



The Metropolitan District
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**DISTRICT BOARD
555 MAIN STREET, HARTFORD, CT
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2023 5:30 PM**

The general public is welcome to call into the meeting. Everyone on the call will need to mute their phone to limit background noise disrupting the meeting.

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1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 6, 2023
5. PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS
6. ANNOUNCEMENT RE: ANNUAL INDEPENDENT CONSUMER ADVOCATE MEETING ON OCTOBER 11, 2023 AT 5:30PM AT DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS 555 MAIN ST HARTFORD
7. REPORT FROM DISTRICT CHAIRMAN
8. REPORT FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
9. REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNSEL
10. REFERRAL OF 2024 BUDGET TO BOARD OF FINANCE
11. PERSONNEL, PENSION & INSURANCE COMMITTEE - CONSIDERATION AND POTENTIAL ACTION RE: JUNETEENTH APPROVAL AS AN OFFICIAL MDC HOLIDAY (September 20, 2023)
12. WATER BUREAU - CONSIDERATION AND POTENTIAL ACTION RE: POTENTIAL PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE IN NEW HARTFORD (POSSIBLE EXECUTIVE SESSION) (September 27, 2023)
13. OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS
14. COMMISSIONER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS
15. ADJOURNMENT

Budget Summary

Revenue & Expenditure Summary

The District's Proposed budget for 2024 totals \$213,332,623; a \$8,587,156 or 4.2% increase from the appropriation level adopted in support of 2023 operations and programs. The following table summarizes the Proposed 2024 operating revenues and expenditures for the District's Water and Sewer operations.

	2022 Actual	2023 Adopted	2023 Projected	2024 Proposed
<u>Water Revenues</u>				
Sale of Water	\$96,968,253	\$91,459,085	\$91,111,226	\$91,388,900
Other Operating Revenue	8,976,481	8,871,900	9,080,329	9,278,912
Subtotal Operating Revenue	105,944,734	100,330,985	100,191,555	100,667,812
Non-Operating Revenues	3,983,938	2,364,497	5,787,896	8,242,422
Contributions from Other Funds	-	4,795,335	4,795,335	1,789,277
Subtotal Non-Operating Revenue	3,983,938	7,159,832	10,583,231	10,031,699
Total Water Revenues	109,928,672	107,490,817	110,774,786	110,699,511
<u>Sewer Revenues</u>				
Tax on Member Municipalities	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600
Revenue for Other Gov't Agencies	10,747,754	11,931,000	12,171,812	12,431,000
Other Sewer Revenues	18,226,560	12,429,321	14,706,170	13,241,677
Sewer User Charge Revenues	13,844,673	11,584,900	12,415,853	12,062,066
Subtotal Operating Revenue	95,895,587	89,021,821	92,370,435	90,811,343
DEEP Contingency	-	1,980,000	1,980,000	1,980,000
Contributions from Other Funds	-	6,252,829	6,252,829	9,841,769
Subtotal Non-Operating Revenue	-	8,232,829	8,232,829	11,821,769
Total Sewer Revenues	95,895,587	97,254,650	100,603,264	102,633,112
Total Water and Sewer Revenues	\$205,824,260	\$204,745,467	\$211,378,050	\$213,332,623
<u>Expenditures</u>				
District Board	\$467,455	\$525,500	\$522,500	\$542,075
Executive Office	2,465,421	3,222,283	2,666,141	3,286,307
Legal	1,223,720	1,504,634	1,483,334	1,596,601
Administrative Office	780,365	656,660	640,000	783,923
Finance	5,202,781	6,188,714	5,811,000	6,471,325
Information Technology	8,556,239	9,335,328	8,970,000	9,465,630
Engineering and Planning	922,378	1,073,777	912,625	865,618
Water Treatment & Supply	7,201,025	9,292,383	8,765,804	9,143,431
Water Pollution Control	17,228,558	21,537,206	20,489,067	20,362,360
Laboratory Services	1,363,945	1,579,289	1,428,127	1,576,529
Maintenance	10,729,986	12,707,413	11,360,849	12,998,517
Operating Office	679,823	871,442	870,504	513,341
Environment, Health & Safety	769,207	1,013,244	960,475	1,031,899
Command Center	4,557,438	6,059,793	6,059,792	6,645,866
Operations	12,851,659	14,194,647	14,194,647	15,307,418
Patrol	1,268,747	1,453,642	1,271,512	1,336,903
Debt Service	70,362,600	74,427,401	74,427,401	82,338,486
Employee Benefits	36,929,495	26,065,489	26,065,489	25,816,868
General Insurance	6,062,647	2,229,737	2,132,955	2,430,506
Taxes and Fees	3,559,452	3,810,500	3,800,000	3,810,500
Special Agr. and Programs	2,987,009	5,016,385	4,872,597	5,028,520
Contingencies	-	1,980,000	1,980,000	1,980,000
Total Water and Sewer Expenditures	\$196,169,949	\$204,745,467	\$199,684,820	\$213,332,623

