

BOSTON WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING

Thursday, August 25, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission was called to order at 10:00 A.M. on Thursday, August 25, 2022, at the office of the Commission, 980 Harrison Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts. Under the provisions of G.L. c. 30A, and per an Act Extending Certain State of Emergency Accommodations, which was signed into law by the Governor of Massachusetts or his designee on July 16, 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, Commissioner Thomas Keady and Commissioner Cook constituting a quorum for the transaction of business; Messrs. Canavan, Dayib, Hoglund, Hunt, LaMarca, Petruzzello, Piacenza, Sullivan, Van Dam, Vitale, and Meses. Hickson, Ma, McSweeney and Theodat of the Commission Staff. Commissioner Woodall acted as Chairman and Mr. Vitale acted as Secretary.

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 the Board would not be meeting in Executive Session.

Prior to dealing with the business of the formal agenda, the Chief of Operations, Ms. McSweeney, provided everyone with a summary of recent water main breaks that all occurred in a short period of time, specifically the break on August 12th at or about the intersection of Warrenton and Stuart Streets; the break on August 13th at or about the intersection of Boylston and Charles Streets; and the break on August 15th at or about the intersection of Northampton and Tremont Streets.

Approval of Minutes

Consideration was given to a draft of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Commission held on Wednesday, July 27, 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, July 27, 2022, be, and they hereby are, approved.

II. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

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

Ratification of Disbursements for the period of July 18, 2022, through August 13, 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 \$425,599.86 are ratified and approved.

III. GENERAL MANAGEMENT REPORTS

1. July 2022 Capital Improvement Program Budget Variance Report.
2. July 2022 Monthly Management Report.
3. July 2022 Revenue and Expense Analysis.

IV. PROPOSALS AND CONTRACTS

Engineering

1. Request for Authorization to Accept Grant Funding from the Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management. 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 accept \$800,000.00 in funding from the Massachusetts Office of Coastal Zone Management Coastal Habitat and Water Quality Grant for the construction and performance monitoring of the Talbot Ave. Stormwater Vault; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

2. Request for Authorization to Approve Additional Funds for Contract No. 15-309-011, Roxbury Sewer Separation Phase I. 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 for contract no. 15-309-011, Roxbury Sewer Separation Phase I, in the amount of \$619,391.14 for a new contract total of \$7,048,839.31; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

3. Request for Authorization to Extend Contract No. 19-206-008, for the Discharge Notification for Combined Sewer Overflows. 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 extend contract no. 19-206-008, discharge notification for combined sewer overflows, to January 31, 2023; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

4. Request for Authorization to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding and Financial Assistance Agreement with the Massachusetts Water Resources Authority for the Implementation of Fort Point Channel and Mystic/Chelsea Combined Sewer Overflow Control Projects, and to Negotiate and Execute a Contract No. 22-206-002 for Associated Professional 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 execute a Memorandum of Understanding and Financial Assistance Agreement with the Massachusetts Water Resources authority for the Implementation

of Fort Point channel and Mystic/Chelsea Combined Sewer Overflow Control Projects; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents; and

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to negotiate and execute contract no. 22-206-002, for associated professional services with Stantec Consulting Services, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$1,455,247.00; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

5. Request for Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Contract No. 22-206-006, for Traffic Management Plan Design Services for a 3-year period. 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 negotiate and execute contract no. 22-206-006, for traffic management plan design services for a 3-year period, at a cost not to exceed \$200,000.00; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

6. Request for Authorization to Negotiate and Award Contract No. 22-206-008 for Professional Services for the Design of Sewerage and Water Works Improvements in the City of Boston. 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 negotiate and award contract no. 22-206-008, for professional services for the design of sewerage and water works improvements in the City of Boston, at a cost not to exceed \$3,600,000.00; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

7. Request for Authorization to Award Contract No. 22-309-005, Installation of Stormwater Treatment Vault along Talbot Avenue in Dorchester. 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 award contract no. 22-309-005, for the installation of a stormwater treatment vault along Talbot Avenue in Dorchester, at a cost not to exceed \$1,336,423.04; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

Administration

1. Request for Authorization to Award Contract No. 22-201-005, Interior Painting for Commission Facilities. 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. 22-201-005, interior painting for Commission facilities, in an amount not to exceed \$95,000.00; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

Operations

1. Request for Authorization to Advertise the 2023 Annual Maintenance and Repair Contracts for Water, Sewerage and Drain Systems. 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 for bids for the 2023 annual maintenance and repair contracts for the Commission's Water, Sewerage and Drain Systems.

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1. Request for Authorization to Utilize the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Higher Education Consortium for the award of a contract for the replacement of Datacenter Virtualization Servers. 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 utilize the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Higher Education Consortium and award a contract to GovConnection for the replacement of datacenter virtualization servers at a cost not to exceed \$612,723.90; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

2. Request for Authorization to Award a Sole Source Contract for an Automatic Meter Reading System Upgrade. 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 a sole source contract for automatic meter reading system upgrade and 3 years of annual maintenance and technical support services to Aclara in an amount not to exceed \$465,127.28; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to waive the advertisement requirement and purchase these goods and services from the sole source provider.

Finance

1. Informational Report on the Renewal of the Commission's Automobile Liability, Excess Liability (including General Liability, Public Officials Liability, Automobile Liability, Law Enforcement Liability), Excess Workers' Compensation Insurance, Crime and Fidelity Insurance, Fiduciary Insurance, Cyber Insurance, Employee Practices Liability and Property Insurance (including Boiler and Machinery).

V. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Commission, 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 10:53 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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

Henry F. Vitale
Secretary