

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

*100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611*



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 20, 2019

10:30 AM

Board Room

Board of Commissioners

Chairman of Finance Frank Avila, Commissioner Cameron Davis, Commissioner Kimberly Du Buclet, Commissioner Marcelino Garcia, Vice-President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Josina Morita, Commissioner Debra Shore, Commissioner Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, 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: 8 - Cameron Davis; Kimberly Du Buclet; Marcelino Garcia; Barbara J. McGowan; Josina Morita; Debra Shore; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; and Kari K. Steele
Absent: 1 - Frank Avila

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Cameron Davis, seconded by Marcelino Garcia, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Public Comments

George Blakemore, a concerned citizen, addressed the Board.

Kevin Brown and Mark Miller from the city of Blue Island addressed the Board regarding item #37.

Larry O'Toole, a partner with Bios Farm, addressed the Board regarding item #37.

Motions, Ordinances and Resolutions

Motion

- 1 [19-0592](#) MOTION to appoint Hearing Officers for 2019

A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Debra Shore, that this Motion be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 8 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 1 - Frank Avila

Resolution

- 2 [19-0527](#) RESOLUTION: Recognizing Egba Day in the City of Chicago on July 6, 2019

A motion was made by Josina Morita, seconded by Cameron Davis, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

- 3 [19-0588](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners congratulating Rev. Dr. Carl E. King on his election to the National Judiciary Board for the Church of God in Christ.

Adopted

- 4 [19-0615](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing Abigail and Sophia O'Quin as young leaders in the community
- A motion was made by Josina Morita, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays
- 5 [19-0616](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the 50th anniversary of Stonewall, Pride Month, and the accomplishments of the LGBT Chamber of Commerce of Illinois
- A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Debra Shore, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by acclamation. Chorus of ayes - No nays

Recess and Convene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Cameron Davis, seconded by Kimberly Du Buclet, 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 Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 1, 2, 4, 5, 26, 40 and 44

Item 40 was deferred by Barbara J. McGowan

Item 44 was deferred by Marcelino Garcia

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

The Committee of the Whole meeting of June 20, 2019 was adjourned at 12:50 p.m.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Josina Morita, seconded by Marcelino Garcia, that an executive session be held for the Committee on Information and Technology to discuss security procedures. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 2 - Frank Avila, Barbara J. McGowan

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 1:20 p.m. President Kari K. Steele reconvened the regular board meeting to order

Executive Session

A motion was made by Josina Morita, seconded by Debra Shore, that an executive session be held for the Committee on Budget and Employment to discuss the employment, discipline and termination of certain employee. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 3 - Frank Avila, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 2:25 p.m. President Kari K. Steele reconvened the regular board meeting to order

Finance Committee

Report

- 6 [19-0582](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of May 2019, in the amount of \$22,123,875.93

Attachments: [May 2019 Cash Disbursements Summary](#)

Published and Filed

- 7 [19-0601](#) Report on the investment interest income during April 2019

Attachments: [Inv Int Inc 2019-04 att.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

- 8 [19-0602](#) Report on the investment interest income during May 2019

Attachments: [Inv Int Inc 2019-05 att.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

- 9 [19-0603](#) Report on investments purchased during April 2019

Attachments: [Inv Purch 2019-04 att.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

- 10 [19-0604](#) Report on investments purchased during May 2019

Attachments: [Inv Purch 2019-05 att.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

- 11 [19-0605](#) Report on payment of principal and interest for outstanding District bonds due on June 1, 2019

Attachments: [DS 2019-06 att.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Procurement Committee

Report

- 12 [19-0558](#) Report on advertisement of Request for Proposal 19-RFP-11 Professional Services to Develop a Phosphorus Assessment and Reduction Plan for the Chicago Area Waterway System, estimated cost \$1,317,360.00, Account 101-16000-612430, Requisition 1515789 *(As Revised)*

Published and Filed

- 13 [19-0580](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, June 4, 2019

Published and Filed

- 14 [19-0599](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, June 11, 2019

