

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, March 21, 2024

10:30 AM

Board Room

Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Precious Brady-Davis, Commissioner Yumeka Brown, Commissioner Cameron Davis, Vice-President Patricia Theresa Flynn, Chairman of Finance Marcelino Garcia, Commissioner Daniel Pogorzelski, Commissioner Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Commissioner Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, President Board of Commissioners Kari K. Steele

THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL GOVERN THE MEETING PROCESS:

- 1. Board Members who vote "Nay, Present, or Abstain" or have a question on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.**
- 2. Citizens in the audience who address the Board on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.**
- 3. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are considered separately.**
- 4. One roll call vote is taken to cover all Consent Agenda Items.**

Call Meeting to Order

President Kari K. Steele presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 6 - Cameron Davis; Patricia Theresa Flynn; Marcelino Garcia; Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; and Kari K. Steele

Absent: 3 - Precious Brady-Davis; Yumeka Brown; and Daniel Pogorzelski

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Patricia Theresa Flynn, that the minutes from the last meeting of March 7, 2024 be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Public Comments

None

Recess and Convene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Patricia Theresa Flynn, seconded by Marcelino Garcia, to recess and convene as a committee of the whole. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of Ayes - No Nays

Committee of the Whole

Approval of the Committee of the Whole Consent Agenda

President Kari K. Steele called for a motion to accept the agendas for each Standing Committee that was convened. Moved by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Patricia Theresa Flynn. President Kari K. Steele called for any objections. No objections were voiced. Motion carried.

The Committee of the Whole meeting of March 21, 2024 was adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

Executive Session

None

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 11:00 a.m. President Kari K. Steele reconvened the regular board meeting to order

Motions, Ordinances and Resolutions

Resolution

- 1 [24-0189](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the month of March as Women's History Month and honoring four women of distinction
Adopted
- 2 [24-0190](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Greek Independence Day
Adopted
- 3 [24-0191](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing March 22nd as World Water Day
Adopted
- 4 [24-0226](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners congratulating the Homewood-Flossmoor Community High School Boys Basketball Team
Adopted

Finance Committee

Report

- 5 [24-0210](#) Report on the investment interest income during January 2024
Attachments: [Inv Int Inc 2024-01 att.pdf](#)
Published and Filed
- 6 [24-0212](#) Report on investments purchased during January 2024
Attachments: [Inv Purch 2024-01 att.pdf](#)
Published and Filed
- 7 [24-0215](#) Report on the investment interest income during February 2024
Attachments: [Inv Int Inc 2024-02 att.pdf](#)
Published and Filed
- 8 [24-0216](#) Report on investments purchased during February 2024
Attachments: [Inv Purch 2024-02 att.pdf](#)
Published and Filed

- 9 [24-0224](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of February 2024, in the amount of \$28,002,241.92

Attachments: [February 2024 Cash Disbursements Summary](#)

Published and Filed

Procurement Committee

Report

- 10 [24-0217](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, March 5, 2024

Published and Filed

- 11 [24-0222](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, March 12, 2024

Published and Filed

Authority to Advertise

- 12 [24-0194](#) Authority to advertise Contract 24-RFP-03 Vision Plan Administrator, for a three-year period, effective January 1, 2025, to December 31, 2027, estimated cost \$33,000.00, Account 101-25000-601250

Attachments: [Contract 24-RFP-03 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

- 13 [24-0199](#) Authority to advertise Contract 24-604-11, Furnishing and Delivering Plumbing Supplies to Various Locations, estimated cost \$207,000.00, Accounts 101-67000/68000/69000-623090, Requisitions 1610947, 1605016 and 1608903

Attachments: [Contract 24-604-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

- 14 [24-0200](#) Authority to advertise Contract 24-653-11, Underground Infrastructure Cleaning at Various Locations, estimated cost \$2,682,000.00, Account 101-66000-612600, Requisition 1613812

Attachments: [Contract 24-653-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

- 15 [24-0203](#) Authority to advertise Contract 24-416-11 Operating Engineering and Related Trade Services To the Main Office Building Complex, estimated cost \$4,000,000.00, Accounts 101-15000-612370 and 612390, Requisition 1615820

