

# **Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago**

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611



## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, June 5, 2025**

**10:30 AM**

**Board Room**

### **Board of Commissioners**

*Commissioner Precious Brady-Davis, Commissioner Yumeka Brown, Commissioner Cameron Davis, Vice-President Patricia Theresa Flynn, Chairman of Finance Marcelino Garcia, Commissioner Beth McElroy Kirkwood, Commissioner Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Commissioner Sharon Waller, President Board of Commissioners Kari K. Steele*

#### **THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURES WILL GOVERN THE MEETING PROCESS:**

- 1. Board Members who vote "Nay, Present, or Abstain" or have a question on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.**
- 2. Citizens in the audience who address the Board on any item may request the item be removed from the Consent Agenda.**
- 3. Items removed from the Consent Agenda are considered separately.**
- 4. One roll call vote is taken to cover all Consent Agenda Items.**

## Call Meeting to Order

President Kari K. Steele presiding, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

## Roll Call

**Present:** 9 - Precious Brady-Davis; Yumeka Brown; Cameron Davis; Patricia Theresa Flynn; Marcelino Garcia; Beth McElroy Kirkwood; Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda; Sharon Waller; and Kari K. Steele

## Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Patricia Theresa Flynn, seconded by Sharon Waller, that the minutes from the last meeting of May 15, 2025 be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

## Public Comments

*None*

## Recess and Convene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Yumeka Brown, seconded by Precious Brady-Davis, to recess and convene as a committee of the whole. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of Ayes - No Nays

## Committee of the Whole

### Approval of the Committee of the Whole Agenda

A motion was made by Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, seconded by Beth McElroy Kirkwood, to defer Agenda Item #24 to the Regular Board Meeting. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

**Aye:** 8 - Precious Brady-Davis; Yumeka Brown; Cameron Davis; Patricia Theresa Flynn; Beth McElroy Kirkwood; Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda; Sharon Waller; and Kari K. Steele

**Absent:** 1 - Marcelino Garcia

President Kari K. Steele called for a motion to accept the agendas for each Standing Committee that was convened. Moved by Patricia Theresa Flynn, seconded by Cameron Davis. President Kari K. Steele called for any objections. No objections were voiced. Motion carried.

The Committee of the Whole meeting of June 5, 2025 was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

## Executive Session

*None*

## Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 11:30 a.m. President Kari K. Steele reconvened the regular board meeting to order

## Motions, Ordinances and Resolutions

### Resolution

- 1    [25-0416](#)    RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing June as Pride Month and honoring the Chicago Parks Foundation as sponsor of the AIDS Garden (*As Revised*)  
**Adopted**
- 2    [25-0441](#)    RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing June 19th as Juneteenth (*As Revised*)  
**Adopted**
- 3    [25-0442](#)    RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing June as a month of celebration of Puerto Rican pride  
**Adopted**

## Finance Committee

### Report

- 4    [25-0404](#)    Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of April 2025, in the amount of \$36,345,371.30  
**Attachments:** [April 2025 Cash Disbursements Summary](#)  
**Published and Filed**
- 5    [25-0414](#)    Report on the 2024 Annual Comprehensive Financial Reports of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Retiree Health Care Trust  
**Published and Filed**
- 6    [25-0417](#)    Report on payment of principal and interest for outstanding District bonds due on June 1, 2025  
**Attachments:** [DS 2025-06 att.pdf](#)  
**Published and Filed**

## Procurement Committee

### Report

- 7    [25-0401](#)    Report of Request for Proposal (RFP) opening of Friday, April 11, 2025  
**Published and Filed**

- 8    [25-0402](#)    Report of Request for Proposal (RFP) opening of Friday, April 18, 2025

**Published and Filed**

- 9    [25-0403](#)    Report of Request for Proposal (RFP) opening of Friday, May 9, 2025

**Published and Filed**

- 10   [25-0409](#)    Report of Request for Proposal (RFP) opening of Friday, May 2, 2025

