



# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago Meeting Minutes Study Session

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611

*Chairman of Finance Frank Avila, Commissioner Kenneth Dunkin, Commissioner Martin J. Durkan, Vice-President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Josina Morita, Commissioner Debra Shore, Commissioner Kari K. Steele, Commissioner David J. Walsh, President Board of Commissioners Mariyana T. Spyropoulos*

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Thursday, September 6, 2018

Board Room

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## COMMITTEE ON BUDGET AND EMPLOYMENT

### Call Meeting to Order

Kari K. Steele, Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Employment, called the meeting to order at 1:40 p.m.

### Public Comment

*George Blakemore, concerned citizen, expressed concerns regarding job opportunities on capital projects*

*Mike Archey, from GTM Strategies, voiced concerns on various capital projects*

### Clerk to Read Call of the Meeting

[18-0730](#)

To the Honorable President and  
Members of the Board of Commissioners  
of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation  
District of Greater Chicago

Ladies and Gentlemen:

At the direction of Commissioner Kari K. Steele, Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Employment, a Study Session will be held on Thursday, September 6, 2018, immediately following the Regular Board Meeting, in the Board Room, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois.

The purpose of the Study Session is to review the Capital Improvement Program.

Attached for your information is the 2019 Budget Calendar.

/s/ Jacqueline Torres  
Clerk

**Attachments:** [Calendar for 2019 Budget.pdf](#)  
[Capital Improvement Project](#)

**A motion was made by Frank Avila, seconded by Kenneth Dunkin, that this Report be Published and Filed. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays**

## Open Discussion

*Catherine O'Connor, Director of Engineering, gave a presentation to the Board on the District's Capital Improvement Program.*

### *Summary of Requests*

- 1. Debra Shore recommended a review be done to determine the increase in property values*
- 2. Kenneth Dunkin requested a report on the amount paid to African American firms over the past 3 years*

## Adjournment

**Kari K. Steele, Chairman of the Committee on Budget and Employment, adjourned the meeting at 2:30 p.m.**

/s/ Jacqueline Torres  
Clerk