Budget Summary

Revenue & Expenditure Summary

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

	2022 Actual	2023 Adopted	2023 Projected	2024 Proposed
<u>REVENUES</u>				
Tax on Member Municipalities	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600
Revenue for Other Gov't Agencies	10,747,754	11,931,000	12,171,812	12,431,000
Other Sewer Revenues	18,226,560	12,429,321	14,706,170	13,241,677
Sewer User Charge Revenues	13,844,673	11,584,900	12,415,853	12,062,066
Subtotal	95,895,587	89,021,821	92,370,435	90,811,343
DEEP Contingency	-	1,980,000	1,980,000	1,980,000
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Subtotal	-	8,232,829	8,232,829	11,821,769
Total Revenues	\$95,895,587	\$97,254,650	\$100,603,264	\$102,633,112
<u>EXPENDITURES</u>				
District Board	\$229,100	\$257,500	\$256,000	\$265,600
Executive Office	1,208,100	1,578,900	1,306,400	1,610,300
Legal	599,600	737,300	726,800	782,300
Administrative Office	382,400	321,800	313,600	384,100
Finance	2,549,300	3,032,400	2,847,300	3,170,900
Information Technology	2,823,600	3,080,600	2,960,100	3,123,700
Engineering and Planning	452,000	526,100	447,200	424,200
Water Pollution Control	17,228,558	21,537,206	20,489,067	20,362,360
Laboratory Services	654,700	758,000	685,500	756,800
Maintenance	5,257,800	6,226,600	5,566,800	6,369,200
Operating Office	333,100	427,000	426,500	251,500
Environment, Health & Safety	376,900	496,400	470,700	505,600
Command Center	1,549,500	2,060,300	2,060,300	2,259,600
Operations	3,212,900	3,548,700	3,548,700	3,826,800
Debt Service	34,772,147	36,248,080	36,248,080	41,919,835
Employee Benefits	16,618,300	11,729,500	11,729,500	11,617,600
General Insurance	2,425,100	891,900	853,200	972,200
Special Agr. and Programs	1,151,921	1,816,364	1,816,364	2,050,517
Contingencies	-	1,980,000	1,980,000	1,980,000
Total Expenditures	\$91,825,026	\$97,254,650	\$94,732,111	\$102,633,112

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Revenue & Expenditure Summary

