BOARD OF FINANCE REGULAR MEETING The Metropolitan District 555 Main Street, Hartford Monday, March 31, 2025

PRESENT: Commissioners Andrew Adil, Allen Hoffman, Pasquale Salemi,

Citizen Members Linda Russo, Awet Tsegai, Edwin Vargas and

District Chairman Donald Currey (7)

REMOTE

ATTENDANCE: Citizen Member Linda King-Corbin (1)

ABSENT: Citizen Member Drew Iacovazzi (1)

ALSO

PRESENT: Commissioner William DiBella

Commissioner John Gale

Commissioner Jacqueline Mandyck

Commissioner Chris Tierinni

Commissioner John Avedisian (Remote Attendance)

Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer

Christopher Stone, District Counsel

John S. Mirtle, District Clerk (Remote Attendance) Christopher Levesque, Chief Operating Officer

Kelly Shane, Chief Administrative Officer

Jamie Harlow, Director of Human Resources (Remote Attendance)

Susan Negrelli, Director of Engineering Dave Rutty, Director of Operations

Robert Schwarm, Director of Information Systems (Remote Attendance)

Thomas Tyler, Director of Facilities

Diana Phay, Manager of Treasury (Remote Attendance)

Biviana Casanova, Project Control Manager

Lindsay Williams, Accounting Administrator (Remote Attendance)

Carrie Blardo, Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer

Julie Price, Executive Assistant

Matt McAuliffe, IT Consultant (Remote Attendance)

Amanda Litvak, IT Professional Level Associate (Remote Attendance)

Elizabeth Tavelli, Independent Consumer Advocate

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Salemi called the meeting to order at 5:39 PM

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

INDEPENDENT CONSUMER ADVOCATE COMMENTS & QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

ICA Elizabeth Tavelli spoke on Agenda Item #9 "Official Duties and Responsibilities of the Independent Consumer Advocate" and stated she would caution the conversation. She stated the position is statutorily created by Conn. Gen. Stat. § 7-334a which outlines the duties and responsibilities of the Independent Consumer Advocate and the Committee does not have the authority to alter, outline or define the role beyond the statute.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

On motion made by Commissioner Adil and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of the Board of Finance meeting of January 27, 2025 were approved.

Citizen Member Tsegai exited the meeting at 5:56 PM.

Commissioner Adil made a motion to approve agenda items #6A through #6E Authorization to Execute Project Loan and Project Grant Agreements, Project Loan and
Project Grant and Principal Forgiveness Agreements, and Interim Funding Obligations
and Project Loan Obligations in an Amount not to Exceed:

6A - "\$46,290,000 In Order To Fund Various 2023 Capital Improvement Program Projects",

6B - "\$54,150,000 In Order To Fund Various 2024 Capital Improvement Program Projects",

6C - "\$17,600,000 In Order To Fund Various 2024 Capital Improvement Program – Water And Integrated Plan Projects,"

6D - "\$1,000,000 In Order To Fund A 2024 Capital Improvement Program – Integrated Plan Project",

6E - "\$75,600,000 In Order To Fund Various 2025 Capital Improvement Program Projects,"

The motion to approve agenda items #6A-#6E was approved by unanimous vote of those present.

RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE THE DISTRICT TO EXECUTE AND DELIVER ONE OR MORE PROJECT LOAN AND PROJECT GRANT AGREEMENTS AND ONE OR MORE PROJECT LOAN AND PROJECT GRANT AND PRINCIPAL FORGIVENESS AGREEMENTS AND ANY AND ALL INTERIM FUNDING OBLIGATIONS AND PROJECT LOAN OBLIGATIONS IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$46,290,000 IN ORDER TO FUND VARIOUS 2023 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM PROJECTS

To: Board of Finance for consideration on March 31, 2025

WHEREAS, on December 5, 2022, the District Board approved that certain resolution entitled "RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$144,573,750 FOR THE DISTRICT'S 2023 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES

