

Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

100 East Erie Street
Chicago, IL 60611



Regular Board Meeting Minutes

Thursday, August 11, 2022

10:30 AM

Board Room

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 10:40 a.m.

Roll Call

Present: 6 - Marcelino Garcia; Barbara J. McGowan; Josina Morita; Chakena D. Perry; Mariyana T. Spyropoulos; and Kari K. Steele

Absent: 3 - Cameron Davis; Kimberly Du Buclet; and Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda

Approval of Previous Board Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, that the minutes from the last meeting of July 14, 2022 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 Marcelino Garcia, 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

President Kari K. Steele called for a motion to accept the agendas for each Standing Committee that was convened. Moved by Marcelino Garcia, seconded by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos. President Kari K. Steele called for any objections. No objections were voiced. Motion carried.

The Committee of the Whole meeting of August 11, 2022 was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

Recess and Reconvene as Board of Commissioners

At 10:51 a.m. President Kari K. Steele reconvened the regular board meeting to order

Motions, Ordinances and Resolutions

Memorial Resolution

- 1 [22-0670](#) MEMORIAL RESOLUTION sponsored by the Board of Commissioners celebrating the life of Edilberto C. Ramos

Adopted

Finance Committee

Report

- 2 [22-0668](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of June 2022, in the amount of \$25,355,371.78

Attachments: [June 2022 Cash Disbursements Summary](#)

Published and Filed

- 3 [22-0723](#) Report on Cash Disbursements for the Month of July 2022, in the amount of \$25,818,311.08

Attachments: [July 2022 Cash Disbursements Summary](#)

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 4 [22-0717](#)

Authority to Approve Travel Expenses for Members of the Board of Commissioners and the Executive Director in the estimated amount of \$3,034.36, Accounts 101-11000-612010, 101-11000-612030, 101-15000-612010, and 101-15000-612030

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

Aye: 6 - Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 3 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda

Procurement Committee

Report

- 5 [22-0663](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, July 12, 2022

Published and Filed

- 6 [22-0665](#) Report on rejection of bids for Contract 21-RFP-18R, Market Research and Analysis, estimated cost \$125,000.00

Published and Filed

- 7 [22-0692](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, July 19, 2022

Published and Filed

- 8 [22-0693](#) Report of bid opening of Tuesday, July 26, 2022

Published and Filed

Authorization

- 9 [22-0625](#) Authorization to make payment to Current Innovation, NFP (*Current*) for the 2022 annual membership dues, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000.00, Account 101-15000-612280 (*Deferred from the July 14, 2022 Board Meeting*)

Approved

- 10 [22-0678](#) Authorization to amend Board Order of June 2, 2022, for Authority to advertise Contract 23-646-51, Small Streams Maintenance in Cook County, Illinois, estimated cost \$5,200,000.00, Account 501-50000-612620, Requisition 1580501, Agenda Item No. 10, File No. 22-0509

Attachments: [Transmittal Letter for Board Meeting of June 2, 2022 - Agenda Item No. 10, File No. 22-0509](#)

Approved

- 11 [22-0724](#) Authorization to increase cost estimate for Contract 16-127-3DR A/B and C/D Service Tunnel Rehabilitation - Phase Three, Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, estimated cost between \$23,845,000.00 and \$28,865,000.00, Account 401-50000-645750, Requisition 1567540

Attachments: [16-127-3DR Project Fact Data.pdf](#)
[16-127-3DR Affirmative Action Memo 98% Review.pdf](#)

Approved

Authority to Advertise

- 12 [22-0655](#) Authority to advertise Contract 22-009-11 Furnish and Deliver Cloths, Paper Towels & Toilet Tissue to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$81,000.00, Account 101-20000-623660

Approved

- 13 [22-0656](#) Authority to advertise Contract 22-029-11 Furnish and Deliver Safety Apparel, Safety Equipment and Welding Apparel to Various Locations for a One-Year Period, estimated cost \$111,000.00, Account 101-20000-623680, 623570, 623700, 623780

