

# **Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago**

100 East Erie Street  
Chicago, IL 60611



## **Regular Board Meeting Minutes**

**Thursday, January 20, 2022**

**10:30 AM**

**Remote Meeting**

### **Board of Commissioners**

*Commissioner Cameron Davis, Commissioner Kimberly Du Buclet, Chairman of Finance Marcelino Garcia, Vice-President Barbara J. McGowan, Commissioner Josina Morita, Commissioner Chakena D. Perry, 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 10:35 a.m.

## Roll Call

**Present:** 9 - Cameron Davis; Kimberly Du Buclet; Marcelino Garcia; Barbara J. McGowan; Josina Morita; Chakena D. Perry; 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 Marcelino Garcia, 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:** 9- Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Cameron Davis, to correct the minutes from the from the November 4, 2021 Regular Board Meeting for a scrivener's error in file ID #21-1014. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

**Aye:** 9- Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

## Public Comments

*Kenneth Davis, Dr. Melanie Carnie, Patrick Coleman and Carolyn Grisko, addressed the Board regarding MWRD employee Carl Malinowski*

*Ben Helphand, Neighborspace, addressed the Board regarding agenda item #40*

## Recess and Convene as Committee of the Whole

A motion was made by Cameron Davis, seconded by Marcelino Garcia, to recess and convene as a committee of the whole. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

**Aye:** 9- Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

## Committee of the Whole

Approval of the Committee of the Whole Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 26

Item #26 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 Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 9- Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

The Committee of the Whole meeting of January 20, 2022 was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

## Executive Session

*None*

## Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 11:30 a.m. President Kari K. Steele reconvened the regular board meeting to order

## Motions, Ordinances and Resolutions

### Memorial Resolution

- 1     [22-0039](#)     MEMORIAL RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners celebrating the life of Frank M. Zuccarelli
- Adopted**

### Resolution

- 2     [22-0050](#)     RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners acknowledging the 130th anniversary of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers
- A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Barbara J. McGowan, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**
- Aye:** 9 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele
- 3     [22-0061](#)     RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners celebrating the legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.
- Adopted**

**Finance Committee****Report**

- 4    [22-0037](#)    Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of December 2021, in the amount of \$27,312,162.44

**Attachments:**    [December 2021 Cash Disbursements Summary](#)

**Published and Filed**

- 5    [22-0064](#)    Report on investments purchased during October 2021

**Attachments:**    [Inv Purch 2021-10 att.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

- 6    [22-0065](#)    Report on investments purchased during November 2021

**Attachments:**    [Inv Purch 2021-11 att.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

- 7    [22-0066](#)    Report on the investment interest income during October 2021

**Attachments:**    [Inv Int Inc 2021-10 att.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

- 8    [22-0068](#)    Report on the investment interest income during November 2021

**Attachments:**    [Inv Int Inc 2021-11 att.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

- 9    [22-0069](#)    Report to the Board of Commissioners on payment of restricted interest earnings in the amount of \$31,342.08 for the 2021 calendar year, pursuant to the terms of a Project Partnership Agreement with the United States Army Corps of Engineers approved by the Board on January 24, 2019

**Published and Filed**

**Authorization**

- 10    [22-0070](#)    Authority to Transfer up to \$6,700,000.00 from the Construction Working Cash Fund to Finance Construction Fund Operations of the District in the Year 2022, Pursuant to the Provisions of 70 ILCS 2605/9c

**Approved**

- 11 [22-0071](#) Authority to Transfer up to \$310,200,000.00 from the Corporate Working Cash Fund to Finance Corporate Fund Operations of the District in the Year 2022, Pursuant to the Provisions of 70 ILCS 2605/9b  
**Approved**
- 12 [22-0072](#) Authority to Transfer up to \$55,000,000.00 from the Stormwater Management Working Cash Fund to Finance Stormwater Management Fund Operations of the District in the Year 2022, Pursuant to the Provisions of 70 ILCS 2605/9e  
**Approved**
- 13 [22-0082](#) Authority to Transfer \$5,000,000.00 from the Corporate Fund to the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District Retiree Health Care Trust (101-25000-601250)  
**Approved**

