



The Metropolitan District
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**COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION
SPECIAL MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2024
5:10 PM**

Location

Board Room
District Headquarters
555 Main Street, Hartford

Dial in #: (415)-655-0001
Access Code: 2314 717 5755#

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Commissioners

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| Bazzano | Gale (VC) |
| Buell (C) | Lewis |
| Currey (Ex-Officio) | Lester |
| Bush | Torres |
| DiBella | Woulfe |

Quorum: 5

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS
3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF JANUARY 10, 2024
4. CONSIDERATION AND POTENTIAL ACTION RE: APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER TO COMMITTEES
5. OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS
6. COMMISSIONER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
7. ADJOURNMENT

APPOINTMENTS OF COMMISSIONER TO COMMITTEES

To: Committee on Organization for consideration on February 5, 2024

It is recommended that it be:

Voted: That the Committee on Organization recommends to the District Board the following Bureau, Committee, and Board appointments for the years 2024 and 2025 and until their successors are appointed and qualified:

Water Bureau

Esther Clarke

Strategic Planning Committee

Esther Clarke

Committee on MDC Government

Esther Clarke

Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee

Bhupen Patel

Respectfully submitted,



Scott W. Jellison
Chief Executive Officer

**COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION
SPECIAL MEETING
THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
555 Main Street, Hartford
Wednesday, January 10, 2024**

PRESENT: Commissioners John Bazzano, Avery Buell, Richard Bush, William A. DiBella, John Gale, Diane Lewis, Byron Lester, Calixto Torres, James Woulfe and District Chairman Donald Currey (10)

**REMOTE
ATTENDANCE:** (0)

ABSENT: (0)

**ALSO
PRESENT:** Citizen Member Awet Tsegai
Citizen Member Linda Russo (Remote Attendance)
Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer
Christopher Stone, District Counsel
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk
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
Nick Salemi, Communications Administrator
Amanda Litvak, Professional Level Associate (IT)
Chris Taveras, Network Analyst
Jeff King, Construction Manager
Rita Kelley, Equal Employment Opportunity Officer/Whistleblower Coordinator
Carrie Blardo, Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer
Victoria Escoriza, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

District Counsel Christopher Stone called the meeting to order at 5:56 PM

ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

District Counsel Christopher Stone called for the election of the Chairman. Commissioner Bazzano placed Commissioner Avery Buell's name in nomination, Commissioner Bush seconded the nomination.

There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed. Commissioner Avery Buell was elected Chairman of the Committee on Organization for 2024 and 2025. Chairman Avery Buell assumed the Chair and thanked the Committee on Organization.

ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

Chairman Buell called for the election of the Vice Chairman. Commissioner Woulfe placed Commissioner John Gale's name in nomination, and the nomination was duly seconded.

There being no further nominations, the nominations were closed. Commissioner John Gale was elected Vice Chairman of the Committee on Organization for 2024 and 2025.

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

***On motion made by Commissioner DiBella and duly seconded,
the meeting minutes of November 13, 2023 were approved.
Commissioners Bush, Lester and Torres abstained.***

APPOINTMENTS FOR THE YEARS 2024-2025

To: Committee on Organization for consideration on January 10, 2024

It is recommended that it be:

Voted: That pursuant to the Charter of The Metropolitan District, the Committee on Organization recommends to the District Board the following Citizen Members appointments for the years 2024-2025 and until their successors are appointed and qualified:

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| Drew Iacovazzi, West Hartford – | Board of Finance |
| Linda King-Corbin, Hartford – | Board of Finance |
| Linda Russo, East Hartford – | Board of Finance |
| Awet Tsegai, East 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 2024 and 2025 and until their successors are appointed and qualified:

Water Bureau

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| Andrew Adil | Diane Lewis |
| Kyle Anderson | Jackie Gorsky Mandyck |
| Clifford Avery Buell | Jon Petoskey |
| Dimple Desai | Pasquale Salemi |
| John Gale | Alvin Taylor |
| Peter Gardow | Michael Carrier of New Britain (Special Rep) |
| Georgiana Holloway | |

Bureau of Public Works

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| John Avedisian | Gary Johnson |
| John Bazzano | Byron Lester |
| Richard Bush | Maureen Magnan |
| William A. DiBella | Dominic Pane |
| David Drake | Bhupen Patel |
| John Gale | Pasquale Salemi |
| Joan McCarthy Gentile | David Steuber |
| James Healey | Alvin Taylor |
| Allen Hoffman | Calixto Torres |
| Georgiana Holloway | James Woulfe |

Board of Finance

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| Andrew Adil | Drew Iacovazzi (Citizen Member) |
| Allen Hoffman | Linda A. King-Corbin (Citizen Member) |
| Pasquale Salemi | Awet Tsegai (Citizen Member) |
| | Linda Russo (Citizen Member) |

Personnel, Pension & Insurance Committee

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| John Avedisian | Dominic Pane |
| Dimple Desai | Pasquale Salemi |
| David Drake | David Steuber |
| Joan McCarthy Gentile | Alvin Taylor |
| Byron Lester | James Woulfe |
| Maureen Magnan | |

Committee on MDC Government

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| Kyle Anderson | Georgiana Holloway |
| John Avedisian | Maureen Magnan |
| John Bazzano | Jon Petoskey |
| Clifford Avery Buell | Calixto Torres |

Peter Gardow
James Healy

James Woulfe

Audit Committee

Andrew Adil
Allen Hoffman
Georgiana Holloway
Diane Lewis

Jackie Gorsky Mandyck
Dominic Pane
David Steuber
Alvin Taylor

Community Affairs

Kyle Anderson
John Bazzano
Clifford Avery Buell
Georgiana Holloway
Byron Lester

Diane Lewis
Maureen Magnan
Jackie Gorsky Mandyck
Calixto Torres

Commission on Regional Planning

William A. DiBella
Dimple Desai
David Drake
Gary Johnson

Jackie Gorsky Mandyck
Bhupen Patel
Pasquale Salemi
Alvin Taylor

Strategic Planning Committee

Andrew Adil
Kyle Anderson
John Avedisian
Richard Bush
William DiBella
John Gale
Joan McCarthy Gentile
James Healy
Allen Hoffman
Georgiana Holloway

Gary Johnson
Diane Lewis
Byron Lester
Jackie Gorsky Mandyck
Dominic Pane
Jon Petoskey
Bhupen Patel
Pasquale Salemi
David Steuber
Alvin Taylor

Committee on Technology

Andrew Adil
Richard Bush
William DiBella
David Drake

Peter Gardow
Joan McCarthy Gentile
Pasquale Salemi
Alvin Taylor

Further Voted:

The Committee on Organization ratifies the following appointments by the District Chairman made in accordance with MDC Bylaws §§ B3m and B6h:

General Policy & Planning

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| Andrew Adil | Allen Hoffman |
| John Avedisian | Bhupen Patel |
| William DiBella | Pasquale Salemi |
| Dimple Desai | Alvin Taylor |

Ethics Advisory Board*

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| Dimple Desai | Peter Gardow (Alternate) |
| Bhupen Patel | Joan McCarthy Gentile (Alternate) |
| James Woulfe | |

*District Chairperson not an ex officio member.

Respectfully submitted,



Scott W. Jellison
Chief Executive Officer

On motion made by Commissioner DiBella 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 5:58 PM

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

Date of Approval