Approved

- 14 [22-0673](#) Authority to advertise Contract 11-187-3F Addison Creek Channel Improvements, SSA, estimated cost between \$57,133,000.00 and \$69,161,000.00, Accounts 401-50000-645620 and 501-50000-645620, Requisition 1583426

Attachments: [Contract 11-187-3F Fact Sheet.](#)
[Contract 11-187-3F Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

- 15 [22-0677](#) Authority to advertise Contract 22-055-11 Furnish and Deliver Pipe Covering and Insulation to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, estimated cost \$51,000.00, Account 101-20000-623170

Approved

- 16 [22-0682](#) Authority to advertise Contract 22-RFP-13 Intranet Development and Platform Support, estimated cost \$380,000.00, Account 101-27000-612430, Requisition 1584520

Attachments: [Contract 22-RFP-13 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

- 17 [22-0685](#) Authority to advertise Contract 22-030-11 Furnish and Deliver Miscellaneous Lubricants to Various Locations for a One-Year Period, estimated cost \$281,000.00, Account 101-20000-623860

Approved

- 18 [22-0697](#) Authority to advertise Contract 23-673-11, Heavy Equipment Maintenance at Various Locations, estimated cost \$699,000.00, Accounts 101-68000/69000-612760, Requisitions 1582069 and 1580713

Attachments: [Contract 23-673-11 \(Group A\) Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

Issue Purchase Order

- 19 [22-0659](#) Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with Schneider Electric Systems USA, Inc., to provide parts and services for the Edelweiss CDS Automation and Network Retrofit at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$44,999.00, Account 101-68000-612600, Requisition 1578491

Approved

- 20 [22-0660](#) Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with Schneider Electric Systems USA, Inc., to provide services for a Secure Upgrade to the DCS at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$441,546.00, Account 101-68000-612650, Requisition 1578711

Approved

- 21 [22-0662](#) Issue purchase orders for Contract 22-604-11, Furnish and Deliver HVAC Coils to Various Locations, to Affiliated Steam Equipment Co. d/b/a Affiliated Steam & Hot Water, in an amount not to exceed \$192,516.20, Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-623270, Requisitions 1580046, 1580047, 1580048

Approved

- 22 [22-0666](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Sirius Automation Group Inc. for preventive maintenance and repair of a Sirius automated weighing robotic system, in an amount not to exceed \$11,840.00, Account 101-16000-612970, Requisition 1583718

Approved

- 23 [22-0671](#) Issue a purchase order and enter into an agreement with Schneider Electric Systems USA, Inc., to provide services for the Modernization of Outlying Control Stations at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$288,400.00, Account 101-68000-612600, Requisition 1578791

Approved

- 24 [22-0674](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Biotage, LLC to furnish, deliver, and install a Biotage Horizon oil and grease extractor and peripheral equipment in an amount not to exceed \$44,904.00, Account 101-16000-634970, Requisition 1582510

Approved

- 25 [22-0675](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 22-RFP-05 Survey and Focus Group Consulting Services with Millan Chicago, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$42,000.00, Account 101-25000-612430, Requisition 1577815

Attachments: [Contract 22-RFP-05 Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

- 26 [22-0684](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 22-934-11, Furnishing and Delivering Magnesium Chloride, to Scotwood Industries, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$818,000.00, Account 101-69000-623560, Requisition 1580049