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

	2022 Actual	2023 Adopted	2023 Projected	2024 Proposed
REVENUES				
Sale of Water	\$96,968,253	\$91,459,085	\$91,111,226	\$91,388,900
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Subtotal	105,944,734	100,330,985	100,191,555	100,667,812
Non-Operating Revenues	3,983,938	2,364,497	5,787,896	8,242,422
Contributions from Other Funds	-	4,795,335	4,795,335	1,789,277
Total Revenues	\$109,928,672	\$107,490,817	\$110,774,786	\$110,699,511
EXPENDITURES				
District Board	\$238,355	\$268,000	\$266,500	\$276,475
Executive Office	1,257,321	1,643,383	1,359,741	1,676,007
Legal	624,120	767,334	756,534	814,301
Administrative Office	397,965	334,860	326,400	399,823
Finance	2,653,481	3,156,314	2,963,700	3,300,425
Information Technology	5,732,639	6,254,728	6,009,900	6,341,930
Engineering and Planning	470,378	547,677	465,425	441,418
Water Treatment & Supply	7,201,025	9,292,383	8,765,804	9,143,431
Laboratory Services	709,245	821,289	742,627	819,729
Maintenance	5,472,186	6,480,813	5,794,049	6,629,317
Operating Office	346,723	444,442	444,004	261,841
Environment, Health & Safety	392,307	516,844	489,775	526,299
Command Center	3,007,938	3,999,493	3,999,492	4,386,266
Operations	9,638,759	10,645,947	10,645,947	11,480,618
Patrol	1,268,747	1,453,642	1,271,512	1,336,903
Debt Service	35,590,453	38,179,321	38,179,321	40,418,651
Employee Benefits	20,311,195	14,335,989	14,335,989	14,199,268
General Insurance	3,637,547	1,337,837	1,279,755	1,458,306
Taxes and Fees	3,559,452	3,810,500	3,800,000	3,810,500
Special Agr. and Programs	1,835,088	3,200,021	3,056,233	2,978,003
Total Expenditures	\$104,344,924	\$107,490,817	104,952,709	110,699,511

Budget Summary

Revenue & Expenditure Summary

Proposed water and sewer revenues for 2024 total \$213,332,623, an increase of \$8,587,156 or 4.2% from the adopted 2023 level. The sewer revenues have increased by \$5,378,462 and the water revenues increased by \$3,208,694.

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<u>WATER REVENUES</u>				
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Member Municipalities Tax History

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Ad Valorem Budget	Adopted	Adopted	Adopted	Adopted	Proposed
Hartford	\$13,035,400	\$13,169,100	\$14,067,500	\$13,923,310	\$13,923,310
East Hartford	\$6,089,300	6,015,200	6,264,400	6,227,300	6,227,300
Newington	\$4,623,100	4,681,000	4,799,100	4,776,720	4,776,720
Wethersfield	\$4,240,800	4,214,100	4,252,500	4,266,270	4,266,270
Windsor	\$4,611,600	4,551,500	4,698,600	4,712,920	4,712,920
Bloomfield	\$3,879,300	3,808,100	3,868,400	3,831,630	3,831,630
Rocky Hill	\$3,144,100	3,171,200	3,206,800	3,294,640	3,294,640
West Hartford	\$11,852,100	11,865,500	11,919,300	12,043,810	12,043,810
Total	\$51,475,700	\$51,475,700	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600	\$53,076,600

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Tax % (3yr avg.)	Adopted	Adopted	Adopted	Adopted	Proposed
Hartford	25.32%	25.58%	26.50%	26.23%	26.23%
East Hartford	11.83%	11.69%	11.80%	11.73%	11.73%
Newington	8.98%	9.09%	9.04%	9.00%	9.00%
Wethersfield	8.24%	8.19%	8.01%	8.04%	8.04%
Windsor	8.96%	8.84%	8.85%	8.88%	8.88%
Bloomfield	7.54%	7.40%	7.29%	7.22%	7.22%
Rocky Hill	6.11%	6.16%	6.04%	6.21%	6.21%
West Hartford	23.02%	23.05%	22.47%	22.69%	22.69%
Total	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

2024 Installment Schedule

Installment Date	1/18/2024	4/19/2024	7/19/2024	10/18/2024	Total
Hartford	\$3,480,828	\$3,480,828	\$3,480,827	\$3,480,827	\$13,923,310
East Hartford	1,556,825	1,556,825	1,556,825	1,556,825	6,227,300
Newington	1,194,180	1,194,180	1,194,180	1,194,180	4,776,720
Wethersfield	1,066,568	1,066,568	1,066,567	1,066,567	4,266,270
Windsor	1,178,230	1,178,230	1,178,230	1,178,230	4,712,920
Bloomfield	957,908	957,908	957,907	957,907	3,831,630
Rocky Hill	823,660	823,660	823,660	823,660	3,294,640
West Hartford	3,010,953	3,010,953	3,010,952	3,010,952	12,043,810
Total	\$13,269,152	\$13,269,152	\$13,269,148	\$13,269,148	\$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. Rocky Hill, Wethersfield and Windsor have not provided tax abatement information for 2021, 2022, 2023 as a result, the above allocation charts are preliminary.

