South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority Minutes of the January 25, 2024 Meeting

A regular meeting of the South Central Connecticut Regional Water Authority ("RWA" or "Authority") took place on Thursday, January 25, 2024, at 90 Sargent Drive, New Haven, Connecticut and via remote access. Chairman Borowy presided.

 Present:
 Authority Members Present – Messrs. Borowy, Curseaden, Ricozzi and Mss. LaMarr and Sack Management – Mss. Kowalski and Calo, and Messrs. Bingaman, Cosma, Hill, Kelly, Lakshminarayanan, and Singh RPB – Mr. Malloy Grant & Eisenhofer – Attys. Sangee, McGee and Vetter Staff – Mrs. Slubowski

Chair Borowy called the meeting to order at 12:30 p.m. He reviewed the Safety Moment distributed to members.

Chair Borowy offered the opportunity for members of the public to comment. There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

At 12:31 p.m., on motion made by Mr. Ricozzi, and seconded by Ms. LaMarr, the Authority voted to recess the regular meeting to meet as the Pension & Benefit Committee.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Absent
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Aye

At 12:32 p.m., Mr. Curseaden entered the meeting.

At 1:52 p.m., the Authority reconvened.

On motion made by Ms. Sack, and seconded by Mr. Ricozzi, the Authority voted to approve, adopt, or receive, as appropriate the following items in the revised Consent Agenda, as amended:

- 1. Minutes of the December 21, 2023 meeting.
- 2. Capital Budget Authorization for February 2024.

RESOLVED, the Vice-President & Chief Financial Officer is authorized to submit to the Trustee one or more requisitions in an aggregate amount not to exceed \$4,700,000 for the month of February 2024 for transfer from the Construction Fund for capital expenditures. Each such requisition shall contain or be accompanied by a certificate identifying such requisition and stating that the amount to be withdrawn pursuant to such requisition is a proper charge to the Construction Fund. Such requisitions are approved notwithstanding the fact that amounts to be withdrawn for a particular project may exceed the amount indicated for such month and year in the current Capital Improvement Budget but will not cause the aggregate amount budgeted for fiscal year 2024 for all Capital Improvement Projects to be

exceeded. In the absence of the Vice President & Chief Financial Officer, the Controller is authorized to sign in her place.

- 3. Capital Budget Transfer Notifications February 2024.
- 4. Monthly Financial Report December 2023.
- 5. Accounts Receivable December 2023.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Aye
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Aye

Ms. Kowalski, the RWA's Vice President & Chief Financial Officer, reported on two Type B3 Amendments for: 1) the acceleration of vacuum excavation work required to complete the RWA's lead service line inventory, which would transfer \$1,250,000 from the Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plant HVAC Improvements project account to the Lead Service Line Replacement project account, and 2) the bids received for the Storage Tank DBP Compliance project were higher than anticipated for the installation of trihalomethane removal and booster chlorination systems at the Ford Street Tanks in Milford. The amendment would transfer \$750,000 from the Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plan HVAC Improvements project account to the Storage Tank DPB Compliance project account. After discussion, Mr. Ricozzi moved for approval of the following resolutions:

RESOLVED, that the Authority approves the transfer of \$1,250,000 from the Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plant HVAC Improvements capital budget account to the Lead Service Line Replacement capital budget account; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Authority approves the transfer of \$750,000 from the Lake Gaillard Water Treatment Plant HVAC Improvements capital budget account to Storage Tank DBP Compliance capital budget account.

Ms. LaMarr seconded the motion. The Chair called for the vote:

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Aye
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Aye

Mr. Bingaman, the RWA's President & Chief Executive Officer, provided an update on the RWAY/CIS project.

He highlighted an employee meeting earlier in the month to provide the FY 2024 mid-year update. He stated that Phil Vece, the RWA's Chief of Staff, along with the RWA's Director of Public Affairs and the Multimedia Communications & Education Team Lead put together a video, which was presented to the Authority.

[FY 2024 MID-YEAR UPDATE VIDEO]- https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G5rFwiRVXAE.

