



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF AUGUST 3, 2017

COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

Mr. David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Authority to enter into a Multi-Project Labor Agreement with the Lake County Building and Construction Trades Council, or its union affiliates that become signatories (*Deferred from the July 6, 2017 Board Meeting*)
"ADOPTED AS AMENDED REFER TO FILE ID #17-0739A"

Dear Sir:

Since 1998, the District and certain labor organizations in the Chicago and Cook County area have been parties to a Multi-Project Labor Agreement ("MPLA"). Recently, the Lake County Buildings and Construction Trades Council and its union affiliates requested to enter into a MPLA with the District. The agreement will apply to construction projects performed in Lake County pursuant to contracts advertised and awarded by the Board of Commissioners ("Board") after the date of execution of the MPLA.

Due to the size, scope, cost, timing and duration of the multitude of construction projects performed by the District, the District recognizes the public interest in having its projects completed in the most productive, economical and orderly manner possible and without labor disruptions of any kind that may interfere with or delay the project. The over-arching purpose of entering into an MPLA is to eliminate disruption of covered construction projects and to work with labor organizations in a cooperative fashion. Specifically under the MPLA the District and its contractors agree to not engage in lockouts, strikes or work stoppages at covered project sites. In turn, the unions and their members will not support or maintain any strikes, lockouts or work stoppages at a covered project site. Other terms and conditions have been agreed to in furtherance of these purposes and are set forth in the attached MPLA. The MPLA will have a 10 year duration.

The proposed Multi-Project Labor Agreement is attached hereto for review and approval of the Board.

It is requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it authorize the District to enter into a Multi-Project Labor Agreement with the Lake County Building and Construction Trades Council, or its union affiliates that become signatories, in substantially the same form and substance as the attached MPLA.

It is further requested that the Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it authorize and direct the Chairman of the Committee on Finance and the Clerk to execute the Multi-Project Labor Agreement after it is approved by the Acting General Counsel as to form and legality.

Requested, Susan T. Morakalis, Acting General Counsel, SM:kk

Recommended, David St. Pierre, Executive Director

Respectfully Submitted, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Chairman Committee on Labor & Industrial Relations
Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for August 3, 2017

Attachment