

SEWERAGE & WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 19, 2020
9:00 AM

[August 2020 Board of Directors' Attendee Link](#)

PUBLIC COMMENT WILL BE ACCEPTED VIA EMAIL TO BOARDRELATIONS@SWBNO.ORG. ALL PUBLIC COMMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED PRIOR TO 9:30 AM ON August 19, 2020. COMMENTS WILL BE READ VERBATIM INTO THE RECORD.

LaToya Cantrell, President • Tamika Duplessis, President Pro Tem • Jay H. Banks, Councilmember
Joseph Peychaud • Robin Barnes • Ralph Johnson • Alejandra Guzman • Lynes Sloss
• Maurice Sholas • Janet Howard

FINAL AGENDA

1. **ROLL CALL**

2. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES dated July 22, 2020**

3. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT**

4. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- Operations Committee – Director Howard, Chair
- Finance and Administration Committee – Director Sloss, Chair
 - Financial Update

5. **ACTION ITEMS**

- Resolution (R-090-2020) Contract Extension for Information Systems Facilities Management with Avenu Insights & Analytics, LLC

General Superintendent's Report

• **BIDS & RENEWALS**

- Resolution (R-077-2020) Second Renewal for Contract 30218 – Restoration of Gravity Flow Sanitary Sewer Mains by Point Repair at Various Sites Throughout Orleans Parish
- Resolution (R-082-2020) Second Renewal for Contract 30219 – Restoration of Existing Gravity Flow Sanitary Sewer by Excavation and Replacement from Manhole to Manhole, CIPP Lining from Manhole to Manhole, CIPP Lining of Service Laterals and Point Repairs at Various Sites Throughout the City of New Orleans
- Resolution (R-099-2020) Contract 2142 Award – Water Main Line Replacements and Extensions at Scattered Locations throughout Orleans Parish
- Resolution (R-100-2020) Contract 1403 Award – Construction of Carrollton Water Plant West Substation/Demolition of C7 and C8 Basins

- **CHANGE ORDERS**

- Resolution (R-092-2020) A Ratification of Change Order No. 5 for Contract 30102 – DPS 17/Station D Structural Repairs

- **CONTRACT AMENDMENTS**

- Resolution (R-071-2020) Ratification of Contract Amendment No. 3 for Professional Services Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and HNTB. for Design and Engineering Services for AWP Purification Improvements
- Resolution (R-093-2020) Ratification of Contract Amendment No. 4 for Professional Services Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Arcadis U.S. Inc., for Design and Engineering Services for the Water Line Replacement Program
- Resolution (R-094-2020) Ratification of Contract Amendment No. 5 for Professional Services Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Rahman and Associates, Inc., for Design and Engineering Services for the Water Line Replacement Program
- Resolution (R-095-2020) Authorization for Professional Services Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Leonard C. Quick & Associates, Inc., (Claiborne Avenue Phase II)
- Resolution (R-096-2020) Authorization for Professional Services Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Leonard C. Quick & Associates, Inc., (Jefferson Avenue Phases I & II)
- Resolution (R-097-2020) Authorization for Professional Services Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Leonard C. Quick & Associates, Inc., (Florida Avenue Phases II, III & IV)

- **OTHER RECOMMENDATIONS**

- Resolution (R-091-2020) Resolution Authorizing the Submission of an Application to the Louisiana Office Of Community Development - Disaster Recovery Unit (OCD-DRU) To Secure Community Development Block Grant - Disaster Recovery (CDBG-DR) Funding To Complete The Purchase and Installation of Turbine-Generator No. 7 Project;” Committing Matching Funding in the Amount of \$7,700,000.00 To Complete the Project; and Addressing Other Matters Relative Thereto.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Public comments received until 30 minutes after the presentation of the Agenda will be read into the record.

7. INFORMATION ITEMS

- Human Resources Report July 1-31, 2020
- General Superintendent's Report
- Special Counsel Report
- FEMA July Project Worksheet Status
- DBE Participation on Contracts
 - Bid Recommendations
 - Construction Review Committee – Goal Setting
 - Staff Contract Review Committee – Goal Setting
 - Final Acceptance of Construction Contracts with DBE Participation

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to La. R.S. 42:17(A)(1), the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans Board of Directors' will meet in Executive Session to discuss, Joseph Jackson v. James Thomas and SWBNO, Civil District Court, Case Number 2016-10418.

9. ADJOURNMENT

This teleconference meeting is being held pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of Section 4 of Proclamation Number JBE 2020-30, extended by Proclamation 101 JBE 2020, pursuant to Section 3 of Act 302 of 2020.

**CERTIFICATION TO HOLD TELECONFERENCE
BOARD MEETING**

WHEREAS, there currently exists throughout the state of Louisiana and the city of New Orleans, a public health emergency due to the COVID-19 coronavirus, declared by official proclamations issued by both the Mayor of New Orleans (Proclamation 2020-02449) and the Governor of the State of Louisiana (Proclamations Nos. 25 JBE 2020, JBE 2020-30, 33 JBE 2020 and extended through August 28, 2020, by Emergency Proclamation 102 JBE 2020 signed by Governor John Bel Edwards August 6, 2020); and

WHEREAS, this public health emergency and best practices require most individuals to maintain personal distance from one another; and

WHEREAS, as a result of the public health emergency recognized by the declarations of both the Mayor and the Governor, and as contemplated specifically by Section 4 of Proclamation No. JBE 2020-30 carried forward by subsequent proclamations and acknowledged by Section 3 of Act 302 of 2020, the Board of Directors of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans (Board) is unable to meet in compliance with the quorum requirements of state law and the bylaws of the Board; and

WHEREAS, Section 4 of Proclamation No. JBE 2020-30 requires, “all state agencies, boards and commissions, and local political subdivisions of the state to provide for attendance at essential governmental meetings via teleconference or video conference and such attendance shall be allowed during pendency of this emergency. All efforts shall be made to provide for observation and input by members of the public. Before any meeting conducted pursuant to this section, the state agency, board or commission or local political subdivision shall first provide a written certification that it will otherwise be unable to operate due to quorum requirements”;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, I hereby certify that because of and pursuant to Executive Order and Emergency Proclamations Numbers 25 JBE 2020, JBE 2020-30 and 33 JBE 2020 signed by Governor John Bel Edwards, and extended by Emergency Proclamation 102 JBE 2020 signed by Governor John Bel Edwards August 6, 2020, the Board of Directors of the Sewerage and Water Board is unable to operate in accordance with the quorum requirement of La.R.S.42:19 (La. R.S. 42:17.1); and, furthermore, Louisiana Legislature's passage of Act 302 of 2020 provides for public meetings via telephone and video conference in the event of an emergency proclamation by the Governor, including those pursuant to Section 4 of JBE 2020-30; and, accordingly, the Board of Directors of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans will meet by teleconference/video conference on August 19, 2020 at 9:00 am, without a physical quorum present, to undertake the business of the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans as described in the attached Agenda, that under the existing emergency conditions, the Board of Directors of the Sewerage and Water Board will otherwise be unable to operate due to quorum requirements, and has taken all reasonable efforts to allow for observation and input by members of the public, .

WITNESS BY MY HAND THIS 18th **DAY OF** August **2020.**

GHASSAN KORBAN
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS