



# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611

## Legislation Text

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### **TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2020**

#### COMMITTEE ON REAL ESTATE

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Authorization to amend Board Order of May 21, 2020 regarding authority to purchase the mobile home known as 4621 Meadow Terrace in Melrose Park, Illinois for the construction of the Addison Creek Channel Improvement Project (Contract 11-187-3F) and authority for payment to the owner, Jose Ruiz, in an amount of \$49,000.00, and relocation costs in an amount not to exceed \$43,227.00, to increase the relocation costs to \$43,762.00, Account 501-50000-656010, Stormwater Management Fund

Dear Sir:

At the Board meeting of May 21, 2020, the Board of Commissioners duly ordered the above stated action, Agenda Item No. 42, File No. 20-0415.

At the time of the May 21, 2020 Board meeting, the District's relocation consultant, Urban Relocation Services, Inc., estimated relocation costs for this resident to be \$43,227.00. This estimated amount was based on the maximum replacement housing payment, pad rent differential payment, and reasonable moving expenses, subject to adjustment based upon the actual costs incurred. These relocation costs are required to be paid by the District under the Federal Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act ("URA").

The District has completed its purchase of the mobile home and the resident has moved into a replacement dwelling. The actual costs of the resident's relocation expenses were slightly higher than the original estimate. As a result, the total amount of the relocation claim submitted by the resident was \$43,762.25, which is \$535.25 more than the amount previously authorized by the Board. The resident is entitled to this additional amount based on URA regulations, which provide that a person displaced from a mobile home is entitled to the same moving expense payment and replacement housing payment as persons displaced from conventional dwellings (49 C.F.R. §24.501). The relocation consultant has verified that this is a final amount and no additional increases will be necessary. All other information in the previous transmittal letter is correct.

Accordingly, it is recommended that the aforementioned Board Order of May 21, 2020 be amended to increase relocation costs from \$43,227.00 to an amount not to exceed \$43,762.00 for eligible costs in connection with relocation, as provided for in the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act.

Requested, Susan T. Morakalis, General Counsel and Catherine A. O'Connor, Director of Engineering;  
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Recommended, Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for September 17, 2020