

**THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION**

Hartford, Connecticut 06103

Monday, October 4, 2021

**PRESENT:** Commissioners Andrew Adil, John Avedisian, Richard Bush, William A. DiBella, David Drake, Peter Gardow, Allen Hoffman, Gary LeBeau, Jacqueline Mandyck, Bhupen Patel, Ray Sweezy, Alvin Taylor, Richard W. Vicino, and James Woulfe (14)

**REMOTE**

**ATTENDANCE:** Commissioners Avery Buell, Donald Currey, Jean Holloway, Mary LaChance, Byron Lester, Maureen Magnan, and Pasquale J. Salemi (7)

**ABSENT:** Commissioners James Healy, Christian Hoheb, David Ionno, Shubhada Kambli, Diane Lewis, Michael Maniscalco, Alphonse Marotta, Dominic M. Pane, Jon Petoskey, Calixto Torres, and New Britain Special Representative Michael Carrier (12)

**ALSO**

**PRESENT:** Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer  
Christopher Stone, District Counsel  
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk  
Kelly Shane, Chief Administrative Officer  
Christopher Levesque, Chief Operating Officer (Remote Attendance)  
Robert Barron, Chief Financial Officer / Director of Finance  
Sue Negrelli, Director of Engineering  
Bob Schwarm, Director of Information Services  
Tom Tyler, Director of Facilities (Remote Attendance)  
Michael Curley, Manager of Technical Services  
Nick Salemi, Communications Administrator  
Carrie Blardo, Assistant to the Chief Operating Officer  
Victoria S. Escoriza, Executive Assistant  
David Silverstone, Independent Consumer Advocate

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by District Chairman DiBella at 5:34 PM

**ROLL CALL AND QUORUM**

The District Clerk called the roll and informed the Chairman that a quorum of the Commission was present, and the meeting was declared a legal meeting of the District Board of The Metropolitan District of Hartford County, Connecticut.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

*On motion made by Commissioner Adil and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of July 7, 2021 were approved.*

**PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS**

No one from the public appeared to be heard

**REPORT FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

Chief Executive Officer Scott Jellison discussed the first town budget workshop, a recent Hogback Commissioner meeting to discuss MDC departure from Colebrook River Lake Dam, The OSHA COVID Emergency Temporary Standard, City of Hartford delinquent water bills and invoices for catch basin cleanings, and EPA SSO Reporting Requirements.

**REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNSEL**

Christopher Stone, District Counsel, provided an update on the Hartford Landfill dispute with CT DEEP, the Colebrook River Lake Dam and two pending bills in congress related to PFAS.

***Commissioner Holloway entered the meeting, via remote attendance, at 5:42 PM***

***Commissioner Woulfe entered the meeting at 6:01 PM***

## REFERRAL OF 2022 BUDGET TO BOARD OF FINANCE

**Budget Summary****Revenue & Expenditure Summary**

The District's Proposed budget for 2022 totals \$209,907,104; a \$4,391,204 or 2.1% increase from the appropriation level adopted in support of 2021 operations and programs. The following table summarizes the Proposed 2022 operating revenues and expenditures for the District's Water and Sewer operations.

