METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS SPECIAL MEETING MONDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 2020 3:00 P.M.

Location	<u>Commissioners</u>	
Board Room	Adil	Magnan
District Headquarters	Avedisian	Marotta
555 Main Street, Hartford	Currey	Pane
	DiBella (Ex-Officio)	Patel
Quorum: 7	Healy	Sweezy
	Hoffman	Taylor
	Lester	Vicino

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON
- 3. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON
- 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS
- 5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF NOVEMBER 25, 2019
- 6. CONSIDERATION AND POTENTIAL ACTION RE: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RATE FOR THE CLEAN WATER PROJECT CHARGE f/k/a SPECIAL SEWER SERVICE CHARGE
- 7. CONSIDERATION AND POTENTIAL ACTION RE: REQUEST OF CONNECTICUT LIGHT & POWER d/b/a EVERSOURCE FOR AN EASEMENT OVER DISTRICT PROPERTY LOCATED AT 231-255 BRAINARD RD, HARTFORD
- 8. DISCUSSION RE: UPDATE ON HARTFORD LANDFILL DECLARATORY JUDGMENT ACTION (POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION)
- 9. OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS
- **10. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**
- 11. ADJOURNMENT

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT RATE FOR THE CLEAN WATER PROJECT CHARGE f/k/a SPECIAL SEWER SERVICE CHARGE

To: Bureau of Public Works for Consideration on February 3, 2020

At a meeting of the Committee on Revenues on January 8, 2020, the Committee recommended to the District Board the passage of an economic development rate for the water used charge (§ W1a) and special sewer service charge (§ S12x).

It is **RECOMMENDED** that it be:

- **Voted:** That the Bureau of Public Works recommends to the District Board the following:
- **Resolved:** That the District Board approve the following economic development rate for the special sewer service charge (§ S12x)

SEC. S12x SPECIAL SEWER SERVICE CHARGE FOR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SEWERAGE SYSTEM

- a.) For customers of The Metropolitan District who utilize the District sewer system and are furnished water directly by The Metropolitan District there shall be a special sewer service charge at rates established annually through the budget approval process as set forth in Chapter 3 of the Charter of The Metropolitan District. Except as provided in subsection S12x(b), S12x(c) and S12(d) said rates shall be uniformly applied to, and be proportional to the quantity of water used by, the affected customers.
- b.) Notwithstanding the foregoing, The Metropolitan District may, through its annual budget, allow for a reduction in the special sewer service charge otherwise payable by owners of commercial or industrial properties in the event said properties, and the commercial or industrial operations located thereon, are serviced, in whole or in part, by an on-site wastewater collection, treatment, and disposal system that does not discharge into the sanitary sewage system of The Metropolitan District. The amount of said reduction shall be based upon the sewer usage metered and reported pursuant to Section S12e and determined by the Board of Commissioners of The Metropolitan District during its annual budget approval process for any ensuing year.
- c.) Customers subject to the provisions of this Section12x, other than customers subject to Subsection S12x(b) above, shall be subject to the special sewer service charge as follows: 1) for the first 20,050 hundred cubic feet of water consumed from a single water meter per month, the special sewer service charge shall be assessed at the rate established by The Metropolitan District against each one hundred cubic feet of water consumed; and 2) for all water consumed in excess of 20,050 hundred cubic feet per month from a single water meter, the special sewer service charge shall be assessed at such rate against each one hundred cubic feet of sewer flow generated by the water used in excess of 20,050 hundred cubic feet per month metered at a

location approved by the Metropolitan District. This excess sewer flow shall be calculated via the proportion of sewage discharged to water consumed for the month, with this proportion applied to the volume of water consumed in excess of 20,050 hundred cubic feet per month and billed pursuant to Section S12f. The special sewer service charge assessed pursuant to this subsection shall be billed monthly.

- d.) The proceeds from the special sewer service charge, as aforesaid, shall be used exclusively for capital costs associated with any and all measures necessary to comply with a certain consent decree executed by and between The Metropolitan District and the United States Environmental Protection Agency in a case filed on August 15, 2006 in the United States District court for the District of Connecticut captioned United States of America and State of Connecticut vs. The Metropolitan District of Hartford, Connecticut and a certain consent order executed by and between The Metropolitan District and the State of Connecticut relating to the reduction of nitrogen discharged from District Wastewater Treatment Facilities as required by State of Connecticut Department of Environmental Protection Nitrogen General Permit issued December 21, 2005, as such decree and order may be amended from time to time, and specifically for payment of capital expenditures in connection with compliance with the decree or order, or payment of debt service on indebtedness of The District incurred for purposes of funding expenditures in connection with compliance with such decree and order. For this purpose "indebtedness" shall mean bonds, notes and other loans and obligations, including, without limitation, State of Connecticut Clean Water Fund loans and "Debt service" shall mean any obligation that would constitute "debt service" if incurred with respect to bonds issued under the special obligation indenture of trust, dated June 1, 2013, between The District and U.S. Bank National Association, as trustee, as amended and supplemented from time to time, as the term "debt service" is used in such indenture, whether or not such obligation is incurred with respect to indebtedness under such indenture.
- e.) The special sewer service charge shall appear separately on the water bills of the District and shall be due and payable at the same time as the water bills are due and payable. Collection and payment of such charge shall be subject to and in accordance with sections S12m, S12n, and S12o of this part.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott W. Jellison Chief Executive Officer

REQUEST OF CONNECTICUT LIGHT & POWER d/b/a EVERSOURCE FOR AN EASEMENT OVER DISTRICT PROPERTY LOCATED AT 231-255 BRAINARD RD, HARTFORD

To: Bureau of Public Works for Consideration on February 3, 2020

As you know, the Clean Water Project (CWP) includes extensive improvements at the Hartford Water Pollution Control Facility (HWPCF) on Brainard Road and a deep rock tunnel running from West Hartford to the HWPCF. At the tunnel terminus point, the District is also installing a large pump station designed to pump tunnel flows up from approximately 200 feet below ground to the surface for conveyance to the expanded treatment facility at the HWPCF. As you can expect, the District's electric power needs for the pump station and ancillary facilities are significant.

Staff has been working with The Connecticut Light & Power Co., doing business as Eversource ("Eversource"), to provide the necessary easements to Eversource for the following purposes:

- 1. Allow Eversource to distribute power to the billboards on MDC property;
- 2. Memorialize the relocation of their high voltage ductbank across the property; and
- 3. Provide for the location of their switchgear which feeds the new tunnel pump station.

The affected District properties include those properties commonly referred to as 231-255 Brainard Road, Hartford. The easements in question are for the benefit of the District, and have been located so as to compliment and enable, rather than interfere with, District infrastructure.

The easements are set forth in the attached and incorporated exhibit.

It is **RECOMMENDED** that it be:

Voted: That the Bureau of Public Works recommends to the District Board the following:

Resolved: That the Metropolitan Bureau of Public Works recommends to the District Board that the Board, in furtherance of the Clean Water Project, authorize the Chairman, or his designee, to execute any and all documents, in form and substance approved by District Counsel, reasonably necessary to convey the described easements as set forth in the attached exhibit, to Eversource.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott W. Jellison Chief Executive Officer

