

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street Chicago, IL 60611

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2018

COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE

Mr. John P. Murray, Acting Executive Director

Authority to amend permit agreement issued to the City of Lockport to traverse Main Channel Parcels 15.02, 15.04, 16.04, and the District's temporary low water crossing in unincorporated Lockport, Will County, Illinois to: (1) allow an additional use of construction staging on an approximate 2.06 acre portion of Parcels 15.02 and 15.04 and (2) extend the permit an additional 18 months. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Dear Sir:

On October 20, 2016, the Board of Commissioners authorized the issuance of a permit to the City of Lockport ("Lockport") allowing it to traverse Main Channel Parcels 15.02, 15.04, 16.04, and the District's temporary lowwater crossing in unincorporated Lockport, Will County, Illinois. The permit was requested because Lockport had placed an 8-ton load limit on the Old 9th Street Bridge ("Bridge") and was in the planning stages of rehabilitating the Bridge. The Bridge, which is owned by Lockport, is currently closed. The permit, issued for a \$10.00 nominal fee, expires March 31, 2019. Lockport has completed the planning stages of the Bridge rehabilitation project and anticipates commencing the rehabilitation work in the spring of 2019. Currently, the only access to the Bridge is through the permit premises.

In conjunction with its planned Bridge rehabilitation, Lockport requests to amend the permit to: (1) allow an additional use of construction staging on an approximate 2.06 acre portion of Parcels 15.02 and 15.04 and (2) extend the permit an additional 18 months to allow for completion of the rehabilitation work. Additionally, Lockport will also stage beneath the Des Plaines River. The construction staging area includes a gravel causeway at each end of the Bridge and a temporary ramp to provide construction access.

Parcels 15.02 and 15.04 are leased to ACBL Transportation Services, LLC ("ACBL") under a lease that commenced June 1, 2015, and expires May 31, 2054. As part of this permit amendment request, Lockport will have to obtain the written consent of ACBL. ACBL previously consented to Lockport's original request to traverse Parcels 15.02 and 15.04 under the permit.

The District's technical departments have reviewed these requests and have no objections thereto. A nominal fee of \$10.00 is recommended as is customary for a governmental agency using District land for a public purpose.

It is requested that the Acting Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that it authorize an amendment to the permit agreement issued to the City of Lockport to traverse Main Channel Parcels 15.02, 15.04, 16.04, and the District's temporary low water crossing in unincorporated Lockport, Will County, Illinois to: (1) allow an additional use of construction staging on an approximate 2.06 acre portion of Parcels 15.02 and 15.04 and (2) extend the permit an additional 18 months. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00.

It is also requested that the Acting Executive Director recommend to the Board of Commissioners that the Chairman of the Committee on Finance and the Clerk be authorized and directed to execute said permit

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agreement amendment on behalf of the District after it is approved by the General Counsel as to form and legality.

Requested, Susan T. Morakalis, General Counsel, STM:CMM:JW:vp
Recommended, John P. Murray, Acting Executive Director
Respectfully Submitted, David J. Walsh, Chairman Committee on Real Estate Development
Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for September 6, 2018

Attachment