| Description                           | 2020<br>Actuals      | 2021<br>Adopted      | 2021<br>Projected    | 2022<br>Proposed     |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>Water Revenues</b>                 |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| Sale of Water                         | \$97,072,579         | \$96,801,400         | \$94,904,509         | \$99,372,883         |
| Other Operating Revenue               | 6,732,129            | 8,019,100            | 7,961,812            | 8,494,100            |
| Subtotal Operating Revenue            | 103,804,708          | 104,820,500          | 102,866,321          | 107,866,983          |
| Non-Operating Revenues                | 2,282,592            | 2,331,200            | 1,886,781            | 2,401,119            |
| Contribution from (to) Working Funds  | -                    | 1,400,000            | 1,400,000            | 1,400,000            |
| Subtotal Non-Operating Revenue        | 2,282,592            | 3,731,200            | 3,286,781            | 3,801,119            |
| <b>Total Water Revenue</b>            | <b>106,087,300</b>   | <b>108,551,700</b>   | <b>106,153,102</b>   | <b>111,668,102</b>   |
| <b>Sewer Revenues</b>                 |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| Tax on Member Municipalities          | \$51,475,700         | \$51,475,700         | \$51,475,700         | \$53,100,000         |
| Revenue for Other Gov't Agencies      | 6,638,149            | 5,566,400            | 6,013,739            | 5,031,000            |
| Other Sewer Revenues                  | 14,873,664           | 15,091,900           | 14,122,361           | 14,242,200           |
| Sewer User Charge Revenues            | 18,865,292           | 21,030,200           | 18,237,091           | 23,165,802           |
| Subtotal Operating Revenue            | 91,852,805           | 93,164,200           | 89,848,891           | 95,539,002           |
| Surplus Designated from Prior Yr.     | -                    | 3,800,000            | 3,800,000            | 2,700,000            |
| <b>Total Sewer Revenues</b>           | <b>91,852,805</b>    | <b>96,964,200</b>    | <b>93,648,891</b>    | <b>98,239,002</b>    |
| <b>Total Water and Sewer Revenues</b> | <b>\$197,940,105</b> | <b>\$205,515,900</b> | <b>\$199,801,993</b> | <b>\$209,907,104</b> |
| <b>Expenditures</b>                   |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| District Board                        | \$333,424            | \$415,500            | \$341,180            | \$525,500            |
| Executive Office                      | 2,522,808            | 2,983,600            | 2,236,513            | 2,983,128            |
| Legal                                 | 1,329,096            | 1,519,100            | 1,270,127            | 1,475,670            |
| Finance                               | 6,507,020            | 7,209,700            | 6,651,000            | 6,999,524            |
| Information Technology                | 7,682,250            | 8,363,600            | 8,170,800            | 8,874,980            |
| Engineering and Planning              | 1,020,071            | 1,115,300            | 934,200              | 1,093,132            |
| Water Treatment & Supply              | 7,595,321            | 8,087,800            | 7,443,100            | 7,755,985            |
| Water Pollution Control               | 15,538,428           | 17,456,700           | 16,054,500           | 18,110,402           |
| Laboratory Services                   | 1,530,049            | 1,563,900            | 1,421,365            | 1,579,554            |
| Maintenance                           | 10,207,879           | 12,177,200           | 10,384,026           | 12,175,891           |
| Operating Office                      | 691,540              | 735,400              | 373,095              | 765,354              |
| Environment, Health & Safety          | 780,595              | 957,900              | 790,500              | 980,718              |
| Command Center                        | 3,966,935            | 4,449,000            | 3,936,800            | 4,419,995            |
| Operations                            | 9,798,734            | 12,275,100           | 11,342,500           | 13,074,234           |
| Patrol                                | 1,066,610            | 1,519,200            | 1,329,504            | 1,625,457            |
| Debt Service                          | 65,335,507           | 71,204,300           | 68,430,106           | 71,218,800           |
| Employee Benefits                     | 31,034,229           | 35,676,700           | 35,676,700           | 38,720,327           |
| General Insurance                     | 5,827,225            | 6,119,700            | 6,119,700            | 6,301,853            |
| Taxes and Fees                        | 3,595,994            | 3,810,500            | 3,509,000            | 4,000,500            |
| Special Agr. and Programs             | 3,028,723            | 5,895,700            | 5,048,219            | 5,246,100            |
| Contingencies                         | -                    | 1,980,000            | 1,980,000            | 1,980,000            |
| <b>Total Water and Sewer Budget</b>   | <b>\$179,392,438</b> | <b>\$205,515,900</b> | <b>\$193,442,935</b> | <b>\$209,907,104</b> |

## Budget Summary

### Revenue & Expenditure Summary

The following table summarizes the revenues and expenditures for the District's Sewer operations.

