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# **REVISED AGENDA**

# Committee on Housing, Transportation & Telecommunications

Wednesday, September 10, 2025 Earle B. Ottley Legislative Chambers St. Thomas, VI

10:00 A.M. - CALL TO ORDER

**Roll Call** 

Reading of the Agenda

**BLOCK I** 

### VIHA Operations, Challenges, and Opportunities

The Committee will receive testimony on the Virgin Islands Housing Authority's operations, challenges, and opportunities. Areas of focus include agency updates on operations and maintenance issues, the Housing Choice Voucher Program, and progress in community rehabilitation. Testimony will also address the Williams Delight sale and related funding assistance, as well as the impact of federal-level policy changes on VIHA's funding and overall operations.

#### **INVITED TESTIFIER**

Dwayne Alexander, Executive Director, Virgin Islands Housing Authority

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#### **BLOCK II - 12:30 PM**

#### Homeownership and Housing Development Programs

The Committee will also hear testimony on the status of homeownership and housing development programs. This includes updates on funding and progress of current initiatives, the availability and utilization of funds for affordable housing, the effects of federal policy changes on funding streams, operations, and programs, and the status of the residential insurance market and its impact on homeownership programs and affordability.

#### **INVITED TESTIFIERS**

- Eugene Jones, Executive Director, Virgin Islands Housing Finance Authority
- Adrienne Williams-Octalien, Executive Director, Office of Disaster Recovery
- Wayne L. Biggs, Chief Executive Officer, VI Economic Development Authority
- Glendina Matthew, Esq., Director, Division of Banks, Insurance & Financial Regulation