

**COMMITTEE ON TECHNOLOGY
SPECIAL MEETING
The Metropolitan District
555 Main Street, Hartford
Wednesday, September 2, 2026**

PRESENT: Commissioners Richard Bush, Alberto Cortes, William DiBella, David Drake, Peter Gardow, Gary Johnson, Petrel Maylor and District Chairman Donald Currey (8)

**REMOTE
ATTENDANCE:** None (0)

ABSENT: Commissioners Andrew Adil and Joan Gentile (2)

**ALSO
PRESENT:** Commissioner John Avedisian
Commissioner Dominic Pane
Commissioner Jackie Mandyck (Remote Attendance)
Scott W. Jellison, Chief Executive Officer
John S. Mirtle, District Counsel
Christopher Levesque, Chief Operating Officer
Kelly Shane, Chief Administrative Officer
Jonathan Perugini, Director of Finance / Chief Financial Officer
Susan Negrelli, Director of Engineering
Seth Koos, Director of Procurement
Robert Schwarm, Director of Information Systems
Jamie Harlow, Director of Human Resources
Dave Ruddy, Director of Operations
Carrie Blardo, Assistant to the Chief Executive Officer
Amanda Litvak, Business Systems Analyst
Keith Sanabria, IT Consultant
Elizabeth Tavelli, Independent Consumer Advocate (Remote Attendance)

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman DiBella called the meeting to order at 4:32 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**

Elizabeth Tavell did not have any comments or questions relative to agenda items.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On motion made by Commissioner Gardow and duly seconded, the meeting minutes of May 28, 2026 were approved.

STUDY OPPORTUNITIES FOR SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT FOR MDC/UCONN

Jackson Somers and Fred Carstensen of UCONN, Provided a presentation regarding solid waste management.

District Chairman Currey made a motion for the Committee on Technology to approve the study with a funding limit of \$25,000, and refer the resolution to the District Board for consideration and approval.

The motion was duly seconded, and approved by unanimous vote of those present.

Commissioner Bush exited the meeting virtually and entered the meeting in-person at 4:43 PM.

OPPORTUNITY FOR GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Independent Consumer Advocate Liz Tavelli stated that she supports the study if the goal is to increase efficiency for MDC Customers, and making sure we have an eye on keeping rates reasonable for customers. She also stated that she didn't hear much discussion regarding the waste facility at HWPC to convert waste to heat and electricity, and hopes that is taken into account for a comparison in the study.

COMMISSIONER REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no requests for future agenda items.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:23 PM

ATTEST:

Victoria S. Escoriza
Interim District Clerk

Date of Approval

**Video of the full September 2, 2026 Committee on Technology meeting is available at <https://www.youtube.com/@MetropolitanDistrictCommission> **