|                                   | 2020<br>Actuals     | 2021<br>Adopted     | 2021<br>Projected   | 2022<br>Proposed    |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>                   |                     |                     |                     |                     |
| Tax on Member Municipalities      | \$51,475,700        | \$51,475,700        | \$51,475,700        | \$53,100,000        |
| Revenue for Other Gov't Agencies  | 6,638,149           | 5,566,400           | 6,013,739           | 5,031,000           |
| Other Sewer Revenues              | 14,873,664          | 15,091,900          | 14,122,361          | 14,242,200          |
| Sewer User Charge Revenues        | 18,865,292          | 21,030,200          | 18,237,091          | 23,165,802          |
| Subtotal                          | 91,852,805          | 93,164,200          | 89,848,891          | 95,539,002          |
| Surplus Designated from Prior Yr. | -                   | 3,800,000           | 3,800,000           | 2,700,000           |
| Total Revenue                     | <u>\$91,852,805</u> | <u>\$96,964,200</u> | <u>\$93,648,891</u> | <u>\$98,239,002</u> |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>               |                     |                     |                     |                     |
| District Board                    | \$163,400           | \$203,600           | \$167,200           | \$257,500           |
| Executive Office                  | 1,236,200           | 1,462,000           | 1,095,900           | 1,461,800           |
| Legal                             | 651,300             | 744,400             | 622,400             | 723,100             |
| Finance                           | 3,188,500           | 3,532,700           | 3,259,000           | 3,429,800           |
| Information Technology            | 2,535,100           | 2,760,000           | 2,696,400           | 2,928,700           |
| Engineering and Planning          | 499,800             | 546,500             | 457,800             | 535,600             |
| Water Pollution Control           | 15,538,428          | 17,456,700          | 16,054,500          | 18,110,402          |
| Laboratory Services               | 734,500             | 750,700             | 682,300             | 758,200             |
| Maintenance                       | 5,001,800           | 5,966,800           | 5,088,200           | 5,966,300           |
| Operating Office                  | 338,900             | 360,300             | 182,800             | 375,000             |
| Environment, Health & Safety      | 382,500             | 469,400             | 387,300             | 480,600             |
| Command Center                    | 1,348,800           | 1,512,700           | 1,338,500           | 1,502,800           |
| Operations                        | 2,449,600           | 3,068,800           | 2,835,600           | 3,268,600           |
| Debt Service                      | 32,039,166          | 36,090,300          | 36,090,300          | 35,117,500          |
| Employee Benefits                 | 13,965,400          | 16,054,500          | 16,054,500          | 17,424,100          |
| General Insurance                 | 2,330,900           | 2,447,900           | 2,447,900           | 2,520,700           |
| Special Agr. and Programs         | 1,394,369           | 1,556,900           | 1,365,400           | 1,398,300           |
| Contingencies                     | -                   | 1,980,000           | 1,980,000           | 1,980,000           |
| Total Expenses                    | <u>\$83,798,663</u> | <u>\$96,964,200</u> | <u>\$92,806,000</u> | <u>\$98,239,002</u> |

## Budget Summary

### Revenue & Expenditure Summary

The following table summarizes the revenues and expenditures for the District's Water operations.

|                               | 2020<br>Actuals | 2021<br>Adopted | 2021<br>Projected | 2022<br>Proposed |
|-------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|
| <b>REVENUES</b>               |                 |                 |                   |                  |
| Sale of Water                 | \$97,072,579    | \$96,801,400    | \$94,904,509      | \$99,372,883     |
| Other Operating Revenues      | 6,732,129       | 8,019,100       | 7,961,812         | 8,494,100        |
| Subtotal                      | \$103,804,708   | \$104,820,500   | \$102,866,321     | \$107,866,983    |
| Non-Operating Revenues        | 2,282,592       | 2,331,200       | 1,886,781         | 2,401,119        |
| Contr. From (to) Working Fund | -               | 1,400,000       | 1,400,000         | 1,400,000        |
| Total Revenue                 | \$106,087,300   | \$108,551,700   | \$106,153,102     | \$111,668,102    |
| <b>EXPENDITURES</b>           |                 |                 |                   |                  |
| District Board                | \$170,024       | \$211,900       | \$173,980         | \$268,000        |
| Executive Office              | 1,286,608       | 1,521,600       | 1,140,613         | 1,521,328        |
| Legal                         | 677,796         | 774,700         | 647,727           | 752,570          |
| Finance                       | 3,318,520       | 3,677,000       | 3,392,000         | 3,569,724        |
| Information Technology        | 5,147,150       | 5,603,600       | 5,474,400         | 5,946,280        |
| Engineering and Planning      | 520,271         | 568,800         | 476,400           | 557,532          |
| Water Treatment & Supply      | 7,595,321       | 8,087,800       | 7,443,100         | 7,755,985        |
| Laboratory Services           | 795,549         | 813,200         | 739,065           | 821,354          |
| Maintenance                   | 5,206,079       | 6,210,400       | 5,295,826         | 6,209,591        |
| Operating Office              | 352,640         | 375,100         | 190,295           | 390,354          |
| Environment, Health & Safety  | 398,095         | 488,500         | 403,200           | 500,118          |
| Command Center                | 2,618,135       | 2,936,300       | 2,598,300         | 2,917,195        |
| Operations                    | 7,349,134       | 9,206,300       | 8,506,900         | 9,805,634        |
| Patrol                        | 1,066,610       | 1,519,200       | 1,329,504         | 1,625,457        |
| Debt Service                  | 33,296,341      | 35,114,000      | 32,339,806        | 36,101,300       |
| Employee Benefits             | 17,068,829      | 19,622,200      | 19,622,200        | 21,296,227       |
| General Insurance             | 3,496,325       | 3,671,800       | 3,671,800         | 3,781,153        |
| Taxes and Fees                | 3,595,994       | 3,810,500       | 3,509,000         | 4,000,500        |
| Special Agr. and Programs     | 1,634,354       | 4,338,800       | 3,682,819         | 3,847,800        |
| Total Expenses                | \$95,593,775    | \$108,551,700   | \$100,636,935     | \$111,668,102    |

