

BOSTON WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Friday, March 24, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission was called to order at 2:05 P.M. on Friday, March 24, 2023, 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, and Commissioner Cook constituting a quorum for the transaction of business; Messrs. Canavan, Dayib, Hogle, Hunt, LaMarca, Petruzzello, Piacenza, Rossi, Sullivan, Van Dam, Vitale, and Ms. Ma, Mahoney, McSweeney, and Randolph of the Commission Staff. Commissioner Woodall acted as Chairman and Mr. Vitale acted as Secretary. Also present were additional Commission employees and members of the public.

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 start of the open session the Board would not be meeting in Executive Session.

Administration

Approval of Minutes

Consideration was given to a draft of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Commission held on Monday, February 27, 2023. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Commission held on Monday, February 27, 2023, be, and they hereby are, approved.

Information Reports

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

Ratification of Disbursements for the period of February 9, 2023, to March 10, 2023. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the actions of those persons authorized by the Commission to execute checks for a total of \$272,302.30 are ratified and approved.

2. Annual Report Construction Contracts and Change Order Summary.

II. GENERAL MANAGEMENT REPORTS

1. February 2023 Capital Improvement Program Budget Variance Report.
2. February 2023 Monthly Management Report.
3. February 2023 Revenue and Expense Analysis

III. PROPOSALS AND CONTRACTS

Engineering

1. Request for Authorization to Amend Contract No. 18-308-001, Replacement and Rehabilitation of Water and Sewer Pipes in Back Bay/Beacon Hill and Fenway/Kenmore. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to amend Contract No. 18-308-001, replacement and rehabilitation of water and sewer pipes in Back Bay/Beacon Hill and Fenway/Kenmore and approve additional funding for price adjustments, change orders and additional work in the amount of \$646,601.03 for a new contract total of \$7,163,058.78; and the Executive Director is authorized execute the necessary contract documents.

2. Request for Authorization to Advertise Contract No. 20-309-004 Replacement and Rehabilitation of Sewer and Drain Pipes in Dorchester, Fenway/Kenmore, Hyde Park, Jamaica Plain, Mattapan, Roslindale, Roxbury, and West Roxbury. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to advertise Contract No 20-309-004, replacement and rehabilitation of sewer and drain pipes in Dorchester, Fenway/Kenmore, Hyde Park, Jamaica Plain, Mattapan, Roslindale, Roxbury, and West Roxbury.

3. Request for Authorization to Award Contract No. 21-308-001, Replacement of Water Mains and Replacement and Rehabilitation of Sewers in Dorchester and South Boston. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to award Contract No. 21-308-001, replacement of water mains and replacement and rehabilitation of sewers in Dorchester and South Boston, to RJV Construction in an amount not to exceed \$18,128,041.72; and the Executive Director is authorized execute the necessary contract documents.

4. Request for Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Contract No. 22-206-011, Update, Recalibrate, Maintain and Support the BWSC's Sewer and Drain Models. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to negotiate Contract No. 22-206-011, update, recalibrate, maintain, and support the BWSC's sewer and drain models to Brown and Caldwell in an amount not to exceed \$2,172,625.00; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

5. Request for Authorization to Award Contract No. 23-309-004, Sewer, and Drain Condition Monitoring in the City of Boston. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to award Contract No. 23-309-004, sewer and drain condition monitoring in the City of Boston to the National Water Main Cleaning Company in an amount not to exceed \$499,385.60; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

Administration

1. Request for Authorization to Negotiate and Execute a Three-Year Contract for food and Beverage Services at the Commission's Headquarters Building. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to negotiate a thirty-two (32) month contract from May 1, 2023 through December 31, 2025, with an option to extend the contract an additional two years in one-year increments for food and beverage services at the Commission's Headquarters Building to American Bakers and Chefs Group, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$326,400.00; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

Safety

1. Request for Authorization to Utilize Massachusetts State and/or Cooperative Procurement Contracts for the Purchase of Fifteen (15) Heavy Duty/Specialized Vehicles. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized utilize Massachusetts State and/or Cooperative Procurement Contracts for the purchase of fifteen (15) heavy duty/specialized vehicles, at a cost not to exceed \$4,177,000.00; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

Walk-Ins

1. Request for Authorization to Ratify the Memorandum of Agreement and Side Letter Between the Service Employees International Union, Local 888, and the Boston Water and Sewer Commission and Authorization to Execute a Contract based on the Memorandum of Agreement and Side letter for a Three-Year Period, Effective July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2023. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to ratify the Memorandum of Agreement and Side Letter Between the Service Employees International Union, Local 888, and the Boston Water and Sewer Commission for a Three-Year Period, Effective July 1, 2020, through June 30, 2023; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

2. Request for Authorization to Ratify the Memorandum of Agreement and Side Letter Between the Service Employees International Union, Local 888, and the Boston Water and Sewer Commission for a One Year Period, Effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to ratify the Memorandum of Agreement and Side Letter Between the Service Employees International Union, Local 888, and the Boston Water and Sewer Commission and for a One Year Period, Effective July 1, 2023, through June 30, 2024; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

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 Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: To adjourn.

Adjourned, accordingly, at 2:32 P. M.

Respectfully submitted,



Henry F. Vitale
Secretary