

# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611



## Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 20, 2024

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 Daniel Pogorzelski, Commissioner Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, 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:** 9 - Precious Brady-Davis; Yumeka Brown; Cameron Davis; Patricia Theresa Flynn; Marcelino Garcia; Daniel Pogorzelski; Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; and Kari K. Steele

## Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Cameron Davis, seconded by Precious Brady-Davis, that the minutes from the last meeting of June 6, 2024 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 Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Patricia Theresa Flynn, 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

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 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, 2024, was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

## Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 10:45 a.m. President Kari K. Steele reconvened the regular board meeting to order

## Motions, Ordinances and Resolutions

### Resolution

- 1 [24-0542](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the contributions of the LGBTQ+ community and honoring esteemed representatives  
**Adopted**

## Finance Committee

### Report

- 2    [24-0506](#)    Report on the investment interest income during April 2024  
**Attachments:** [Inv Int Inc 2024-04 att.pdf](#)  
**Published and Filed**
- 3    [24-0507](#)    Report on investments purchased during April 2024  
**Attachments:** [Inv Purch 2024-04 att.pdf](#)  
**Published and Filed**
- 4    [24-0508](#)    Report on the investment interest income during May 2024  
**Attachments:** [Inv Int Inc 2024-05 att.pdf](#)  
**Published and Filed**
- 5    [24-0509](#)    Report on investments purchased during May 2024  
**Attachments:** [Inv Purch 2024-05 att.pdf](#)  
**Published and Filed**
- 6    [24-0536](#)    Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of May 2024, in the amount of \$37,037,079.73  
**Attachments:** [May 2024 Cash Disbursements Summary](#)  
**Published and Filed**

## Procurement Committee

### Report

- 7    [24-0499](#)    Report on the acceptance of pricing for Contract 20-RFP-24, Supply of Electricity, with MP2 Energy NE LLC, for a One-Year Extension, starting December 2024 and ending December 31, 2025  
**Published and Filed**
- 8    [24-0514](#)    Report of bid opening of Tuesday, June 4, 2024  
**Published and Filed**
- 9    [24-0515](#)    Report on Receipt of Proposals of Friday, June 7, 2024  
**Published and Filed**

- 10 [24-0532](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, June 11, 2024

**Published and Filed**

#### Authorization

- 11 [24-0516](#) Authorization for payment to Thomson Reuters West Publishing Corporation, for the Westlaw Proflex Subscription, in an amount not to exceed \$12,416.54, Account 101-15000-612280

**Approved**

#### Authority to Advertise

- 12 [24-0503](#) Authority to advertise Contract 25-100-11 Preventative Maintenance for Steam Sterilizers, Labor, and Parts estimated cost \$54,000.00, Account 101-16000-612970, Requisition 1619436

**Approved**

- 13 [24-0519](#) Authority to advertise Contract 22-878-1S Condition Assessment of Local Sewers, estimated cost \$1,645,900.00, Account 101-50000-612240, Requisition 1582398

**Attachments:** [Contract 22-878-1S Project Fact Sheet](#)  
[Contract 22-878-1S Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

**Approved**

- 14 [24-0539](#) Authority to advertise Contract 17-273-4P Furnish and Install Odor Control System at Thornton Reservoir, estimated cost between \$3,693,496.00 and \$4,471,074.00, Account 401-50000-645620, Requisition 1620315

**Attachments:** [Contract 17-273-4P Project Fact Sheet](#)  
[Contract 17-273-4P Affirmative Action 98% Review Report](#)

**Approved**

#### Issue Purchase Order

- 15 [24-0504](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 23-RFP-21 IT Project Management Office Consulting Services with SDI Presence LLC in an amount not to exceed \$450,000.00, Account 101-27000-612430, Requisition 1608373

**Approved**

- 16 [24-0511](#) Issue purchase order to Vector Solutions LLC for license and software maintenance renewal for an Industrial Premium Library database, in an amount not to exceed \$41,000.00, Account 101-27000-612820, Requisition 1620046

**Approved**

- 17 [24-0530](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with IXOM Watercare Inc., to Provide an 18-Month Maintenance Service Program for Thirty (30) Solar Powered Mixers/Aerators (SolarBees) at the Thornton Composite Reservoir and the McCook Reservoir, in a total amount not to exceed \$399,659.73, Account 101-66000-612620, Requisition 1614473

**Approved**

- 18 [24-0541](#) Issue purchase order to Sunbelt Rentals Inc., to Furnish and Deliver Two (2) Rental Low-Temperature Chillers and Accessories to the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant for an approximately three-month period under Sourcewell (formerly NJPA) Purchasing Contract No. 062320-SNB, in an amount not to exceed \$213,646.03, Account 101-69000-612330, Requisition 1620499

**Approved**

- 19 [24-0543](#) Issue purchase order to Monroe Truck Equipment Inc., to Furnish and Deliver One (1) New 2024 Volvo VDH Upfit Package under Sourcewell (formerly NJPA) Purchasing Contract No. 062222-AEB, in an amount not to exceed \$159,933.00, Account 101-69000-634860, Requisition 1618583

