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Marjorianna,

There is a significant amount of vacant lots in the City of New Orleans, places where there used to be housing. Since Hurricane Katrina, these homes were acquired by the LLT and then demolished so they could better handle the blight concerns. These LLT lots have since been given back to the city or parish agencies for them to maintain and to put back in commerce. Housing agencies have been burdened with the maintenance and liability of the scattered vacant lots for years without the capital to create new units.

I ask that the Louisiana Housing Corporation recognize former LLT lots as essentially vacant units and allow High Vacancy points to be earned by giving LLT lots (in existing subdivisions) the same merit as vacant units. Sites in historic neighborhoods where housing existed for over one hundred years should be encouraged to come back. It is also an essential block in the Enterprise Green Communities checklist to develop in existing neighborhoods because existing infrastructure is being utilized. It is what's best for the city.
Thank-you for considering this request.

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