OF THE DISTRICT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$144,573,750 TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION" (the "Resolution") after the recommendation of the Board of Finance; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution provides, among other things, an appropriation and bond authorization in the amount of \$46,290,000 for those capital improvement program projects set forth therein as Nos. 26 through 37, inclusive (collectively, the "Projects"), as more particularly attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution further provides that "the District may issue bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness authorized hereby in the form of interim funding obligations in anticipation of project loan obligations....as the District Board shall determine, in accordance with Connecticut laws and the District's Charter, following recommendation of the Board of Finance"; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution further states that "[t]he aggregate principal amount of the Clean Water Fund Obligations to be issued, the dated date, final maturity, rate or rates of interest, the date, time of issue and sale and all other terms, details and particulars of such Clean Water Fund Obligations, subject to the provisions of the Clean Water Fund Program, shall be determined by the District Board, following a recommendation of the Board of Finance"; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-5 of the District's Charter also requires that "the resolution for the issuance of such bonds, notes or other certificates of debt to be adopted by the district board shall designate such name or title for the issue as seems appropriate, set forth the amount of the issue and the purposes for which its avails are to be used and provide as to the form, interest payment periods, the amount of such bonds, notes or other certificates of debt, the date of issue and maturity, the method of registration, if any, and whether the same shall carry interest coupons or otherwise. Such resolution may also provide for the rate of interest or, upon recommendation of the board of finance of the district, the rate of interest may be fixed by the bidders for such bonds in multiples of one-twentieth of one per cent per annum, but in neither case shall the rate of interest exceed six per cent per annum"; and

WHEREAS, the District has submitted and/or plans to submit one or more applications to the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection ("DEEP") to determine whether one or more of the Projects will be eligible for funding under the Clean Water Fund Program (as defined in the Resolution); and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of DEEP determining that one or more of the Projects will be eligible under the Clean Water Fund Program, the District Board desires to (1) authorize the District to execute and deliver one or more Project Loan and Project Grant Agreements, one or more Project Loan and Project Grant and Principal Forgiveness Agreements, and any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$46,290,000 in order to fund any and all of the Projects described in the Resolution, and (2) make such other determinations of the particulars of any and all such Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations as described herein.

BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The Board 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 one or more Project Loan and Project Grant Agreements and one or more Project Loan and Project

Grant and Principal Forgiveness Agreements, as applicable (each, an "Agreement") and any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$46,290,000 to fund any or all of the Projects described in the Resolution and determined by the DEEP as eligible under the Clean Water Fund.

Section 2. The Interim Funding Obligations shall be identified in a manner consistent with the Resolution and the applications submitted to DEEP, dated as of their date of issue, incorporate the amount of issue and the specific Project(s) to be funded, and shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, as defined in each 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 each Agreement, and to the extent not paid prior to maturity from District funds, may be renewed by the issuance of Interim Funding Obligations or Project Loan Obligations, all as provided in each Agreement.

Section 3. The Project Loan Obligations shall be identified in a manner consistent with the Resolution and the applications submitted to DEEP, dated as of their date of issue, incorporate the amount of issue and the specific Project(s) to be funded, and 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 in monthly installments, all as provided in each Agreement.

Section 4. The prior actions by the Chairman, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman, and the District Treasurer, or in his absence, the Deputy 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 each Agreement.

Respectfully Submitted,

John S. Mirtle, Esq.

District Clerk

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To: Board of Finance for consideration on March 31, 2025

