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THE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION
2025

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JOHN GALE Vice Chairman, Committee on Organization

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JOHN GALE

AVERY BUELL

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WILLIAM DIBELLA

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MINUTES

OF

MEETINGS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION

HELD IN 2025

**COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION
SPECIAL MEETING
THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
555 Main Street, Hartford
Monday, February 3, 2025**

PRESENT: Commissioners John Bazzano, Avery Buell, Richard Bush, William A. DiBella, John Gale, Calixto Torres, and District Chairman Donald Currey (7)

**REMOTE
ATTENDANCE:** (0)

ABSENT: Diane Lewis, Byron Lester and James Woulfe (3)

**ALSO
PRESENT:**

Commissioner John Avedisian
Commissioner Dimple Desai (Remote Attendance)
Commissioner Joan Gentile
Commissioner Allen Hoffman
Commissioner Jean Holloway
Commissioner Gary Johnson
Commissioner Jacqueline Mandyck
Commissioner Dominic Pane
Commissioner Pasquale Salemi
Commissioner Alvin Taylor
Commissioner Christopher Tierinni
Citizen Member Awet Tsegai
Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer
Christopher Stone, District Counsel (Remote Attendance)
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk
Christopher Levesque, Chief Operating Officer
Kelly Shane, Chief Administrative Officer
Jamie Harlow, Director of Human Resources
Susan Negrelli, Director of Engineering
Dave Ruty, Director of Operations
Robert Schwarm, Director of Information Technology
Tom Tyler, Director of Facilities
Brian Colwell, Human Resources Generalist
Amanda Litvak, Professional Level Associate
Dylan Pecego, IT Consultant (Remote Attendance)
Matthew McAuliffe, IT Consultant (Remote Attendance)
Chris Taveras, Network Analyst
Carrie Blardo, Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer
Julie Price, Executive Assistant
Elizabeth Tavelli, Independent Consumer Advocate

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Buell called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

On motion made by Commissioner Bazzano and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of December 9, 2024 were approved.

APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONERS & CITIZEN MEMBER TO COMMITTEES

To: Committee on Organization for consideration on February 3, 2025

It is recommended that it be:

Voted: That pursuant to the Charter of The Metropolitan District, the Committee on Organization recommends to the District Board the following Citizen Member appointment for the year 2025 and until a successor is appointed and qualified:

Edwin Vargas, Hartford – Board of Finance

Further Voted: That the Committee on Organization recommends to the District Board the re-appointment of Diane Lewis to the following Committees for 2025 and until successors are appointed and qualified:

Water Bureau
Audit Committee
Community Affairs Committee
Strategic Planning Committee

Further Voted: That the Committee on Organization recommends to the District Board the appointment of Christopher Tierinni to the following Committees for 2025 and until successors are appointed and qualified:

Water Bureau
Committee on MDC Government
Strategic Planning Committee

Respectfully submitted,


John S. Mirtle
District Clerk

On motion made by Commissioner DiBella 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.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:21 PM

ATTEST:


John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

July 1, 2025
Date of Approval

**Video of the full February 3, 2025 Committee on Organization meeting is available at <https://www.youtube.com/@MetropolitanDistrictCommission> **

**COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION
SPECIAL MEETING
THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
555 Main Street, Hartford
Tuesday, July 1, 2025**

PRESENT: Commissioners John Bazzano, Avery Buell, Richard Bush, William A. DiBella, James Woulfe and District Chairman Donald Currey (6)

REMOTE ATTENDANCE: Commissioner John Gale (1)

ABSENT: Commissioners Diane Lewis, Byron Lester and Calixto Torres (3)

ALSO PRESENT: Commissioner Dimple Desai (Remote Attendance)
Commissioner Jacqueline Mandyck (Remote Attendance)
Commissioner Christopher Tierinni (Remote Attendance)
Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer
Christopher Stone, District Counsel
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk
Kelly Shane, Chief Administrative Officer
Jamie Harlow, Director of Human Resources
Robert Schwarm, Director of Information Systems (Remote Attendance)
Amanda Litvak, Professional Level Associate (Remote Attendance)
Kevin Sullivan, IT Consultant (Remote Attendance)
Carrie Blardo, Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer
Julie Price, Executive Assistant

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Buell called the meeting to order at 4:03 PM

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

On motion made by Commissioner DiBella and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of February 3, 2025 were approved.

