

**REVISED**

**Special Meeting**  
of  
**THE METROPOLITAN DISTRICT COMMISSION**  
555 Main Street  
Hartford, Connecticut 06103  
Monday, December 18, 2006

**Present:** Commissioners D. Anwar Al-Ghani, Steven J. Bonafonte, Adam Cloud, Martin B. Courneen, Kevin M. Deneen, William A. DiBella, Henry J. Genga, John M. Grottole, Allen Hoffman, Joseph Klett, Joseph H. Kronen, Lisa MacDonald, Maureen Magnan, Alphonse Marotta, John J. McAuliffe, Jr., Albert F. Reichin, Hector M. Rivera, Dale A. Ryan, Pasquale J. Salemi, Raymond Sweezy, Alvin E. Taylor, Joseph Verrengia, Richard W. Vicino and Jeffrey A. Wright. (24)

**Absent:** Commissioners Timothy Curtis, Daniel E. Lilly, Trude H. Mero, Mark A. Pappa and Lawrence Price. (5)

**Also**

**Present:** Charles P. Sheehan, Chief Executive Officer  
Robert E. Moore, Chief Administrative Officer  
Robert Weimar, Chief of Program Management  
Scott W. Jellison, Chief Operating Officer  
Bourke G. Spellacy, District Counsel  
R. Bartley Halloran, District Legal Counsel  
James Sandler, District Legal Counsel  
Christopher R. Stone, Assistant District Counsel  
Brendan M. Fox, Assistant District Counsel  
Luz Amaro-Otero, Assistant District Clerk  
Linda R. Foster, Executive Assistant  
Kerry E. Martin, Assistant to Chief Executive Officer  
Matthew A. Nozzolio, Public Affairs Specialist  
Michael R. Bzdyra, Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority

**CALL TO ORDER**

P.M. The meeting was called to order by Honorable William A. DiBella at 7:33

**ROLL CALL AND QUORUM**

Assistant District Clerk called the roll and informed the Chairman that a quorum of the Commission was present, and the meeting was declared a legal meeting of the District Board of The Metropolitan District of Hartford County, Connecticut.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Those in attendance stood and recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATIVE TO AGENDA ITEMS**

No one from the public appeared to be heard.

**CRRA SETTLEMENT****EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 7:35 P.M., District Chairman DiBella requested an executive session for the purpose of discussing CRRA Settlement.

Chairman DiBella requested that in addition to the Commissioners present at the meeting, District Counsel Spellacy, District Legal Counsel Halloran, Assistant District Counsel Stone, and Mr. Sheehan be present during the executive session.

***On motion made and duly seconded, it was unanimously voted that the District Board enter into an executive session for the purpose of discussing CRRA settlement.***

No formal action was taken, and the executive session was adjourned at 8:15 P.M.

**RECONVENE**

District Chairman DiBella reconvened the meeting of the District Board at 8:15 PM.

Attorney Halloran recommends to the Board, that the Board authorize the Chairman and or Chief Executive Officer to enter into a settlement agreement and mutual release with CRRA which will effectively terminate all the litigation with CRRA concerning the indirect cost issue that has been tried since 1999. Attorney Halloran is asking that it be done essentially in the form that he has distributed to the Board, the

settlement agreement mutual release. However Attorney Halloran would ask that in the release that is being given by the MDC to CRRA that the mutual release be amended to reference the fact that MDC maintains its rights for indemnification under article 8 of the agreement.

***Following discussion, the report was received and the recommendation adopted by roll call vote.***

The results of the roll call:

**Yeas:** Commissioners D. Anwar Al-Ghani, Steven J. Bonafonte, Adam Cloud, Martin B. Courneen, Kevin M. Deneen, William A. DiBella, Henry J. Genga, John M. Grottole, Allen Hoffman, Joseph Klett, Joseph H. Kronen, Lisa MacDonald, Maureen Magnan, Alphonse Marotta, John J. McAuliffe, Jr., Albert F. Reichin, Hector M. Rivera, Dale A. Ryan, Pasquale J. Salemi, Raymond Sweezy, Alvin E. Taylor, Joseph Verrengia, Richard W. Vicino and Jeffrey A. Wright. (24)

**Nays:** None.

**Abstentions:** None.

**Absent and Not Voting:** Commissioners Timothy Curtis, Daniel E. Lilly, Trude H. Mero, Mark Pappa and J. Lawrence Price. (5)

Attorney Halloran also recommended that the Board authorize that the Chairman or Chief Executive Officer to enter into the first amendment of the agreement between Connecticut Resources Recovery Authority and the MDC as outlined in the document that has been handed out to the District Board.