Respectfully Submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

HOLIDAYS

	MDC	State	Rocky Hill	Wethersfield	Newington	EH	Bloomfield	Windsor	West Hartford	Hartford
New Years Day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Martin Luther King	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Lincolns Birthday		X				X			X	X
Presidents Day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Good Friday	X	X	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Memorial Day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Independence Day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Labor Day	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Columbus Day	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X
Veterans Day	X	X		X		X	X	X	X	X
Thanksgiving	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Day after Thanksgiving	X		X	X	X		X	X		
1/2 Christmas Eve	X		X	X	X(FULL DAY)			X(FULL DAY)		
Christmas	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
1/2 Day New Years Eve	X		X	X	X					
Juneteenth		X	X	No- talk of adding to list (unions pick 12 holidays from a list)	No	No-Unions would not give up another holiday	X	No- offer floating	X	X
Birthday				X		X			X	
Floating										X (2)
TOTAL DAYS	13	13	13	14	12.5	13	12	11	14	15

OTHER

	MDC	State	Rocky Hill	Wethersfield	Newington	EH	Bloomfield	Windsor	West Hartford	Hartford
Vacation	5-20 days	5-20 days	5-24 days	5- 20 days	10-20 days	5-25 days	5-30 days	10-20 days	10-29 days	10-20 days
Sick	15 days	15 days	15 days	10-20 days	15 days	15 days	15 days	12 days	15 days	15 days
Personal	10 days (EE 13>)	3 days	5 days		3 days	2-5 days	4 days	2-5 days		
Earned Time (Union & EE 12<)	6 days									
Inclement Weather	3	state closures	town closures							
TOTAL (MAX)	41	38	44	40	38	44	49	37	44	35

OTHER MUNICIPALITIES (Juneteenth)	YES	NO	NOTES
Branford		No	
Bridgeport	Yes		
Brookfield	Yes		
Brooklyn	Yes		
Columbia		No	14 holidays- trade declined
Cromwell	Yes		13 total holidays
Darien		No	
East Hampton		No	
Enfield		No	
Fairfield		No	
Glastonbury	Yes- Police Only		police union only
Greenwich		No	
Groton	Yes		no trade required
Ledyard		No	would consider swap
Mansfield	Yes		no trade required
Meriden	Yes		
Milford		No	would consider swap
Naugatuck		No	would consider swap
New Fairfield	Yes		
New Haven	Yes		
New Milford	Yes		
Newtown		No	would consider swap
North Haven	Yes		
Norwich		No	
Redding		No	may negotiate
Ridgefield		No	
South Windsor	Yes		
Stamford	Yes		
Stonington	Yes		3 of 4 unions yes. 4th union had more holidays and would not trade.
Stratford	Yes		
Thompson	Yes		
Torrington		No	
Washington	Yes		
Westport	Yes		

THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION

555 Main Street
Hartford, Connecticut 06103
Monday, September 6, 2023

PRESENT: Commissioners Andrew Adil, John Avedisian, Clifford Avery Buell, Dimple Desai, William A. DiBella, David Drake, Peter Gardow, Joan Gentile, Allen Hoffman, Jean Holloway, Gary Johnson, Byron Lester, Jacqueline Mandyck, Dominic Pane, Bhupen Patel, Pasquale J. Salemi, David Steuber, Alvin Taylor, Calixto Torres and James Woulfe (20)

REMOTE ATTENDANCE: Commissioners Richard Bush, Donald Currey and Christian Hoheb (3)

ABSENT: Commissioners Kyle Anderson, John Bazzano, John Gale, James Healy, Mary LaChance, Diane Lewis, Maureen Magnan, Michael Maniscalco, Jon Petoskey, and New Britain Special Representative Michael Carrier (10)

