

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, June 1, 2023

10:30 AM

Board Room

Board of Commissioners

Commissioner Yumeka Brown, Commissioner Cameron Davis, Commissioner 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: 7 - Yumeka Brown; Cameron Davis; Patricia Theresa Flynn; Marcelino Garcia; Daniel Pogorzelski; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; and Kari K. Steele

Absent: 1 - Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Cameron Davis, that the minutes from the last meeting of May 18, 2023 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 Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Yumeka Brown, 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 Item: 24

Item # 24 was deleted by the Executive Director

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 Patricia Theresa Flynn. President Kari K. Steele called for any objections. No objections were voiced. Motion carried.

The Committee of the Whole meeting of June 1, 2023 was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Executive Session

None

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 10:55 a.m. President Kari K. Steele reconvened the regular board meeting to order

Motions, Ordinances and Resolutions

Motion

- 1 [23-0562](#) MOTION to appoint President Kari K. Steele as a Commissioner on the Public Building Commission of Chicago

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Yumeka Brown, that this Motion be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7 - Yumeka Brown, Cameron Davis, Patricia Theresa Flynn, Marcelino Garcia, Daniel Pogorzelski, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 1 - Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda

Resolution

- 2 [23-0550](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing June as Pride Month and honoring Equality Illinois

Adopted

- 3 [23-0556](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing June as a month of celebration of Puerto Rican pride

Adopted

- 4 [23-0560](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing the 150th anniversary of the Chicago Public Library

Adopted

- 5 [23-0561](#) RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners recognizing June as Immigrant Heritage Month and honoring the Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights

Adopted

Finance Committee**Report**

- 6 [23-0554](#) Report on payment of principal and interest for outstanding District bonds due on June 1, 2023

Attachments: [DS 2023-06 att.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Procurement Committee**Report**

- 7 [23-0551](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, May 23, 2023

Published and Filed

- 8 [23-0558](#) Report on rejection of bids for Contract 23-665-12, Landscape Maintenance at Various Service Areas (Re-Bid), estimated cost \$1,338,000.00

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 9 [23-0520](#) Authorization to increase cost estimate for Contract 22-902-21, Influent Gate Demolition at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, from \$739,000.00 to \$1,571,000.00, Account 201-50000-645700, Requisition 1581771

Attachments: [Contract 22-902-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

Authority to Advertise

- 10 [23-0522](#) Authority to advertise Contract 23-049-11, Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Work Gloves to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$56,000.00, Account 101-20000-623700

Attachments: [Contract 23-049-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

- 11 [23-0546](#) Authority to advertise Contract 23-056-11, Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Hardware to Various Locations for a One-Year Period, estimated cost \$101,000.00, Account 101-20000-623110

Approved

- 12 [23-0565](#) Authority to advertise Contract 23-904-21 Furnishing and Delivering Harmonic Filters to the Stickney WRP, estimated cost \$367,450.00, Account 201-50000-645650

Approved

Issue Purchase Order

- 13 [23-0459](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 22-RFP-23 Benefits Consulting Services with Deloitte Consulting LLP in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00, Account 101-25000-612430, Requisition 1591571
(Deferred from the May 18, 2023 Board Meeting)

Attachments: [Contract 22-RFP-23 Affirmative Action Appendix A Report - Deloitte Consulting, LLC](#)

Approved

- 14 [23-0467](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 22-RFP-13 Intranet Development and Platform Support, with WM Reply, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$380,000.00, Account 101-27000-612430, Requisition 1584520 *(Deferred from the May 18, 2023 Board Meeting)*
- Attachments:** [Contract 22-RFP-13 Affirmative Action Appendix A and Appendix V Report - WM Reply, Inc.](#)
- Approved**
- 15 [23-0475](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Princeton University, for greenhouse gas monitoring and quantification at the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago facilities, in an amount not to exceed \$100,414.00, Account 101-16000-612430, Requisition 1598272 *(As Revised)* *(Deferred from the May 18, 2023 Board Meeting)*
- Attachments:** [Affirmative Action Goals Report for Contract for Monitoring and Quantifying Greenhouse Gas Emissions](#)
- Approved**
- 16 [23-0528](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 23-903-11 Furnish and Deliver a Rotavator to LASMA, to Farm Power Implements, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$52,757.00, Account 101-69000-634760, Requisition 1591564
- Attachments:** [Contract 23-903-11 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)
- Approved**
- 17 [23-0530](#) Issue purchase order to General Pump and Machinery, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver Two (2) Pentair Flow Technologies Vertiline Pumps to the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$36,000.00, Account 101-68000-623270, Requisition 1600286
- Approved**
- 18 [23-0531](#) Issue purchase order to Zonatherm Products, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver One (1) New Generac 625kW Emergency Generator to the Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant, under Sourcwell (formerly NJPA) Purchasing Contract No. 092222-GNR, in an amount not to exceed \$300,866.00, Account 101-67000-623070, Requisition 1599945
- Approved**
- 19 [23-0532](#) Issue purchase order to WSG & Solutions, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver a Stainless-Steel Rake Carriage Assembly with all Related Equipment and Components to the Kirie Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$50,497.00, Account 101-67000-623270, Requisition 1600306
- Approved**

