

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, December 3, 2020

10:30 AM

Remote Meeting

Board of Commissioners

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

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that the minutes from the last meeting be approved without having to read them into the record. 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

Public Comments

Mike Archey addressed the Board regarding various concerns

Recess and Convene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, to recess and convene as a committee of the whole. 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

Committee of the Whole

Approval of the Committee of the Whole Consent Agenda

President Kari K. Steele called for a motion to accept the agendas for each Standing Committee that was convened. Moved by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Cameron Davis. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

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

The Committee of the Whole meeting of December 3, 2020 was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

Executive Session

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Debra Shore, that an executive session be held for the Committee Judiciary to discuss minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act. 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

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

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

Motions, Ordinances and Resolutions

Finance Committee

Report

- 1 [20-1037](#) Report on payment of principal and interest for outstanding District bonds due on December 1, 2020

Attachments: [DS 2020-12 att.pdf](#)

Published and Filed

Procurement Committee

Report

- 2 [20-1056](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, November 10, 2020

Published and Filed

- 3 [20-1057](#) Report on rejection of bids for Contract 20-425-11, Furnish and Deliver Paper to Various District Locations for a Thirty-Six (36) Month Period, estimated cost \$174,000.00

Published and Filed

- 4 [20-1058](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, November 17, 2020

Published and Filed

- 5 [20-1086](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, November 24, 2020

Published and Filed

- 6 [20-1087](#) Report on rejection of proposals for Contract 19-RFP-34, GASB 87 Accounting Software for a Three-Year Period, estimated cost \$85,000.00 *(As Revised)*

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 7 [20-1045](#) Authorization for payment to WateReuse Association for 2021 membership dues, in an amount not to exceed \$13,450.00, Account 101-15000-612280

Approved

- 8 [20-1060](#) Authorization for payment to American Water Works Association for 2021 membership dues, in an amount not to exceed \$23,010.00, Account 101-15000-612280
- A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Agenda Item be Approved. 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
- 9 [20-1066](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of November 5, 2020, regarding Issue purchase order to CDW Government LLC, to Furnish and Deliver HPE MSA and Servers, in an amount not to exceed \$47,803.36, Account 101-27000-634810,623800, Requisition 1549477, Agenda Item No. 32, File No. 20-0912 *(As Revised)*

Attachments: [Transmittal Letter for Board Meeting of November 5, 2020.pdf](#)

Approved

- 10 [20-1088](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of June 18, 2020, regarding Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 19-RFP-25 Communications Services, with AT&T Corp. in an amount not to exceed \$1,315,496.09, Account 101-27000-612210, Requisitions 1525219, 1543346, 1543347, Agenda Item No. 19, File No. 20-0478 *(As Revised)*

Attachments: [Transmittal Letter for the Board Meeting of June 18, 2020](#)

Approved

Issue Purchase Order

- 11 [20-1049](#) Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with Nu-Recycling Technology, Inc., to Provide a Lease and Maintenance Agreement to Furnish, Install and Maintain Odor Control Systems at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant for a total amount not to exceed \$262,500.00, Account 101-69000-612490, 623560, Requisition 1551515

A motion was made by Kimberly Du Buclet, seconded by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, that this Agenda Item be Approved. 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

- 12 [20-1055](#) Issue purchase order to Early Morning Software, Inc. for EMS PRISM Compliance Software License Renewal and Stage Infrastructure, in an amount not to exceed \$45,442.50, Account 101-27000-612820, Requisition 1552171

Approved

- 13 [20-1069](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with the law firm of Horwood Marcus & Berk Chartered for Request for Proposal 20-RFP-08, Professional Legal Services for Bankruptcy and Collection Matters in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00, Account 101-30000-612430, Requisition 1540474

Approved

- 14 [20-1070](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 20-709-11, Furnishing and Delivering Calcium Nitrate to the Kirie Water Reclamation Plant to Mays Chemical Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$270,000.00, Account 101-66000-623560, Requisition 1531758

Approved

- 15 [20-1071](#) Issue purchase order to GIC 101 Erie LLC, for maintenance and operation of the common areas of the 101/111 East Erie Street Buildings for the period of January 1, 2021 through December 31, 2022, in an amount not to exceed \$150,000.00, Account 101-15000-612390, Requisition 1552764

A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Agenda Item be Approved. 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

- 16 [20-1078](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Accelerated Technology Laboratories, Inc. for Contract 20-RFP-02 Deliver and Implement Laboratory Information Management System, in an amount not to exceed \$603,200.00, Account 101-16000-634820, Requisition 1539731

