

WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION

MINUTES OF THE COMMISSION MEETING

**Wednesday, May 16, 2018
Laurel, Maryland**

Chair Thomasina V. Rogers called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m., in the Auditorium of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (hereinafter "WSSC") Richard G. Hocevar ("RGH") Building, 14501 Sweitzer Lane, Laurel, Maryland, 20707, with due notice having been given to all members of the Commission and the public. In addition to Chair Rogers, Commissioners Fausto R. Bayonet, Omar M. Boulware, Howard A. Denis, T. Eloise Foster and Chris Lawson, were present at the meeting, reflecting the presence of a quorum. Also in attendance were WSSC General Manager and Chief Executive Officer Carla A. Reid, General Counsel Amanda Stakem Conn and Corporate Secretary Sheila R. Finlayson, Esq., who recorded the minutes of the meeting. Other members of WSSC management were also called upon, during certain portions of the meeting, to provide information to the Commission.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Rogers opened the meeting by welcoming and thanking everyone for a successful Centennial celebration. The Commissioners officially celebrated WSSC's 100th Birthday during the morning session with former Commissioners engaging in a Fireside Chat on various water issues.

The Chair then asked Commissioner Lawson to lead the pledge of allegiance. Following the pledge, the Chair asked General Manager Carla Reid to lead the Commission in the recitation of its mission and vision statements.

AGENDA APPROVAL

Commissioner Foster moved to adopt the Commission's Public Meeting Agenda of May 16, 2018, as drafted, to which Commissioner Boulware seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with six affirmative votes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action deferred until next month.

WSSC RETIREES

WSSC Retirement and Investments Division Manager Richard Baker recognized the following Retirees for the month of May 2018:

Tanya Blackwell, Systems Enhancement Section Manager, Pipeline Infrastructure Strategic Planning Division, retires with 33 years and 6 months of service.

David Garcia, Utility Technician III, Utility Services North Division, retires with 29 years and 4 months of service.

Stacie Lummus, Claims Agent III, General Counsel's Office, retires with 30 years of service.

Hillary Henderson (present), Permits Agent, Development Services Division, retires with 30 years and 8 months of service.

COMMISSIONER/PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public Comments. None.

Commissioner Comments. Chair Rogers again thanked everyone for helping to make the Commissioners' Centennial Program a success, personally recognizing the panelists, elder statesmen, County Executives, Commissioners and staff.

Commissioner Boulware echoed the Chair's comments, also acknowledging the Chair and Vice Chair for their excellent work in planning the event.

Commissioner Denis shared his personal favorites from the morning session, noting the remarks made by both elder statesmen Hank Arrington and Tony Morella. He also made mention of the Inspector General recruitment and office implementation that the Commission will soon undertake, sharing that he had an

opportunity to speak with the MNCPPC Director at last week's budget meeting of the Counties, and strongly suggesting that WSSC seek their guidance since their transition last year appeared to be smooth.

OTHER REPORTS

Engineering and Construction (E/C) - Resolution 2018-2183 -

Approval of WSSC 2018 Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code. WSSC Chief Engineer Gary Gumm and Code Planning and Cross Connection Section Manager Thomas Buckley had presented the proposed changes to the Code at last month's meeting and are now before the Commission for approval. Mr. Gumm reminded Commissioners that approval would allow WSSC to accept the 2018 International Plumbing and Fuel Gas Codes. Additionally, specific WSSC provisions will improve permit and inspection protocols, Code violation enforcement protocols, relax overly restrictive Fats, Oil and Grease (FOG) Program provisions for smaller food service establishments, align WSSC's Code with the MD Health Code, and revise and align Industrial Discharge Limits and Regulations with State and Federal requirements. There will also be no financial impact to existing property owners.

Whereupon a motion was made by Commissioner Bayonet and seconded by Commissioner Foster, to adopt Resolution 2018-2183, approving the new 2018 Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code, as set forth in the aforementioned Resolution. Such WSSC Regulations, to be effective July 1, 2018, shall replace the former 2015 Plumbing and Fuel Gas Code.

The motion carried unanimously with six affirmative votes.

E/C - Contract CD5901A15 Piscataway Wastewater Treatment Plant

(WWTP) Bio Energy Project, Phase I. Facility Design and Construction Division Manager Theon Grojean had briefed the Commission last month on this critical project, advising that the first contract for Phase I of the project would be presented to the Commission for approval at this meeting. Management is now

seeking Commission approval to enter into Contract CD5901A15 for the Piscataway WWTP Bio Energy Project, now called the Piscataway Water Resource Recovery Facility. The Project, totaling \$250 million, is the largest and most technically advanced ever constructed by WSSC. The project will turn waste into power by transforming sewage into renewable fuel for powering the plant. It will also save money over the lifespan of the project, reduce WSSC's greenhouse gas emissions by 15% and vastly improve the safety and quality of biosolids - the nutrient rich organic material resulting from the treatment process. The initial contract is for \$43,959,993.00 for the first phase of two phases, and includes design of the early construction work, including demolition of current buildings at Piscataway plant in Prince George's County.

