

THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION

555 Main Street
Hartford, Connecticut 06103
Monday, October 3, 2022

PRESENT: Commissioners Andrew Adil, John Avedisian, Avery Buell, Richard Bush, Donald Currey, William A. DiBella, David Drake, Peter Gardow, Joan Gentile, James Healy, Allen Hoffman, Jean Holloway, Byron Lester, Diane Lewis, Maureen Magnan, Jacqueline Mandyck, Dominic Pane, Pasquale J. Salemi, Alvin Taylor and Calixto Torres (20)

REMOTE ATTENDANCE: Commissioners David Ionno, Mary LaChance, Bhupen Patel and Richard W. Vicino (4)

ABSENT: Commissioners Christian Hoheb, Michael Maniscalco, Alphonse Marotta, Jon Petoskey, James Woulfe and New Britain Special Representative Michael Carrier (6)

ALSO

PRESENT: Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer
Christopher Stone, District Counsel
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk
Steve Bonafonte, Assistant District Counsel
Robert Barron, Chief Financial Officer
Christopher Levesque, Chief Operating Officer
Kelly Shane, Chief Administrative Officer
Sue Negrelli, Director of Engineering
Robert Schwarm, Director of Information Technology
Tom Tyler, Director of Facilities
Jamie Harlow, Director of Human Resources (Remote attendance)
David Rutty, Director of Operations
Tra Phan, Controller (Remote Attendance)
Nick Salemi, Communications Administrator
Dylan Pecego, IT Consultant (Remote attendance)
Carrie Blardo, Assistant to the Chief Operating Officer
Victoria Escoriza, Executive Assistant
Joseph Szerejko, Independent Consumer Advocate (Remote attendance)

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by District Chairman William DiBella at 5:32 PM

ROLL CALL AND QUORUM

The District Clerk called the roll and informed District Chairman William DiBella 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 September 7, 2022 were approved.

Commissioner Salemi entered the meeting at 5:35 PM.

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

Judy Allen of West Hartford spoke regarding agenda item #12 “Committee Appointments” on which she noted that the Committee on Technology has only met once and, with the additional Commissioner appointed, she hopes the committee meets again. On item #14, she believes that the Chairman’s attendance to a seminar on biosolids should be passed through the Committee on Technology. Lastly, she looked at the 2022 budget for “seminars/conferences” & “dues and memberships” and noted the total was \$300,000, also noting a 46% increase in this budget in 2020. She questioned the justification of the dues and memberships budget.

Independent Consumer Advocate Joe Szerejko discussed agenda item #8 and found the memo on federal legislative initiatives helpful.

Alyssa Peterson of Hartford spoke on agenda item #13A suggesting the conflict of interest policy should include vendors and that increased penalties and punishments be implemented. She also stated that a disclosure form should include employees. Lastly, in regards to a discussion on conflict of interest, she stated that the MDC would be the biggest beneficiary of the closure of Brainard Airport and stated that MDC employee James Sanchez, also a Hartford Councilman, has been spending time advocating for the airport closure.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

No report.

REPORT FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Chief Executive Officer Scott Jellison updated the Board on the completion of the white paper on Sewage Sludge Incinerators (SSI), which was issued on September 30th. He addressed employee travel for seminars and conferences and the changes since the beginning of the pandemic.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNSEL

District Counsel Christopher Stone updated the Board on the scheduling order for the Colebrook Dam declaratory ruling petition, the Hartford Landfill cases, and an upcoming Board resolution for the Integrated Plan. He also let the Board know that the closing for the sale of 705 Keeney Street in Manchester is going to occur in the coming week. Lastly, he stated that a notice of claim was sent to the contractors for a recent Linbrook Road sewer lining issue.

Assistant District Counsel Steve Bonafonte updated the Board on federal infrastructure funding.

INDEPENDENT CONSUMER ADVOCATE ANNUAL MEETING

District Chairman DiBella announced that the Independent Consumer Advocate's annual meeting is to be held on October 12, 2022 at 5:30 PM at the MDC Training Center, 125 Maxim Rd, Hartford.

