MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE INFRASTRUCTURE ADVISORY BOARD SEPTEMBER 26, 2019

The first regular meeting of the Infrastructure Advisory Board (IAB) was held on Thursday, September 26, 2019, at the Sewerage & Water Board, 2nd Floor Board Room, 625 St. Joseph Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

The following members were present:

- 1. Paul Flower, Chair
- 2. Neil Abramson, Secretary
- 3. Bill Hammack
- 4. Karen Raymond
- 5. Elisa Speranza
- 6. Lewis Stirling
- 7. Casey Tingle

REGULAR ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Chair called the meeting to order at 2 p.m.

Minutes

As this was the inaugural meeting of the IAB, no minutes were read or approved.

Agenda

The Chair moved for adoption of the agenda, which was properly seconded and approved unanimously.

Officer Election

Bill Hammack nominated Neil Abramson to serve as Secretary. The nomination was properly seconded, and Neil Abramson was elected Secretary by a unanimous vote of the members.

Organizational Matters

The members considered the adoption of rules to govern the structure and organization of the IAB. Members discussed the appropriate number of votes required to move an infrastructure recommendation from the IAB to the city of New Orleans. Recognizing that the members required additional time to consider the draft rules, the Chair moved to postpone the vote to approve the adoption of IAB rules until the next meeting on December 5, 2019. The motion to postpone was properly seconded and approved unanimously.

Presentations

Ghassan Korban, Executive Director, Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans (S&WB), presented an overview of the state of the S&WB, including: current S&WB infrastructure, capital improvement needs, Fair Share Agreement revenues, and progress towards the development of a master plan.

Ramsey Green, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer for Infrastructure, City of New Orleans, presented an update of current and upcoming drainage infrastructure projects carried out by the city's Department of Public Works.

Meeting Schedule

The Chair made a motion to approve the future meeting schedule of the IAB as follows:

- December 5, 2019
- February 6, 2020
- April 2, 2020
- June 4, 2020
- August 6, 2020

All meetings to take place at 2 p.m. at the S&WB 2nd Floor Board Room, unless the members elect otherwise. The motion for approval of the meeting schedule was properly seconded and approved unanimously.

Public Comment

An opportunity for public comment was presented, but there were no public comments made.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.