



Detroit Water and Sewerage Department Meeting Minutes - Final Board of Water Commissioners

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Wednesday, October 19, 2022

2:00 PM

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BOWC Meeting

To attend In Person:
735 Randolph, Detroit, MI 48226, 5th Floor Boardroom

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Einheuser called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Present: 6 - Chairperson Michael Einheuser, Vice Chairperson Mary Blackmon, Commissioner Lane Coleman, Commissioner John Henry Davis, Commissioner Linda Forte and Commissioner Jane Garcia

Excused: 1 - Commissioner Jonathan Kinloch

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chairperson Einheuser requested approval of the agenda.

A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Mary Blackmon, seconded by Commissioner John Henry Davis that the agenda be approved. The motion carried unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Chairperson Einheuser requested approval of the minutes of September 21, 2022.

A motion was made by Commissioner John Henry Davis, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that the minutes be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3 minutes per speaker)

a. Cecily McClellan with We the People read her statement into the record.

b. Jumana Vasi with We the People wants a sustainable water affordability plan.

Supports DWSD in its quest for a long-term plan.

c. Vivian White came before the Board about the clogged basin, a crack in the water main valve after installation, and the concrete restoration.

d. David Reed came before the Board seeking water service at his property located at 15314 Dexter.

e. Monroe Snider came before the Board about the drainage bill at the Burns Seventh Day Adventist Church located at 10125 E. Warren Avenue.

f. Tiana Starks, Communications Director of We the People supports the Lifeline Plan. She wants an ombudsman to oversee the plan; and asked that the Department share the number of enrollees online.

g. Demeeko Williams, Chief Director of Hydrate Detroit, asked for condolences to Beulah Walker for the passing of her brother. He also asked why the two contracts on the agenda (Item No. 22-0936 and 22-0939) were being amended to add more funds.

6. ITEMS FROM THE COMMISSIONERS

Commissioner Garcia thanked the Department for addressing and repairing the sinkhole at North Campbell and Jackson Street.

Commissioner Kinloch arrived at 2:13 p.m.

7. COMMUNINCATIONS

A. [22-0948](#) Receipt of Correspondence

Attachments: [FOIA REQUESTS - MONTHLY REPORT September 2022](#)

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA(Items 9A-H)

A motion was made by Commissioner Jonathan Kinloch, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

A. [22-0933](#) The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **approve DWSD Contract No. 6004753 with Santoro, Inc. to provide as-needed parts, repairs, and maintenance services for DWSD owned heavy-duty trucks, tractors, and trailers for a total contract amount not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000 and a term of two years.** This also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Welch

Attachments: [Santoro Inc Bid Tab 497002](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Jonathan Kinloch, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

B. [22-0934](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **approve DWSD Contract No. 6004769 with Bob Maxey to purchase six current model Ford Transit 350 AWD Cargo Vans, total contract amount not-to-exceed amount of \$318,996.00.** This also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Welch

Attachments: [Bob Maxey Transit 350 Bid Tab fb 9.9](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Jonathan Kinloch, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

C. [22-0935](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **approve Amendment No.1 for DWSD Contract 6003270 with KONE Inc., to add \$111,950.00 to continue providing for preventative maintenance, service and repairs for all DWSD elevators, for a total amended not-to-exceed cost of \$511,950.00.** This also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Welch

A motion was made by Commissioner Jonathan Kinloch, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Contract Amendment be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

D. [22-0936](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **approve Amendment 2 for DWSD Contract 6002281 with Ecopia Tech Corporation, to continue providing Impervious Surface Delineation and Classification of Aerial Imagery of the City of Detroit - requesting to add \$225,000.00 and extend the term by a period of 3 years, for a new total amended contract not-to-exceed amount of \$533,000.00.** This also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Welch

A motion was made by Commissioner Jonathan Kinloch, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Contract Amendment be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

E. [22-0939](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **approve Amendment 1 for DWSD Contract 6002881 with Nearmap Inc., to continue providing Annual Aerial Imagery Services of the City of Detroit - requesting to add \$224,000.00 and**

extend the term by a period of 3 years, for a new total amended contract amount not-to-exceed of \$464,000.00. This also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Welch

A motion was made by Commissioner Jonathan Kinloch, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Contract Amendment be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

F. [22-0937](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **approve DWSD Contract No. 6004770 with Feldman Ford, LLC to purchase three 2023 Ford F350 4x4 pickup trucks for a total contract not-to-exceed amount of \$222,380.** This also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Welch

Attachments: [Feldman Ford F350 - Bid Tab fb 9.14](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Jonathan Kinloch, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

G. [22-0938](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **approve Amendment 1 to DWSD Contract 6002725 with Graybar Electric Company, to continue providing for as-needed lighting and electrical supplies adding \$50,000.00 to the contract amount and extending the term for a period of 2 years, for a new total amended contract not-to-exceed amount of \$125,000.00.** This also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Welch

A motion was made by Commissioner Jonathan Kinloch, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Contract Amendment be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

H. [22-0940](#)

The Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit, Water and Sewerage Department authorizes the Director to **approve DWSD Contract No. 6004748 for Patch Material, Bituminous: CP-5 Modified delivered in minimum of 40 Ton Truckloads with Cadillac Asphalt for a total contract amount not-to-exceed \$270,000 and a term of one (1) year.** The BOWC also authorizes the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Sponsors: Welch

A motion was made by Commissioner Jonathan Kinloch, seconded by Commissioner Lane Coleman that this Contract be approved. The motion carried by a unanimous vote.

10. NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

11. DIRECTOR'S REPORT

A. [22-0950](#) Director's Report

Sponsors: Brown

Attachments: [Board Report - Metrics - 10192022](#)

This Communication or Report was received and filed.

Director Brown reported that he attended a Press Conference on the Far West Project to start the Lead Service Line Replacement Program. There are plans to put contracts in place for each District. He also spoke about his attendance to the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Conference in Cincinnati to seek a permanent funding source for the Lifeline Plan.

Commissioner Blackmon was concerned about the customer's difficulty with the wait time for a representative to address his matter. Director Brown replied that the Department has hired 16 new employees to help with this aspect of the Department. Matthew Phillips, Chief Customer Service Officer added that two new training classes were in place for the new hires to help address customer concerns in a more timely manner. Commissioner Blackmon also asked how residents would be notified of the lead service line program. Director Brown replied that it would be prioritized.

Commissioner Davis commended the Customer Service team for their courtesy to the customers.

12. COMMENTS BY COMMISSIONERS

There were none.

13. COMMENTS BY THE CHAIR

Commissioner Einheuser asked what was the typical cost to replace an lead service line. Director Brown replied about \$12,000.00.

This was There were none

14. OTHER MATTERS

There were none.

15. ADJOURNMENT

Chairperson Einheuser requested a motion to adjourn.

A motion was made by Vice Chairperson Mary Blackmon, seconded by Commissioner John Henry Davis that the meeting be adjourned. The motion

carried by a unanimous vote.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

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