

# ***SEWERAGE & WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS***

## **COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 5, 2015**

**9:00 AM**

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

Mrs. Kerri Kane, Chair • Mr. Alan Arnold • Dr. Tamika Duplessis • Mr. Joseph Peychaud • Ms. Kimberly Thomas

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### **FINAL AGENDA**

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#### **ACTION ITEMS**

1. Approval of Previous Report

#### **PRESENTATION ITEMS**

2. 2015 Mid Year Capital Budget Adjustments
3. Topics for Future Discussions

#### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

4. 2015 Committee/Board Meeting Schedule
5. Any Other Matters

#### **REFERENCE MATERIALS (In Binders)**

- A. Sewerage and Water Board By-Laws
- B. 2015 Operating and Capital Budgets
- C. 2011-2020 Strategic Plan
- D. Commitments to the City Council
- E. Bond Ratings Information



**"RE-BUILDING THE CITY'S WATER SYSTEMS FOR THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY"**

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June 3, 2015

The Infrastructure Committee met on Wednesday, June 3 2015 in the 2nd Floor Board Room, 625 St. Joseph Street, New Orleans, LA. The meeting convened at 9:00 AM.

## **Action Item:**

The Committee report of Wednesday, April 1, 2015 was motioned and accepted.

## **Presentation Items:**

Mr. Grant gave a brief explanation of the proposed By-Law changes. Outlining the Board structure; Governing style; Standing committees; Role of the Executive Director and Communication with the Board.

Mr. Becker gave a brief update on staffing as it related to the 2015 Atlantic Hurricane season preparation. Mr. Becker also discussed the Hurricane Alert levels; SWB Essential Employees; SWB Emergency Operations Center; Operations; Facility Maintenance; Networks; Warehouse/Garage; and the St. Joseph Street Building.

## **Topics for Future Discussions:**

Mr. Grant stated the staff will discuss capital projects and capital budget issues for the upcoming meeting.

## **Response to Questions:**

There were no remaining questions from Board members at this time.

The remaining information items were accepted.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business to come before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 10:07 AM.

PRESENT:                      Mrs. Kerri Kane- Chair  
                                      Mr. Alan Arnold  
                                      Mr. Joseph Peychaud  
                                      Ms. Kimberly Thomas

ABSENT:                      Dr. Tamika Duplessis

Also in attendance were: Cedric S. Grant, Executive Director; Robert Miller, Deputy Director; Joseph Becker, General Superintendent; Madeline Goddard, Deputy General Superintendent; Harold Marchand, Legal Department; Robert Jackson, IG&R Department; Jason Higginbotham, Emergency Management; Brenda Thornton; Kevin Garrison, Budget Department; Amer Tufail, Green Point Engineering; Lauren Averize, Gaea Consulting

Respectfully Submitted,

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Mrs. Kerri Kane  
Chairperson



# SEWERAGE AND WATER BOARD OF NEW ORLEANS

## Inter-Office Memorandum

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**Date:** July 29, 2015

**From:** Joseph Becker, P.E.  
General Superintendent

**To:** Cedric S. Grant  
Executive Director

**Re:** 2015 Mid Year Capital Budget Adjustments

I am requesting an increase of \$6 million in the 2015 water capital program, an increase of \$6.7 million in the sewer capital program and an increase of \$500,000 in the drainage capital program.

### WATER

In the water program, I am requesting the following changes:

CP		SWB balance*	adjustment	resulting balance
216	water replacement	1,011,360	+2,000,000	\$3,011,360
239	DPW cap proj water	126,140	+2,000,000	\$2,126,140
810	major equipment	16,000	+2,000,000	\$2,016,000

The additional money in capital program 216 will allow us to issue contracts for water main replacements. We have issued one contract for just under \$1 million and have identified several additional water mains that are in need of replacement and remain ineligible for FEMA funding.

In Capital Program 239, we have already committed over \$3 million for replacement of water mains within City of New Orleans Department of Public Works paving projects. This has nearly depleted our budget and the additional funds will ensure that we have monies available as the Department of Public Works prepares additional projects for bid.

Capital Program 810 is for the purchase of major equipment and these funds would be used to purchase pickups, crew trucks and other large fleet purchases.

### SEWER

In the sewer program, I am requesting the following changes:

CP		SWB balance*	adjustment	resulting balance
318	Rehab gravity sewers	5,400,000	+1,000,000	\$6,400,000
339	DPW cap proj sewer	1,751,084	+1,500,000	\$3,251,084
360	SELA sewer	- 98,402	+ 200,000	\$ 101,598
368	Wetlands	0	+ 100,000	\$ 100,000
810	major equipment	610,000	+3,900,000	\$4,510,000

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In capital program 318, the additional money will be used to fund renewals of the current sewer main replacement contract and allow us to bid a second contract. These contracts will be used to fund the replacement of sewer mains that are not eligible for FEMA funding.