***Following discussion, the report was received and the recommendation adopted by roll call vote.***

The results of the roll call:

**Yeas:** Commissioners D. Anwar Al-Ghani, Steven J. Bonafonte, Adam Cloud, Martin B. Courneen, Kevin M. Deneen, William A. DiBella, Henry J. Genga, John M. Grottole, Allen Hoffman, Joseph Klett, Joseph H. Kronen, Lisa MacDonald, Maureen Magnan, Alphonse Marotta, John J. McAuliffe, Jr., Albert F. Reichin, Hector M. Rivera, Dale A. Ryan, Pasquale J. Salemi, Raymond Sweezy, Alvin E. Taylor, Joseph Verrengia, Richard W. Vicino and Jeffrey A. Wright. (24)

**Nays:** None.

**Abstentions:** None.

**Absent and Not Voting:** Commissioners Timothy Curtis, Daniel E. Lilly, Trude H. Mero, Mark Pappa and J. Lawrence Price. (5)

**COMMITTEE ON MDC GOVERNMENT  
2007 STATE LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS FOR DISCUSSION**

**From:** Committee on MDC Government

**To:** The District Board

December 18, 2007

**PURSUIT OF GENERAL PERMIT FOR CLEAN WATER PROJECT CONSTRUCTION  
IMPACTS – Report 6.**

Chairman DiBella reported that item #6 of the agenda was not recommended by the MDC Government Committee and was deleted.

**PURSUIT OF FEDERAL FUNDING:**

A. CLEAN WATER PROJECT.

*Following a brief discussion, on motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the recommendation was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.*

B. PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT OF ENERGY PROJECTS:

*Following a brief discussion, on motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the recommendation was adopted by vote of those present.*

Commissioners Deneen, Kronen, MacDonald and Wright are opposed to this matter.

Appropriating Legislation	Agency Funded	Program	Routine Award	Recent CT/Hartford Awards	ISSUES
VA-HUD, Independent Agencies Act	EPA	State Tribal Assistance Grants	\$1-2 M/Yr	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 20% of PVPC Annual Awards Hartford Total: ~\$1.5 Million</li> <li>▪ Long Island Sound Program, ~\$2.5 Million/Yr, Admin Only</li> <li>▪ Max Grants ~ 10-12% of total Project Costs</li> </ul> <u>Other funded Programs:</u> Narraganset Bay, RI Chesapeake Bay, DE Rouge River, MI	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Highly Variable Award</li> <li>▪ Discretionary Grant Program</li> <li>▪ 2000-2006 Awards To Springfield PVPA Exceed \$7 Million</li> <li>▪ Annual Awards Supported By MA Senators Kennedy &amp; Kerry</li> <li>▪ <b>Many Multi-state “River” Applications-- Improves Award Value</b></li> <li>▪ Possible Grants Through LI Sound Program (as a supplemental interest rate subsidy)</li> </ul>
Annual VA-HUD, Independent Agencies Act	EPA	SRF	Varies	CT received about \$7Million of \$793 M Total CWF SRF -- Prior CT Fed Appropriations Have Reached \$10 million per year subsidy from \$1.3B SRF)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Recent Appropriations Lowered SRF Allocations</li> <li>▪ Potential For Funding To Authorize “Grants” For States</li> <li>▪ Distribution Formula DOESNOT favor CT (not likely to be revised)</li> <li>▪ Favored by Most Legislators, and EPA, as a way to force user pay concept for water and sewer infrastructure investment.</li> </ul>
Congressional Appropriation (Last done in 1996)	ACOE	Water Resources Development Act	\$10M-\$100's M	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ \$10 M (1994) Hartford CSO Authorized, not appropriated</li> <li>▪ Other funded: New Haven, Bridgeport (\$10M ea)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 1994 Authorization \$10 M, not yet Appropriated</li> <li>▪ Likely Multi-year Program</li> </ul>
DOD	ACOE	IDIQ Program	Variable	NE ACOE Region Seeks Projects <u>Other Funded Programs:</u> Merrimack River Watershed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Requires ACOE Contractors Perform Work</li> <li>▪ Needs Study To Approve</li> <li>▪ Continuing Appropriations</li> </ul>
Proposed “Trust Fund” Legislation	EPA	Subsidized Loan Funding	Unknown	None.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Several Recent Legislative Proposals Not Approved</li> <li>▪ May Be SRF Type Concept, with Different State Allocation Formula</li> </ul>