Attachments: [Contract 20-RFP-02 Affirmative Action Goals Report.pdf](#)

Approved

Award Contract

- 17 [20-1041](#) Authority to award Contract 21-002-11 Furnish and Deliver Cylinder Gases and Bulk Liquid Argon to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Groups A, B, C, and D to American Welding & Gas, Inc., in amounts not to exceed \$58,659.78, Account 101-20000-623840

Attachments: [Contract 21-002-11 Item Descriptions Groups A, B, C, and D.pdf](#)

Approved

- 18 [20-1042](#) Authority to award Contract 21-003-11, Furnish and Deliver Laboratory Disposable Gloves to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, to Fisher Scientific, L.L.C., in an amount not to exceed \$82,273.02, Account 101-20000-623570

Attachments: [Contract 21-003-11 Item Descriptions, Group A.pdf](#)

Approved

- 19 [20-1064](#) Authority to award Contract 21-022-11, Furnish and Deliver Diesel Fuel to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, to J. T. Barrier, LLC., in an amount not to exceed \$296,000.00, Accounts 101-16000, 66000, 67000, 68000, 69000-623820, 501-50000-623820, Requisitions 1545512, 1545541, 1545551, 1545857, 1545875, and 1545878.

Approved

- 20 [20-1074](#) Authority to award Contract 21-021-11, Furnish and Deliver Unleaded Gasoline to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Group A, to Petroleum Traders Corporation, in an amount not to exceed \$235,000.00 and Group B, to Avalon Petroleum Company, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$75,000.00, Accounts 101-16000, 20000, 69000-623820, Requisitions 1544927, 1544928, 1545541 and 1545552.

Attachments: [Contract 21-021-11 Item Descriptions Groups A and B](#)

Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 21 [20-1043](#) Authority to increase Contract 17-842-3H Modifications to TARP Control Structures & Drop Shafts, SSA and CSA to IHC Construction Companies, Inc. in an amount of \$139,075.48, from an amount of \$3,087,669.85, to an amount not to exceed \$3,226,745.33, Account 401-50000-645600, Purchase Order 4000072

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 4000072.pdf](#)

Approved

- 22 [20-1065](#) Authority to increase Contract 18-803-32 (Re-Bid), Gravity Concentration Tank Rehabilitation at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, to Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc., in an amount of \$17,029.00 from an amount of \$2,295,800.00 to an amount not to exceed \$2,312,829.00, Account 401-50000-645650, Purchase Order 5001744

Approved

- 23 [20-1068](#) Authority to increase purchase order and amend the agreement with Donohue and Associates, Inc., for professional engineering services for Contract 14-253-3F, Final Design for a Flood Control Project on Midlothian Creek in Robbins, Illinois in an amount of \$135,343.00, from an amount of \$2,231,744.65, to an amount not to exceed \$2,367,087.65, Account 401-50000-612450, Purchase Order 3094570

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 3094570](#)

A motion was made by Josina Morita, seconded by Cameron Davis, that this Agenda Item be Approved. 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

- 24 [20-1075](#) Authority to increase Contract 14-263-3F, Melvina Ditch Reservoir Improvements, SSA, to F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates LLC in an amount of \$81,050.41, from an amount of \$16,313,134.80, to an amount not to exceed \$16,394,185.21, Account 401-50000-645620, Purchase Order 4000052

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 4000052.PDF](#)

Approved

- 25 [20-1089](#) Authority to increase Contract 18-408-11, Janitorial Services for the Main Office Building Complex for a Thirty-Six (36) Month Period, to Eco-Clean Maintenance, Inc., in an amount of \$4,900.00, from an amount of \$1,839,075.82, to an amount not to exceed \$1,843,975.82, Accounts 101-15000-612370/612390, Purchase Order 5001696

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 5001696.pdf](#)

Approved

Public Health & Welfare Committee

Authorization

- 26 [20-1073](#) Authority to amend the Intergovernmental Agreement with the Cook County Sheriff's Office to continue supporting its Prescription Drug Take-Back Program by extending the IGA for another year and to make payment to the CCSO in an amount not to exceed \$80,000.00, Account 101-15000-612490

Attachments: [IGA 2018 CCSO-MWRD Executed.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Kimberly Du Buclet, that this Agenda Item be Approved. 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

Real Estate Development Committee

Authorization

- 27 [20-1077](#) Authority to pay final just compensation in the amount of \$43,000.00 to acquire permanent and temporary easements on the real estate commonly known as 3700 West Lake Street in Melrose Park, Illinois, to settle the eminent domain lawsuit entitled *The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago v. Chicago Title Land Trust, et al.*, Case No. 19L050535 in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, Account 501-50000-667340, Stormwater Management Fund