In capital program 339, we have already committed over \$3.5 million to participation on sewer replacements within DPW capital projects. The additional \$1.5 million would allow SWB to ensure participation on DPW capital projects scheduled to bid during the remainder of this calendar year.

Capital program 360 is used to fund relocations of sewer mains in advance of drainage canal construction. We currently have a negative balance of over \$98,000 in this capital program and the additional funds would be used to correct the negative balance and allow for participation on sewer relocations during the remainder of this calendar year.

Capital program 368 is used to fund the wetlands reclamation program. This program has been populated solely with state funds in the past and additional SWB funds would allow us the ability to address any improvements which may be eligible, but unfunded through the state program.

Capital program 810 is for major fleet purchases and would be used for the purchase of vector trucks, crew trucks, backhoes and supporting ancillary equipment. We have been experiencing a large problem with some of the older vectors trucks in our fleet, and have been forced to rely on the more expensive options of contractors and leased vehicles.

### DRAINAGE

CP		current balance*	adjustment	resulting balance
879	green infrastructure	-\$205,000	+500,000	\$295,000

Capital program 879 is for Green Infrastructure Development and is used to fund \$500,000 per year in green infrastructure program developments. This \$500,000 per year is a commitment that we made in the Third Modification of the Consent Decree. There was no budget identified for this consent decree requirement and the expenditures made in order to move towards compliance have resulted in a negative balance for this line item at this time. Funding the \$500,000 as required in the consent decree would allow us to meet our commitment to the federal government.



Joseph Becker, P.E.

General Superintendent

cc: Miller, Joseph, RThomas, Mingo, Lambert, Carter

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\*Balances in this document are as reflected in the SWB capital budget document dates June 17, 2015.

# Sewerage & Water Board of New Orleans Committee & Board of Director's Meeting Schedule

# 2015

MONDAY	AUGUST 3, 2015	8:00 AM	OPERATION COMMITTEE
TUESDAY	AUGUST 4, 2015	8:00 AM	FINANCE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 5, 2015	9:00 AM	COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 5, 2015	10:30 AM	PENSION COMMITTEE
FRIDAY	AUGUST 7, 2015	9:00 AM	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY	AUGUST 19, 2015	9:00 AM	BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S
<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 1, 2015</b>	<b>8:00 AM</b>	<b>OPERATIONS/ FINANCE COMMITTEE</b>
WEDNESDAY	SEPTEMBER 2, 2015	9:00 AM	COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE
WEDNESDAY	SEPTEMBER 2, 2015	10:30 AM	PENSION
FRIDAY	SEPTEMBER 4, 2015	9:00 AM	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>SEPTEMBER 7, 2015</b>	<b>HOLIDAY</b>	<b>LABOR DAY / OFFICE CLOSED</b>
WEDNESDAY	SEPTEMBER 16, 2015	9:00 AM	BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S
MONDAY	OCTOBER 5, 2015	8:00 AM	OPERATION COMMITTEE
TUESDAY	OCTOBER 6, 2015	8:00 AM	FINANCE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 7, 2015	9:00 AM	COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 7, 2015	10:30 AM	PENSION COMMITTEE
FRIDAY	OCTOBER 9, 2015	9:00 AM	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY	OCTOBER 21, 2015	9:00 AM	BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S
MONDAY	NOVEMBER 2, 2015	8:00 AM	OPERATION COMMITTEE
TUESDAY	NOVEMBER 3, 2015	8:00 AM	FINANCE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 4, 2015	9:00 AM	COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 4, 2015	10:30 AM	PENSION COMMITTEE
FRIDAY	NOVEMBER 6, 2015	9:00 AM	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY	NOVEMBER 18, 2015	9:00 AM	BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S
<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 26, 2015</b>	<b>HOLIDAY</b>	<b>THANKSGIVING / OFFICE CLOSED</b>
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>NOVEMBER 27, 2015</b>	<b>HOLIDAY</b>	<b>VETERANS DAY / OFFICE CLOSED</b>
WEDNESDAY	DECEMBER 2, 2015	9:00 AM	COMMITTEE ON INFRASTRUCTURE
WEDNESDAY	DECEMBER 2, 2015	10:30 AM	PENSION COMMITTEE
MONDAY	DECEMBER 7, 2015	8:00 AM	OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
TUESDAY	DECEMBER 8, 2015	8:00 AM	FINANCE COMMITTEE
FRIDAY	DECEMBER 11, 2015	9:00 AM	EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY	DECEMBER 16, 2015	9:00 AM	BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S
<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>DECEMBER 25, 2015</b>	<b>HOLIDAY</b>	<b>CHRISTMAS DAY / OFFICE CLOSED</b>

NOTE: DUE TO THE LABOR DAY HOLIDAY IN SEPTEMBER, WE ARE ATTEMPTING TO HOLD THE OPERATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEES AS A JOINT MEETING.