WHEREAS, on December 4, 2023, the District Board approved that certain resolution entitled "RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$153,517,000 FOR THE DISTRICT'S 2024 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES OF THE DISTRICT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$153,517,000 TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION" (the "Resolution") after the recommendation of the Board of Finance; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution provides, among other things, an appropriation and bond authorization in the amount of \$54,150,000 for those capital improvement program projects set forth therein as Nos. 28 through 36 (collectively, the "Projects"), as more particularly attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution further provides that "the District may issue bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness authorized hereby in the form of interim funding obligations in anticipation of project loan obligations....as the District Board shall determine, in accordance with Connecticut laws and the District's Charter, following recommendation of the Board of Finance"; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution further states that "[t]he aggregate principal amount of the Clean Water Fund Obligations to be issued, the dated date, final maturity, rate or rates of interest, the date, time of issue and sale and all other terms, details and particulars of such Clean Water Fund Obligations, subject to the provisions of the Clean Water Fund Program, shall be determined by the District Board, following a recommendation of the Board of Finance"; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-5 of the District's Charter also requires that "the resolution for the issuance of such bonds, notes or other certificates of debt to be adopted by the district board shall designate such name or title for the issue as seems appropriate, set forth the amount of the issue and the purposes for which its avails are to be used and provide as to the form, interest payment periods, the amount of such bonds, notes or other certificates of debt, the date of issue and maturity, the method of registration, if any, and whether the same shall carry interest coupons or otherwise. Such resolution may also provide for the rate of interest or, upon recommendation of the board of finance of the district, the rate of interest may be fixed by the bidders for such bonds in multiples of one-twentieth of one per cent per annum, but in neither case shall the rate of interest exceed six per cent per annum"; and

WHEREAS, the District has submitted and/or plans to submit one or more applications to the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection ("DEEP") to determine whether one or more of the Projects will be eligible for funding under the Clean Water Fund Program (as defined in the Resolution); and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of DEEP determining that one or more of the Projects will be eligible under the Clean Water Fund Program, the District Board desires to (1) authorize the District to execute and deliver one or more Project Loan and Project Grant Agreements, one or more Project Loan and Project Grant and Principal Forgiveness Agreements, as applicable, and any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$54,150,000 in order to fund any and all of the Projects described in the Resolution, and (2) make such other determinations of the particulars of any and all such Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations as described herein.

BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The Board 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 one or more Project Loan and Project Grant Agreements and one or more Project Loan and Project Grant and Principal Forgiveness Agreements, as applicable (each, an "Agreement") and any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in an aggregate amount not to

exceed \$54,150,000 to fund any or all of the Projects described in the Resolution and determined by the DEEP as eligible under the Clean Water Fund.

Section 2. The Interim Funding Obligations shall be identified in a manner consistent with the Resolution and the applications submitted to DEEP, dated as of their date of issue, incorporate the amount of issue and the specific Project(s) to be funded, and shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, as defined in each 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 each Agreement, and to the extent not paid prior to maturity from District funds, may be renewed by the issuance of Interim Funding Obligations or Project Loan Obligations, all as provided in each Agreement.

Section 3. The Project Loan Obligations shall be identified in a manner consistent with the Resolution and the applications submitted to DEEP, dated as of their date of issue, incorporate the amount of issue and the specific Project(s) to be funded, and 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 in monthly installments, all as provided in each Agreement.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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To: Board of Finance for consideration on March 31, 2025

WHEREAS, on April 1, 2024, the District Board approved that certain resolution entitled "RESOLUTION MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$44,600,000 FOR THE DISTRICT'S 2024 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – WATER AND INTEGRATED PLAN AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES OF THE DISTRICT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$44,600,000 TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION" (the "Resolution") after the recommendation of the Board of Finance; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution provides, among other things, an appropriation and bond authorization in the amount of \$17,600,000, for those capital improvement program - water and integrated plan projects set forth therein as Nos. 4 and 5 (together, the "Projects"), as more particularly attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution further provides that "the District may issue bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness authorized hereby in the form of interim funding obligations in anticipation of project loan obligations....as the District Board shall determine, in accordance with Connecticut laws and the District's Charter, following recommendation of the Board of Finance"; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution further states that "[t]he aggregate principal amount of the Clean Water Fund Obligations to be issued, the dated date, final maturity, rate or rates of interest, the date, time of issue and sale and all other terms, details and particulars of such Clean Water Fund Obligations, subject to the provisions of the Clean Water Fund Program, shall be determined by the District Board, following a recommendation of the Board of Finance"; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-5 of the District's Charter also requires that "the resolution for the issuance of such bonds, notes or other certificates of debt to be adopted by the district board shall designate such name or title for the issue as seems appropriate, set forth the amount of the issue and the purposes for which its avails are to be used and provide as to the form, interest payment periods, the amount of such bonds, notes or other certificates of debt, the date of issue and maturity, the method of registration, if any, and whether the same shall carry interest coupons or otherwise. Such resolution may also provide for the rate of interest or, upon recommendation of the board of finance of the district, the rate of interest may be fixed by the bidders for such bonds in multiples of one-twentieth of one per cent per annum, but in neither case shall the rate of interest exceed six per cent per annum"; and