Approved

- 27 [22-0689](#) Issue purchase order to CDW Government LLC, for KnowBe4 online security awareness and tracking software, in an amount not to exceed \$35,297.64, Account 101-27000-612820, Requisition 1585024
- Approved**
- 28 [22-0690](#) Issue purchase order for Contract 22-087-11, Furnish and Deliver an Articulated Forklift to the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant, to Atlas Toyota Material Handling, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$89,500.00, Account 101-20000-634760, Requisition 1579735
- Approved**
- 29 [22-0691](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement with Compressor Controls LLC, to Furnish, Deliver, and Commission Dual Loop Controllers for the Aeration Blowers at the Calumet Water Reclamation Plant, in an amount not to exceed \$216,668.00, Accounts 101-68000-612650, 623070, Requisition 1582226.
- Approved**
- 30 [22-0714](#) Issue purchase order and enter into an agreement for Contract 21-RFP-19 Employee Training Program on Workplace Behaviors, Harassment Prevention, and Diversity Awareness with HR Solutions & Services, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$383,325.00, Account 101-25000-601100, Requisition 1569378 (As Revised)

Attachments: [Contract 21-RFP-19 Appendix A Goals Report - HR Solutions & Services, LLC](#)
[Contract 21-RFP-19 Appendix A Report - HR Solution & Services, LLC](#)

Approved

Award Contract

- 31 [22-0657](#) Authority to award Contract 18-254-3P, Chemical Phosphorus Removal Facility, Calumet Water Reclamation Plant to IHC Construction Companies, LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$15,577,000.00, plus a five (5) percent allowance for change orders in an amount of \$778,850.00, for a total amount not to exceed \$16,355,850.00, Account 201-50000-645650, Requisition 1579842

Attachments: [Contract 18-254-3P Revised Appendix D and Appendix V - IHC Construction Companies LLC](#)
[Contract 18-254-3P Affirmative Action Goals Report](#)

Approved

- 32 [22-0658](#) Authority to award Contract 22-107-21, Installation of a New Air Diffuser System in the North Aeration Basin and Associated Work at the Egan Water Reclamation Plant (EWRP) to Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$2,390,000.00, Account 201-50000-645650, Requisition 1578162

Attachments: [Contract 22-107-21 Affirmative Action Revised Appendix D Goals Report - Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc..pdf](#)
[Contract 22-107-21 Revised Appendix D and Appendix V Report - Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc..pdf](#)

Approved

- 33 [22-0687](#) Authority to award Contract 22-611-11, Repair and Alterations to Various Water Reclamation Facilities, Groups A, B, and C to Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$12,295,400.00, Accounts 101-67000, 68000, 69000-612600, 612650, Requisitions 1578486, 1578583, and 1578673

Attachments: [Contract 22-611-11 Revised Appendix D Goals Report \(Group A\) - Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc..pdf](#)
[Contract 22-611-11 Revised Appendix D \(Group A\) - Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc..pdf](#)
[Contract 22-611-11 Appendix V \(Group A\) - Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc..pdf](#)
[Contract 22-611-11 Revised Appendix D Goals Report \(Group B\) - Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc..pdf](#)
[Contract 22-611-11 Revised Appendix D \(Group B\) - Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc..pdf](#)
[Contract 22-611-11 Appendix V \(Group B\) - Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc..pdf](#)
[Contract 22-611-11 Revised Appendix D Goals Report \(Group C\) - Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc..pdf](#)
[Contract 22-611-11 Revised Appendix D \(Group C\) - Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc..pdf](#)
[Contract 22-611-11 Appendix V \(Group C\) - Independent Mechanical Industries, Inc..pdf](#)

Approved

- 34 [22-0688](#) Authority to award Contract 22-025-11, Furnish and Deliver Plumbing Pipe, Fittings and Valves to Various Locations for a One-Year Period, Groups A, C, D, E, G, H, and I to Marco Supply Company, Inc., d.b.a. Johnson Pipe & Supply Company, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$443,100.42, and Groups B, F, and J to Columbia Pipe & Supply LLC, in an amount not to exceed \$29,509.76, Account 101-20000-623090, 623170, 623270, and 623570

Attachments: [Contract 22-025-11 Item Descriptions - Groups A through H.pdf](#)

Approved

- 35 [22-0710](#) Authority to award Contract 22-053-11, Furnish and Deliver Lamps and Emergency Lighting to Various Locations for a One (1) Year Period, Group A to Neher Electric Supply, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$15,814.26 and Group B, to Rapid Equipment Service, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$12,820.00, Account 101-20000-623070

