



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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COMMITTEE ON MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Authority to issue two additional leases to tenant farmers for land parcels located at the Prairie Plan Site in Fulton County, Illinois, for a two year period, pursuant to 17-RFP-31, Farm Management Support Services. The District will be paid an annual rent of \$25,660.80 for the two additional leases

Dear Sir:

The District owns property in Fulton County, Illinois, known as the Prairie Plan Site. This property includes approximately 5,200 acres of agricultural land that is leased to farmers and generates revenue for the District.

On February 15, 2018, the Board of Commissioners authorized the Director of Procurement and Materials Management to issue a purchase order to Heartland Bank & Trust Company to provide farm management support services under Contract 17-RFP-31. The purpose of the farm management support services contract is to manage the District's farmland in Fulton County and maximize the income the agricultural income.

On April 19, 2018, the Board of Commissioners authorized leases to tenant farmers, under the farm management support services contract, for land parcels of various acreages located at the Prairie Plan Site that the District is paid an annual rent of \$669,677.38 for all of the leases.

It is requested that the Board of Commissioners authorize the issuance of the two additional leases to farmers, under the farm management support services contract, for land parcels of various acreages located at the Prairie Plan Site for a two-year period. The District will be paid an annual rent of \$25,660.80 for the two additional leases.

It is further requested that the Board of Commissioners authorize the Chairman of the Committee on Finance and the Clerk of the District to execute the lease agreements after they are approved by the General Counsel as to form and legality.

Requested, John P. Murray, Director of Maintenance and Operations, EJS:BK:MAG

Respectfully Submitted, Frank Avila, Chairman Committee on Maintenance and Operations

Approved as to Form and Legality: Susan T. Morakalis, General Counsel

Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for September 19, 2019

Attachment