

BOSTON WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Tuesday, February 23, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission was called to order at 2:08 P.M. on Tuesday, February 23, 2022, at the office of the Commission, 980 Harrison Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts. Under the provisions of G.L. c. 30A, and per the Act Extending Certain COVID-19 Measures Adopted during the State of Emergency, which was signed into law by the Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts on February 15, 2022, which suspends certain provisions of the open meeting law, this meeting was conducted remotely. The dial in and meeting identification were publicly noticed.

Present at the meeting were Commissioner Michael J. Woodall, and Commissioner Thomas Keady constituting a quorum for the transaction of business; Messrs. Canavan, Dayib, Gabrick, Hunt, LaMarca, Petruzzello, Piacenza, Sullivan, Vitale, and Mses. Hickson, Ma, Mahoney, McSweeney, Randolph, and Theodat of the Commission Staff. Commissioner Woodall acted as Chairman and Mr. Vitale acted as Secretary. Also present was former Commissioner Cathleen Douglas Stone.

Upon opening the meeting Mr. Vitale asked Chairman Woodall to give an overview of the format of the meeting. Chairman Woodall informed participants that the meeting was being held virtually and that at the conclusion of the open session that the Board would meet in Executive Session and would not be reconvening at the conclusion of the Executive Session.

Other Matters

Executive Director Vitale offered his own and the Boston Water and Sewer Commission's thanks for Cathleen Douglas Stone's 28 years of service to Commission as a member of the Board of Commissioners. Mr. Vitale spoke of her passionate public service, her professionalism, her brilliance and noted that she would be greatly missed both by him personally and by the Commission. Mr. Vitale then presented to her an engraved water drop. Former Commissioner Stone thanked Mr. Vitale and stated that it had been her great pleasure to be on the Commission's Board serving the City of Boston and its citizens.

Administration

Approval of Minutes

Consideration was given to a draft of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Commission held on Tuesday, January 26, 2022. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Commission held on Wednesday, January 26, 2022, be, and they hereby are, approved.

Information Reports

1. Disbursement Ratification (Schedules A, B, C & D)

Ratification of Disbursements for January 11, 2022, through February 12, 2022. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the actions of those persons authorized by the Commission to execute checks for a total of \$655,874.38 are ratified and approved.

2. Affirmative Action Plan: Fourth Quarter Report for the period October 1, 2021, through December 31, 2021.

II. GENERAL MANAGEMENT REPORTS

1. January 2022 Capital Improvement Program Budget Variance Report.
2. January 2022 Monthly Management Report.
3. December 2021 Revenue and Expense Report.
4. January 2022 Revenue and Expense Report.

III. PROPOSALS AND CONTRACTS

Engineering

1. Request for Authorization to Award Contract No. 17-309-011, for Water and Sewerage Works Improvements in Roxbury. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to award Contract No. 17-309-011, to RJV Construction for water and sewerage works improvements in Roxbury at a cost not to exceed \$16,128,817.63; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

2. Request for Authorization to Reject all Bids and Re-Advertise Contract No. 22-309-007, Roadway Restoration of Boston Water and Sewer Excavations. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to reject all bids for Contract No. 22-309-007, and further;

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to re-advertise Contract No. 22-309-007, for Roadway Restoration of Boston Water and Sewer Excavations.

Administration

1. Request for Authorization to Award Contract No. 22-201-001 for Janitorial Services. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to award Contract No. 22-201-001 for janitorial services to Sole Source Restoration in an amount not to exceed \$1,007,600.11 for the period of April 1, 2022, to December 31, 2024; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

Operations

1. For information only: Boston Water and Sewer Commission's Reported 2021 Water Accountability Figures.

2. Request for Authorization to Approve Additional Funds for Contract No. 21-303-003, Emergency Repairs to Sewers and Drains. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to approve additional funds in the amount of \$306,877.00 for Contract No. 21-303-003, for emergency repairs to sewers and drains raising the total cost of the contract to \$2,157,202.22; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

3. Request for Authorization to Approve Additional Funds for Contract No. 21-303-009, Restoration of Water and Sewer Sidewalk Excavations, Citywide. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to approve additional funds in the amount of \$429,954.00 for Contract No. 21-303-009, for restoration of water and sewer sidewalk excavations, Citywide raising the total cost of the contract to \$1,238,403.51; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

4. Request for Authorization to Award Contract No. 22-303-006A, for Disposal/Reuse of Waste Sewer Cleaning. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to award Contract No. 22-303-006A, to W.L. French Excavating Company for disposal/reuse of waste sewer cleanings at a cost not to exceed \$430,745.00; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

5. Request for Authorization to Award Contract No. 22-303-007A, for Disposal/Reuse of Catch Basin Cleanings. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to award Contract No. 22-303-007A, to W.L. French Excavating Company for disposal/reuse of catch basin cleanings at a cost not to exceed \$519,525.00; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

6. Request for Authorization to Advertise Contract No. 22-308-004, for the Replacement of Lead Services on Public and Private Property. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to advertise Contract No. 22-308-004, for the replacement of lead services on public and private property.

7. Request for Authorization to Advertise Contract No. 22-308-005, Excavation for Identification of Water Services. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to advertise Contract No. 22-308-005, excavation for identification of water services.

IV. EXECUTIVE SESSION

There being no further business to come before this meeting, Chairman Woodall advised the Commissioners that it would be appropriate to go into Executive Session to approve the draft of the January 26, 2022, Executive Session Minutes and discuss certain other matters. Upon Motion duly by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission go into Executive Session to approve the draft of the January 26, 2022, Executive Session Minutes and discuss certain other matters, the Commission having determined that conducting such business in open meeting would not be in the best interest of the Commission; and further

RESOLVED: That the Commission will not reconvene in an open meeting session upon completion of the Executive Session; and further

RESOLVED: To adjourn the open meeting and meet in Executive Session

ADJOURNMENT

After further discussion upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Keady, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Keady voted yea.

RESOLVED: To adjourn.

Adjourned, accordingly, at 2:55 P.M.

Respectfully submitted, ,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "H F Vitale". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underneath the name.

Henry F. Vitale
Secretary