Proposed water and sewer revenues for 2022 total \$209,907,104; an increase \$4,391,204 or 2.1% from the adopted 2021 level. The sewer revenues have increased by \$1,274,802 and the water revenues increased by \$3,116,402.

|                                       | 2020<br>Actuals      | 2021<br>Adopted      | 2021<br>Projected    | 2022<br>Proposed     |
|---------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>WATER REVENUES</b>                 |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| Sale of Water                         | \$97,072,579         | \$96,801,400         | \$94,904,509         | \$99,372,883         |
| Other Operating Revenues              | 6,732,129            | 8,019,100            | 7,961,812            | 8,494,100            |
| <b>Total Operating Revenues</b>       | <b>103,804,708</b>   | <b>104,820,500</b>   | <b>102,866,321</b>   | <b>107,866,983</b>   |
| Non-Operating Revenues                | 2,282,592            | 2,331,200            | 1,886,781            | 2,401,119            |
| Contributions (to) from Working Funds | -                    | 1,400,000            | 1,400,000            | 1,400,000            |
| <b>Total Other Revenues</b>           | <b>2,282,592</b>     | <b>3,731,200</b>     | <b>3,286,781</b>     | <b>3,801,119</b>     |
| <b>Total Water Revenues</b>           | <b>\$106,087,300</b> | <b>\$108,551,700</b> | <b>\$106,153,102</b> | <b>\$111,668,102</b> |
| <b>SEWER REVENUES</b>                 |                      |                      |                      |                      |
| Tax on Member Municipalities          | \$51,475,700         | \$51,475,700         | \$51,475,700         | \$53,100,000         |
| Revenue from Other Govt. Agencies     | 6,638,149            | 5,566,400            | 6,013,739            | 5,031,000            |
| Other Sewer Revenues                  | 14,873,664           | 15,091,900           | 14,122,361           | 14,242,200           |
| Sewer User Charge Revenues            | 18,865,292           | 21,030,200           | 18,237,091           | 23,165,802           |
| <b>Total Operating Revenues</b>       | <b>91,852,805</b>    | <b>93,164,200</b>    | <b>89,848,891</b>    | <b>95,539,002</b>    |
| Designated from Surplus               | -                    | 3,800,000            | 3,800,000            | 2,700,000            |
| <b>Total Other Revenues</b>           | <b>-</b>             | <b>3,800,000</b>     | <b>3,800,000</b>     | <b>2,700,000</b>     |
| <b>Total Sewer Revenues</b>           | <b>\$91,852,805</b>  | <b>\$96,964,200</b>  | <b>\$93,648,891</b>  | <b>\$98,239,002</b>  |
| <b>Total Water and Sewer Revenues</b> | <b>\$197,940,105</b> | <b>\$205,515,900</b> | <b>\$199,801,993</b> | <b>\$209,907,104</b> |

*On motion made by Commissioner Sweezy and duly seconded, the budget estimates for Fiscal year 2022 were received and referred to the Board of Finance in accordance with Section 3-2 of the District Charter.*

**DISTRICT CLERK  
PETITION FOR SEWER SERVICE**

From: District Clerk

To: District Board

October 4, 2021

The following petition was received on May 5, 2021:

Stephen McConnell has requested sewer service for 536 Prospect Hill Road in Windsor, Connecticut.