## Federal Legislative Funding Options

Appropriating Legislation	Agency Funded	Program	Routine Award	Recent CT/Hartford Awards	ISSUES
Special Act	CTDEP	Clean Water Fund	Varies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 2001: \$5 M Wethersfield Cove CSO</li> <li>▪ 2001: \$5 M Wethersfield Cove CSO</li> <li>▪ 2006: \$5 M Connecticut River CSO (Hfd)</li> <li>▪ None of the Above Authorizations have been Approved</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Directed Grant Funds to Specific Projects</li> <li>▪ Highly Variable Award</li> <li>▪ Depends upon Legislative Action</li> <li>▪ Requires Bond Commission Agenda Action and Approval</li> <li>▪ May be popular with District Member Towns</li> <li>▪ SSO Program Represents 25% of CWP, No Current Grant Program; Work For Other District Town's (Outside Hartford)</li> </ul>
General Obligation Bonds	CTDEP Clean Water Fund	Clean Water Fund Grants	\$100 M per year in 1990's	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ 1990's \$50 M per year Grants</li> <li>▪ 2003 \$140 M Rescinded By Governor</li> <li>▪ 2005-06: \$20 M per year Grant Funds</li> <li>▪ District CWP Grant Eligibility:</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ CWP Grant Need \$35M/Yr to \$50 M/Yr Minimum</li> <li>▪ Requires Bond Commission Agenda Action and Approval</li> <li>▪ Recent Appropriations Lowered SRF Allocations</li> <li>▪ Favored by Most Legislators, and CTDEP, as a way to dedicate funds to specific Localities</li> </ul>
	CTDEP	Clean Water Fund SRF	25% Match To Federal SRF \$\$	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Recent Total SRF Finance Funds \$80 M/Yr Loans</li> <li>▪ State DEP Recommends \$150+ M/Yr</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ CWP Need: \$80+ M/Yr</li> <li>▪ Federal SRF Authorizations Reduced Since 2002</li> <li>▪ State Appropriations Subsidized Interest Rates to ~2%</li> <li>▪ SRF represents a Nominal 25% Cost Share (less interest \$\$)</li> <li>▪ Total State-wide Demand: \$7+ B Over 20 years</li> </ul>
					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪</li> </ul>
Special Act	DECD	Grants/Loans	Highly Variable	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ New London WWTP Funding For Pfizer</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Depends upon Nominal Legislative Support for Development</li> </ul>

## 2007 State Legislative Funding Options

**PURSUIT OF STATE FUNDING:****Allocation of Existing Special Act Grants.**

5. a) 2. A. Request Governor to allocate the \$15 million authorized by Special Act No. 01-2 for Senate Bill No. 2003, Section 9, subpart (b) and Section 28 subpart (b) acted upon at a June 2001 Special Session for \$5 million each and the \$5 million grant from the Special Bond Authorization Act, section 97, subpart (A), acted upon at a June 2005 Special Session. Further seek support from District Legislators to bring these authorizations before the Bond Commission. Representative Russ Morin, Wethersfield and Senator John Fonfara should be requested to lead effort.

***Following a brief discussion, on motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the recommendation was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.***

**Special Act Grants for Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) Compliance.**

5. a) 2. B. Request Special Act authorizations for the design and construction of Inflow and Infiltration elimination to comply with the Sanitary Sewer Overflow (SSO) Consent Decree for West Hartford, Newington, Rocky Hill, Wethersfield and Windsor. Request Senator Jonathon Harris to take the lead.

