

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING MONDAY, JUNE 23, 2025 5:30 PM

Location	
Board Room	
District Headquarters	
555 Main Street, Hartford	

Dial In #: (415)-655-0001 Access Code: 2312 261 8852# <u>Meeting Video Link</u> Adil Anderson Avedisian Bush Currey (Ex-Officio) DiBella Gale Gentile (C) Healy Hoffman

Commissioners

Holloway Johnson Lester Lewis Mandyck Patel Salemi Steuber (VC) Taylor Tierinni

Quorum: 10

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS
- 3. INDEPENDENT CONSUMER ADVOCATE COMMENTS & QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS
- 4. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF DECEMBER 9, 2024
- 5. DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION RE: RETAINING ARCADIS TO SUPPORT EFFECTIVE UTILITY MANAGEMENT SELF-ASSESSMENT PROCESS
- 6. OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 7. COMMISSIONER REQUESTS FOR CONSIDERATION OF FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
- 8. ADJOURNMENT

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE 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,

John S. Mirtle, Esq. District Clerk

STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE SPECIAL MEETING The Metropolitan District Monday, December 9, 2024

PRESENT: Commissioners Andrew Adil, John Avedisian, William DiBella, Joan Gentile, James Healy, Allen Hoffman, Gary Johnson, David Steuber and District Chairman Donald M. Currey ()

- **ATTENDANCE:** Commissioners Kyle Anderson, Richard Bush, Esther Clarke, John Gale, and Bhupen Patel (5)
- **ABSENT:** Commissioners Jean Holloway, Byron Lester, Diane Lewis, Jackie Mandyck, Pasquale Salemi and Alvin Taylor (6)

ALSO

REMOTE

PRESENT: **Commissioner Dominic Pane** 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 Jamie Harlow. Director of Human Resources Susan Negrelli, Director of Engineering David Rutty, Director of Operations Robert Schwarm, Director of Information Services Tom Tyler, Director of Facilities Michael Mohr, Controller Rita Kelley, Equal Employment Opportunity Compliance Officer Carrie Blardo, Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer Victoria Escoriza. Executive Assistant Dylan Pecego, IT Consultant (Remote Attendance)

CALL TO ORDER

Chairperson Gentile called the meeting to order at 4:34 PM

Commissioner Mandyck entered the meeting at 4:36 PM

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Commissioner Johnson and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of October 30, 2024 were approved.

SELF ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Chairwoman Gentile led a discussion regarding moving forward with the self-assessment process for the Strategic Plan. Without Objection, Chairwoman Gentile will move forward as outlined and presented.

UPDATE ON MEMBER TOWN MEETINGS

District Chairman Currey updated the Committee that he has met with the Mayors and Town Managers of Rocky Hill and Windsor, and that they seemed pleased with the services being provided and pleased that ad valorem will not go up.

OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

COMMISSIONER REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

No requests were made for future agenda items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:47 PM

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq. District Clerk

Date of Approval