It is RECOMMENDED that it be

**Voted:** That the foregoing petition be received and referred to the Bureau of Public Works for study and subsequent action.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "John Mirtle". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "J" and a distinct "M".

John S. Mirtle, Esq.  
District Clerk

May 5, 2021

The Metropolitan District (MDC)  
555 Main Street  
Hartford, CT 06103  
ATTN: District Clerk John Mirtle

Dear Mr. Mirtle,

My wife and I moved to a new (to us) home in Windsor at 536 Prospect Hill Road. The home was built in 1966 and we were pleased to learn that at some point in the prior owner's history, the home was connected to city water and disconnected from its original well. However, there apparently has not been an option to connect to city sewer. The home has its original septic system and leech field which was inspected before we purchased the home and it is still in good operating condition, however, given that this system is original to the house, I thought it was prudent to consider whether it made sense to replace the existing septic system with a new one, or to connect to city sewer. To be frank, I'd rather any expense for this process support a city-managed sewer system, but if this is impossible, I certainly have the option of pursuing an upgraded septic system.

I've since learned city sewer is not available to this part of the street. Michael Curley (an MDC Engineer) informed me that there are currently no plans to bring sewer to homes on this part of Prospect Hill Road and he sent me a pamphlet describing how I might petition the MDC to consider a request to do so. That pamphlet says to file a written petition with the District Clerk which is the purpose of this letter. Please consider this a formal petition to request sewer service to this area.

Admittedly, with the pandemic, we have not met most of our neighbors yet so in all honesty, I am unaware whether they share my interest and/or have aging septic systems or not. Michael told me this process can take some time so I thought it was best to get started immediately and we can see whether others are interested if the project is deemed feasible.

Thank you for your consideration of this request. My contact information is included below if I can clarify anything here and/or if there are specific next steps I need to be aware of.

Sincerely,



Stephen McConnell  
536 Prospect Hill Road  
Windsor, CT 06095  
[stephenmccconnell@gmail.com](mailto:stephenmccconnell@gmail.com)  
860-987-8114

***On motion made by Commissioner Lebeau and duly seconded, the sewer petition for 536 Prospect Hill Road, Windsor was received and referred to the Bureau of Public Works.***



**BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS  
REQUEST FOR AN EASEMENT IN FAVOR OF THOMAS J. DENNO, Jr. and  
JODY L. DENNO OVER THE POQUONOCK WATER POLLUTION CONTROL  
FACILITY PROPERTY LOCATED AT 1222 POQUONOCK AVENUE, WINDSOR  
ENCROACHMENT AGREEMENT**

To: District Board

October 4, 2021

From: Bureau of Public Works

The property owners of 1264 Poquonock Avenue in Windsor, CT, Thomas J. Denno, Jr. and Jody L. Denno ("Property Owners"), have requested permission to connect to the water main that supplies the Poquonock Water Pollution Control Facility ("PWPCF"). In order to allow such a connection, the District would need to grant an easement to the Property Owners across District land. The proposed easement is set forth in the easement map attached hereto as Exhibit A. The District previously approved a similar easement for another adjacent parcel connected to the same water main.

The Property Owner's home is located on the rear portion of their lot, some 370 feet from the water main in Poquonock Avenue. The connection to the water main on the PWPCF property is only slightly shorter; however, it would allow the Property Owners to avoid crossing Poquonock Avenue in order to connect, which is a state road and would make construction costs significantly more expensive. Staff is confident that the granting of this easement will have no negative impact on the District's property or operation of PWPCF.

