



The Metropolitan District

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**STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE
SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2025
5:20 PM**

Location

Board Room
District Headquarters
555 Main Street, Hartford

Dial In #: (415)-655-0001
Access Code: 2317 246 2931 #

[Meeting Video Link](#)

Commissioners

Adil	Hoffman
Anderson	Johnson
Avedisian	Lester
Bush	Lewis
Currey (Ex-Officio)	Mandyck
DiBella	Patel
Gale	Salemi
Gentile (C)	Taylor
Healy	Tierinni

Quorum: 9

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS
3. INDEPENDENT CONSUMER ADVOCATE COMMENTS & QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS
4. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON
5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF JUNE 23, 2025
6. OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS
7. COMMISSIONER REQUESTS FOR CONSIDERATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
8. ADJOURNMENT

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Monday, June 23, 2025**

PRESENT: Commissioners Richard Bush, William DiBella, John Gale, Joan Gentile, Allen Hoffman and Chris Tierinni (6)

REMOTE ATTENDANCE: Commissioners Andrew Adil, James Healy, Jacqueline Mandyck, David Steuber and District Chairman Donald M. Currey (5)

ABSENT: Commissioners Kyle Anderson, John Avedisian, Jean Holloway, Gary Johnson, Byron Lester, Diane Lewis, Bhupen Patel, Pasquale J. Salemi and Alvin Taylor (9)

ALSO PRESENT: Citizen Member Edwin Vargas (Remote Attendance)
Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk
Christopher Levesque, Chief Operating Officer
Kelly Shane, Chief Administrative Officer
Susan Negrelli, Director of Engineering
Robert Schwarm, Director of Information Systems (Remote Attendance)
Thomas Tyler, Director of Facilities
Julie Price, Executive Assistant
Kevin Sullivan, IT Consultant (Remote Attendance)
Dylan Pecego, IT Consultant (Remote Attendance)

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Gentile called the meeting to order at 5:39 PM

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

INDEPENDENT CONSUMER ADVOCATE COMMENTS & QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

The Independent Consumer Advocate did not have any comments or questions.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF DECEMBER 9, 2024

On motion made by Commissioner Gale and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of December 9, 2024 were approved.

RETAINING ARCADIS US, INC. TO SUPPORT EFFECTIVE UTILITY MANAGEMENT SELF-ASSESSMENT PROCESS

To: Strategic Planning Committee on June 23, 2025

It is **RECOMMENDED** that it be

VOTED: That the Strategic Planning Committee recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

RESOLVED: The District Board hereby approves engagement of Arcadis U.S., Inc. to support the District's strategic planning efforts via a task authorization, not to exceed \$60,000, under Arcadis' existing engineering services agreement under RFQ/P 24:26;

FURTHER RESOLVED Arcadis' services will include supporting District leaders in completing the self-assessment of the attributes for Effective Utility Management (EUM), identifying high priority attributes for improvement and potential practices to support attribute improvement. Additionally, Arcadis will facilitate up to 3 in-person meetings with the District Board or Strategic Planning Committee.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Mirtle". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

On motion made by Commissioner Gale and duly seconded, the report was received and resolution adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:01 PM

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

Date of Approval

**Video of the full June 23, 2025 Strategic Planning Committee meeting is available at
<https://www.youtube.com/@MetropolitanDistrictCommission> **