- 20 [23-0563](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Seyfarth Shaw LLP to represent the District in MWRDGC v. IBEW, Local 9, Case No. 2023 CH 00322, Circuit Court of Cook County and any related actions in an amount not to exceed \$95,000.00, Account 101-30000-612430, Requisition 1600999

Approved

Award Contract

- 21 [23-0523](#) Authority to award Contract 23-017-11, Furnish and Deliver Electrical Supplies, Wire, and Cable to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Groups A, B, C, D, E, F and H to Helsel-Jepperson Electrical, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$286,616.28, and Group G to J.P. Simons & Co., in an amount not to exceed \$26,347.98. Accounts 101-20000-623070, 623170, 623190, 623250, 623680, 623850.

Attachments: [Contract 23-017-11 Item Descriptions - Groups A, B, C, D, E, F, G AND H](#)

Approved

- 22 [23-0524](#) Authority to award Contract 23-033-11, Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Air Filters to Various Locations for a One-Year Period, Group A to Chicago Filter Supply, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$45,882.42, and Group C to Seherihde LLC in an amount not to exceed \$4,138.27, Account 101-20000-623270.

Attachments: [Contract 23-033-11 Item Descriptions - Group A](#)
[Contract 23-033-11 Item Descriptions - Group B](#)
[Contract 23-033-11 Item Descriptions - Group C](#)
[Contract 23-033-11 Item Descriptions - Group D](#)

Approved

- 23 [23-0525](#) Authority to award Contract 23-070-11 Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Batteries to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, to GOBEECH LLC. in an amount not to exceed \$34,228.18, Accounts 101-20000-623070, 623250

Attachments: [Contract 23-072-11 Item Descriptions](#)

Approved

- 24 [23-0526](#) Authority to award Contract 23-659-11, Agricultural Management, Agricultural Fieldside Mowing, and Fence Installation and Repair in Fulton County, Illinois, Group B, to C&J Mowing and Fencing, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$375,000.00, Accounts 101-69000-612420, Requisition 1576860

Attachments: [Contract 23-659-11 \(Group B\) Revised Appendix D Report - C&J Mowing and Fencing, LLC](#)

Deleted by the Executive Director

- 25 [23-0527](#) Authority to award Contract 23-902-31, Pavement Rehabilitation at the Lawndale Solids Management Area to K-Five Construction Corporation in an amount not to exceed \$7,417,412.60, Account 401-50000-645750, Requisition 1577804

Attachments: [Contract 23-902-31 Revised Appendix D Report- K-Five Construction Corporation](#)

Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 26 [23-0517](#) Authority to increase Contract 15-830-3D Replacement of Tailrace Stop Logs, Headrace Gates, and Equipment at Lockport Powerhouse, Stickney Service Area, to IHC Construction Companies, LLC in an amount of \$22,500.00, from an amount of \$13,759,511.82, to an amount not to exceed \$13,782,011.82, Account 401-50000-645720, Purchase Order 4000070

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 4000070](#)

Approved

- 27 [23-0518](#) Authority to increase Contract 17-131-4FR (Re-Bid), McCook Reservoir Rock Wall Stabilization and Geotechnical Instrumentation, SSA (Re-Bid), to IHC Construction Companies, L.L.C. in an amount of \$5,712,985.00, from an amount of \$14,980,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$20,692,985.00, Account 401-50000-645630, Purchase Order 4000086

Approved

- 28 [23-0519](#) Authority to decrease Contract 20-614-11, Elevator Maintenance at Various Locations, Groups A, B, and C to Parkway Elevators, Inc., in an amount of \$33,012.73, from an amount of \$1,097,366.44, to an amount not to exceed \$1,064,353.71, Accounts 101-67000/68000/69000-612600/612680, Purchase Orders 5001758, 5001759, 5001760

Attachments: [Change Order - Purchase Orders 5001758, 5001759, 5001760](#)

Approved

Judiciary Committee

Report

- 29 [23-0552](#) Report on the Approval of Closed Meeting (“Executive Session”) Minutes

Published and Filed

- 30 [23-0553](#) Report on the Semi-Annual Review of Closed Meeting (“Executive Session”) Minutes

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 31 [23-0515](#) Authorization to amend the settlement and add the bodily injury claims to the Auto Property Damage Claim of Atanas Tamamdjiev, Board Meeting of January 19, 2023, Agenda Item No. 35, File No. 23-0075, in an amount of \$30,000.00 from an amount of \$6,688.47 for a total amount of \$36,688.47, Account 901-30000-667220

Attachments: [File 23-0075.pdf](#)

