

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Authority to amend a Sewer Service Agreement with the Village of Bartlett

Dear Sir:

Authority is requested to amend a Sewer Service Agreement with the Village of Bartlett (Village). On March 4, 1971, the District entered into an intergovernmental agreement to accept flow of one and a half times the average dry weather flow from the Village's sewers in the Cook County area of the Village. The Village agreed to assume responsibility for all additional flow in excess of that diverted to the District.

Recently, the Village was cited by the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) as a result of an increase in overflows from the Village's Devon Excess Flow Facility resulting in a violation of its National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permit. As such, the Village is in need of a temporary diversion plan to allow it to comply with its NPDES permit while researching and implementing a permanent solution. The Village has requested that the District temporarily accept additional flow at the Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) while research is performed and a permanent solution is implemented. The temporary arrangement will allow for the removal of a pipe restrictor that limits the conveyance of flow to the District's facilities, as specified in the original agreement. Hanover Park WRP has the capacity to accept the additional flow. It is anticipated that the restrictor will be replaced in the sewer no later than January 1, 2020, at which time the amendment will expire and the terms of the Sewer Service Agreement dated March 4, 1971 shall control.

Therefore, it is respectfully requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it grant the authority to amend the agreement with the Village of Bartlett.

It is further requested that the Executive Director, the Chairman of the Committee on Finance, and the Clerk be authorized and directed to execute the amended Agreement on behalf of the District after it is approved by the Engineering and Maintenance and Operations Departments as to technical matters and the Law Department as to form and legality.

If further clarification is required, please advise the undersigned.

Requested, Catherine A. O'Connor, Director of Engineering, WSS:KMF
Respectfully Submitted, Frank Avila, Chairman Committee on Engineering
Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for December 1, 2016