ALSO PRESENT: Citizen Member Linda Russo
Citizen Member Awet Tsegai
Scott Jellison, Chief Executive Officer
Christopher Stone, District Counsel (Remote Attendance)
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk
Chris Levesque, Chief Operating Officer
Kelly Shane, Chief Administrative Officer
Robert Barron, Chief Financial Officer
Dave Ruty, Director of Operations
Jeff King, Construction Manager
Nick Salemi, Communications Administrator
Carrie Blardo, Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer
Julie Price, Executive Assistant
Alex Rodriguez, IT Consultant (Remote Attendance)
Joseph Szerejko, Independent Consumer Advocate (Remote Attendance)

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL AND QUORUM

The District Clerk called the roll and informed Chairman 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 Buell and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of August 7, 2023 were approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

Alma Elder, a member of Third Act, stated that the District's community outreach team deserves recognition. She also requested that when members of the Board or staff speak during meetings, that they identify themselves. She asked specifically about the progress and completion of Durham Street projects and the South Hartford Conveyance and Storage Tunnel.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT CHAIRMAN

No report was given.

REPORT FROM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Scott Jellison, Chief Executive Officer, stated that the South Hartford Conveyance and Storage Tunnel will be completed in January 2024.

Nick Salemi, Communications Administrator, gave an overview of the updated portion of the website that shows all information pertaining to the North Hartford sewer improvement projects.

Mr. Jellison then discussed the State of Connecticut Comptroller's Hartford Flooding Program. The MDC will be involved in providing inspectors to determine cause of the flooding in homes. Thus far the MDC has identified five qualified individuals to be inspectors (two from Hartford) and is assisting them with getting certified with the Department of Consumer Protection.

REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNSEL

Christopher Stone, District Counsel, stated that, pertaining to the Comptroller's Flood Damage Program, MDC costs for inspectors will be reimbursed by the state. He then gave an update on the tunnel litigation and that the MDC's counterclaim should be filed next week. Lastly, he stated that tunnel mediation is scheduled for October 4th and 5th.

**BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS
ACCEPTANCE OF SEWERS BUILT BY DEVELOPER’S
PERMIT-AGREEMENT**

To: District Board

September 6, 2023

From: Bureau of Public Works

The sewers outlined in the following resolution have been constructed under Developer’s Permit-Agreement in accordance with the plans, specifications and standards of the District, and the Director of Engineering has certified to all of the foregoing.

At a meeting of the Bureau of Public Works held on August 30, 2023, and pursuant to Section S8g of the Sewer Ordinances re: “Acceptance of Developer’s Sewers,” it was:

Voted: That the Bureau of Public Works recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

Resolved: That, in accordance with Section S8g of the District Ordinances, the following is incorporated into the sewer system of The Metropolitan District as of the date of passage of this resolution:

	Sewers In	Built By	Completion Date
1	CREC – Ana Grace School, 129 Griffin Road North, Bloomfield R19005	Developer: CREC (Capitol Region Education Council) Contractor: Bartlett Brainard Escoll, Inc. / Milton Beebe	March 17, 2023

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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

**BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS
REQUEST TO MODIFY SUPPLEMENTAL ASSESSMENT
50 MORGAN STREET HARTFORD**

To: District Board

September 6, 2023

From: Bureau of Public Works

On May 15, 2022, after a duly noticed public hearing, the Bureau of Public Works levied a supplemental benefit assessment on 50 Morgan Street in Hartford. The District Board approved the supplemental benefit assessment on July 11, 2022. The supplemental assessment was based on the conversion of the three hundred forty-two (342) room Crowne Plaza Hotel to a residential building with two hundred fifty-two (252) residential units as approved by the City of Hartford.