Approved

- 32 [23-0516](#) Authority to settle the Bodily Injury Claim of Gergana Tamamdjieva, Claim No. A/P 1533, in the sum of \$26,000.00, arising from an October 13, 2022 vehicle accident, Account 901-30000-667220

Approved

Real Estate Development Committee**Authorization**

- 33 [23-0555](#) Authority to enter into a 50-year lease with the Chicago Board of Education for the use of 1.62± acres of District real estate located south of Bryn Mawr Avenue along the west side of the North Shore Channel in Chicago, Illinois, commonly known as North Shore Channel Parcels 9.16 (portion) and 9.17, for academic and physical education purposes, including the development of a new soccer field for Northside College Preparatory High School. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [RE - CBOE Request for 50 yr Lease Aerial.pdf](#)
[RE - CBOE Request for 50 yr Lease Letter of Support.pdf](#)

Approved

Stormwater Management Committee**Authorization**

- 34 [23-0533](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the City of Calumet City for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Green Alleys Project 2 in Calumet City (23-IGA-14), in an amount not to exceed \$602,000.00

Attachments: [23-IGA-14 Calumet City IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 35 [23-0534](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Chicago Ridge for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the East Police Department Permeable Paver Parking Lot Project in Chicago Ridge (23-IGA-15), in an amount not to exceed \$261,000.00

Attachments: [23-IGA-15 Chicago Ridge IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 36 [23-0535](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Town of Cicero for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Green Infrastructure Alley Paving Improvements 2 in Cicero (23-IGA-16), in an amount not to exceed \$365,000.00

Attachments: [23-IGA-16 Cicero IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 37 [23-0536](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Forest Park for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Green Alley Project in Forest Park (23-IGA-17), in an amount not to exceed \$504,000.00

Attachments: [23-IGA-17 Forest Park IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 38 [23-0537](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of La Grange for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Parking Lot 3 Green Infrastructure Retrofit in La Grange (23-IGA-18), in an amount not to exceed \$207,000.00

Attachments: [23-IGA-18 La Grange IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 39 [23-0538](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of La Grange Park for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Green Alley Project in La Grange Park (23-IGA-19), in an amount not to exceed \$291,000.00

Attachments: [23-IGA-19 La Grange Park IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 40 [23-0539](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Maywood for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Green Infrastructure Alley Improvements 2 in Maywood (23-IGA-20), in an amount not to exceed \$672,000.00

Attachments: [23-IGA-20 Maywood IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 41 [23-0540](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Niles for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Milwaukee Avenue Green Alley in Niles (23-IGA-21), in an amount not to exceed \$430,000.00

Attachments: [23-IGA-21 Niles IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 42 [23-0541](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Oak Park for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Green Alleys and Parking Lot 10 Project in Oak Park (23-IGA-22), in an amount not to exceed \$510,000.00

Attachments: [23-IGA-22 Oak Park IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 43 [23-0542](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Riverside for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Commuter Lot 8 Green Parking Lot in Riverside (23-IGA-23), in an amount not to exceed \$266,000.00

Attachments: [23-IGA-23 Riverside IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 44 [23-0543](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Skokie for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Green Alley Program 2 in Skokie (23-IGA-24), in an amount not to exceed \$357,000.00

Attachments: [23-IGA-24 Skokie IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 45 [23-0544](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Westchester for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Green Alley Reconstruction Project 2 in Westchester (23-IGA-25), in an amount not to exceed \$568,000.00

Attachments: [23-IGA-25 Westchester IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 46 [23-0547](#) Authority to negotiate and enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Western Springs for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Springdale Drainage Improvements in Western Springs (23-IGA-29), in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00

Attachments: [Board Report Attachment - Recommended SPP Design Shovel-Ready Projects 2022.pdf](#)
[23-IGA-29 Western Springs IGA Exhibit.pdf](#)

Approved

- 47 [23-0548](#) Authority to negotiate Intergovernmental Agreements to assist various local municipalities with the condition assessment and the rehabilitation of sanitary sewers

Approved

- 48 [23-0549](#) Authority to negotiate an intergovernmental agreement with the Forest Preserve District of Cook County for a multi-benefit Flood Control Project located between the Village of Glenwood and the Village of Ford Heights

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 1 and 24

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

Aye: 7 - Yumeka Brown, Cameron Davis, Patricia Theresa Flynn, Marcelino Garcia, Daniel Pogorzelski, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 1 - Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda

Miscellaneous and New Business

Meeting Summary

Speakers

None

Summary of Requests

Real Estate Development Committee Item #33

1. Cameron Davis requested best effort be made to include a condition that the artificial turf does not contain PFAS chemicals

Study Session

None

Announcements

None

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for June 15, 2023, 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 2, 2023

Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., June 7, 2023

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Patricia Theresa Flynn, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, June 15, 2023 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: 7 - Yumeka Brown, Cameron Davis, Patricia Theresa Flynn, Marcelino Garcia, Daniel Pogorzelski, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 1 - Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda

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 1, 2023, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Kari K. Steele

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

June 1, 2023