WHEREAS, the District has submitted and/or plans to submit one or more applications to the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection ("DEEP") to determine whether one or more of the Projects will be eligible for funding under the Clean Water Fund Program (as defined in the Resolution); and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of DEEP determining that one or more of the Projects will be eligible under the Clean Water Fund Program, the District Board desires to (1) authorize the District to execute and deliver one or more Project Loan and Project Grant Agreements, one or more Project Loan and Project Grant and Principal Forgiveness Agreements, as applicable, and any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$17,600,000 in order to fund any and all of the Projects described in the Resolution, and (2) make such other determinations of the particulars of any and all such Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations as described herein.

BE IT RESOLVED:

Section 1. The Board 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 one or more Project Loan and Project Grant Agreements and one or more Project Loan and Project Grant and Principal Forgiveness Agreements, as applicable (each, an "Agreement") and any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in an aggregate amount not to

exceed \$17,600,000 to fund any or all of the Projects described in the Resolution and determined by the DEEP as eligible under the Clean Water Fund.

Section 2. The Interim Funding Obligations shall be identified in a manner consistent with the Resolution and the applications submitted to DEEP, dated as of their date of issue, incorporate the amount of issue and the specific Project(s) to be funded, and shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, as defined in each 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 each Agreement, and to the extent not paid prior to maturity from District funds, may be renewed by the issuance of Interim Funding Obligations or Project Loan Obligations, all as provided in each Agreement.

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To: Board of Finance for consideration on March 31, 2025

WHEREAS, on September 9, 2024, the District Board approved that certain resolution entitled "RESOLUTION MAKING A SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION OF \$1,000,000 FOR THE DISTRICT'S 2024 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM – INTEGRATED PLAN AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES OF THE DISTRICT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$1,000,000 TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION" (the "Resolution") after the recommendation of the Board of Finance; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution provides a supplemental appropriation and bond authorization in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the capital improvement program – integrated plan project set forth therein as No. 1 (the "Project"), as more particularly attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution further provides that "the District may issue bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness authorized hereby in the form of interim funding obligations in anticipation of project loan obligations....as the District Board shall determine, in accordance with Connecticut laws and the District's Charter, following recommendation of the Board of Finance"; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution further states that "[t]he aggregate principal amount of the Clean Water Fund Obligations to be issued, the dated date, final maturity, rate or rates of interest, the date, time of issue and sale and all other terms, details and particulars of such Clean Water Fund Obligations, subject to the provisions of the Clean Water Fund Program, shall be determined by the District Board, following a recommendation of the Board of Finance"; and

WHEREAS, Section 4-5 of the District's Charter also requires that "the resolution for the issuance of such bonds, notes or other certificates of debt to be adopted by the district board shall designate such name or title for the issue as seems appropriate, set forth the amount of the issue and the purposes for which its avails are to be used and provide as to the form, interest payment periods, the amount of such bonds, notes or other certificates of debt, the date of issue and maturity, the method of registration, if any, and whether the same shall carry interest coupons or otherwise. Such resolution may also provide for the rate of interest or, upon recommendation of the board of finance of the district, the rate of interest may be fixed by the bidders for such bonds in multiples of one-twentieth of one per cent per annum, but in neither case shall the rate of interest exceed six per cent per annum"; and

