

**JERSEY CITY MUNICIPAL UTILITIES AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OCTOBER 26, 2017**

CALL TO ORDER – 5:02 PM

In compliance with the Sunshine Laws, Chairwoman Hulings ordered and directed that a Public Notice of a Public Meeting of the Jersey City Municipal Utilities Authority be posted in the main lobby of the Jersey City Municipal Utilities Authority Administration Building and that a copy of the notice be sent to The Jersey Journal, The Star Ledger and the City Clerk.

ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS PRESENT:

Chairwoman, Maureen C. Hulings
Commissioner, Thomas M. Gibbons
Commissioner, Vincent Mastria
First Alternate Commissioner, Maureen Nally
Second Alternate Commissioner, Kathleen Hartye

ABSENT

Commissioner, Marcos D. Vigil
Commissioner, Jeannine Zampella

ALSO PRESENT:

Jeremy Farrell, Executive Director
Judy Rybka, Recording Secretary
Francis J. Borin, Esquire, DeCotiis, FitzPatrick & Cole, LLP
John D. Folk, CPA, Director of Finance
Richard Haytas, PE, Senior Engineer/Infrastructure Maintenance Supervisor
Rajiv Prakash, Engineering Department
Joseph Coviello, Director of Public Affairs
Jerome A. Harris, PE, PP, CME Associates
Edward Traina, PE, CME Associates
Caroline Aubrey, CME Associates
John Hroncich, Suez

FLAG SALUTE

PUBLIC COMMENT – No Public Comment

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approval of minutes of the September 28, 2017 Commissioners meeting

Motioned to approve by Commissioner Gibbons

Seconded by Commissioner Hartye

Roll call vote: Commissioner Hartye Aye

 Commissioner Mastria Aye

 Commissioner Gibbons Aye

 Commissioner Nally Aye

 Chairwoman Hulings Aye

RESOLUTIONS – CONSENT AGENDA

Resolution 10/17/1 authorizing transfer of funds for sewer operations

Resolution 10/17/2 authorizing payments of audited claims for sewer operations

Resolution 10/17/3 authorizing transfer of funds and payments of audited claims for water operations

Resolution 1/17/4 authorizing cash disbursements

Resolution 10/17/5 authorizing payments from the capital improvement, project and note funds

Resolution 10/17/6 awarding a contract for the provision of two (2) 2017 or newest model backhoe industrial loaders and associated equipment; JCMUA contract number BIL-2017-21

Resolution 10/17/7 authorizing amendment to contract for professional engineering services with CME Associates for construction phase of large valve project

Resolution 10/17/8 authorizing the award of a contract for professional engineering services to CME Associates for the gravity combined sewer crossing beneath Consolidated Rail Corporation tracks in the vicinity of Pine and Ash Streets

Resolution 10/17/9 authorizing the award of a contract to Automated Control Concepts, Inc. to perform program and repair services for SCADA System pursuant to non-fair and open process in accordance with N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.4 et seq

Resolution 10/17/10 certifying to the Local Finance Board compliance, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:5A-17, regarding the annual audit report for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016

Resolution 10/17/11 authorizing change order number two for Public School No. 5 and green infrastructure projects; JCMUA contract number PS5GI-2016-23

Resolution 10/17/12 authorizing MMREF expenditure for emergency water main replacement on Hancock Avenue between South Street and Bowers Street

Resolution 10/17/13 authorizing leasing of three (3) copying machines from Ricoh USA, Inc. pursuant to New Jersey State Cooperative Purchasing Contract

Resolution 10/17/14 authorizing the purchase of one (1) 2018 Volvo twelve (12) cubic yard dump truck using the New Jersey State Cooperative Purchasing Program

Resolution 10/17/16 awarding a contract extension for the provision of repair services and parts for truck-mounted articulating cranes, overhead cranes and associated equipment; JCMUA contract number RSPAC-2016-19

Resolution 10/17/17 authorizing Executive Director to execute joint subdivision applications by Bayfront Redevelopment LLC and JCMUA to expand JCMUA property

Motioned to approve by Commissioner Gibbons

Seconded by Commissioner Mastria

Roll call vote: Commissioner Hartye	Aye
Commissioner Mastria	Aye
Commissioner Gibbons	Aye
Commissioner Nally	Aye
Chairwoman Hulings	Aye

RESOLUTIONS - DEFERRED

Resolution 10/17/15 authorizing interagency services agreement by and between Jersey City Public School No. 22 and the Jersey City Municipal Utilities Authority for the provision of a new storm water system

Commissioner Gibbons discussed flooding at P.S No. 22 and the \$100,000 contribution for a new storm water system, adding this is a “good idea.” He suggested this could be an opportunity for a green infrastructure component similar to P.S. No. 5.

Mr. Farrell agreed that he, too, would like to see increased green infrastructure in the future. However, the scope of hardening on this particular project is too costly.

Commissioner Gibbons discussed the pervious pavement at P.S. No. 5 and its ability to “soak up rain.”

Mr. Farrell recommended suggesting P.S. 22 consider this type of pavement.

Chairwoman Hulings said she will discuss this with school officials, and added the school and parents are very grateful for the help JCMUA is providing.

Motioned to approve by Commissioner Gibbons

Seconded by Commissioner Mastria

Roll call vote: Commissioner Hartye	Aye
Commissioner Mastria	Aye
Commissioner Gibbons	Aye
Commissioner Nally	Aye
Chairwoman Hulings	Aye

Resolution 10/17/18 approving and authorizing the execution of the Site 65 settlement agreement

Commissioner Gibbons advised that because of his past involvement with this matter he will abstain from voting on it.

Motioned to approve by Commissioner Gibbons

Seconded by Commissioner Mastria

Roll call vote: Commissioner Hartye	Aye
Commissioner Mastria	Aye
Commissioner Gibbons	Abstention
Commissioner Nally	Aye
Chairwoman Hulings	Aye

COMMUNICATIONS – None

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORT – Mr. Farrell reported on the following:

1. Fall/Winter - Going into fall/winter new and different strategies, along with new vehicles, plows and salt spreaders, will be employed for rain and snow events and a zone approach will be used.
2. Asset Management – The MUA is in the process of reviewing the entire fleet and other assets. Asset management planning will take place in the new year.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – Commissioner Gibbons reported the Relocation Committee met to discuss several potential sites. One site, located in canal crossing south of Carteret, is already marked for municipal use and is of particular interest.

Mr. Farrell will forward an email on this matter to Board members. He advised Relocation Committee members will do a walkthrough of the site, tentatively scheduled for October 30.

GENERAL COUNSEL REPORT – No Report

ITEMS OF UNFINISHED BUSINESS – None


ITEMS OF NEW BUSINESS – Chairwoman Hulings received an email from a resident group concerning the Richard Street light rail station and complimenting the MUA, Mr. Haytas and his staff. A good deal of trash has been cleared from the area, and the Authority will work with NJT to keep the area free of trash in the future.

EXECUTIVE SESSION – No Executive Session

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.
Motioned to approve by Commissioner Hartye
Seconded by Commissioner Gibbons
Unanimously approved by all Commissioners present.

Respectfully submitted,


Judy Rybka
Recording Secretary