



Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago Meeting Minutes Public Hearing

100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611

*Commissioner Cameron Davis, Commissioner Kimberly Du
Buclet, Chairman of Finance Marcelino Garcia, Vice-President
Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Josina Morita,
Commissioner Eira L. Corral Sepulveda, Commissioner Debra
Shore, Commissioner Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, President
Board of Commissioners Kari K. Steele*

Thursday, May 6, 2021

2:00 PM

Remote Meeting

COMMITTEE ON ENGINEERING

Call Meeting to Order

Roll Call

Present: 7 - Cameron Davis; Kimberly Du Buclet; Barbara J. McGowan; Eira L. Corral
Sepúlveda; Debra Shore; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; and Kari K. Steele
Absent: 2 - Marcelino Garcia; and Josina Morita

Public Comment

None

Clerk to Read Call of the Meeting

21-0374

As a requirement to receive low interest loans from the Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA) Water Pollution Control Loan Fund, public notice is hereby given that the IEPA has required the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRDGC) to hold a public hearing for 20-858-3D Rehabilitation of North Branch Pumping Station and Other Miscellaneous Work, NSA, OSA, SRF Loan No. L175900. The public hearing will afford the public opportunity to provide public comment on environmental impacts of the project.

The Public Hearing will be held on May 6, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. by remote meeting.

The MWRD Board Room and building will remain closed to protect the health and safety of the public and staff, only essential personnel will be allowed entry. The public is encouraged to participate by visiting mwrdd.org to view the proceedings via live stream. Public comment may be made during the Public Comment Period by calling (312) 751-3299. Public comment may also be made by submitting an electronic comment by registering under the eComment link during the live meeting. Electronic comments will not be read during the meeting. Electronic comments will be distributed to the Board and will be posted online.

The North Branch Pumping Station is nearly 100 years old and requires structural rehabilitation in order to properly maintain the facility. The purpose of this project is to replace deteriorated concrete deck, stairs, and railings at the North Branch Pump Station (NBPS), replace flap gates and removable slabs in the Connecting Structure at Drop Shaft DS-91 adjacent to the NBPS, and to rehabilitate the pipe supports and dresser couplings for the discharge headers for Raw Sewage Pumps 1, 2, and 3 at the Kirie Water Reclamation Plant (WRP) pump station. The work at these locations will ensure the North Branch Pump Station, Drop Shaft DS-91, and Kirie WRP remain fully operational. All work will take place entirely on MWRD property.

The North Branch Pumping Station and DS-91 are located at 4860 N. Francisco Avenue, Chicago, IL 60625. The Kirie WRP is located at 701 W Oakton St, Des Plaines, IL 60018.

The public can additionally submit written comments on the proposed project through May 16, 2021. Comments can be sent to Ms. Catherine A. O'Connor, Director of Engineering, MWRDGC, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois 60611 or to Mr. Bill Jankousky, IEPA, Infrastructure Financial Assistance Section, P.O. Box 19276, Springfield, Illinois 62794-9276.

Additional information and access to planning documents can be found at MWRDGC offices at 111 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois. Please contact Mr. Louis Storino at (312) 751-3167, or louis.storino@mwrdd.org, for an appointment.

/s/ Jacqueline Torres

Clerk of the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

Attachments: [Public Hearing Presentation 20-858-3D](#)

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, that this Report be Published and Filed. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 7 - Cameron Davis; Kimberly Du Buclet; Barbara J. McGowan; Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda; Debra Shore; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; Kari K. Steele

Absent: 2 - Marcelino Garcia; Josina Morita

Open Discussion

Louis Storino, Principal Civil Engineer, provided the Board with a presentation on the environmental impacts of Project 20-858-3D Rehabilitation of North Branch Pumping Station, NSA & Modification of Pipe Supports, KWRP

Adjournment

A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, that this Public Hearing 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; Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda; Debra Shore; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; Kari K. Steele

Absent: 2 - Marcelino Garcia; Josina Morita

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 May 6, 2021, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Kari K. Steele

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

May 6, 2021