Attachments: [Contract 22-053-11 Item Descriptions - Groups A and B.pdf](#)

Approved

Increase Purchase Order/Change Order

- 36 [22-0680](#) Authority to decrease Contract 16-079-3D Rehabilitation of North Branch Pumping Station, NSA, to Path Construction Company, Inc. in an amount of \$2,379,660.58, from an amount of \$5,429,546.74, to an amount not to exceed \$3,049,886.16, Account 401-50000-645780, Purchase Order 4000060

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 4000060](#)

Approved

- 37 [22-0681](#) Authority to increase Contract 15-266-4H5 Decommissioning of the Thornton Transitional Reservoir, Calumet Service Area, to IHC Construction Companies, LLC in an amount of \$592,041.38, from an amount of \$24,707,285.49, to an amount not to exceed \$25,299,326.87, Account 401-50000-645620, Purchase Order 4000082

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 4000082](#)

Approved

- 38 [22-0686](#) Authority to increase purchase order and amend the agreement with Accurate Employment Screening, LLC formally known as CareerBuilder Employment Screening, LLC for Contract 19-RFP-02 Pre-employment Background Checks and Related Services, in an amount of \$6,000.00, from an amount of \$20,789.95, to an amount not to exceed \$26,789.95, 101-25000-612430, Purchase Order 3107192

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 3107192](#)

Approved

- 39 [22-0694](#) Authority to increase and extend the agreement with TierPoint, LLC, for Contract 17-483-12, Provide Co-Location Services for District Infrastructure, in an amount of \$35,500.00, from an amount of \$264,446.66, to an amount not to exceed \$299,946.66, Account 101-27000-612330, Purchase Order 3105936

Attachments: [Change Order Log - Purchase Order 3105936](#)

Approved

Budget & Employment Committee

Authorization

- 40 [22-0725](#) Authority to transfer 2022 departmental appropriations in the amount of \$999,000.00 in the Corporate Fund

Attachments: [08.11.22 Board Transfer BF5 #1](#)
[08.11.22 Board Transfer BF5 #2](#)

Approved

Engineering Committee

Authorization

- 41 [22-0700](#) Authority to negotiate and execute an amendment to the Sewerage Service Agreement with Deer Park, Illinois

Approved

Industrial Waste & Water Pollution Committee

Authorization

- 42 [22-0711](#) Authority for hearing officer to conduct a hearing on the Board's behalf on the petition of City Colleges of Chicago Community District No. 508 appealing the written determination of the Director of the Monitoring and Research Department classifying its colleges as Tax-Exempt Users under the District's User Charge Ordinance - Appeal No. 22B-004

Attachments: [IND WST - UC Appeal - City Colleges of Chicago](#)

Approved

Judiciary Committee

Authorization

- 43 [22-0654](#) Authority to settle the Illinois Workers' Compensation Claim of Thomas Benigno vs. MWRDGC, Claim Number W003405412 in the sum of \$50,603.93, Account 901-30000-601090

Approved

- 44 [22-0664](#) Authority to settle the Illinois Workers' Compensation Claim of Brian Kalata vs. MWRDGC, Claim Number W002753155 in the sum of \$54,936.23, Account 901-30000-601090

Approved

- 45 [22-0709](#) Authority to settle the Illinois Workers' Compensation Claim of Phillip Stefanich vs. MWRDGC, Claim Number W003184142 in the sum of \$16,562.87, Account 901-30000-601090
- Approved**

Real Estate Development Committee

Authorization

- 46 [22-0672](#) Authority to grant to the City of Des Plaines a five (5) year confined space entry permit to continue to periodically access meter vaults located at the James C. Kirie Water Reclamation Plant, located at 701 W. Oakton Street, in Des Plaines, Illinois, to read, inspect, maintain or repair Des Plaines-owned water meters. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [RE - City of Des Plaines confined space entry - Aerial.pdf](#)