## Procurement Committee

### Report

- 14 [22-0063](#) Report on rejection of bids for Contract 21-988-11, Specialty Railroad Grade Crossing Signal System Services in the Stickney Service Area, estimated cost \$243,000.00  
**Published and Filed**
- 15 [22-0076](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, January 11, 2022  
**Published and Filed**

### Authorization

- 16 [22-0026](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of September 2, 2021, regarding issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Hach Company for preventive maintenance and consumable supplies for flow injection analyzers and a spectrophotometer, in an amount not to exceed \$12,163.00, Accounts 101-16000-612970, 623570, Requisition 1567066, Agenda Item No. 21, File No. 21-0741

**Attachments:** [Transmittal Letter for Board Meeting of September 2, 2021 - Hach Company](#)

- Approved**
- 17 [22-0048](#) Authorization to rescind Contract 20-RFP-11 Master Agreement for Professional Development Courses For A Three-Year Period, Group G to Occupational Training & Supply, Inc., Account 101-25000-601100, Agenda Item No. 18, File No. 21-0509  
**Approved**

**Issue Purchase Order**

- 18    [22-0041](#)    Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with enfoTech & Consulting, Inc. for iPacs Software Maintenance Support Services, in an amount not to exceed \$601,440.00, Account 101-27000-612820, Requisition 1572587

**Approved**

- 19    [22-0042](#)    Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 21-RFP-07, Enhancements to the District's New Website with Interpersonal Frequency LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$300,000.00, Account 101-27000-612430, Requisition 1557866

**Attachments:**    [Contract 21-RFP-07 Affirmative Action Appendix A Report - Interpersonal Frequency, LLC](#)  
[Contract 21-RFP-07- Appendix A Report - Interpersonal Frequency LLC](#)

**Approved**

- 20    [22-0044](#)    Issue purchase order to CDW Government LLC, for Mimecast Advanced Threat Security Support, in an amount not to exceed \$102,461.00, Account 101-27000-612820, Requisition 1573333

**Approved**

- 21    [22-0073](#)    Issue purchase order to Xylem Water Solutions USA, Inc., to Furnish and Deliver two Flygt pumps and control panels to the Egan Water Reclamation Plant, in a total amount not to exceed \$50,640.16, Account 101-67000-634650, Requisition 1572783

**Approved**

**Award Contract**

- 22    [22-0062](#)    Authority to award Contract 22-063-12, Furnish and Deliver V-Belts, Conveyor Belts, and Bearings (Re-Bid) to Various Locations for a One-Year Period, Groups A and C to Accent Bearings Co, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$29,936.33; and Group B to Belcon Regis Group, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$35,750.00, Account 101-20000-623270

**Attachments:**    [Contract 22-063-12 Item Descriptions - Groups A, B and C.pdf](#)

**Approved**

**Increase Purchase Order/Change Order**

- 23    [22-0038](#)    Authority to increase Contract 21-901-21, Rehabilitate One Electric Motor at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant to Louis Allis, LLC, in an amount of \$131,295.24 from an amount of \$304,630.00 to an amount not to exceed \$435,925.24, Account 201-50000-645750, Purchase Order 5001827

**Approved**

- 24 [22-0043](#) Authority to increase purchase order and amend agreement with SimplexGrinnell L.P., aka Johnson Controls Fire Protection L.P., to Provide Maintenance and Repair Services for Fire Alarm Systems at the Stickney, Kirie, Hanover Park, O'Brien, and Egan Water Reclamation Plants, in an amount of \$20,096.68 from an amount of \$796,325.89 to an amount not to exceed \$816,422.57 Accounts 101-67000/69000-612780, Purchase Orders 3092013 and 3092014