Attachments: [RE - MWRD v Chicago Title 3700 W Lake, Parcel 107.pdf](#)

Approved

- 28 [20-1082](#) Authority to pay final just compensation in the amount of \$1,885.93 to acquire a permanent easement on the real estate commonly known as 9940 Roosevelt Road in Westchester, Illinois, through summary judgment in the eminent domain lawsuit entitled *The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago v. Chicago Title Land Trust, et al.*, Case No. 20L050331 in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, Account 501-50000-667340, Stormwater Management Fund

Attachments: [RE - MWRD v Chicago Title, 9940 Roosevelt, Parcel 222 - Aerial.pdf](#)

Approved

- 29 [20-1083](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of June 18, 2020 regarding authority to purchase the mobile home known as 4606 Soffel Avenue 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, Orville Beniques, in an amount of \$38,000.00, and relocation costs in an amount not to exceed \$24,977.00, to reflect that the relocation costs are \$26,577.15, Account 501-50000-656010, Stormwater Management Fund

Approved

- 30 [20-1084](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of July 16, 2020 regarding authority to purchase the mobile home known as 4614 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, Javier Carrera, in an amount of \$30,000.00, and intermittent payment of relocation costs to the tenant, Jose Nolasco, in an amount not to exceed \$14,940.00, to reflect that the relocation costs are \$15,611.75, Account 501-50000-656010, Stormwater Management Fund

Approved

- 31 [20-1085](#) Authority to approve, execute, and make payment to the owners of 1508 North 39th Avenue in Stone Park, Illinois for a permanent easement in connection with the Addison Creek Channel Improvements Project (Contract 11-187-3F). Consideration shall be a one-time fee of \$13,679.01, Account 501-50000-667340, Stormwater Management Fund

Attachments: [RE - Payment to 1508 North 39th Avenue - Bhatti - Parcel 92 - Aerial.pdf](#)

Approved

Stormwater Management Committee

Authorization

- 32** [20-1038](#) Authority to enter into an intergovernmental agreement with and make payment to the City of Des Plaines for the acquisition of flood-prone properties (20-IGA-24), in an amount not to exceed \$10,000,000.00, Account 401-50000-612400, Requisition 1553087

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Agenda Item be Approved. 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

- 33** [20-1079](#) Authority to negotiate Intergovernmental Agreements to assist various local municipalities and other governmental organizations with Green Infrastructure projects.

Attachments: [Attachment - Recommended GI Projects 2020.pdf](#)
[Attachment - GI Projects 2020 Map.pdf](#)

A motion was made by Kimberly Du Buclet, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Agenda Item be Approved. 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

- 34** [20-1080](#) Authority to amend Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Franklin Park and Cook County Land Bank Authority for the acquisition of flood-prone properties in the Village of Franklin Park (16-IGA-13), Account 401-50000-612400, Purchase Order 3103623

Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 8, 11, 15, 23, 26, 32 and 33

A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, to Approve the Consent Agenda. 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

Miscellaneous and New Business

Meeting Summary

Speakers

None

Summary of Requests*Procurement Item #8*

1. Marcelino Garcia requested the number of users

Procurement Item #11

1. Debra Shore requested staff look into the ability to text reports to the public. Additionally, Kimberly Du Buclet requested text message alerts for public notification

Public Health & Welfare Item #26

1. Josina Morita requested a list of which municipalities are participating in the program and which ones are not
2. Josina Morita requested staff continue to look into adding MWRD locations on Google as drug drop-off locations
3. Barbara J. McGowan requested for the last 3 years the location for all boxes, the amount collected from each box, and if we received a response from pharmaceutical companies on picking up some of the cost

Stormwater Management Item #32

1. Cameron Davis requested how the District can continually improve it's buy back and acquisition programs to account for disproportionately impacted areas

Stormwater Management Item #33

1. Marcelino Garcia requested an explanation of why the District's biosolids are not being used for these projects
2. Kimberly Du Buclet requested information on the community outreach that was done
3. Barbara J. McGowan requested participation be included in the board transmittal letters

Miscellaneous & New Business

1. Mariyana T. Spyropoulos requested additional support information be provided to employees

Study Session

None

Announcements

Kari K. Steele announced a Public Hearing will be held at 2 p.m. following today's regular board meeting and the Annual Meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 1:00 p.m.

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for December 17, 2020, 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: December 4, 2020

Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., December 9, 2020

Adjournment

A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, December 17, 2020 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 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Debra Shore, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, 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 December 3, 2020, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Kari K. Steele

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

December 3, 2020