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VIA US MAIL & EMAIL

Honorable Fred Bilotto Mayor City of Blue Island 13051 Greenwood Avenue Blue Island, IL 60406

Dear Mayor Bilotto:

Subject: Notice of Termination – IGA between the City of Blue Island and MWRD for the 119th Place Bioswale and Permeable Alley Project

In response to our 2019 Green Infrastructure Call for Projects, the City of Blue Island (City) applied for assistance in funding the subject project. We subsequently identified the 119th Place Bioswale and Permeable Alley Project as a potential partnership opportunity and an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) between the City and the Metropolitan Water Reclamation District of Greater Chicago (MWRD) was executed on November 1, 2021, to provide partial funding for construction of the project, amongst other partner responsibilities. While the City advertised the project twice in 2022, no bids were received. During ongoing discussions between MWRD and the City, MWRD gave the City the option to amend the IGA and pursue a redesign of the project before attempting to rebid the project. After further discussions, the City determined they would not pursue an IGA amendment or project redesign and would instead focus on the addressing flooding in the project area through the ongoing Flood Control Project in the Washington Street area of Blue Island, where the MWRD and the City have performed extensive preliminary engineering analysis, and have identified alternative flood mitigation opportunities.

Therefore, this letter is to provide formal notice of termination of the IGA in accordance with Article 9, which states that the IGA can be terminated by MWRD if the City does not award construction of the project within one year from the date of execution of the IGA. For the reasons stated above, please countersign below indicating your agreement to terminate the subject IGA and return a signed copy of this letter to MWRD by May 5, 2023.

We look forward to collaborating with Blue Island on the Washing Street area project and working with the City to address flooding as needed in the future. Please contact George Velez at velezg@mwrd.org if additional information is required.

Very truly yours,

Catherine A. O'Connor Director of Engineering

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cc: Raeann Cantelo-Zylman, City Clerk

Acknowledged by:

Mayor Fred Bilotto, City of Blue Island

Date

4-20-2023