The supplemental assessment totaled \$155,430.00 (252 residential units x \$1,655.00 = \$417,060.00 - \$261,630.00 (a credit for the prior existing 342 hotel rooms x \$765.00)). The property owner, Shelbourne Axela LLC, submitted a request to the Bureau for modification of the supplemental assessment on the basis that the redevelopment plan for the property is for a lower number of residential units than the levied assessment. Shelbourne Axela LLC's request states the proposed total number of residential units is 192.

At a meeting of the Bureau of Public Works held on August 30, 2023 it was:

Voted: That the Bureau of Public Works recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

RESOLVED: That the supplemental benefit assessment of 50 Morgan Street in Hartford calculated based on 252 residential units, approved by the Bureau of Public Works on May 15, 2022 and the District Board on July 11, 2022, totaling \$155,430.00 be modified to \$56,130 (192 residential units x \$1,655.00 = \$317,760 - \$261,630.00 (credit for the prior existing 342 hotel rooms x \$765.00)).

BE IT FURTHER

RESOLVED: That legal notice, in the form and manner as approved by District Counsel, be recorded on the land records that any future (re)development or conversion of the property in excess of 192 residential units shall be subject to supplemental assessment by the District.

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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

**BOARD OF FINANCE
AUTHORIZATION FOR PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENT CWF 747-PG**

To: District Board

September 6, 2023

From: Board of Finance

Staff seeks approval from your Board to execute and deliver the Project Grant Agreement between the District and the State of Connecticut for CWF No. 747-PG having a grant amount of \$519,949.65.

The Grant will be used to fund planning to complete the preliminary design for the sewer separation projects, in accordance with the Engineering Agreement approved by the Commissioner of the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection dated July 26, 2023.

Bond Counsel prepared the following resolution for your approval.

At a meeting of the Board of Finance held on September 6, 2023, it was:

VOTED: That the Board of Finance recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution from Bond Counsel

RESOLVED:

Section 1. The Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, and the District Treasurer, or in his absence, the Deputy Treasurer, are authorized to execute that certain Project Grant Agreement CWF No. 747-PG (the "Agreement") by and between the District and the State of Connecticut (the "State") and deliver said Agreement to the State. Subject to the terms and conditions of the Agreement, the State will provide a Project Grant to the District in an amount of \$519,949.65, or such additional amounts as may be made available thereunder, to fund planning to complete the preliminary design for the sewer separation projects, in accordance with the Engineering Agreement approved by the Commissioner dated July 26, 2023, and all modifications or amendments which are approved by the Commissioner. The prior actions by the Chairman and the District Treasurer in furtherance of this resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects. Capitalized terms used herein and not defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Agreement.

Respectfully Submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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

**BOARD OF FINANCE
AUTHORIZATION FOR INTERIM FUNDING OBLIGATION AND/OR PROJECT
LOAN AGREEMENT CWF 746-C**

To: District Board

September 6, 2023

From: Board of Finance

Staff seeks approval from your Board to execute and deliver the Interim Funding Obligation and/or Project Loan Obligation to the State of Connecticut for CWF 746-C having a principal amount not to exceed \$7,104,051.15 and having an interest rate of 2.00%.

The low interest loan and accompanying grant of \$7,104,051.15 will fund all labor, equipment, fees, permits, and other related costs necessary for the large diameter rehabilitation program phase II.

Bond Counsel prepared the following resolution for your approval.

At a meeting of the Board of Finance held on September 6, 2023, it was:

VOTED: That the Board of Finance recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution from Bond Counsel

RESOLVED:

Section 1. The Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, and the District Treasurer, or in his absence, the Deputy Treasurer, are authorized to execute and deliver a Project Loan and Project Grant Agreement CWF No. 746-C (the "Agreement") and any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations for CWF No. 746-C in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$7,104,051.15 to fund all labor, equipment, fees, permits, and other related costs necessary for the large diameter rehabilitation program phase II. Such Interim Funding Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, as defined in the Agreement, shall bear interest at the rate of two percent (2.00%) per annum, shall be payable as to principal and interest as provided in the Agreement, and to the extent not paid prior to maturity from The Metropolitan

District funds, may be renewed by the issuance of Interim Funding Obligations or Project Loan Obligations, all as provided in the Agreement. The prior actions by the Chairman and the District Treasurer in furtherance of this resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects. Capitalized terms used herein and not defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Agreement.