WHEREAS, the District has submitted and/or plans to submit one or more applications to the State of Connecticut Department of Energy and Environmental Protection ("DEEP") to determine whether the Project will be eligible for funding under the Clean Water Fund Program (as defined in the Resolution); and

WHEREAS, in anticipation of DEEP determining that the Project will be eligible under the Clean Water Fund Program, the District Board desires to (1) authorize the District to execute and deliver one or more Project Loan and Project Grant Agreements, one or more Project Loan and Project Grant and Principal Forgiveness Agreements, as applicable, and any and all Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$1,000,000 in order to fund the Project described in the Resolution, and (2) make such other determinations of the particulars of any and all such Interim Funding Obligations and Project Loan Obligations as described herein.

BE IT RESOLVED:

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exceed \$1,000,000 to fund the Project described in the Resolution and determined by the DEEP as eligible under the Clean Water Fund.

Section 2. The Interim Funding Obligations shall be identified in a manner consistent with the Resolution and the applications submitted to DEEP, dated as of their date of issue, incorporate the amount of issue and the specific Project(s) to be funded, and shall mature within six months of the Scheduled Completion Date, as defined in each 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 each Agreement, and to the extent not paid prior to maturity from District funds, may be renewed by the issuance of Interim Funding Obligations or Project Loan Obligations, all as provided in each Agreement.

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To: Board of Finance for consideration on March 31, 2025

WHEREAS, on December 9, 2024, the District Board approved that certain resolution entitled "RESOLUTION APPROPRIATING \$192,990,000 FOR THE DISTRICT'S 2025 CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS OR NOTES OF THE DISTRICT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$192,990,000 TO FINANCE SAID APPROPRIATION" (the "Resolution") after the recommendation of the Board of Finance; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution provides, among other things, an appropriation and bond authorization in the amount of \$75,600,000 for those capital improvement program projects set

forth therein as Nos. 28 through 37, inclusive (collectively, the "Projects"), as more particularly attached hereto and incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution further provides that "the District may issue bonds, notes or certificates of indebtedness authorized hereby in the form of interim funding obligations in anticipation of project loan obligations....as the District Board shall determine, in accordance with Connecticut laws and the District's Charter, following recommendation of the Board of Finance"; and

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BE IT RESOLVED:

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John S. Mirtle, Esq.

District Clerk

REVIEW OF FINALIZED ACCOUNTING OF "BOB BARRON PAYMENT PROJECTION" AS SUBMITTED BY DISTRICT COUNSEL AS "ATTORNEY/CLIENT PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATION/CONFIDENTIAL" ON DECEMBER 2, 2024

District Counsel reported that the final accounting of payment to Bob Barron is the same as what was written in the separation agreement.

STAFF UPDATE ON RESOLUTION OF OUTSTANDING CHANGE ORDERS AND WORK CHANGE DIRECTIVES SUBMITTED BY KENNY/OBAYASHI IV JOINT VENTURE AND RELATED TO THE COMPLETION OF THE SOUTH HARTFORD STORAGE AND CONVEYANCE TUNNEL

District Counsel updated the Committee that the final change orders and work change directives had been submitted to CT DEEP and they approved all but \$28,000. All documents have been signed and formally submitted to CT DEEP. The last items that the District is waiting on are CT DEEP's determination on their contribution and the final bills from experts and lawyers.

OFFICIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE INDEPENDENT CONSUMER ADVOCATE

District Chairman Currey asked that District Counsel send Public Act 17-1 and Public Act 24-98 regarding the duties and responsibilities of the Independent Consumer Advocate to all Commissioners.

OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

COMMISSIONER REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Commissioner Adil asked to revisit the tunnel project regarding a connection to the south end of Hartford and Wethersfield Cove.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:35 PM

ATTEST:	
John S. Mirtle, Esq. District Clerk	Date of Approval