REFERRAL OF 2023 BUDGET TO BOARD OF FINANCE**Budget Summary**

Revenue & Expenditure Summary

The District's Proposed budget for 2023 totals \$204,745,467; a \$4,303,508 or 2.1% decrease from the appropriation level adopted in support of 2022 operations and programs. The following table summarizes the Proposed 2023 operating revenues and expenditures for the District's Water and Sewer operations.

	2021 Actual	2022 Adopted	2022 Projected	2023 Proposed
<u>Water Revenues</u>				
Sale of Water	\$95,136,557	\$96,552,254	\$96,612,827	\$91,459,085
Other Operating Revenue	8,350,089	8,494,100	8,744,474	8,871,900
Subtotal Operating Revenue	103,486,646	105,046,354	105,357,301	100,330,985
Non-Operating Revenues	1,617,967	2,401,119	2,292,045	2,364,497
Contribution from (to) Working Funds	-	1,400,000	800,000	4,795,335
Subtotal Non-Operating Revenue	1,617,967	3,801,119	3,092,045	7,159,832
Total Water Revenue	105,104,613	108,847,473	108,449,346	107,490,817
<u>Sewer Revenues</u>				
Tax on Member Municipalities	\$51,475,700	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600
Revenue for Other Gov't Agencies	11,070,994	10,931,000	10,386,266	11,931,000
Other Sewer Revenues	16,426,081	18,212,000	18,574,424	12,429,321
Sewer User Charge Revenues	11,329,083	13,301,902	11,586,283	11,584,900
Subtotal Operating Revenue	90,301,858	95,521,502	93,623,573	89,021,821
DEEP Contingency	-	1,980,000	1,980,000	1,980,000
Surplus Designated from Prior Yr.	-	2,700,000	-	6,252,829
Subtotal Non-Operating Revenue	-	4,680,000	1,980,000	8,232,829
Total Sewer Revenues	90,301,858	100,201,502	95,603,573	97,254,650
Total Water and Sewer Revenues	\$195,406,471	\$209,048,975	\$204,052,919	\$204,745,467
<u>Expenditures</u>				
District Board	\$348,714	\$525,500	\$525,500	\$525,500
Executive Office	2,438,390	3,073,067	3,073,067	3,222,283
Legal	1,216,657	1,475,670	1,475,670	1,504,634
Administrative Office	1,188,646	994,406	805,906	656,660
Finance	5,382,438	6,024,159	5,528,726	6,199,482
Information Technology	8,123,192	8,874,980	8,742,280	9,335,328
Engineering and Planning	908,077	1,093,132	1,027,000	1,013,958
Water Treatment & Supply	7,000,555	8,101,154	7,580,100	9,361,635
Water Pollution Control	16,341,011	20,573,002	19,136,125	21,537,206
Laboratory Services	1,408,957	1,579,554	1,329,120	1,579,289
Maintenance	10,022,212	12,485,281	10,738,844	12,707,413
Operating Office	732,120	765,354	765,354	871,442
Environment, Health & Safety	814,446	980,718	929,000	1,160,880
Command Center	4,037,375	4,419,995	4,326,995	6,059,793
Operations	11,515,066	13,074,234	13,707,734	14,194,647
Patrol	1,311,532	1,470,957	1,331,208	1,453,642
Debt Service	68,273,445	69,016,800	71,218,639	74,427,401
Employee Benefits	35,297,020	37,216,674	37,216,674	26,065,489
General Insurance	6,042,313	6,230,238	6,230,238	2,229,737
Taxes and Fees	3,514,420	3,810,500	3,600,000	3,810,500
Special Agr. and Programs	3,507,708	5,283,600	4,622,600	4,848,548
Contingencies	-	1,980,000	1,980,000	1,980,000
Total Water and Sewer Budget	\$189,424,294	\$209,048,975	\$205,890,780	\$204,745,467