***Statement of Purpose:*** To authorize \$10,000,000 for the design and construction of facilities necessary and as approved by the Department of Environmental Protection to comply with Department of Justice and the US Environmental Protection Agency Consent Decree to eliminate the overflow of sanitary sewage to Trout Brook, Piper Brook, Mill Brook, Goff Brook, Beaver Brook, Meadow Brook and the Connecticut River caused by the inflow of rainwater from drains, roof leaders and sump pumps and infiltration of groundwater into the sanitary sewers of West Hartford, Newington, Rocky Hill, Wethersfield and Windsor.

***Following a brief discussion, on motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the recommendation was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.***

**Support of Clean Water Funding Levels.**

5. a) 2. C. Request authorization of General Obligation Bonds and Revenue Bonds to fund the Clean Water Fund at levels necessary to meet current state wastewater construction needs as identified by the Department of Environmental Protection. The DEP capital budget GO Bond Request for statewide municipal water pollution control needs which includes the eligible MDC projects is approximately \$150,000,000 for 2007/08. The Revenue Bond Request which funds the loan portion of the CWF finance agreement will be in the range of \$200,000,000 and is not subject to the state bonding cap. No special legislation is needed, only support of the agency capital budget request, if the Governors' budget does not reflect these levels of funding. All legislators from the District member towns need to support this budget.

***Following a brief discussion, on motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the recommendation was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.***

**Planning and Development of Regional Energy Projects.**

5. a) 2. D. Request Change in District Charter Section 1-7c to provide additionally that the District may undertake the study, planning, development or implementation of technologies, processes, facilities or operations, including energy generation, waste treatment or related programs, to serve towns and cities, whether constituent municipalities of the District or not, with such new or existing services or functions over which the District has or may hereafter have powers as conferred by law or by interlocal agreements.

***Following discussion, the report was received and the resolution adopted by roll call vote.***

The results of the roll call:

**Yeas:** Commissioners D. Anwar Al-Ghani, Steven J. Bonafonte, Martin B. Courneen, William A. DiBella, Henry J. Genga, John M. Grottole, Allen Hoffman, Joseph Klett, Maureen Magnan, Alphonse Marotta, Albert F. Reichin, Hector M. Rivera, Dale A. Ryan, Pasquale J. Salemi, Raymond Sweezy, Alvin E. Taylor, and Richard W. Vicino. (17)

**Nays:** Kevin M. Deneen, Joseph H. Kronen, Lisa MacDonald, John J. McAuliffe, Jr., Joseph Verrengia and Jeffrey A. Wright. (6)

**Abstentions:** None.

**Absent and Not Voting:** Commissioners Adam Cloud, Timothy Curtis, Daniel E. Lilly, Trude H. Mero, Mark Pappa and J. Lawrence Price. (6)

Commissioner Cloud left the meeting at 8:50 P.M., prior to the vote on the matter.

**CHARTER REVISION CHANGES TO AUTHORIZE CLEAN WATER SURCHARGE FOR CLEAN WATER PROJECTS:**

5. a) 3. Request change in District charter to allow for the establishment of a surcharge on the water customer bills to pay for the debt service on borrowing for the implementation of the Clean Water Project. (possible amendment of Section 10-1).

*Statement of Purpose: To add a new Charter section to allow MDC to establish and periodically amend by ordinance a fee for the payment of costs associated with the financing of the capital improvement projects necessary to comply with State and Federal Consent Orders, Decrees and Permits to abate pollution from combined sewer overflows, sanitary sewer overflows and nitrogen discharges. Such fee shall be based on the consumption of water from the district and billed and collected with other water bills for consumption. Funds received from this fee shall be deposited in a special fund for the purposes described and may be used as needed to pay for costs incurred.*

***Following a brief discussion, on motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the recommendation was adopted by vote of those present.***

Commissioner Kronen voted no on this matter.

**CHARTER AMENDMENTS TO ESTABLISH NEW PROCUREMENT REQUIREMENTS BY ORDINANCE.**

5. a) 4. Request Change in District Charter, Section 2-16, to provide for new procurement processes as needed to conform to state or federal standards for contracting, including MBE/WBE goals, ethics standards, and to meet the needs of the Clean Water Project by requiring that the procurement processes and limits be established by ordinance rather than charter and that they be periodically updated to meet changing requirements.