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 15 [19-0564](#) Authorization for payment to the Water Environment Federation for registration fees for nine Commissioners and two hundred sixty-four employees in various departments to attend the annual Water Environment Federation Technical Exhibition and Conference WEFTEC 2019, in an amount not to exceed \$47,912.00, Accounts 101-11000, 15000, 16000, 20000, 25000, 27000, 50000, 66000, 67000, 68000, 69000-601100 *(As Revised)*

Approved

- 16 [19-0574](#) Authorization to extend purchase order with AT&T Corporation, for Contract 16-RFP-03, Local and Long Distance Services, Account 101-27000-612210, Purchase Order 3090697

Attachments: [3090697 Change Log 6-20-19.pdf](#)

Approved

- 17 [19-0576](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of April 18, 2019, regarding Report on advertisement of Request for Proposal 19-RFP-10 Mobile Data & Cellular Communications, estimated cost \$1,026,000.00, Accounts 101-27000-612210, 623850, Requisition 1514041, Agenda Item No. 14, File No. 19-0366

Attachments: [April 18, 2019 Board Transmittal Letter - File #19-0366.pdf](#)

Approved

Authority to Advertise

- 18 [19-0566](#) Authority to advertise Contract 19-603-21 Furnish, Deliver and Install Motor Excitation Control Equipment at Various Locations, estimated cost \$680,000.00, Account 201-50000-645700, Requisition 1516159

Approved

- 19 [19-0567](#) Authority to advertise Contract 19-721-21 Furnish and Deliver an Automated, Online Water Monitoring System to the O'Brien Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost \$97,000.00, Account 201-50000-634650, Requisition 1514055

Approved

- 20 [19-0570](#) Authority to advertise Contract 19-482-12 Furnish Data Transmission Services for Cellular Communications, estimated cost \$49,680.00, Account 101-27000-612210, Requisition 1516892

Approved

- 21 [19-0583](#) Authority to advertise Contract 19-056-11, Furnish and Deliver Hardware to Various Locations for a One-Year Period, estimated cost \$74,000.00, Account 101-20000-623110

Approved

- 22 [19-0587](#) Authority to advertise Contract 19-023-11 Furnish and Deliver Lab Chemicals to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$130,000.00, Account 101-20000-623570

Approved

- 23 [19-0591](#) Authority to advertise Contract 19-049-11 Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Work Gloves to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$49,000.00, Account 101-20000-623700

Approved

Issue Purchase Order

- 24 [19-0557](#) Issue a purchase order to DePaul University Continuing and Professional Education, pursuant to the Terms of Master Agreement 17-RFP-34, to provide Customer Service training for one hundred (100) employees in the Monitoring and Research Department, in a total amount not to exceed \$15,800.00, Account 101-25000-601100, Requisition 1522128

Approved

- 25 [19-0584](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 19-611-21, Furnish and Deliver Two Lagoon Pumps and Loading Devices to LASMA and CALSMA, to Wakarusa Ag, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$89,890.50, Account 201-50000-634760, Requisition 1513764

Approved

- 26 [19-0586](#) Issue purchase order to 72 Hour LLC, DBA National Auto Fleet Group, to Furnish and Deliver thirteen (13) new 2019 Nissan Versa Notes and two (2) new 2019 Kia Sportages to the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, under Sourcewell (formerly NJPA) Purchasing Contract No. 120716-NAF, in an amount not to exceed \$236,982.60, Account 101-69000-634860, Requisition 1513396

Deleted by the Executive Director

- 27 [19-0597](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 19-934-11, Furnishing and Delivering Magnesium Chloride, to Envirotech Services, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,790,774.50, Account 101-69000-623560, Requisition 1517598

Approved

Award Contract

- 28 [19-0585](#) Authority to award Contract 18-607-31, Cofferdam Installation and Removal at Sluice Gate No. 2 Lockport Controlling Works, to Industria, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$334,500.00, Account 401-50000-645720, Requisition 1498870

Attachments: [Contract 18-607-31 Revised Appendix D and Appendix V Report.pdf](#)