Whereupon, a motion was made by Commissioner Boulware and seconded by Commissioner Denis, to approve the award of Phase I of Contract CD5901A15, for \$43,959,993.00, to PC Construction Company for the Piscataway WWTP Bio Energy Project. Such contract shall have a substantial completion time of 2,190 days.

The motion carried unanimously with six affirmative votes.

E/C - 2018 Development Services Code Proposed Changes Briefing.

Management provided an overview of the proposed changes to WSSC's Development Services (DS) Code. This Code regulates the standards and procedures followed by the Development Division as the team designs and constructs infrastructure that will ultimately become part of the WSSC system and privately-owned infrastructure that connects to WSSC's system. 2018 DS Code to be presented to the Commission in June for approval, with an effective date of August 1, 2018. Specific details can be found in the presentation handout and corresponding segment of the archived meeting video.

Following discussion, the Commission received the briefing on the DS Code changes, as information.

CONSENT CALENDAR*Contracts for Approval*

The Chair asked if there were any contracts that Commissioners would like removed prior to consideration of the Consent Calendar Resolution, whereby management advised that a change needed to be made to Information Technology (IT) Contract 1148, IT Consulting and Technical Services. Management is requesting that the contract be amended to remove the breakdown costs for each task order, which had been equally distributed among the 32 awardees (\$1.4 million to each), since some task orders would be different in cost than others. Total contract amount of \$45 million, however, will not change. Due to the discussion, the Chair removed this contract from the Consent Calendar for consideration separately.

Whereby, a motion was made by Commissioner Boulware and seconded by Commissioner Bayonet, to adopt Resolution 2018-2184, as amended, approving the remaining seven contracts included on the Consent Calendar for the May 16, 2018 Commission Meeting, as follows:

A. Engineering and Construction***Architect/Engineer Contracts:***

1. PM0002A18, Construction Management and Tank Evaluation, Design and Inspection Services Basic Ordering Agreement (BOA), to Arcadis U.S., Inc. and Whitman, Requardt & Associates, LLP., in an not to exceed amount of \$6,000,000.00 each, with a three (3) year base term, and two (2) one-year option to renew.

Construction Contracts

2. AC6516A18, Area Water House Connection Construction, to Capitol Paving of DC, in the amount of \$3,675,165.00, with substantial completion time of 730 days and base term of two years with one, two-year option to renew.

3. PM0003A18, Large Meter & Large Meter Vault Replacement Program Renewal, to Mid-Atlantic Utilities, Inc., Fort Myer Construction Corporation, J. Fletcher Creamer & Son, Inc.,

- Rives Construction Group Ltd., Anchor Construction Corporation, Old Line Construction, Inc., and Ross Contracting, Inc., in an not to exceed amount of \$10,000,000.00, and two (2) year base term, with one (1) two-year option to renew.
4. PM5332A12, Little Falls and Rock Run Basins, Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation, IDIQ, Option Term I, to Layne Inliner, LLC; HGS, LLC Dba Angler Environmental; Pleasants Contracting and AM Liner East, Inc., in the amount of \$7,500,000.00.
 5. PM5337A12, Watts Basin, Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation, IDIQ, Option Term I, to Inland Waters Pollution Control, Inc., Pleasants Construction, Inc. and SAK Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$8,750,000,00.
 6. CI6000A11, Paint Branch Basin, Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation, IDIQ, Option Term I, to Layne Inliner, LLC., Anchor Construction Corporation, Ross Contracting, Inc. and SAK Construction, LLC, in the amount of \$20,000,000.00.
 7. CI5302A11, Northeast Branch Basin, Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation, IDIQ, Option Term I, to Layne Inliner, LLC and Pleasants Construction, Inc., in the amount of \$10,000,000.00.

The motion carried unanimously with six affirmative votes.

Contract 1148, IT Consulting and Technical Services. Following discussion, on motion made by Commissioner Boulware and seconded by Commissioner Foster, the Commission voted to approve Contract 1148, as amended, for IT Consulting and Technical Services (multiple awardees), in the amount of \$45,000,000.00, with three (3) year base term and one (1) renewable two-year option.

The motion carried unanimously by a vote of six-to-zero.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no additional business, the Chair called for a motion to adjourn, to which Commissioner Foster moved to adjourn the meeting. Commissioner Lawson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously with six affirmative votes.

At 2:41 p.m., the meeting was declared adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Sheila R. Finlayson, Esq.
Corporate Secretary