*Statement of Purpose:* To amend Section 2-16 of the MDC Charter by deleting the current provisions and adding new provisions to require the District to adopt procurement processes and limits for contracting for goods and services by Ordinance. Such ordinance shall provide for expenditure limits to require bidding on contracts, selection of contractors, use of quality based selection for certain professional services, low bid selection, establishment of procedures to meet pertinent state or federal requirements for funding, establishing ethics standards, establishing minority and women owned business goals and other provisions as necessary to protect the district's interest in the procurement of goods and services.

**Following a brief discussion, on motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the recommendation was adopted by vote of those present.**

#### **PURSUIT OF AUTHORIZATION TO ALLOCATE UTILITY RELOCATION COSTS.**

Chairman DiBella and Attorney Spellacy recused themselves. District Vice Chairman Ryan assumed the chair.

5. a) 5. Request legislation to require gas, electric, cable, phone and other utilities to share in the cost of their utility relocation as part of the MDC costs to separate sewers or construct new water or sewer service as required under federal or state orders. A portion of the non-eligible costs should be applied to the utility for relocation and improvement of their system. DPUC should allow such capital costs to be recovered through passed on utility rates.

*Statement of Purpose:* To require privately owned and regulated utilities to pay a proportionate cost of utility relocation as required by the construction of sewer systems ordered by the state or federal government or court to the owner of such sewer systems. The proportionate share shall be based on the costs not subject to any grants for the sewer system construction and the improvement to the utility service or equipment. Such costs paid to the owner may be applied to current rates as approved by DPUC.

**Following a brief discussion, on motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the recommendation was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.**

**PURSUIT OF GENERAL PERMIT FOR CLEAN WATER PROJECT CONSTRUCTION IMPACTS.**

5. a) 6. Request legislation to allow the Department of Environmental Protection to issue General Permits to the MDC for the construction of the components of the Clean Water Project for wetlands, temporary and permanent storm water drainage and discharge, etc....with such requirements as necessary to meet local regulatory requirements. The purpose is to speed the permit process by establishing requirements in order to meet the compliance dates of the state and federal orders.

*Statement of Purpose: To assure timely compliance with consent order schedules the Department of Environmental Protection is authorized to issue a general permit to the MDC or other water pollution control authorities for the construction of sewer systems with such requirements as necessary to protect the environment from the associated construction activities. Such permit may meet local permit requirements for such activities as determined by the DEP.*

***Following a brief discussion, on motion made and duly seconded, this report was deleted by the Committee on MDC Government and the recommendation was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.***

**Committee on Organization****APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM DISTRICT COUNSEL**

Commissioner Genga recused himself.

On motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously

**Voted:** That the Committee on Organization recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

**Resolved:** That the District Board, in accordance with Section 2-8 of the District Charter, hereby designates R. Bartley Halloran as the Interim District Counsel beginning January 5, 2007 with the budgeted salary of The Metropolitan District Counsel to serve until a successor shall have been named and qualified.

Commissioner Wright recommended that the motion be amended to place a six month time limit on the appointment of the Interim District Counsel.

**On motion made and duly seconded, the recommendation was voted by those present resulting in a tie and the motion failed.**

Commissioner Deneen recommended that an amendment be made not to include the retirement benefit in the compensation package until further study and vote by the Board.

**On motion made and duly seconded, the recommendation was voted by those present and the motion failed.**

**Further**

**Resolved:** That the District Board, in accordance with Section 2-8 of the District Charter, hereby designates R. Bartley Halloran as the Interim District Counsel beginning January 5, 2007 with the budgeted salary of The Metropolitan District Counsel to serve until a successor shall have been named and qualified.

***Following a brief discussion, on motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the recommendation was adopted by vote of those present.***

Commissioner MacDonald abstained on this matter and Commissioner Wright voted no.

**Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee  
EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION**

**From:** Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee

**To:** The District Board

December 18, 2006

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 10:09 P.M., District Chairman DiBella requested an executive session for the purpose of discussing executive compensation.