**Published and Filed**

- 11   [25-0410](#)    Report of bid opening of Tuesday, May 13, 2025

**Published and Filed**

- 12   [25-0419](#)    Report of bid opening of Tuesday, May 20, 2025

**Published and Filed**

- 13   [25-0438](#)    Report of Request for Proposal (RFP) opening of Friday, May 23, 2025

**Published and Filed**

#### **Authorization**

- 14   [25-0428](#)    Authorization to ratify the action taken by the Acting Executive Director to extend the declaration of the emergency affecting public health and safety at Main Office Building Annex, 111 E. Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611 from a termination date of February 25, 2025, to a termination date of December 31, 2025

**Approved**

#### **Issue Purchase Order**

- 15   [25-0415](#)    Issue purchase order to CDW Government LLC, to Furnish and Deliver Trelis (formerly known as FireEye) Network Security Licensing and Support, in an amount not to exceed \$117,600.00, Account 101-27000-612840, Requisition 1639323

**Approved**

- 16   [25-0418](#)    Issue purchase order to CDW Government LLC, to Furnish and Deliver Cisco Switches and SmartNet Support, in an amount not to exceed \$334,315.77, Accounts 101-27000-612840 and 634840 Requisition 1639589

**Approved**

#### **Award Contract**

- 17 [25-0420](#) Authority to award Contract 25-017-11, Furnish & Deliver Electrical Supplies, Wire, and Cable to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Groups A, C and F, to Helsel-Jepperson Electrical, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$158,697.25, Group B to Wesco Distribution Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$50,952.50 and Groups E, G and H to J.P. Simons & Co., in an amount not to exceed \$113,780.03., Accounts 101-20000-623070, 623170, 623190, 623250, 623680, 623850.

**Attachments:** [Contract 25-017-11 Item Descriptions](#)

**Approved**

- 19 [25-0437](#) Authority to award Contract 25-626-11, Inspection, Repairing, Recharging and Pressure Testing of Clean Agent Fire Suppression Systems at Various Locations, to Nelbud Services, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$190,325.00, Account 101-69000-612780, Requisition 1627673

**Attachments:** [Contract 25-626-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report.pdf](#)

**Approved**

#### **Increase Purchase Order/Change Order**

- 20 [25-0427](#) Authority to increase agreement with Flow-Technics, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver Xylem Flygt A-C, Sulzer ABS, ITT Gould and Netzsch pumps and replacement parts to various locations, in an amount of \$415,000.00, from an amount of \$659,900.00, to an amount not to exceed \$1,074,900.00, Accounts 101-66000, 67000, 68000, 69000-623070, 623090, 623110, 623270 and 623990, Agreement 7002236

**Attachments:** [Change Order Log - Outline Agreement 7002236 - Flow-Technics, Inc.](#)

**Approved**

#### **Judiciary Committee**

##### **Authorization**

- 21 [25-0407](#) Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of David Kalat vs. MWRDGC, Claim number W004030332, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$23,000.00, Account 901-30000-601090

**Approved**

- 22 [25-0408](#) Authority to settle the Illinois Workers' Compensation Claim of Dwayne Edwards vs. MWRDGC, Claim Number 22WC022760 in the sum of \$21,084.94, Account 901-30000-601090

**Approved**

**Real Estate Development Committee****Authorization**

- 23    [25-0436](#)    Authority to purchase the real estate commonly known as 15337 Myrtle Avenue in Harvey, Illinois for the construction of the Central Park Stormwater Detention Basin and Separate Storm Sewer Improvements in Harvey, Illinois (Contract 18-249-AF) and authority for payment to the owner, Michael Williams, in an amount of \$58,000.00, plus closing costs. Account 501-50000-667330, Stormwater Management Fund

**Attachments:**    [RE – Authority to Purchase 15337 Myrtle Avenue in Harvey IL Aerial.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 24    [25-0440](#)    Authority to issue a 5-year permit to the Blue Island Fire Department to use approximately 1 acre of District real estate located along the Cal-Sag Channel between Chatham Street and Hoyne Street, known as Cal-Sag Channel Parcel 15.09 (portion), for fire safety training purposes. Consideration shall be an annual permit fee of \$5,000.00.

