

# Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago

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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR BOARD MEETING OF MAY 5, 2022

### COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

Mr. Brian A. Perkovich, Executive Director

Authority to settle the Workers' Compensation Claim of Maria Parker vs. MWRDGC, Claim number 18WC011564, Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC), in the sum of \$21,248.45, Account 901-30000-601090

#### Dear Sir:

Maria Parker was working as a Treatment Plant Operator I at the Stickney Water Reclamation Plant at the time of her accident. On March 16, 2018, the employee reported that she was walking to reset a collector when a bird flew at her which startled her. She alleged that this caused her to trip over a concrete partition and injure her left leg in the process. The employee was initially seen at the Industrial Clinic on March 21, 2018. She was initially disabled from work on March 28, 2018. Her initial treatment consisted of medication and physical therapy. She was able to return to work on May 11, 2018. She continued to experience problems with her left leg. The employee underwent left knee surgery on August 15, 2018 and she was disabled from work again at this time. She underwent a course of physical therapy following her surgery. She returned to work on December 5, 2018.

Ms. Parker was paid a total of 22.40 weeks of lost time benefits totaling \$22,685.82.

Ms. Parker filed an Application of Adjustment of Claim with the Illinois Workers' Compensation Commission (IWCC) through her counsel. Subject to the approval of the IWCC, this case can now be settled for a total of \$21,248.45, representing approximately 12.5% loss of use of the left leg. This settlement will close out future lost time and medical benefits associated with this injury.

The Director of Human Resources believes this settlement is in the best interest of the District and requests payment of that sum be approved and she be authorized to execute such documents as may be necessary to effect the settlement.

Requested, Beverly K. Sanders, Director of Human Resources, BKS:BLW:RG Disposition of this agenda item will be documented in the official Regular Board Meeting Minutes of the Board of Commissioners for May 5, 2022