans Parish Prison complex will be dependent on a variety of data that must be analyzed and an understanding of how different policies and practices which, if implemented, could influence the number of prisoners housed in Orleans Parish Prison and the length of their incarceration;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MITCHELL J. LANDRIEU, by the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of New Orleans by the Constitution and laws of the State of Louisiana and the Home Rule Charter and laws of the City of New Orleans, **HEREBY ORDER AS FOLLOWS:**

1. **Effective Date:** This Executive Order is effective upon signature of the Mayor.
2. **Purpose:** The purpose of this Executive Order is the creation of a Criminal Justice Working Group on the Orleans Parish Prison complex as a Mayoral Advisory Committee pursuant to Section 4-104 of the Home Rule Charter of the City of New Orleans.
3. **Membership:** The membership of the Criminal Justice Working Group on Orleans Parish Prison Complex ("Working Group") shall include:
 - Deputy Mayor Andy Kopplin, Chair
 - Deputy Mayor Cedric Grant
 - Deputy Mayor Jerry Sneed
 - City Attorney Nannette Jolivet-Brown
 - Sheriff Marlin Gusman
 - Superintendent of Police Ronal Serpas
 - District Attorney Leon Cannizzaro
 - Chief Judge Paul Sens, New Orleans Municipal Court
 - Chief Judge Julian Parker, New Orleans Criminal District Court
 - Deputy Chief Judge Terry Alarcon, New Orleans Criminal District Court



- Judge Keva Landrum-Johnson, New Orleans Criminal District Court
- Chief Judge Dennis Dannel, New Orleans Traffic Court
- Councilmember Jackie Clarkson, co-chair, City Council Criminal Justice Committee
- Councilmember Susan Guidry, co-chair, City Council Criminal Justice Committee
- Councilmember Stacy Head, District B
- Derwyn Buntun, Orleans Parish Public Defender
- Pastor Antoine Barriere, Household of Faith
- Calvin Johnson, Metropolitan Human Services District
- Nolan Rollins, Urban League of New Orleans
- Rafael Goyeneche, Metropolitan Crime Commission
- Flozell Daniels, Louisiana Disaster Recovery Foundation
- Dr. Michael Cowan, Common Good
- Lucas Diaz, Puentes New Orleans

4. The Working Group shall be charged as follows:

A. To review the National Institute of Justice report that will provide technical observations and recommendations based on a review of documentation relative to initial offender capacity and a site-visit to the existing Orleans Parish Prison complex.

B. To review plans developed by Sheriff Gusman for the Orleans Parish Prison complex.

C. To review information about national best practices for criminal justice and recommendations that other organizations may submit to the Working Group.

D. To hold two public hearings and take testimony from citizens and stakeholders pertaining to the size of the prison.

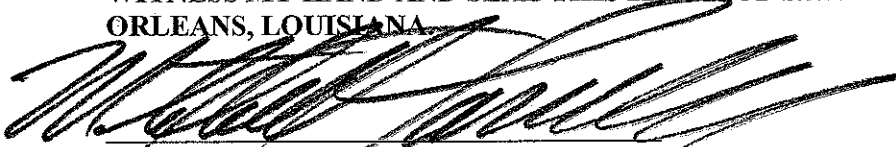
E. To make final recommendations to the Mayor regarding the optimal size of the prison.

F. To provide the rationale for its recommendation concerning the size of the prison with evidence that is based on national best-practices and that provides guidance for definitive and reasonable policy changes concerning pertinent aspects of the criminal justice system that are necessary to support this recommendation.

G. To provide its written recommendation and report no later than November 22nd, 2010.

5. Duration: This Working Group shall complete its work and issue a recommendation by November 22, 2010 and remain in effect for 6 months from the Effective Date of this Executive Order.

WITNESS MY HAND AND SEAL THIS 22 DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2010 AT NEW ORLEANS, LOUISIANA



Mitchell J. Landrieu, Mayor
City of New Orleans