**Attachments:** [Change Order Log - Purchase Orders 3092013 3092014.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Marcelino Garcia, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

## Engineering Committee

### Report

- 25 [22-0055](#) Report on change orders authorized and time extensions approved by the Director of Engineering during the month of December 2021

**Attachments:** [Attachment 1 CO Report December 2021 5% Contingency.pdf](#)  
[Attachment 2 CO Status Report December 2021.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

## Judiciary Committee

### Report

- 26 [22-0081](#) Report on the Settlement of Workers' Compensation Claims and Miscellaneous Claims under \$10,000.00

**Deleted by the Executive Director**

### Authorization

- 27 [22-0032](#) Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Henry Lloyd vs. MWRDGC, Claim number 19WC027518, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$27,945.45, Account 901-30000-601090

**Approved**

## Labor & Industrial Relations Committee

### Authorization

- 28 [22-0074](#) Authority to Approve the Agreement Between the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and the International Union of Operating Engineers, Local 399 (AFL-CIO)
- Attachments:** [Local 399 Agreement 2021-2024 FINAL.pdf](#)
- Approved**
- 29 [22-0075](#) Authority to Approve the Agreement Between the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and SEIU Local 1, Firemen and Oilers Division
- Attachments:** [SEIU Local 1 Agreement 2021-2024 FINAL.pdf](#)
- Approved**
- 30 [22-0077](#) Authority to Approve the Agreement between the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 9, Electrical Instrumentation and Testing (AFL-CIO)
- Attachments:** [Local 9 EITM Agreement 2021-2024 FINAL.pdf](#)
- Approved**
- 31 [22-0078](#) Authority to Approve the Agreement Between the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 9, Electrical Operations (AFL-CIO)
- Attachments:** [Local 9 Electrical Operations Agreement 2021-2024 FINAL.pdf](#)
- Approved**
- 32 [22-0079](#) Authority to Approve the Agreement Between the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago and the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, Local Union No. 9, Motor Vehicle Dispatcher Group (AFL-CIO)
- Attachments:** [Local 9 Motor Vehicle Dispatcher Group Agreement 2021-2024 FINAL.pdf](#)
- Approved**

## Maintenance & Operations Committee

### Reports

- 33 [22-0054](#) Report on change orders authorized and approved by the Director of Maintenance and Operations during the month of December 2021
- Attachments:** [R-98 Report December 2021.pdf](#)
- Published and Filed**



**Pension, Human Resources & Civil Service Committee****Report**

- 34 [22-0083](#) 2021 Annual Report of the Civil Service Board

**Attachments:** [CSB Annual Report 2021 Final 011221.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

**Authorization**

- 35 [22-0045](#) Authority to amend health insurance benefits for non-represented employees to include a health reimbursement arrangement effective January 1, 2022

**Approved**

- 36 [22-0046](#) Authority to amend health insurance benefits for non-represented employees and non-Medicare eligible retirees effective April 1, 2022

**Approved**

- 37 [22-0047](#) Authority to amend life insurance benefits for non-represented employees effective August 1, 2022

**Approved**

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

- 38 [22-0030](#) Authority to grant to the Village of Crestwood a 25-year non-exclusive easement to continue to construct, reconstruct, operate, maintain, repair, and remove a storm sewer located at Central Avenue and the Calumet-Sag Channel in the Village of Crestwood, Illinois, on Cal-Sag Channel Parcels 10.03 and 11.03. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

**Attachments:** [RE - Easement to Crestwood CSC 10.03 and 11.03 - Aerial.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 39 [22-0031](#) Authority to settle the eminent domain lawsuit entitled *The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago v. RIPA, LLC, et al.*, Case No. 20L050195 in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, for final just compensation in the amount of \$210,000.00

