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Upon the request of Chief General Counsel Debra N. Pospiech, Esq., the Board of Water Commissioners vote to: 1) Meet in closed session pursuant to Section 8(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act to discuss the negotiation of collective bargaining agreements with AFSCME and SAAA, and 2) Authorize the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

Agenda of March 7, 2018 Item No. 18-0045 Closed Session Request

TO: The Honorable

Board of Water Commissioners

City of Detroit, Michigan

FROM: Debra N. Pospiech, Esq., Chief General Counsel, Detroit Water and Sewerage Department

RE: Collective Bargaining Agreement Negotiations with: American Federation of State, County

and Municipal Employees (AFSCME) and Senior Accountants, Analysts and Appraisers

Association (SAAA)

MOTION

Upon the request of Chief General Counsel Debra N. Pospiech, Esq., the Board of Water Commissioners for the City of Detroit Water and Sewerage Department, by an affirmative roll call vote of 2/3 of the Board Members appointed and serving, hereby resolves to: 1) Meet in closed session pursuant to Section 8(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act to discuss the negotiation of collective bargaining agreements with AFSCME and SAAA, and 2) Authorize the Director to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

BACKGROUND

Section 8(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act (MCL 15.261, et seq) allows a public body to meet in closed session "[f]or strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement if either negotiating party requests a closed hearing." The Chief General Counsel and Human Resources Director request a closed hearing. Section 7 of the Act requires an affirmative roll call vote of 2/3 of the Board Members appointed and serving to approve a closed session.

Respectfully Submitted,

Debra N. Pospiech

Debra N. Pospiech, Esq. Chief General Counsel