

BOSTON WATER AND SEWER COMMISSION

REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, October 25, 2023

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Boston Water and Sewer Commission was called to order at 10:06 A.M. on Wednesday, October 25, 2023, at the office of the Commission, 980 Harrison Avenue, Boston, Massachusetts in its second-floor training room. Under the provisions of Chapter 2 of the Acts of 2023, signed into law by the Governor on March 29, 2023, further extending certain provisions of the Open Meeting law until March 31, 2025, this meeting was also conducted remotely. The dial in and meeting identification were publicly noticed.

Present at the meeting were Commissioner Michael J. Woodall, Commissioner Armindo Goncalves and Commissioner Christopher Cook constituting a quorum for the transaction of business; Messrs. Dayib, Hoglund, Hunt, LaMarca, Petruzzello, Piacenza, Sullivan, Vitale, and Ms. Ma, 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.

Administration

Presentation

1. Presentation on Groundwater.

Approval of Minutes

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

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

Informational Reports

1. Miscellaneous Disbursements (Schedules A, B, & D) in the amount of \$207,479.49.
2. Affirmative Action Plan: Third Quarter Report.

II. GENERAL MANAGEMENT REPORTS

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

III. PROPOSALS AND CONTRACTS

Engineering

1. Request for Authorization to Advertise Contract No. 19-308-004, for Water and Sewerage Works Improvements in City Proper, Back Bay and Beacon Hill. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Goncalves and Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to advertise Contract No. 19-308-004, for water and sewerage works improvements in City Proper, Back Bay and Beacon Hill.

2. Request for Authorization to Advertise Contract No. 23-309-014, for Modifications to BWSC CSO Regulators 013, 017, 062, 064, 065, and 070. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Goncalves and Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to advertise Contract No. 23-309-014, for modifications to BWSC CSO Regulators 013, 017, 062, 064, 065, and 070.

3. Request for Authorization to Solicit Proposals to Conduct a Sewer System Evaluation Survey in West Roxbury and Hyde Park. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Goncalves and Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to solicit proposals to conduct a sewer system evaluation survey in West Roxbury and Hyde Park.

4. Request for Authorization to Solicit Proposals for a Professional Services Contract for Geotechnical Services. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Goncalves and Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to solicit proposals for a professional services contract for geotechnical services.

Administration

1. Request for Authorization to Negotiate and Execute Contracts for RFP No. 23-207-001, the Acquisition and Implementation of a Construction Project Management Information System. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Goncalves and Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to negotiate contracts with Kahua Inc., and their certified Kahua partner OnIndus for the acquisition and implementation of a Construction Project Management System in an amount not to exceed \$1,577,784;

and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

2. Request for Authorization to Utilize a Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Contract for Peoplesoft Maintenance and Technical Support. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Goncalves and Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized utilize a Massachusetts State contract and award a contract to Oracle Corporation for maintenance and technical supports on the Commission's Human Resource/Financial Management System for the period of January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$201,463.87; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

3. Request for Authorization to Utilize a Commonwealth of Massachusetts State Contract for Oracle Maintenance and Technical Support. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Goncalves and Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized utilize a Massachusetts State contract and award a contract to Oracle Corporation for annual maintenance and technical supports on the Commission's Oracle Relational Database Management Systems and related software for the period of January 1, 2024 to December 31, 2024, in an amount not to exceed \$84,554.59; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

Operations

1. Request for Authorization to Award Contract No. 24-309-005, Rehabilitation of the New Boston Main Interceptor – Phase II. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Goncalves and Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea, and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to award Contract No. 24-309-005, Rehabilitation of the New Boston main Interceptor – Phase II to R. Zoppo Corp., in an amount not to exceed \$11,336,214.80; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

Finance

1. Request for Authorization to Solicit Bids/Proposals for 2024 Purchase/Service Contracts. Upon Motion duly made by Chairman Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Goncalves and Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to solicit bids/proposals for fiscal year 2024 contracts of repetitively purchased goods and non-professional services.

2. Request for Authorization to Extend Contract No. 20-207-002, for Risk Management Advisory Services. Upon Motion duly made by Commissioner Woodall and seconded by Commissioner Goncalves and Commissioner Cook, Chairman Woodall voted yea, Commissioner Goncalves voted yea and Commissioner Cook voted yea.

RESOLVED: That the Commission is authorized to extend Contract No. 20-207-002, for two additional one-year periods for risk management advisory services at a cost not to exceed the \$400,000.00 originally awarded; and the Executive Director is authorized to execute the necessary contract documents.

Other Matters

1. Discussion regarding the EPA's Draft NPDES Permit to the MWRA's Deer Island Treatment Plant, with information offered by Robert LaMarca, General Counsel, John Sullivan, Chief Engineer and James Steinkrauss, Esq., Consultant.

2. Request by Chairman Woodall for a future presentation or information report on the Commission's parking lots.

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, Commissioner Cook voted yea and Commissioner Goncalves yea.

RESOLVED: To adjourn.

Adjourned, accordingly, at 10:59 A.M.

Respectfully submitted,



Henry F. Vitale
Secretary