**Approved**

#### Award Contract

- 20 [24-0464](#) Authority to award Contract 24-017-11, Furnish and Deliver Electrical Supplies, Wire, and Cable to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Groups A, B, C, D, F, G and H to Helsel-Jepperson Electrical, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$339,302.41, and Group E to J.P. Simons & Co., in an amount not to exceed \$14,753.48. Accounts 101-20000-623070, 623170, 623190, 623250, 623680, 623850 (*Deferred from the June 6, 2024 Board Meeting*)

**Attachments:** [Contract 24-017-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

**Approved**

- 21 [24-0512](#) Authority to award Contract 24-053-11, Furnish and Deliver Lamps & Emergency Lighting to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, to Group A to Neher Electric Supply, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$34,020.00, and Group B to Helsel-Jepperson Electrical, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$27,006.50, Account 101-20000-623070, 623110

**Attachments:** [Contract 24-053-11 Item Descriptions](#)

**Approved**

- 22 [24-0513](#) Authority to award Contract 24-083-11, Furnish and Deliver Sump Pumps to Various Locations for a One-Year Period, to Marco Supply Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$27,295.30, Accounts 101-20000-623090, 623270.

**Attachments:** [Contract 24-083-11 Item Descriptions.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 23 [24-0533](#) Authority to award Contract 23-621-11, Rehabilitation of Raw Sewage Pump Rotating Assemblies at Various Locations, Groups A, B, and C, to Pumping Solutions, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$6,173,742.00, Accounts 101-67000/68000/69000-612600, Requisitions 1603670, 1603671, and 1604766

**Attachments:** [Contract 23-621-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report - Groups A,B, and C.pdf](#)

**Approved**

#### Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 24 [24-0493](#) Authority to decrease Contract 21-692-11, Utilization and Transportation of Air Dried Biosolids from LASMA and CALSMA, Groups A and B, to Synagro Central, LLC, in an amount of \$37,718.52, from an amount of \$2,791,299.46, to an amount not to exceed \$2,753,580.94, Accounts 101-68000/69000-612520, Purchase Order 5001805

**Attachments:** [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 5001805](#)

**Approved**

- 25 [24-0498](#) Authority to increase Contract 21-699-12, Services of Heavy Equipment with Operators, to K.L.F. Enterprises, Inc., in an amount of \$358,800.00, from an amount of \$2,602,581.13, to an amount not to exceed \$2,961,381.13, Accounts 101-68000/69000-612520, Purchase Order 5001824

**Attachments:** [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 5001824](#)

**Approved**

- 26 [24-0500](#) Authority to increase Contract 22-644-12, Furnishing and Delivering Liquid Carbon Dioxide to the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant (Re-Bid), to Linde, Inc., in an amount of \$6,462.97, from an amount of \$917,629.76, to an amount not to exceed \$924,092.73, Account 101-69000-623560, Purchase Order 3123204

**Attachments:** [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 3123204](#)

**Approved**

- 27 [24-0520](#) Authority to increase Contract 18-254-3P Chemical Phosphorus Removal Facility, Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, to IHC Construction Companies, LLC in an amount of \$34,937.77, from an amount of \$16,334,179.09, to an amount not to exceed \$16,369,116.86, Account 201-50000-645650, Purchase Order 4000092

**Attachments:** [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 4000092](#)

**Approved**

- 28 [24-0521](#) Authority to increase Contract 19-159-3P, Chemical Addition Backup System, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to IHC Construction Companies LLC in an amount of \$178,940.81, from an amount of \$8,342,382.44, to an amount not to exceed \$8,521,323.25, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 4000085

**Attachments:** [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 4000085.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 29 [24-0522](#) Authority to increase Contract 21-262-3S Calumet 18E Relief Connecting Structure and Sewer Work, CSA, to Rausch Infrastructure, LLC, in an amount of \$222,130.23, from an amount of \$2,886,183.87, to an amount not to exceed \$3,108,314.10, Account 401-50000-645600, Purchase Order No. 4000095 (As Revised)

**Attachments:** [Change Order Log - Purchase Order No. 4000095](#)

**Approved**

- 30 [24-0523](#) Authority to increase Contract 20-613-13 (Re-Bid), Scavenger Services at Various Service Areas, Groups A and B, to Independent Recycling Services, Inc., in an amount of \$80,000.00, from an amount of \$2,557,539.00, to an amount not to exceed \$2,637,539.00, Accounts 101/501-50000/68000/69000-612520, Purchase Order 5001819

**Attachments:** [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 5001819.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 31 [24-0529](#) Authority to increase Contract 21-616-11, Furnish and Deliver Chiller Parts and Services to Various Locations, to Autumn Construction Services, Inc., in an amount of \$117,500.00, from an amount of \$469,997.62 to an amount not to exceed \$587,497.62, Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-612680, 623070 and 623270, Purchase Orders 5001850, 5001851, and 5001852

