The Ville Platte Housing Authority obtained final approval for a $1.3 million construction project here from HUD officials Wednesday, after Wayne Vizena, manager of the Ville Platte Housing Authority, visited the New Orleans office on Wednesday.

Vizena explained Friday afternoon that the local housing authority was notified of the $1,329,200 HUD grant in September of 1987. Final approval was delayed until HUD accepted the three building site and final paperwork.

The project provides for 25 low-rent public housing units to be grouped into 13 buildings located on three different sites in the city, explained project engineer Paul N. Fontenot. Those approved sites are at the corner of North Chataignier and E. Jefferson Streets, owned by Floyd Soileau, W. Cypress and S. Soileau Street, owned by Mrs. Leroy Vidrine, and on Lucy Drive, north of Lincoln Road, owned by Flo D. Isbell.

Purchase agreements must be signed and submitted to HUD by Feb. 15, according to the authorization letter.

The project includes 18 three-bedroom units, five four-bedroom units and two handicapped three-bedroom units. Plans call for the construction of two apartment units per building.

Construction will start this summer. The units should be ready for occupancy within 18 months.

Board Chairman Freddie Dunn Friday cited the contributions of Cong. Clyde Holloway, who, he said, was instrumental in awarding of the federal housing grant.