PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED ADDITION AND REVISIONS TO GENERAL ORDINANCES AND WATER SUPPLY ORDINANCES

Commissioner Alphonse Marotta, acting as chairman, called the public hearing to order at 4:01 P.M.

Commissioner Marotta read the hearing procedures and guidelines:

“This is a public hearing to consider the proposed addition of Part G9 "INDEPENDENT CONSUMER ADVOCATE" to the Metropolitan District’s General Ordinances and the following proposed revisions and additions to The Metropolitan District Water Ordinances: § § W2b, W2c, W4h, W4i, W5g, W6b, W7o.

This Public Hearing is part of the legal procedure that The Metropolitan District is required to follow regarding the revision of any of its ordinances, as mandated by Special Act 01-3 of the Connecticut General Assembly of 2001.”

“A final decision on this proposed ordinance revision has yet to be made. That decision will ultimately be made by the District Board of The Metropolitan District, and will take into account what is said at this hearing.

“The District Clerk will now read, for the record, the notice of this public hearing and the statement of purpose explaining why these revisions have been proposed.”

John Mirtle, District Clerk, read the following into the record:
The following hearing notices were published in the Hartford Courant on October 23, 2017 and again on October 27, 2017; and the notice and the complete text of the proposed ordinance addition and revisions was filed, for public inspection, in the office of the town clerk in each municipality that is a member town of The Metropolitan District.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED REVISIONS TO ORDINANCES

Pursuant to Special Act 01-3, as adopted by the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut, The Metropolitan District will hold a public hearing on proposed additions to The Metropolitan District General Ordinances Part G9 “INDEPENDENT CONSUMER ADVOCATE”. The hearing will be held in the Board Room at District Headquarters, 555 Main Street, Hartford, Connecticut on Wednesday, November 1, 2017 at 4:00 P.M.

The proposed ordinance revisions are available for inspection at the Office of the District Clerk of The Metropolitan District, 555 Main Street, Hartford and www.themdc.org/district-board.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF ADDITION OF PART G9 “INDEPENDENT CONSUMER ADVOCATE”: To create an Independent Consumer Advocate to advocate on behalf of District customers’ interests.

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED REVISIONS TO ORDINANCES

Pursuant to Special Act 01-3, as adopted by the General Assembly of the State of Connecticut, The Metropolitan District will hold a public hearing on proposed revisions and additions to The Metropolitan District Water Ordinances:

§ W2b “UNPAID WATER BILL CONSTITUTES LIEN”
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF REVISION- Update ordinance to be consistent with District Charter.

§ W2c “SHUT-OFF FOR NON-PAYMENT”
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF REVISION- Update ordinance to allow shutoff for denial of access to District equipment.

§ W4h “INSTALLATION OF MAINS BY DEVELOPER’S METHOD”
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF REVISION- Update ordinance to expand Developer’s Method.
§ W4i “ACQUISITION OF WATER COMPANY”
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF ADDITION- Creation of ordinance to address acquisition of small water systems.

§ W5g “COMBINATION SERVICES NOT ALLOWED”
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF REVISION- Update ordinance to include inspection of combination services.

§ W6b “CHARGES FOR MAINTENANCE”
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF REVISION- Clarify ordinance regarding hydrant maintenance.

§ W7o “AIRCRAFT”
STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF REVISION- Update ordinance to prohibit use of drones on District land.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Judy Allen of West Hartford spoke in favor of the General Ordinance addition, G9.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:25 PM

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

Date of Approval