At a meeting of the Bureau of Public Works on September 22, 2021, it was:

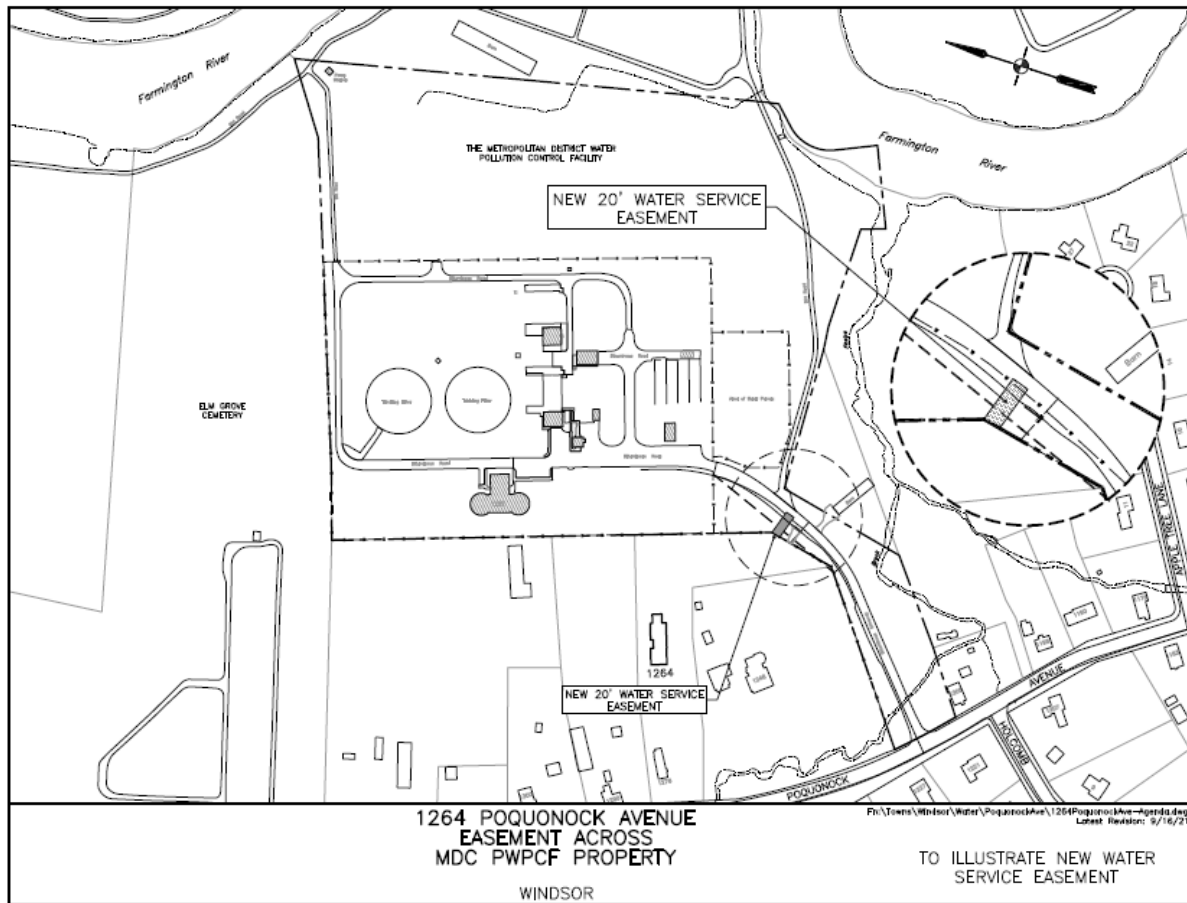
VOTED: That the Bureau of Public Works recommends to the District Board the following:

RESOLVED: That the Metropolitan District Bureau of Public Works recommend to the District Board that the Board authorize the Chairman, or his designee, to execute any and all documents, in form and substance approved by District Counsel, reasonably necessary to convey, for the consideration stated above, the described easements to Thomas J. Denno, Jr. and Jody L. Denno.

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.  
District Clerk



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

**BOARD OF FINANCE  
APPROVAL FOR STATE OF CONNECTICUT  
FINANCING CWF 719-C**

To: District Board October 4, 2021

From: Board of Finance for consideration on September 28, 2021

Staff seeks approval from your Board to execute and deliver the Interim Funding Obligation and/or Project Loan Obligation to the State of Connecticut for CWF 719-C having a principal amount not to exceed \$11,260,070.08 and having an interest rate of 2.00%.