**Attachments:** [RE - MWRD v RIPA 2- Parcel 272-273 - Aerial.pdf](#)

**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:** 9 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

- 40**   [22-0034](#)   Authority to issue a five (5) year permit extension to Neighborspace to continue to use approximately 9,522 sq. ft. of District real estate located at 4741 Manor Avenue in Chicago, Illinois, commonly known as LaPointe Park for passive recreation, planting, and maintaining family allotment gardens. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

**Attachments:**   [RE - Neighborspace Permit - LaPointe Park - Aerial.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Kimberly Du Buclet, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

- 41**   [22-0051](#)   Authority to issue a 5-year permit to the City of Des Plaines to continue to maintain a “Des Plaines” gateway sign located at the southeast corner of Oakton Street and Elmhurst Road on the site of the District’s James C. Kirie Water Reclamation Plant, in Des Plaines, Illinois. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

**Attachments:**   [RE - Permit to DesPlaines at Kirie - Aerial.pdf](#)

**Approved**

- 42**   [22-0053](#)   Authority to settle the eminent domain lawsuit entitled *The Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago v. 3000 St. Charles Road, LLC, et al.*, Case No. 20L050013 in the Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, for final just compensation in the amount of \$326,250.00

**Attachments:**   [RE - MWRD v 3000 St. Charles Road - Addison Creek Parcel 141 - Aerial.pdf](#)

**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:** 9 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

## Stormwater Management Committee

### Report

- 43 [22-0060](#) Report on Green Infrastructure, Detention, and Compensatory Storage Volumes Required by the Watershed Management Ordinance

**Attachments:** [Quarterly Reporting 2021 Q4.pdf](#)

**Published and Filed**

#### Authorization

- 44 [22-0056](#) Authority to amend the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Chicago for the construction, operation, and maintenance of an Eco Orchard in the Garfield Park area of Chicago (18-IGA-05)

**Approved**

- 45 [22-0057](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Calumet Park for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the South Throop Flood Relief Project, CSA (20-IGA-32) in an amount not to exceed \$750,000.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Requisition 1573124

**Attachments:** [Proposed Plan S.Throop Exhibit 082522.pdf](#)

**Approved**

#### Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Items: 26

**A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Cameron Davis, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

- 46 [22-0058](#) Authority to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement with and make payment to the Village of Lansing for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of the Flanagan Subdivision: North Creek Flood Relief Project in Lansing, CSA (20-IGA-37) in an amount not to exceed \$1,600,000.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Requisition 1573583

**Attachments:** [8 - Lansing 2020 MWRD SW App - Prop Culvert Replacement Dwg.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Marcelino Garcia, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:** 9 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

- 47    [22-0059](#)    Authority to negotiate a tri-party intergovernmental agreement with Northfield Township and Maine Township for the design, construction, operation, and maintenance of Contract 14-065-5F, Flood Control Project on Central Road from the Des Plaines River to Glenwood Lane, NSA

Attachments:    [09-19-2013 Board Letter Attachment - Conceptual Projects List.pdf](#)

**A motion was made by Barbara J. McGowan, seconded by Marcelino Garcia, that this Agenda Item be Approved. The motion carried by the following roll call vote:**

**Aye:**    9 -    Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

## Miscellaneous and New Business

### Meeting Summary

#### Speakers

*None*

#### Summary of Requests

*President Kari K. Steele requested the status of Carl Malinowski's case be provided to the Board of Commissioners and Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda requested previous memos on the case be provided*

*Stormwater Management Committee Item #46*

*1. Barbara J. McGowan requested the dollar amount municipalities contribute be included in the board transmittal letters*

*Stormwater Management Committee Item #47*

*1. Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda requested information on collaborating municipalities*

#### Study Session

*None*

#### Announcements

*None*

#### Board Letter Submission Dates

**The next regular board meeting is scheduled for February 3, 2022, 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: January 21, 2022**

**Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., January 26, 2022**

**Adjournment**

A motion was made by Cameron Davis, seconded by Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, February 3, 2022 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 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, 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 January 20, 2022, are hereby approved.

**APPROVED:**

/s/ Kari K. Steele

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

January 20, 2022