Approved

- 29 [19-0593](#) Authority to award Contract 19-033-12, Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Air Filters to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period (Re-Bid), Group A to Mercury Partners 90 BI, Inc., dba Brucker Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$36,120.48, Group B to Progressive Industries, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$9,312.16, Group C to G.A.G. Industries, Inc., dba Filter Services Illinois, in an amount not to exceed \$2,371.40 and Group D to The Stone Group, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$13,444.08, Account 101-20000-623270

Attachments: [Contract 19-033-12-Item Descriptions, Groups A, B, C, and D.pdf](#)

Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 30 [19-0569](#) Authority to increase outline agreement with LAI, Ltd., to Furnish and Deliver Process Equipment and Parts to Various Locations for a three-year period, in an amount of \$98,000.00, from an amount of \$564,900.00 to an amount not to exceed \$662,900.00, Accounts
101-66000/67000/68000/69000-623070/623090/623270/623780

Attachments: [OA LAI Ltd.pdf](#)

Approved

- 31 [19-0572](#) Authority to increase purchase order to Zayo Group, LLC, for Contract 14-RFP-30 Co-Location Services, in an amount of \$24,944.24, from an amount of \$436,761.95, to an amount not to exceed \$461,706.19, Account
101-27000-612210, Purchase Order 3086934

Attachments: [3086934 Change Log 6-20-19.pdf](#)

Approved

- 32 [19-0573](#) Authority to increase and extend purchase order to AT&T Mobility National Accounts, LLC, to Furnish and Deliver cellular telephones, accessories, and wireless communication services in an amount of \$144,000.00, from an amount of \$664,633.15, to an amount not to exceed \$808,633.15, Accounts
101-27000-612210, 623850, Purchase Order 3093104

Attachments: [Change Log.pdf](#)

Approved

Engineering Committee

Report

- 33 [19-0608](#) Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Director of Engineering during the month of May 2019

Attachments: [Attachment 1 CO Report May 2019 5% Contingency.pdf](#)
[Attachment 2 CO Status Report May 2019.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 34 [19-0606](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement and make payment to the Fox River Water Reclamation District for Phosphorus Removal Struvite Facilities for the Albin D. Pagorski Water Reclamation Facility of the Fox River Water Reclamation District (18-IGA-35) in an amount not to exceed \$2,635,071.00, Account 401-50000-612400, Requisition 1502321

Approved

Judiciary Committee

Authorization

- 35 [19-0581](#) Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Jesus Avina vs. MWRDGC, Claim 15 WC 25937, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$36,518.19, Account 901-30000-601090

Approved

- 36 [19-0598](#) Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Alicia Ocegüera vs. MWRDGC, Claim 14 WC 041402, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$16,000.00, Account 901-30000-601090

Approved

Real Estate Development Committee

Authorization

- 37 [19-0537](#) Authority to amend lease agreement dated June 11, 2013, between the District and the City of Blue Island on 137.64 acres of District real estate located north and south of the Cal-Sag Channel between Kedzie Avenue and Fay's Point in Blue Island, Illinois to: (1) expand Blue Island's leasehold to include the District's SEPA Station 3 site and Cal-Sag Channel Parcel 15.09 and 2) allow Blue Island to host various community events and maintain community farms and a parking lot. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00, plus 25% of net revenues generated by Blue Island's use of its leasehold *(As Revised)(Deferred from the June 6, 2019 Board Meeting)*

Attachments: [Amend lease of City of Blue Island - Aerial.pdf](#)

Approved

- 38 [19-0589](#) Authority to: (1) grant a 25-year, 14,430± sq. ft., non-exclusive easement to Wood River Pipe Lines LLC to construct, reconstruct, operate, maintain, repair and remove a 14" subterranean petroleum pipeline traversing Main Channel Parcels 31.02 and 31.03, the Main Channel and the Des Plaines River; (2) issue a 12-month, 21,375 sq. ft. permit to Wood River Pipe Lines LLC for construction staging on Main Channel Parcels 31.02 and 31.03; and (3) terminate an existing easement agreement dated June 23, 1996, between the District and Wood River Pipe Lines LLC traversing Main Channel Parcels 31.01, 31.02, 31.03, the Main Channel and the Des Plaines River in Willow Springs, Illinois. Consideration shall be an initial annual easement fee of \$6,027.31 and a one-time permit fee of \$5,000.00 *(As Revised)*

Attachments: [Authority to grant easement - Wood River Pipe Lines - MCP 31.01 31.02 31.03 31.05 - aerial.pdf](#)

Approved

- 39 [19-0590](#) Authority to commence statutory procedures to lease approximately 28 acres of District real estate located south of the Main Channel and east of Harlem Avenue in Forest View, Illinois, known as Main Channel Parcel 37.05.