Budget Summary

Revenue & Expenditure Summary

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

	2021 Actual	2022 Adopted	2022 Projected	2023 Proposed
REVENUES				
Tax on Member Municipalities	\$51,475,700	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600
Revenue for Other Gov't Agencies	11,070,994	10,931,000	10,386,266	11,931,000
Other Sewer Revenues	16,426,081	18,212,000	18,574,424	12,429,321
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Subtotal	90,301,858	95,521,502	93,623,573	89,021,821
DEEP Contingency	-	1,980,000	1,980,000	1,980,000
Surplus Designated from Prior Yr.	-	2,700,000	-	6,252,829
Subtotal	-	\$4,680,000	\$1,980,000	\$8,232,829
Total Revenue	\$90,301,858	\$100,201,502	\$95,603,573	\$97,254,650
EXPENDITURES				
District Board	\$170,900	\$257,500	\$257,500	\$257,500
Executive Office	1,158,490	1,505,900	1,505,900	1,578,900
Legal	592,957	723,100	723,100	737,300
Administrative Office	582,400	487,300	394,900	321,800
Finance	2,515,178	2,951,900	2,709,100	3,037,700
Information Technology	2,493,197	2,928,700	2,884,900	3,080,600
Engineering and Planning	446,792	535,600	503,200	496,800
Water Pollution Control	16,341,011	20,573,002	19,136,125	21,537,206
Laboratory Services	636,820	758,200	638,000	758,000
Maintenance	4,445,982	6,117,900	5,262,000	6,226,600
Operating Office	358,700	375,000	375,000	427,000
Environment, Health & Safety	352,629	480,600	455,200	568,700
Command Center	1,305,554	1,502,800	1,471,200	2,060,300
Operations	2,699,217	3,268,600	3,427,000	3,548,700
Debt Service	36,090,300	35,117,500	35,117,500	36,248,080
Employee Benefits	15,883,700	16,747,500	16,747,500	11,729,500
General Insurance	2,416,900	2,492,100	2,492,100	891,900
Special Agr. and Programs	1,301,848	1,398,300	1,418,300	1,768,064
Contingencies	-	1,980,000	1,980,000	1,980,000
Total Expenses	\$89,792,575	\$100,201,502	\$97,498,525	\$97,254,650

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

	2021 Actual	2022 Adopted	2022 Projected	2023 Proposed
REVENUES				
Sale of Water	\$95,136,557	\$96,552,254	\$96,612,827	\$91,459,085
Other Operating Revenues	8,350,089	8,494,100	8,744,474	8,871,900
Subtotal	\$103,486,646	\$105,046,354	\$105,357,301	\$100,330,985
Non-Operating Revenues	1,617,967	2,401,119	2,292,045	2,364,497
Contr. From (to) Working Fund	-	1,400,000	800,000	4,795,335
Total Revenue	\$105,104,613	\$108,847,473	\$108,449,346	\$107,490,817
EXPENDITURES				
District Board	\$177,814	\$268,000	\$268,000	\$268,000
Executive Office	1,279,900	1,567,167	1,567,167	1,643,383
Legal	623,700	752,570	752,570	767,334
Administrative Office	606,246	507,106	411,006	334,860
Finance	2,867,260	3,072,259	2,819,626	3,161,782
Information Technology	5,629,995	5,946,280	5,857,380	6,254,728
Engineering and Planning	461,285	557,532	523,800	517,158
Water Treatment & Supply	7,000,555	8,101,154	7,580,100	9,361,635
Laboratory Services	772,137	821,354	691,120	821,289
Maintenance	5,576,230	6,367,381	5,476,844	6,480,813
Operating Office	373,420	390,354	390,354	444,442
Environment, Health & Safety	461,817	500,118	473,800	592,180
Command Center	2,731,821	2,917,195	2,855,795	3,999,493
Operations	8,815,849	9,805,634	10,280,734	10,645,947
Patrol	1,311,532	1,470,957	1,331,208	1,453,642
Debt Service	32,183,145	33,899,300	36,101,139	38,179,321
Employee Benefits	19,413,320	20,469,174	20,469,174	14,335,989
General Insurance	3,625,413	3,738,138	3,738,138	1,337,837
Taxes and Fees	3,514,420	3,810,500	3,600,000	3,810,500
Special Agr. and Programs	2,205,860	3,885,300	3,204,300	3,080,484
Total Expenses	\$99,631,719	\$108,847,473	\$108,392,255	\$107,490,817

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Proposed water and sewer revenues for 2023 total \$204,745,467; a decrease of \$4,303,508 or 2.1% from the adopted 2022 level. The sewer revenues have decreased by \$2,946,852 and the water revenues decreased by \$1,356,656.