Chairman DiBella requested that in addition to the Commissioners present at the meeting, District Counsel Spellacy, District Legal Counsel Halloran, Assistant District Counsels Fox and Stone, and Mr. Sheehan be present during the executive session.

***On motion made and duly seconded, it was unanimously voted that the District Board enter into an executive session for the purpose of discussing executive compensation.***

10:59 P.M. No formal action was taken, and the executive session was adjourned at

**RECONVENE**

10:59 PM. District Chairman DiBella reconvened the meeting of the District Board at

***Following discussion, the report was received and the recommendation adopted by roll call vote.***

The results of the roll call:

**Yeas:** Commissioners D. Anwar Al-Ghani, Martin B. Courneen, William A. DiBella, Joseph Klett, Maureen Magnan, Alphonse Marotta, John J. McAuliffe, Jr., Dale A. Ryan, Pasquale J. Salemi, Raymond Sweezy, Alvin E. Taylor, Joseph Verrengia and Richard W. Vicino. (13)

**Nays:** Commissioners Joseph H. Kronen, and Jeffrey A. Wright. (2)

**Abstentions:** Commissioners Kevin M. Deneen, Allen Hoffman and Lisa MacDonald.  
(3)

**Absent and Not Voting:** Commissioners Steven J. Bonafonte, Adam Cloud, Timothy Curtis, Henry Genga, John Grottole, Daniel E. Lilly, Trude H. Mero, Mark Pappa, J. Lawrence Price, Albert F. Reichin and Hector M. Rivera. (11)

**Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER EVALUATION AND SALARY RECOMMENDATION**

**From:** Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee

**To:** The District Board

December 18, 2006

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

At 11:03 P.M., District Chairman DiBella requested an executive session for the purpose of discussing the Chief Executive Officer's evaluation and salary recommendation.

Chairman DiBella requested that in addition to the Commissioners present at the meeting, District Counsel Spellacy, District Legal Counsel Halloran, Assistant District Counsels Fox and Stone, and Mr. Sheehan be present during the executive session.

***On motion made and duly seconded, it was unanimously voted that the District Board enter into an executive session for the purpose of discussing the Chief Executive Officer's evaluation and salary recommendation.***

11:25 P.M. No formal action was taken, and the executive session was adjourned at

**RECONVENE**

11:25 PM. District Chairman DiBella reconvened the meeting of the District Board at

The Evaluation Committee completed its evaluation of the Chief Executive Officer for 2006 and presented a favorable report to the Personnel, Pension and

Insurance Committee on December 18, 2006. The Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee adopted the following action based on the report presented:

**VOTED:** That the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee transmits to the District Board a favorable report concerning the Chief Executive Officer's evaluation.

**AND**

**VOTED:** That the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolutions:

**RESOLVED:** That the District Board accepts the favorable report from the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee concerning the Chief Executive Officer's evaluation.

**FURTHER**

**RESOLVED:** That the Chief Executive Officer's salary be increased by 7.875 percent, effective April 4, 2006.

On motion made and duly seconded, it was

*Report received and the resolutions adopted by unanimous vote of those present.*

**Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee  
ADOPTION OF THE FOLLOWING CLASSIFICATION AMENDMENTS**

**From:** Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee

**To:** The District Board

December 18, 2006

Staff also recommends the following classification amendments, including: Customer Service Supervisor, allocated to salary grade SS-06 (\$ 59,280 - \$ 71,156); Certified Water Treatment Plant Operator, allocated to salary grade LT-07 (\$ 40,768 - \$ 48,922); and, Cross Connection Supervisor, allocated to salary grade SS-05 (\$ 56,472 - \$ 67,802).

Based on a thorough evaluation of the job duties currently being performed, or projected to be performed, in the situation of a new position, staff recommends the classification adjustments with pertinent salary allocations as described above.