**Attachments:**    [RE - Blue Island Fire Department Permit Aerial.pdf](#)

*A motion was made by Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, seconded by Patricia Theresa Flynn, to lift her earlier deferral of this Agenda Item. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:*

*Aye: 8 - Precious Brady-Davis; Yumeka Brown; Cameron Davis; Patricia Theresa Flynn; Beth McElroy Kirkwood; Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda; Sharon Waller; and Kari K. Steele*

*Absent: 1 - Marcelino Garcia*

**Approved**

- 25    [25-0443](#)    Ratify the action of the Acting Executive Director of May 16, 2025, issuing a 90-day permit to Petroleum Fuel and Terminal Company to stage and launch boats on 3.47± acres of District real estate located at 7800 Canal Bank Road in Summit, Illinois, known as Main Channel Parcel 34.03, and authority to amend the permit to allow vehicle parking and equipment storage on 4.57± acres of adjacent District real estate located in Summit, Illinois known as Main Channel Parcel 35.06. Consideration shall be a permit fee of \$45,000.00

**Attachments:**    [RE - Ratify PFTC Emergency Permit Summit MCP 34.03 and 35.06 Aerial.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 26   [25-0444](#)   Ratify the action of the Acting Executive Director of May 21, 2025, issuing a 90-day permit to Petroleum Fuel and Terminal Company to stage and launch boats on 22.38± acres of District real estate located in Lockport, Illinois, known as Main Channel Parcel 15.05. Consideration shall be a permit fee of \$15,000.00

Attachments:   [RE - Ratify PFTC Emergency Permit MCP 15.05 Aerial.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 27   [25-0445](#)   RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners to Advance Chicago Area Waterway System Ecological Health

**Adopted**

### **Approval of the Consent Agenda**

**A motion was made by Yumeka Brown, seconded by Patricia Theresa Flynn, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:**   8 -   Precious Brady-Davis, Yumeka Brown, Cameron Davis, Patricia Theresa Flynn, Beth McElroy Kirkwood, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Sharon Waller, Kari K. Steele

**Absent:**   1 -   Marcelino Garcia

### **Miscellaneous and New Business**

#### **Meeting Summary**

##### **Speakers**

*Michael Malatt, Partner at Baker Tilly, gave a presentation to the Board on the 2024 Audit Results of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Retiree Health Care Trust Fund (Re: Finance Item #5)*

##### **Summary of Requests**

###### *Miscellaneous & New Business*

*Precious Brady-Davis requested that the Acting Executive Director John P. Murray consider innovative ways to incorporate stormwater management into the build and design of the new Chicago Fire Stadium*

##### **Study Session**

*None*

##### **Announcements**

*None*

**Board Letter Submission Dates**

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for June 26, 2025, please prepare and submit Board items before the following absolute cutoff dates.

Date agenda items are due to the Director of Procurement and Materials Management for signature and preparation: June 13, 2025

Date all agenda items are due to the Acting Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., June 18, 2025

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Yumeka Brown, seconded by Precious Brady-Davis, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, June 26, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. and also move that today's meeting be Adjourned. The motion carried by the following roll call vote: /s/ Jacqueline Torres, Clerk

**Aye:** 8 - Precious Brady-Davis, Yumeka Brown, Cameron Davis, Patricia Theresa Flynn, Beth McElroy Kirkwood, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Sharon Waller, Kari K. Steele

**Absent:** 1 - Marcelino Garcia

**APPROVAL:**

In accordance with the provisions of 70ILCS 2605/4, each of the foregoing agenda items duly adopted by the Board of Commissioners of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago this June 5, 2025, are hereby approved.

**APPROVED:**

/s/ Kari K. Steele

President Board of Commissioners of the  
Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

June 5, 2025