Attachments: [Contract 24-416-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

- 16 [24-0204](#) Authority to advertise Contract 24-RFP-04 Lease One Digital, High-Speed Color Production Printing System and One Digital, High-Speed Monochrome Production Printing System With a Repair, Supply and Maintenance Agreement at The Main Office Building Annex, estimated cost \$680,000.00, Accounts 101-15000-612330 and 612800, Requisition 1616073 *(As Revised)*

Attachments: [Contract 24-RFP-04 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

- 17 [24-0205](#) Authority to advertise Contract 24-425-11 Furnish and Deliver Paper to Various District Locations, estimated cost \$217,000.00, Account 101-15000-623520, Requisition 1616437

Attachments: [Contract 24-425-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report.pdf](#)

Approved

- 18 [24-0219](#) Authority to advertise Contract 24-083-11 Furnish and Deliver Sump Pumps to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$33,000.00, Account 101-20000-623090 and 623270

Attachments: [Contract 24-083-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report.pdf](#)

Approved

Issue Purchase Order

- 19 [24-0186](#) Issue purchase order to CDW Government LLC, to Furnish and Deliver Mimecast Add On - Internal Email Protect, in an amount not to exceed \$18,760.00, Account 101-27000-623800, Requisition 1615816

Approved

- 20 [24-0188](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with SEAL Analytical Inc. for Preventive Maintenance, Technical Support, Repairs, Parts, and Consumable Supplies for Six AQ400 Discrete Analyzers at Various Locations in an amount not to exceed \$37,365.00, Accounts 101-16000-612970, 623570, Requisition 1614220

Approved

- 21 [24-0202](#) Issue purchase order to 101 Erie Hotel LLC for maintenance and operation of the common areas of the 101-111 East Erie Street Building, in an amount not to exceed \$71,053.50, Account 101-15000-612390, Requisition 1614045

Approved

Award Contract

- 22 [24-0220](#) Authority to award Contract 24-645-12 (Re-Bid), Scavenger Services in the North Service Area and the Lockport Powerhouse, Group A to Allied Waste Transportation, Inc. dba Republic Services of Chicago, in an amount not to exceed \$762,000.00, and Groups B, C, D, and E to Flood Bros. Disposal Co., in an amount not to exceed \$620,400.00. Accounts 101-66000/67000-612520 Requisitions 1600996, 1600069, 1600890, 1600291, and 1602429

Attachments: [Contract 24-645-12 Affirmative Action Goals and Revised Appendix D Report - Group A - Allied Waste Transportation, Inc. dba Republic Services of Chicago.pdf](#)
[Contract 24-645-12 Affirmative Action Goals and Revised Appendix D Report - Group C - Flood Bros.pdf](#)

Approved

- 23 [24-0221](#) Authority to award Contract 24-690-11, Beneficial Reuse of Biosolids from LASMA and CALSMA, Groups A and B, to Stewart Spreading, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$5,940,000.00, Accounts 101-68000/69000-612520, Requisitions 1606394 and 1606557

Attachments: [Contract 24-690-11 - Affirmative Action Goals Reports and Revised Appendix D Reports - Groups A and B - Stewart Spreading, Inc..pdf](#)

Approved

- 24 [24-0223](#) Authority to award Contract 24-670-11, Inspection and Repair of Cranes and Hoists at Various Locations, to Sievert Electric Service & Sales Co., in an amount not to exceed \$953,900.00, Accounts 101-67000/68000/69000-612240/612680, Requisitions 1606406, 1606408, and 1606424

Attachments: [Contract 24-670-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report.pdf](#)

Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 25 [24-0196](#) Authority to increase Contract 21-603-31, Sludge Pumping Improvements at Various Locations to Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc., in an amount of \$303,563.00, from an amount of \$8,291,115.00 to an amount not to exceed \$8,594,678.00, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 5001867

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 5001867](#)

Approved

- 26 [24-0197](#) Authority to increase purchase order and amend the agreement with Baker Tilly US, LLP for Contract 19-RFP-33, Professional Auditing Services, in an amount of \$322,000.00 from an amount of \$842,750.00, to an amount not to exceed \$1,164,750.00, Accounts 101-40000-612430 and P802-11000-798200, Purchase Order 3111905

