

# BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

May 11, 2022

MEETING MINUTES

## SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS

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### ROLL CALL

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The Board of Directors for the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans (SWBNO) met on Wednesday May 11, 2022, at 9:00 AM in Executive Board Room. Special Counsel Ms. Yolanda Grinstead, called the roll and confirmed the following members were present: Director Joseph Peychaud, Director Alejandra Guzman, Director Lynes Sloss, Director Robin Barnes, Director Janet Howard, Director Maurice Sholas, Director Nichelle Taylor, and Director Ralph Johnson.

The following member(s) were absent: Hon. Mayor LaToya Cantrell, Councilmember Freddie King, III, and Director Dr. Tamika Duplessis.

Staff present were: Mr. Ghassan Korban, Executive Director; Mr. Ron Spooner, Interim General Superintendent; Ms. Christy Harowski, Chief of Staff; Ms. Yolanda Grinstead, Special Counsel; Mr. Darryl Harrison, Deputy Special Counsel; Mr. Dexter Joseph, Budget Department; Customer Service; Purchasing; Ms. Irma Plummer, EDBP; Mr. Jason Higginbotham, Emergency Management, SWBNO; Ms. Tanyell Allen, Board Relations.

Prior to beginning the meeting. Special Counsel Yolanda Grinstead presented a motion to nominate Director Lynes Sloss to serve as chair in absence of the mayor. Director Joseph Peychaud moved to accept. Director Maurice Sholas seconded. The motion carried.

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### APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

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Director Lynes Sloss presented a motion to accept the minutes of the April 20, 2022, Board Meeting. Director Joseph Peychaud moved for approval of the minutes. Director Janet Howard seconded. The motion carried.

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### ACTION ITEMS

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#### Action Item

- Resolution (R-078-2022) Cooperative Endeavor Agreement Between the City of New Orleans and the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans for West Power Complex New Electrical Substation Funding

- **Director Lynes Sloss asked for a motion to approve R-078-2022. Director Joseph Peychaud moved to accept R-078-2022 as proposed. Director Alejandra Guzman seconded. The motion carried.**

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### **GENERAL SUPERINTENDENT RECOMMENDATIONS**

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**The following resolutions were discussed at the May 11, 2022, Board of Directors Meeting:**

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL AUDITS**

- Resolution (R-055-2022) Approval of West Bank Wastewater Treatment Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit
- Resolution (R-059-2022) Approval of East Bank Wastewater Treatment Municipal Water Pollution Prevention Environmental Audit
- **Director Lynes Sloss asked for a motion to approve Environmental Audits in Globo. Director Janet Howard moved to accept Environmental Audits as proposed. Director Maurice Sholas seconded. The motion carried**

#### **AWARDS/RENEWALS**

- Resolution (R-063-2022) Award of Contract 30227 - Mid-City Basin No. 1 Sewer Rehabilitation Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Fleming Construction Company, LLC
- Resolution (R-070-2022) Second Renewal of Contract 3742 – Cleaning and CCTV Inspection of Sanitary Sewer Mains at Scattered Sites Within Orleans Parish Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Atakapa Services, LLC
- **Director Lynes Sloss asked for a motion to approve Contract Awards/Renewals in Globo. Director Janet Howard moved to accept Contract Awards/Renewals as proposed. Director Robin Barnes seconded. The motion carried.**

#### **CONTRACT CHANGE ORDERS**

- Resolution (R-036-2022) Ratification of Change Order No. 3 – Critical Repairs to Turbine No. 4 at Carrollton Water Plant Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Alfred Conhagen, Inc.

- Resolution (R-064-2022) Ratification of Change Order No. 3 for Contract 5224 – Hurricane Katrina Related Repairs to New Carrollton, Hospital, Marconi, Paris and Press Drainage Underpass Stations Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Industrial & Mechanical Contractors, Inc.
- Resolution (R-069-2022) Ratification of Change Order No. 2 – Contract 2145 – Water Main Point repair, Water Service Connection, Water Valve and Fire Hydrant Replacement at Various Sites Throughout Orleans Parish Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Boh Bros. Construction Co., LLC
  - o **Director Lynes Sloss asked for a motion to approve Contract Change Orders in Globo. Director Robin Barnes moved to accept Contract Change Orders as proposed. Director Joseph Peychaud seconded. The motion carried.**

### **CONTRACT AMENDMENTS**

- Resolution (R-046-2022) Authorization of Amendment No. 8 to the Agreement Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Richard C. Lambert Consultants, LLC for Design and Engineering Services for the Waterline Replacement Program
- Resolution (R-067-2022) Authorization of Amendment No. 4 to the Agreement Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Integrated Logistical Support, Inc. for Design and Engineering Services for the Waterline Replacement Program
- Resolution (R-068-2022) Authorization of Amendment No. 6 to the Agreement Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Black & Veatch Corporation for Design and Engineering Services for the Waterline Replacement Program
  - o **Director Lynes Sloss asked for a motion to approve Contract Amendments in Globo. Director Nichelle Taylor moved to accept Contract Amendments as proposed. Director Ralph Johnson seconded. The motion carried.**

### **CONTRACT FINAL ACCEPTANCES**

- Resolution (R-065-2022) Final Acceptance and Closeout of Contract 5224 – Hurricane Katrina Related Repairs to New Carrollton, Hospital, Marconi, Paris and Press Drainage Underpass Stations Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Industrial & Mechanical Contractors, Inc.

- Resolution (R-071-2022) Reconciliation and Final Acceptance of Contract 30219 – Restoration of Gravity Flow Sanitary Sewer Mains 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 Orleans Parish Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Wallace C. Drennan, Inc.
- Resolution (R-072-2022) Reconciliation and Final Acceptance of Contract 30218 – Restoration of Gravity Flow Sanitary Sewer Mains by Point Repair at Various Sites Throughout Orleans Parish Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Wallace C. Drennan, Inc.
- Resolution (R-073-2022) Reconciliation and Final Acceptance of Contract 8145 – Repaving Open Cuts in Streets, Driveways, and Sidewalks Resulting from the Repair to the Sewerage and Water Board utilities Between the Sewerage and Water Board of New Orleans and Wallace C. Drennan, Inc.
  - o **Director Lynes Sloss asked for a motion to approve Contract Final Acceptances in Globo. Director Janet Howard moved to accept Contract Acceptances as proposed. Director Robin Barnes seconded. The motion carried.**

**Director Lynes Sloss presented a motion to enter executive session. Director Maurice Sholas moved. Director Janet Howard seconded. The motion carried.**

**Director Lynes Sloss presented a motion to exit executive session. Director Maurice Sholas moved. Director Joseph Psychaud seconded. The motion carried.**

**Director Lynes Sloss presented a motion to approve special counsel recommendation. Director Janet Howard moved. Director Alejandra Guzman seconded. The motion carried.**

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#### INFORMATION ITEMS

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The following items were submitted for informational purposes only:

FEMA – April 2022 Report

Procurement – Executive Director’s Approval of Contracts of \$1,000,000.00 or less

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#### ADJOURNMENT

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There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at approximately 9:47 AM.