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COMMITTEE ON PROCUREMENT

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Authorization for payment to the Chicago Area Waterways Chloride Workgroup for the agency membership dues, in the amount of \$35,000.00, Account 101-15000-612280

Dear Sir:

Authorization is requested to make payment, by direct voucher, to the Chicago Area Waterways Chloride Workgroup (CAWCW) for the agency membership dues, in the amount of \$35,000.00.

The Illinois Pollution Control Board issued an opinion and order on November 4, 2021, granting a time-limited water quality standard (TLWQS) for the chloride standard in discharge permits. In order to be granted the TLWQS extension petitioners must implement best management practices, submit annual reports to show progress toward compliance, and participate in a Chloride Workgroup.

The newly created CAWCW has coordinated workshops to review the revised requirements with members, organized upcoming seminars for members to share techniques for calibrating equipment to meet the annual calibration requirements, prepared a pollutant minimization plan template and will assist members with preparing their organization's Plan in accordance with the requirements, and will be conducting virtual seminars to train members on the proper salt spreading techniques, which will fulfill the annual requirement for District staff. Additional members of this group include municipalities, industries, and departments of transportation, and the membership fee is annual.

Inasmuch as the CAWCW membership is not available through any other source, nothing would be gained by advertising for bids (Section 11.4 of the Purchasing Act).

It is hereby recommended that the Board of Commissioners authorize payment, by direct voucher, to the Chicago Area Waterways Chloride Workgroup, in the amount of \$35,000.00. Funds are available in Account

101-15000-612280.

Requested, Shellie A. Riedle, Administrative Services Officer, SAR:CO Recommended, Darlene A. LoCascio, Director of Procurement and Materials Management Respectfully Submitted, Barbara J. McGowan, Chairman Committee on Procurement Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for September 15, 2022