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 3111905](#)

Approved

- 27 [24-0206](#) Authority to increase and extend purchase order, for Contract 20-425-12 (Re-Bid) Furnish and Deliver Paper to Various District Locations for a Thirty-Six (36) Month Period, with Bebon Office Machines Co., in an amount not to exceed \$20,000.00, from an amount of \$179,403.48, to an amount not to exceed \$199,403.48, Account 101-15000-623520, Purchase Order 3112984

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 3112984](#)

Approved

- 28 [24-0207](#) Authority to increase Contract 14-253-AF Diversion Channel for Flood Control Project on Midlothian Creek in Robbins, CSA to F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates LLC, in an amount of \$106,813.63, from an amount of \$11,020,615.68, to an amount not to exceed \$11,127,429.31, Account 501-50000-645620, Purchase Order 4000089

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 4000089.pdf](#)

Approved

- 29 [24-0211](#) Authority to increase Contract 15-266-4H5 Decommissioning of the Thornton Transitional Reservoir, Calumet Service Area, Rebid, to IHC Construction Companies, LLC in an amount of \$24,006.40, from an amount of \$26,092,698.66, to an amount not to exceed \$26,116,705.06, Account 401-50000-645620, Purchase Order 4000082

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 4000082](#)

Approved

- 30 [24-0225](#) Authority to increase purchase order and amend the agreement with V3 Companies of Illinois, LTD., for professional services for Contract 14-263-3F Flood Control Project for the Melvina Ditch Watershed, in an amount of \$250,000.00, from an amount of \$1,362,712.77, to an amount not to exceed \$1,612,712.77, Account 501-50000-612450, Purchase Order 3083712 (As Revised)

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 3083712](#)

Approved

Engineering Committee

Report

- 31 [24-0214](#) Report on change orders authorized and time extensions approved by the Director of Engineering during the month of February 2024

Attachments: [Attachment 1 CO Report February 2024 5% Contingency.pdf](#)
[Attachment 2 CO Status Report February 2024 Final](#)
[Attachment 3 CO Report February 2024 5% Contingency.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Judiciary Committee

Authorization

- 32 [24-0195](#) Authority to settle the Illinois Workers' Compensation Claim of Yolanda Fernandez vs. MWRDGC, Claim Number W003604754 in the sum of \$49,000.00, Account 901-30000-601090

Approved

Maintenance & Operations Committee

Authorization

- 33 [24-0198](#) Authority to enter into two amendments of lease agreements with tenant farmers for land parcels located at the Prairie Plan Site in Fulton County, Illinois, pursuant to 22-RFP-17, Farm Management Support Services

Attachments: [2023 leases BL attachment.pdf](#)

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Patricia Theresa Flynn, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 5 - Cameron Davis, Patricia Theresa Flynn, Marcelino Garcia, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 4 - Precious Brady-Davis, Yumeka Brown, Daniel Pogorzelski, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

Miscellaneous and New Business

Meeting Summary

Speakers

Jamere Dismuks, Coach of the Homewood-Flossmoor Community High School, accepted the resolution congratulating the Homewood- Flossmoor Community High School Boys Basketball Team (Re: Resolution Item #4)

Summary of Requests*Procurement Committee Item #23*

1. Marcelino Garcia requested an overview on the District's Biosolids Program
2. Patricia Theresa Flynn requested the cost of the Biosolids Program to the District both in the past and going forward

Study Session

None

Announcements

None

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for April 4, 2024, please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.

Date agenda items are due to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management for signature and preparation: March 22, 2024

Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., March 27, 2024

Adjournment

A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Patricia Theresa Flynn, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, April 4, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. and also move that today's meeting be Adjourned. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: /s/ Jacqueline Torres, Clerk

Aye: 5 - Cameron Davis, Patricia Theresa Flynn, Marcelino Garcia, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 4 - Precious Brady-Davis, Yumeka Brown, Daniel Pogorzelski, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos

APPROVAL:

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this March 21, 2024, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Kari K. Steele

President Board of Commissioners of the
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

March 21, 2024