**INDEPENDENT CONSUMER ADVOCATE COMMENTS & QUESTIONS RELATIVE
TO AGENDA ITEMS**

The Independent Consumer Advocate did not have any comments or questions

**COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION
APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR OF FINANCE/CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

At 4:05 PM Chairman Buell requested an executive session to discuss the appointment of Director of Finance/Chief Financial Officer.

On motion made by District Chairman Currey and duly seconded, the Committee on Organization entered into executive session to discuss the appointment of a Director of Finance/Chief Financial Officer.

Those in attendance during executive session: Commissioners John Bazzano, C. Avery Buell, Richard Bush, William DiBella, John Gale (remotely), James Woulfe and District Chairman Donald Currey; District Counsel Christopher Stone and Chief Executive Officer Scott Jellison; Chief Administrative Officer Kelly Shane; Director of Human Resources Jamie Harlow. Candidate for Director of Finance/Chief Financial Officer Jonathan Perugini.

RECONVENE

At 4:31 PM, Chairman Buell requested to come out of executive session and on motion made by District Chairman Currey and duly seconded, the Committee on Organization came out of executive session and reconvened.

To: Committee on Organization

July 1, 2025

Pursuant to Section B3b of the District By-Laws, it is the recommendation of the staff of The Metropolitan District to appoint Jonathan M. Perugini as Director of Finance/Chief Financial Officer for The Metropolitan District.

It is **RECOMMENDED** that it be:

Voted: That the Committee on Organization recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

Resolved: That the District Board, in accordance with Section 2-8 of the District Charter and Section B3b of the District By-Laws, hereby appoints Jonathan M. Perugini as Director of Finance/Chief Financial Officer and District Treasurer for The Metropolitan District effective July 7, 2025.

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

***On motion made by Commissioner Bazzano 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.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:32 PM

ATTEST:



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

November 10, 2025
Date of Approval

**Video of the full July 1, 2025 Committee on Organization meeting is available at
<https://www.youtube.com/@MetropolitanDistrictCommission> **

**COMMITTEE ON ORGANIZATION
SPECIAL MEETING
THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT
555 Main Street, Hartford
Monday, November 10, 2025**

PRESENT: Commissioners Avery Buell, William A. DiBella, Calixto Torres and District Chairman Donald Currey (4)

REMOTE ATTENDANCE: Commissioner Richard Bush and Byron Lester (2)

ABSENT: Commissioners John Bazzano, John Gale and James Woulfe (3)

ALSO PRESENT: Commissioner John Avedisian
Commissioner Joan Gentile
Commissioner James Healy
Commissioner Dominic Pane
Commissioner Chris Tierinni
Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer
Christopher Stone, District Counsel
John S. Mirtle, District Clerk
Christopher Levesque, Chief Operating Officer
Kelly Shane, Chief Administrative Officer
Jonathan Perugini, Chief Financial Officer/Director of Finance
Dave Ruddy, Director of Operations
Victoria Escoriza, Assistant Administrative Officer and Special Assistant
William Pallis, Manager of Information Technology
Kevin Sullivan, IT Consultant (Remote Attendance)
Matt McAuliffe, IT Consultant (Remote Attendance)
Elizabeth Tavelli, Independent Consumer Advocate

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Buell called the meeting to order at 5:12 PM

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 1, 2025

On motion made by Commissioner DiBella and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of July 1, 2025 were approved.

INDEPENDENT CONSUMER ADVOCATE COMMENTS & QUESTIONS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS

The Independent Consumer Advocate did not have any comments or questions

APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSIONER TO COMMITTEES

To: Committee on Organization for consideration on November 10, 2025

It is recommended that it be:

Voted: That the Committee on Organization recommends to the District Board the appointment of Commissioner Dominic Pane to the following Committees:

**BUREAU OF PUBLIC WORKS
INTERNAL AUDIT COMMITTEE
PERSONNEL, PENSION AND INSURANCE COMMITTEE
STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE**

Respectfully submitted,



John S. Mirtle, Esq.
District Clerk

On motion made by Commissioner DiBella 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.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:16 PM

ATTEST:



John S. Mirtle
District Clerk

January 12, 2026

Date of Approval

**Video of the full November 11, 2025 Committee on Organization meeting is available at <https://www.youtube.com/@MetropolitanDistrictCommission> **

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