METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS SPECIAL MEETING MONDAY, JULY 1, 2019 5:00 P.M.

Location

Board Room

District Headquarters

555 Main Street, Hartford

Quorum: 7

Commissioners

Adil Avedisian

Currey

DiBella (Ex-Officio)

Healy

Hoffman (VC)

Lester

Magnan Marotta Pane

Patel

Sweezy

Taylor

Vicino (C)

- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS
- 3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 13, 2019
- 4. CONSIDERATION AND POTENTIAL ACTION RE: AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED ON CONTRACTS #4 AND #5 FOR THE SOUTH HARTFORD CONVEYANCE AND STORAGE TUNNEL
- 5. OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS
- 6. COMMISSIONER COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS
- 7. OTHER BUSINESS
- 8. ADJOURNMENT

AUTHORIZATION TO PROCEED ON CONTRACTS #4 AND #5 FOR THE SOUTH HARTFORD CONVEYANCE AND STORAGE TUNNEL

To: Bureau of Public Works for consideration on July 1, 2019

At the State Bond Commission meeting held on Wednesday June 26, 2019, the Bond Commission approved an allocation and bond authorization of \$136,500,000 of General Obligation bonds and \$291,130,000 of Revenue Bonds for the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection and Department of Public Health Clean Water Fund. The District is seeking approximately \$80,850,000 of the total bond allocation for the Clean Water Project Contract #4 (Franklin Ave. and Maple St. Conduits), addressing combined sewer overflows within Hartford, and Contract #5 (New Britain Ave. and West Hartford Conduits), addressing sanitary sewer overflows primarily in Newington and West Hartford. Both contracts involve connections to the South Hartford Conveyance and Storage Tunnel. Of the total request, \$35,940,760 is expected to be in the form of grants and the balance in loans. Contracts #4 and #5 are on the FY18/19 Clean Water Fund Priority List and it is expected the District will receive the full amount of the requested grants and loans for these projects.

At this time, the District has not received any guarantee or promise of State Grant funding for Contract #3, which involves construction of the pump station essential to delivering sewage flows from the deep-rock tunnel to the treatment plant. Staff have been in contact with DEEP personnel, have been informed that full loan funding will be available and partial grant funding may be available, contingent on the timing of bids. Consequently, staff is seeking the Bureau's authorization to proceed with bidding and constructing Contracts #4 and #5 despite no guarantee of grant funding for Contract #3.

It is RECOMMENDED that it be

VOTED:

That the Bureau of Public Works recommends to the District Board

passage of the following resolution:

RESOLVED:

That staff is directed to proceed with bidding and constructing

Contracts #4 and #5 despite no guarantee of grant funding for

Contract #3.

Respectfully submitted,

Scott W. Jellison

Chief Executive Officer