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Member Municipalities Tax History and 2023 Installment Schedule

Ad Valorem Budget	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Hartford	\$12,372,000	\$13,035,400	\$13,169,100	\$14,067,500	\$13,282,250
East Hartford	\$5,775,200	\$6,089,300	\$6,015,200	\$6,264,400	\$6,330,634
Newington	\$4,318,900	\$4,623,100	\$4,681,000	\$4,799,100	\$4,855,981
Wethersfield	\$3,979,400	\$4,240,800	\$4,214,100	\$4,252,500	\$4,331,957
Windsor	\$4,274,900	\$4,611,600	\$4,551,500	\$4,698,600	\$4,787,578
Bloomfield	\$3,488,600	\$3,879,300	\$3,808,100	\$3,868,400	\$3,895,216
Rocky Hill	\$2,909,600	\$3,144,100	\$3,171,200	\$3,206,800	\$3,349,312
West Hartford	\$11,034,500	\$11,852,100	\$11,865,500	\$11,919,300	\$12,243,672
Total	\$48,153,100	\$51,475,700	\$51,475,700	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600

Tax % (3yr avg.)	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Hartford	25.69%	25.32%	25.58%	26.50%	25.02%
East Hartford	11.99%	11.83%	11.69%	11.80%	11.93%
Newington	8.97%	8.98%	9.09%	9.04%	9.15%
Wethersfield	8.26%	8.24%	8.19%	8.01%	8.16%
Windsor	8.88%	8.96%	8.84%	8.85%	9.02%
Bloomfield	7.24%	7.54%	7.40%	7.29%	7.34%
Rocky Hill	6.04%	6.11%	6.16%	6.04%	6.31%
West Hartford	22.93%	23.02%	23.05%	22.47%	23.07%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Installment Date	1/18/2023	4/19/2023	7/19/2023	10/18/2023	Total
Hartford	\$3,516,875	\$3,516,875	\$3,124,250	\$3,124,250	\$13,282,250
East Hartford	1,566,100	1,566,100	1,599,217	1,599,217	6,330,634
Newington	1,199,775	1,199,775	1,228,216	1,228,215	4,855,981
Wethersfield	1,063,125	1,063,125	1,102,853	1,102,854	4,331,957
Windsor	1,174,650	1,174,650	1,219,139	1,219,139	4,787,578
Bloomfield	967,100	967,100	980,508	980,508	3,895,216
Rocky Hill	801,700	801,700	872,956	872,956	3,349,312
West Hartford	2,979,825	2,979,825	3,142,011	3,142,011	12,243,672
Total	\$13,269,150	\$13,269,150	\$13,269,150	\$13,269,150	\$53,076,600

Note: These allocations are based on 3-year average tax receipts from each town. A weighted average is used to allocate the total Ad Valorem to be collected. West Hartford and East Hartford have not provided tax abatement information for 2019, 2020, 2021, as a result, the above allocation charts are preliminary.

Respectfully Submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

On motion made by Commissioner Salemi and duly seconded, the budget estimates for Fiscal Year 2023 were received and referred to the Board of Finance in accordance with Section 3-2 of the District Charter.

Without objection, resolutions #11A "Pension Discount Rate and Mortality Tables" and #11B "OPEB Discount Rate, Administrative Expenses and Mortality Tables" were consolidated and considered together.