The low interest loan and accompanying grant of \$3,021,123.25 will fund the upgrade and replacement of the equipment and controls associated with the dissolved air flotation thickening (“DAFT”) and the structural rehabilitation and repair of the DAFT tanks at the Hartford WPCF.

Bond Counsel prepared the following resolution for your approval.

At a meeting of the Board of Finance held on September 28, 2021, it was:

VOTED: That the Board of Finance recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution from Bond Counsel

**RESOLVED:** Section 1. The Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, and the District Treasurer, or in his absence, the Deputy Treasurer, are authorized to execute and deliver a Project Loan and Project Grant Agreement CWF No. 719-C to be entered into with the State of Connecticut (the "Agreement") and any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations for CWF No. 719-C in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$11,260,070.08 to fund the upgrade and replacement of the equipment and controls associated with dissolved air flotation thickening ("DAFT") and the structural rehabilitation and repair of the DAFT tanks at the Hartford WPCF. Such Interim Funding Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, as defined in the Agreement, shall bear interest at the rate of two percent (2.00%) per annum, shall be payable as to principal and interest as provided in the Agreement, and to the extent not paid prior to maturity from The Metropolitan District funds, may be renewed by the issuance of Interim Funding Obligations or Project Loan Obligations, all as provided in the Agreement. Capitalized terms used herein and not defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Agreement.

Section 2. The Project Loan Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature no later than twenty years from the Scheduled Completion Date, shall bear interest at the rate of two percent (2.00%) per annum and shall be payable as to principal and interest as provided in the Agreement.

Respectfully Submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.  
District Clerk

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

***Commissioner Magnan entered the meeting, via remote attendance, at 6:46 PM***

**COMMITTEE ON MDC GOVERNMENT  
REVISION TO DISTRICT BYLAWS  
TELEPHONIC ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS**

To: District Board October 4, 2021  
From: Committee on MDC Government

District staff, through the Office of District Counsel, submits the following bylaw revision to The Metropolitan District Bylaws for consideration by the Committee on MDC Government.

At a meeting of the Committee on MDC Government held on July 28, 2021, it was:

**VOTED:** That the Committee on MDC Government recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

**RESOLVED:** That the revision to The Metropolitan District's Bylaws be adopted as follows:

**B1J TELEPHONIC ATTENDANCE AT MEETINGS**

Commissioners may participate in and act at any meeting of the Board or any Committee through the use of a conference telephone or by means of other electronic equipment so long as all persons participating in the meeting can communicate with each other concurrently. Telephonic or electronic participation in a meeting shall constitute attendance and presence at the meeting; ~~provided that those present constitute a majority of the required quorum~~ provided that, as of March 1, 2022 and absent action by the District Board to the contrary, Commissioners physically present at any meeting must constitute a majority of the required quorum.

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.  
District Clerk

***Commissioner Sweezy moved to amend the resolution, as shown above in blue underline. The amendment was duly seconded and adopted by unanimous vote.***

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

**SETTLEMENT OF PENDING CLAIM OF PERCHELL JACKSON**

To: District Board

October 4, 2021

**RESOLVED**, that pursuant to Section B2f of the By-Laws of The Metropolitan District, the Board of Commissioners of The Metropolitan District hereby authorizes District Counsel, or his designee, to settle the pending claim of Perchell Jackson, for the total sum of \$19,000.00, subject to the proper execution of any and all documents reasonably necessary to effect said settlement, including but not limited to a general release.

Respectfully submitted,



Scott W. Jellison  
Chief Executive Officer

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

**OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT**

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

**COMMISSIONER QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS**

Commissioner Hoffman discussed regionalism and MDC as a regional body.

Commissioner Taylor discussed the possibility of East Granby becoming a member town in the future, and the possible implication of failed septic systems similar to the unsewered section of Bloomfield.

Commissioner LeBeau discussed long-term costs and the vision for the future. He discussed looking at long-term legislation and bonding for MDC for future drinking water service areas.

Commissioner Currey discussed the current *ad valorem* formula in the MDC Charter and suggested it be referred to a committee to consider modifying the Charter to address concepts like PILOT payments and tax payments.

***Without objection, a discussion on the Charter revision in relation to ad valorem was referred to the Board of Finance for consideration.***

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 7:17 PM

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq.  
District Clerk

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Approval