[BREAK FROM 2:05 P.M. TO 2:15 P.M.]

At 2:05 p.m., Mr. Curseaden withdrew from the meeting.

Authority members reported on recent Representative Policy Board committee meetings.

At 2:17 p.m., Mr. Malloy withdrew from the meeting and Mr. Kelly entered the meeting.

Mr. Borowy reported that Authority members received an application for the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant Chemical Improvements Project, for review prior to the meeting. After discussion, Ms. LaMarr moved for approval of the following resolution:

RESOLVED, that the Authority hereby accepts the new Application, dated January 25, 2024, for a Project of the Chemical Improvements at the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plan located in Hamden, Connecticut, as a completed Application, substantially in the form submitted to this meeting, and authorizes filing of said Application with the Representative Policy Board ("RPB"); and

FURTHER RESOLVED, if approved by the RPB, the Vice President of Engineering and Environmental Services is authorized to take any and all actions necessary to complete the chemical improvements at the Lake Whitney Water Treatment Plant in Hamden, Connecticut; and

FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Authority authorizes its President & CEO, or the Vice President of Engineering and Environmental Services, to file a motion and related materials with the RPB to request issuance of a protective order to maintain confidential the information to be contained in Appendices A, B and E "Confidential Information," of the Application.

Mr. Ricozzi seconded the motion. The Chair called for the vote:

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Absent
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Aye

At 2:29 p.m., Mr. Cosma entered the meeting and on motion made by Mr. Ricozzi, and seconded by Ms. LaMarr, the Authority voted to go into executive session pursuant to C.G.S. Section 1-200(6)(E) to discuss matters covered by Section 1-210(b)(5)(B), pertaining to commercial and financial information. Present in executive session were Authority members, Messrs. Bingaman, Cosma, Hill, Lakshminarayanan, and Singh, and Mss. Kowalski, Calo and Slubowski.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Absent
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Aye

At 2:46 p.m., Mr. Curseaden entered the meeting.

At 3:03 p.m., the Authority came out of executive session, Mr. Cosma withdrew from the meeting, and Attys. Sangee, McGee, and Vetter entered the meeting.

On motion made by Ms. LaMarr, and seconded by Mr. Ricozzi, the Authority voted to go into executive session pursuant to C.G.S. Section 1-200(6)(B) to discuss matters pertaining to litigation. Present in executive session were Authority members, and Messrs. Bingaman, Hill, Lakshminarayanan, and Singh, and Mss. Kowalski, Calo and Slubowski, and Atty's Sangee, McGee, and Vetter.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Aye
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Aye

At 3:42 p.m., the Authority came out of executive session and Attys. Sangee, McGee, and Vetter withdrew from the meeting. No votes were taken in, or as a result of executive session.

At 3:44 p.m., the Authority voted to go into executive session pursuant to C.G.S. Section 1-200(6)(E) to covered by Section 1-210(b)(5)(B), pertaining to commercial and financial information. Present in executive session were Authority members, Messrs. Bingaman, Hill, Lakshminarayanan, and Singh, and Mss. Kowalski, Calo and Slubowski.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Aye
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Aye

At 3:57 p.m., the Authority came out of executive session. No votes were taken in, or as a result of executive session. On motion made by Mr. Ricozzi, seconded by Ms. LaMarr, the Authority voted to recess the meeting to meet as the Compensation Committee.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Aye
LaMarr	Aye
Ricozzi	Aye
Sack	Aye

At 3:58 p.m., Mss. Kowalski and Calo, and Messrs. Hill, Lakshminarayanan and Singh withdrew from the meeting.

At 4:13 p.m., the Authority reconvened, and on motion made by Ms. LaMarr, and seconded by Mr. Ricozzi, the Authority voted to adjourn the meeting.

Borowy	Aye
Curseaden	Aye
LaMarr	Aye

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Ricozzi Aye Sack Aye

Respectfully submitted,

Catherine E. LaMarr, Secretary