At the special meeting of the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee held on December 18, 2006, it was

**Voted:** That the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

**Resolved:** That the adoption of the following classification amendments be adopted:

*Customer Service Supervisor, SS-06;  
Certified Water Treatment Plant Operator, LT-07;  
Cross Connection Supervisor, SS-05;*

1. CUSTOMER SERVICE SUPERVISOR, SALARY GRADE SS-06 (\$59,280 - \$71,156).

***On motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the recommendation was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.***

2. CERTIFIED WATER TREATMENT PLANT OPERATOR, SALARY GRADE LT-07 (\$40,768 - \$48,922).

***Following a brief discussion, on motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the recommendation was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.***

3. CROSS CONNECTION SUPERVISOR SALARY GRADE SS-05 (\$56,472 - \$67,802).

***On motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the recommendation was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.***

**Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee  
CONSULTANT SERVICES**

**From:** Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee

**To:** The District Board

December 18, 2006

On September 12, 2005, the District Board, on recommendation of the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee, voted to retain Robert A. Hagan, who

served as District Clerk from October 1995 until his retirement on December 31, 2004, on a consulting basis for a period of six months to assist in the transition of the Executive Office. This action was consistent with the requirements of Section B2j of the District's By-Laws states that the District Board may retain retired staff members as consultants, define their duties and, after recommendation by the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee, fix their salaries.

On April 3, 2006, the District Board voted to extend Mr. Hagan's consulting services contract for a period of one (1) year, with a yearly compensation cap of \$30,000.00. Further, the District Board action provided that the Chief Executive Officer transmit to Mr. Hagan a letter, the form and content of which shall be approved by District Counsel, dealing with the indemnification of Mr. Hagan for acts that he may undertake at the direction of The Metropolitan District during the term of his employment.

Based upon several unanticipated circumstances, including additional workload and responsibilities associated with the November referendum as well as actual and anticipated staff reductions within the District Clerk's Office, additional funds in excess of the \$30,000.00 cap are necessary to compensate Mr. Hagan for his consulting services. Any additional monies allocated will be paid to the consultant based upon hours worked and rates presently in effect. It is estimated that the amount necessary for this purpose will not exceed \$25,000.00 through March 31, 2007.

At the special meeting of the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee held on December 18, 2006, it was

**Voted:** That the Personnel, Pension and Insurance Committee recommends to the District Board passage of the following resolution:

**Resolved:** That an additional sum of \$25,000.00 be allocated within the District Clerk's budget to provide compensation to Robert A. Hagan for consulting services through March 31, 2007. Said compensation shall be paid based upon hours worked at the rate of \$125.00 per hour.

Respectfully submitted,

Luz Amaro-Otero  
Assistant District Clerk

***On motion made and duly seconded, the report was received and the resolution was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.***

**APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER**

***Following a brief discussion, on motion made and duly seconded, this report was deleted and the recommendation was adopted by unanimous vote of those present.***

**Board of Finance  
APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS**

**From:** Board of Finance

**To:** The District Board

December 18, 2006

Chairman DiBella recused himself and Vice Chairman Ryan assumed the chair.

Commissioner Al-Ghani reported that at a special Board of Finance meeting held on December 11, 2006 the Board of Finance took the following action:

***Unanimously voted that in accordance with Section 7-391 and 7-392 of the General Statutes, the firm of Blum Shapiro and Company, P.C., is appointed auditor of all accounts of The Metropolitan District for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2006, which is Task I, at an annual fee not to exceed \$116,500.***

***Commissioner Al-Ghani reported that Task II appointment was not a full recommendation from the Board of Finance but that the firm of Infrastructure Management Group, Inc., in association with Dutch Ventures Ltd. is tentatively appointed the preferred vendor of all independent auditing services for project audits of the Clean Water Project of The Metropolitan District for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2006, which is Task II, at an annual fee not to exceed \$225,720, with the following provisions:***

***That staff and District Counsel enter into negotiations with Infrastructure Management Group, Inc., in association with Dutch Ventures Ltd. and that the contract negotiated be subject to Board of Finance and District Board approval. The following items should be negotiated: hourly rates; overhead rates applied; that the level of effort is consistent with the scope of services; and the per diem***

*rates were included in the proposed fee of \$225,720. Additionally, contract renewal should be subject to annual review and approval by the Board of Finance and District Board.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 11:32 P.M.

ATTEST:

Luz Amaro-Otero  
Assistant District Clerk