Section 2. The Project Loan Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature no later than twenty years from the Scheduled Completion Date, shall bear interest at the rate of two percent (2.00%) per annum and shall be payable as to principal and interest as provided in the Agreement.

Respectfully Submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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

**BOARD OF FINANCE
AUTHORIZATION FOR AMENDMENT TO INTERIM FUNDING OBLIGATION
AND/OR PROJECT LOAN AGREEMENT CWF 719-C**

To: District Board

September 6, 2023

From: Board of Finance

Staff seeks approval from your Board to execute and deliver the Interim Funding Obligation and/or Project Loan Obligation to the State of Connecticut for CWF 719-C having a principal amount not to exceed \$11,783,655.52 and having an interest rate of 2.00%.

The low interest loan and accompanying grant of \$2,945,913.88 will fund the upgrade and replacement of the equipment and controls associated with the dissolved air flotation thickening (“DAFT”) and the structural rehabilitation and repair of the DAFT tanks at the Hartford WPCF.

Bond Counsel prepared the following resolution for your approval.

At a meeting of the Board of Finance held on September 6, 2023, it was:

VOTED: That the Board of Finance recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution from Bond Counsel

RESOLVED:

Section 1. This resolution amends and restates a resolution of the District Board, passed at a meeting of the District Board held on October 4, 2021.

Section 2. The Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, and the District Treasurer, or in his absence, the Deputy Treasurer, are authorized to execute and deliver a Project Loan and Project Grant Agreement CWF No. 719-C and the First Amendment Agreement CWF No. 719-C1 to be entered into with the State of Connecticut (collectively, the "Agreement") and any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations for CWF No. 719-C and CWF No. 719-C1 in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$11,783,655.52 to fund the upgrade and replacement of the equipment and controls associated with dissolved air flotation thickening ("DAFT") and the structural rehabilitation and repair of the DAFT tanks at the Hartford Water Pollution Control Facility. Such Interim Funding Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, as defined in the Agreement, shall bear interest at the rate of two percent (2.00%) per annum, shall be payable as to principal and interest as provided in the Agreement, and to the extent not paid prior to maturity from The Metropolitan District funds, may be renewed by the issuance of Interim Funding Obligations or Project Loan Obligations, all as provided in the Agreement. The prior actions by the Chairman and the District Treasurer in furtherance of this resolution are hereby ratified and confirmed in all respects. Capitalized terms used herein and not defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Agreement.

Section 3. The Project Loan Obligations shall be dated as of their date of issue, shall mature no later than twenty years from the Scheduled Completion Date, shall bear interest at the rate of two percent (2.00%) per annum and shall be payable as to principal and interest as provided in the Agreement.

Respectfully Submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

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

**PERSONNEL, PENSION & INSURANCE COMMITTEE
REFERRAL RE: REMOVAL OF “COMMISSIONER COMMENTS &
QUESTIONS” AGENDA ITEM**

Commissioner Adil made a motion to refer the item to the Committee on MDC Government. The motion was duly seconded and the item was referred to the Committee on MDC Government by unanimous vote of those present.

**SETTLEMENT OF PENDING LITIGATION
JONATHAN CARDONA v MDC**

To: District Board

September 6, 2023

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 settle the pending state lawsuit caption of **JONATHAN CARDONA v. TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD & METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION** Docket No. HHD-CV21-6138240, for the total sum of \$14,000.00, subject to the proper execution of any and all documents reasonably necessary to effect said settlement, including but not limited to a general release and the formal withdrawal of said action.

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

On motion made by Commissioner Adil 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.

COMMISSIONER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Gardow thanked MDC for the technology to allow him to watch meetings on YouTube. He asked about Bylaw B2k being brought to a future meeting agenda. He also asked if closed captioning can be added to the YouTube videos, as is an option when watching live on WebEx.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:08 PM

ATTEST:

John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

Date of Approval