**PERSONNEL, PENSION AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE
PENSION DISCOUNT RATE & ADOPTION OF THE MORTALITY
IMPROVEMENT SCALE MP-2021 ULTIMATE**

To: District Board

October 3, 2022

From: Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee

Staff recommends the reduction of the discount rate for the Pension plan to 6.625% and the adoption of the MP-2021 Ultimate mortality improvement scale for the 1/1/2022 plan evaluations. This represents an annual reduction of 1/8th of 1% in the discount rate and a move to the most recent mortality table. The impact of this recommendation on the 2023 contribution will be a reduction of \$476,437 or 5.2% from the current 2022 pension contribution of \$9,141,064.

At a meeting of the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee held on September 19, 2022, it was:

VOTED: That the Personnel Pension and Insurance Committee recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Pension plan's discount rate be decreased to 6.625% and to adopt the mortality improvement scale MP-2021 Ultimate effective for the January 1, 2022 valuation.

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

**PERSONNEL, PENSION AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE
OTHER POST-EMPLOYMENT BENEFIT (OPEB) DISCOUNT RATE &
ADOPTION OF THE MORTALITY IMPROVEMENT SCALE MP-2021
ULTIMATE**

To: District Board

October 3, 2022

From: Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee

Staff recommends the reduction of the discount rate for the Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) plan to 6.625% and the adoption of the MP-2021 Ultimate mortality improvement scale for the 1/1/2022 plan evaluations. This represents an annual reduction of 1/8th of 1% in the discount rate and a move to the most recent mortality table.

The impact of this recommendation on the 2023 contribution will be a reduction of \$2,580,330 or 24.1% from the current 2022 OPEB contribution of \$10,701,005.

At a meeting of the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee held on September 19, 2022, it was:

VOTED: That the Personnel Pension and Insurance Committee recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the Other Post-Employment Benefit (OPEB) plan's discount rate be decreased to 6.625%, future Actuarially Determined Contributions include an administrative expense load and to adopt the mortality improvement scale MP-2021 Ultimate effective for the January 1, 2022 valuation.

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

On motion made by Commissioner Patel and duly seconded, the reports for resolutions #11A "Pension Discount Rate and Mortality Tables" and #11B "OPEB Discount Rate, Administrative Expenses and Mortality Tables" were received and resolutions adopted by unanimous vote of those present.

**COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION
APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS TO COMMITTEES**

To: District Board October 3, 2022

From: Committee on Organization

At a meeting of the Committee on Organization held on September 19, 2022, it was:

Voted: That pursuant to the Charter of the Metropolitan District, the Committee on Organization recommends to the District Board the following to serve as Citizen Members to serve until December 31, 2023;

Linda Russo of East Hartford – Board of Finance
Nick Lebron of Hartford – Board of Finance

Further

Voted: That the Committee on Organization recommends to the District Board the following Bureau, Committee, and Board appointments for the years 2022 and 2023:

Bureau of Public Works

Joan Gentile

Strategic Planning Committee

Joan Gentile

Committee on Technology

Joan Gentile

General Policy & Planning

Bhupen Patel

Jean Holloway

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

Commissioner Pane made a motion to amend the resolution to add Commissioner Avedisian to the Internal Audit Committee. Commissioner Pane requested a roll call vote.

A roll call vote was taken on the amendment.

The results of the roll call vote:

Ayes: Commissioners David Drake, Peter Gardow, James Healy, Allen Hoffman, Maureen Magnan, Jacky Mandyck, and Dominic M. Pane (7)

Nays: Commissioners Andrew Adil, Avery Buell, Richard Bush, Donald Currey, William A. DiBella, Joan Gentile, Jean Holloway, Byron Lester, Diane Lewis, Bhupen Patel, Pasquale J. Salemi, Alvin Taylor, Calixto Torres and Richard W. Vicino (14)

Abstentions: Commissioner Avedisian (1)

The amendment failed.

Commissioner Pane made a motion to amend the resolution to add Commissioner Lester to the Internal Audit Committee. Commissioner Lester withdrew his name from nomination.

Commissioner Bush made a motion to add a Commissioner to the Internal Audit Committee. No action was taken.

Commissioner Buell agreed to hold an Organization meeting to consider an appointment to the Internal Audit Committee.