Approved

- 47 [22-0713](#) Authority to enter into a 10-year lease with the Hanover Park Park District on approximately 3 acres of District real estate located north of the Hanover Park Water Reclamation Plant at the intersection of Irving Park Road and Longmeadow Lane in Hanover Park, Illinois; Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [RE - Hanover Park Park District - Aerial.pdf](#)

Approved

- 48 [22-0719](#) Authority to: (1) grant a 25-year, 0.52±-acre, non-exclusive, subterranean easement to Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC to operate, repair, maintain, replace and remove a 30" diameter pipeline segment through Main Channel Parcel 32.05 in Hodgkins, Illinois, beneath the Des Plaines River, and through Main Channel Parcel 32.06 in Bedford Park, Illinois and (2) issue a one-year staging permit to Natural Gas Pipeline Company of America LLC for the installation of a 30" diameter natural gas pipeline segment and the decommission of an existing pipeline segment on approximately 2.28 acres of District Main Channel Parcel 32.06 in Bedford Park, Illinois. Consideration shall be an initial annual fee of \$5,000.00 for the easement and a one-time fee of \$5,000.00 for the permit

Attachments: [RE - NGPL Permit and Easement MCP 32.05 and 32.06 Aerial.pdf](#)

Approved

- 49 [22-0721](#) Authority to issue a 4-year confined space entry permit to the City of Chicago Department of Public Health to access the District's Intercepting Sewer Systems in Chicago, Illinois to install, maintain, monitor and remove sampling devices to collect wastewater samples as part of its wastewater surveillance project for pathogens of public health concern. Consideration shall be a nominal fee of \$10.00

Attachments: [RE - City of Chicago DPH Confined Space Permit - Aerial](#)

Approved

Stormwater Management Committee

Authorization

- 50 [22-0701](#) 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, 2024
- Approved
- 51 [22-0718](#) Authority to amend the Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Burbank for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the City Hall Parking Lot Paving Improvement in Burbank, SSA (21-IGA-03) and increase the purchase order in an amount of \$99,000.00, from an amount of \$122,000.00, to an amount not to exceed \$221,000.00, Account 501-50000-612400, Purchase Order 3115720
- Approved
- 52 [22-0722](#) Issue purchase order to HP Inc. for the purchase of new and replacement computer hardware and replacement toner, in an amount of \$470,000.00. Account 101-27000-623810, Requisition 1585605
- Approved

Approval of the Consent Agenda with the exception of Item: 4

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: 6 - Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 3 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda

Executive Session

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Marcelino Garcia, that an executive session be held for the Committee on Judiciary to discuss minutes of meetings lawfully closed under the Open Meetings Act. Motion carried by the following roll call vote:

Aye: 6 - Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 3 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, Eira L. Corral Sepúlveda

Miscellaneous and New Business

Meeting Summary

Speakers

None

Summary of Requests

Procurement Committee Item #9

1. Marcelino Garcia requested staff look into participation fees for community programming

Study Session

A Study Session will be held on Thursday, August 18, 2022, at 10:30 a.m. in the Board Room, 100 East Erie Street, Chicago, Illinois. The purpose of the Study Session is to discuss the District's Land Use Policy.

Announcements

None

Board Letter Submission Dates

The next regular board meeting is scheduled for September 1, 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: August 19, 2022

Date all agenda items are due to the Executive Director: 1:00 p.m., August 24, 2022

Adjournment

A motion was made by Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, seconded by Marcelino Garcia, that when the Board Adjourns, it adjourns to meet again on Thursday, September 1, 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: 6 - Marcelino Garcia, Barbara J. McGowan, Josina Morita, Chakena D. Perry, Mariyana T. Spyropoulos, Kari K. Steele

Absent: 3 - Cameron Davis, Kimberly Du Buclet, 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 August 11, 2022, are hereby approved.

APPROVED:

/s/ Kari K. Steele

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

August 11, 2022