Attachments: [Commence Statutory Procedures - Bolemac Acres - Aerial.pdf](#)

Approved

- 40 [19-0600](#) Authority to amend lease agreement dated October 14, 1966, as amended, between the District and the City of Evanston on approximately 91.9 acres of District real estate located in Evanston along the North Shore Channel to: (1) allow Evanston to hold festivals and outdoor concerts and (2) allow the sale and consumption of alcohol. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [Amend Lease w Evanston \(golf course L-063 - Aerial.pdf](#)

Deferred by Barbara J. McGowan

- 41 [19-0610](#) Authority to resolve the Notices of Default issued to the City of Evanston arising out of violations of the lease agreement dated October 14, 1966, as amended, between the District and the City of Evanston on approximately 91.9 acres of District real estate located in Evanston along the North Shore Channel. Consideration shall be \$77,450.25

Approved

- 42 [19-0614](#) Authority to issue a 1-year permit to Northwestern University to allow parking and tailgating activities during home football games on North Shore Channel Parcels 2.05, 2.06, 2.07, and 2.08, in Evanston, Illinois. Consideration shall be an annual fee of \$80,000.00

Attachments: [NU Parking Aerial.pdf](#)

Approved

Stormwater Management Committee

Authorization

- 43 [19-0607](#) Authority to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with the Village of Robbins for Contract 14-253-5F, Flood Control Project on Midlothian Creek in Robbins, Illinois

Approved

- 44 [19-0609](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Oak Park for the construction, operation and maintenance of the Green Alley Improvements Project in Oak Park, Illinois (19-IGA-14), in an amount not to exceed \$475,000.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Requisition 1517622

Deferred by Marcelino Garcia

- 45 [19-0562](#) MEMORIAL RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners honoring the memory of Xaiver DaiQuan Collins
Adopted
- 46 [19-0617](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Metropolitan Life Insurance Company to provide group term life insurance for employees for a three-year period, in an amount not to exceed \$213,000.00, Account 101-25000-601250, 501-50000-601250, Requisition 1516421
Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 1, 2, 4, 5, 26, 40 and 44

A motion was made by Cameron Davis, seconded by Josina Morita, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 3 - Frank Avila, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan

Miscellaneous and New Business

Meeting Summary

Speakers

Christian Akiwoko, Trustee with the Egba Unity of Chicago, accepted the resolution recognizing Egba Day in the City of Chicago (Re: Resolution Item #2)

Kevin Morrison, Cook County Board Commissioner, Jerome Holston, Dan Earles and Tracy Baim from LGBT Chamber of Commerce accepted the resolution recognizing the 50th anniversary of Stonewall, Pride Month, and the accomplishments of the LGBT Chamber of Commerce of Illinois (Re: Resolution Item #5)

Jim Mohler, newly appointed Executive Director of the MWRD Retirement Fund, addressed the Board

Summary of Requests

Real Estate Development Item #37

- 1. Marcelino Garcia requested certain terms of the amended agreement be clarified*

Real Estate Development Item #42

- 1. Debra Shore requested a report showing how annual fee estimate was arrived*

Stormwater Management Item #43

- 1. Marcelino Garcia requested IGA agreements include previous suggestions made*

Miscellaneous and New Business

Josina Morita requested a memo explaining how to go about registering as a lobbyist with the District, in light of the new requirements

Study Session

None

Announcements

None

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2019, 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 28, 2019

Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., July 2, 2019

Adjournment

A motion was made by Cameron Davis, seconded by Josina Morita, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, July 11, 2019 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: 6 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 3 - Frank Avila, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan

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 20, 2019, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Kari K. Steele

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

June 20, 2019