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

Without objection, no action was taken regarding agenda items #13A “Code of Ethics Acknowledgment & Potential Conflict of Interest Disclosure Form” and #13B “Revision of Bylaw § B6d ‘Disclosure of Interest.’”

COMMITTEE ON MDC GOVERNMENT REVISION TO DISTRICT BYLAWS

To: District Board

October 3, 2022

From: Committee on MDC Government

At the January 10, 2022 District Board meeting as part of the resolution organizing committee membership for 2022 and 2023, the District Board disbanded and dissolved several committees that had been inactive for many years. One such committee was the Farmington River Watershed Advisory Committee which is identified in Bylaw § B3a as a continuing standing committee. Bylaw § B3a should be updated to remove the Farmington River Watershed Advisory Committee as a standing committee due to its dissolution.

At a meeting of the Committee on MDC Government held on September 28, 2022, it was:

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

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

B3a GENERAL

The District Board shall be organized into bureaus, commissions and committees as follows:

- 1) As provided by charter:
 - Water Bureau
 - Bureau of Public Works
 - Commission on Regional Planning
 - Board of Finance
- 2) Continuing standing committees:
 - Committee on Organization
 - Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee
 - Committee on MDC Government
 - Community Affairs Committee
 - Committee on General Policy and Planning
 - ~~Farmington River Watershed Advisory Committee~~
 - Internal Audit Committee
- 3) Special Committees (as may be raised by the District Board from time to time).
- 4) The quorum of each standing committee shall be established by the respective committee.

The Chairman or presiding officer of any bureau, board, committee or commission may participate in the discussion of, or debate concerning, any matter proper to come before such bureau, board, committee or commission, without being required to relinquish the chair during the discussion, debate and disposition of such matter, and may vote on such matter.

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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

**2022 DISTRICT BOARD BUDGET
SEMINARS & CONVENTIONS COMMITMENT ITEM**

To: District Board

October 3, 2022

Be It Hereby Resolved: That the budgetary commitment item #511100 "Seminars & Conventions" within the District Board Administration budget (1100010010) be created and funded with \$1,000 for the 2022 operating budget as follows:

From Commitment Item:	Total
511110 Business Travel	\$500.00
511120 Meeting Expenses	\$500.00

Total	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
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To Commitment Item:	Total
511100 Seminars & Conventions	\$1,000.00

Total	<u>\$1,000.00</u>
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Respectfully Submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

On motion made by Commissioner Torres and duly seconded, the report was received and the resolution adopted by majority vote of those present. Commissioner Pane opposed.

SETTLEMENT OF DISPUTE WITH T-MOBILE NORTHEAST LLC

To: District Board

October 3, 2022

District Staff recommends approval of a tentative agreement to settle a dispute regarding additional rent under a certain Standard Lease Agreement between The Metropolitan District and T-Mobile Northeast LLC, dated April 15, 1998, as amended. This tentative agreement is a full and final settlement of such dispute in the amount of \$50,000.00.

It is therefore **RECOMMENDED** that the District Board pass the following resolution:

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 execute any and all documents necessary to effect settlement of a dispute between The Metropolitan District and T-Mobile Northeast LLC regarding additional rent under a certain Standard Lease Agreement, dated April 15, 1998, as amended, in the amount of \$50,000.00.

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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

OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Alyssa Peterson of Hartford stated that she hopes that all Commissioners understand how important it is to audit and police the MDC, noting that every dollar saved matters and can be returned to the budget.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS

Commissioner Hoffman noted that he does not remember a time in his 25 years serving as a Commissioner that a nomination to a Committee has been rejected.

Commissioner Currey asked about the water rate that was presented to the Board of Finance on September 28th.

Commissioner Adil commented that he attended two of the household hazardous waste collections and noted that both were very well run, commending the staff who were running these collections.

Commissioner Torres wanted to remind everyone that the MDC is still owed millions of dollars by the State of Connecticut for the Hartford Landfill and the Buckingham Street garage.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:27 PM

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

Date of Approval