**Attachments:** [Change Order Log - Purchase Orders 5001850, 5001851, and 5001852](#)

**Approved**

## Engineering Committee

### Report

- 32 [24-0524](#) Report on change orders authorized and time extensions approved by the Director of Engineering during the month of May 2024

**Attachments:** [Attachment 1 CO Report May 2024 5% Contingency.pdf](#)  
[Attachment 2 CO Status Report May 2024.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

## Judiciary Committee

### Report

- 33 [24-0534](#) Report on the Approval of Closed Meeting (“Executive Session”) Minutes  
**Published and Filed**
- 34 [24-0535](#) Report on the Semi-Annual Review of Closed Meeting (“Executive Session”) Minutes  
**Published and Filed**

### Authorization

- 35 [24-0497](#) Authority to settle tax rate objections for the years 2010 through 2014 for an estimated amount of \$1,795,501.00 plus interest  
**Approved**
- 36 [24-0518](#) Authority to settle the Workers’ Compensation Claim of Audrey Richardson vs. MWRDGC, Claim number 18WC28155, Illinois Workers’ Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$15,000.00 Account 901-30000-601090  
**Approved**
- 37 [24-0531](#) Authority to settle the Illinois Workers’ Compensation Claim of James McManamon vs. MWRDGC, Claim Number 23WC022959 in the sum of \$108,704.76, Account 901-30000-601090  
**Approved**

## Labor & Industrial Relations Committee

### Authorization

- 38 [24-0517](#) Authority to extend until August 31, 2024, the terms of the collective bargaining agreements between the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and 1) SEIU Local 1, Firemen and Oilers Division; 2) the Building Trades Coalition; 3) International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 700; 4) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 9 (Electrical Instrumentation and Testing); 5) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 9 (Electrical Operations); 6) International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 9 (Motor Vehicle Dispatcher Group); and 7) International Union of Operating Engineers, Local Union No. 399  
**Approved**

## Maintenance & Operations Committee



**Reports**

- 39 [24-0491](#) Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Director of Maintenance and Operations during the month of May 2024

**Attachments:** [R-98 Report May 2024.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

**Authorization**

- 40 [24-0528](#) Declaration of an emergency affecting public health and safety and ratification of Emergency Contract 24-600-01, Upper Des Plaines 11-H Sewer Repairs and Restoration to Airy's Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$250,000.00, Account 901-66000-667220, Requisition 1620300

**Approved**

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

- 41 [24-0537](#) Authority to issue a 5-year permit to the United States Department of the Interior, U.S. Geological Survey to continue to operate, maintain, and remove a streamflow gauging station and rain gauge on District property located on the north bank of the Calumet Union Drainage Ditch and east of Dixie Highway in Markham, Illinois. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

**Attachments:** [RE - USGS 5-Year Permit Aerial.pdf](#)

**Approved**

**Stormwater Management Committee****Authorization**

- 42 [24-0525](#) Authority to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with and make payment to the Village of Buffalo Grove for the acquisition of flood-prone properties in Buffalo Grove (24-IGA-03), in an amount not to exceed \$2,100,000.00

**Attachments:** [Attachment 1 Flood Prone Properties to be Acquired for 24-IGA-03.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 43 [24-0526](#) Authority to negotiate and execute an amendment to the Sewer Service Agreement with the Village of Bartlett, Illinois to extend the restrictor replacement deadline to July 1, 2025

**Approved**

- 44 [24-0527](#) Authorization for public notification of intent to amend the Watershed Management Ordinance *(As Revised)*

**Attachments:** [Summary of Proposed Amendments 2024 \(2\).pdf](#)

**Approved**

**Approval of the Consent Agenda**

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

**Aye:** 9 - Precious Brady-Davis, Yumeka Brown, Cameron Davis, Patricia Theresa Flynn, Marcelino Garcia, Daniel Pogorzelski, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

**Executive Session**

**A motion was made by Patricia Theresa Flynn, seconded by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, that an executive session be held for the Committee on Labor and Industrial Relations to discuss collective negotiating matters between the District and its employees or their representatives pursuant to section 2(C)(2) of the Open Meeting Act. Motion carried by the following roll call vote: 9:0**

**Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners**

At 12:00 p.m. President Kari K. Steele reconvened the regular board meeting to order

**Miscellaneous and New Business**

**Meeting Summary**

**Speakers**

*None*

**Summary of Requests**

*None*

**Study Session**

*None*

**Announcements**

*None*

**Board Letter Submission Dates**

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for July 11, 2024, 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 21, 2024

Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., June 26, 2024

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Precious Brady-Davis, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, July 11, 2024 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:** 9 - Precious Brady-Davis, Yumeka Brown, Cameron Davis, Patricia Theresa Flynn, Marcelino Garcia, Daniel Pogorzelski, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

**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, 2024, are hereby approved.

**APPROVED:**

/s/ Kari K. Steele

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

June 20, 2024