

PASSAIC VALLEY WATER COMMISSION MEETING OF  
MAY 25, 2022

**(OPEN SESSION)**

C O M M I S S I O N E R S            P R E S E N T :

RIGO SANCHEZ, President

GERALD G. FRIEND, Vice President

CARMEN DEPADUA, Treasurer

RUBY COTTON, Secretary **(Absent)**

JEFFREY LEVINE **(Absent)**

RONALD VAN RENSALIER

JOSEPH KOLODZIEJ **(Via Zoom)**

A L S O            P R E S E N T :

JAMES MUELLER, Executive Director **(Via Zoom)**

LOUIS AMODIO, Interim Business **(Absent)**

Adminstrator/Administrative Secretary

YAACOV BRISMAN, General Counsel

YITZ WEISS, Comptroller

1 MR. BRISMAN: Meeting is called to order.

2 The time of of the meeting is 9:34.

3 Roll call.

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(Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
present respond in the affirmative. Commissioners  
Levine and Cotton are absent)

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MR. BRISMAN: All of the requirements of  
the Open Public Meetings Act have been met.  
Notices have been furnished to all Commissioners;  
City Clerks of Paterson, Passaic, and Clifton;  
North Jersey Herald News; The Record - Passaic  
County edition and the Commission's Executive  
Staff with a copy posted at the main bulletin  
board at the Clifton facility.

(Pledge of Allegiance)

(Moment of silence)

MR. BRISMAN: We're now going to move to  
public comments.

Seeing no members of the public, can I  
have a motion to close the public?

1 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Move it.

2 MR. BRISMAN: Can I have a second?

3 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Second.

4 MR. BRISMAN: All in favor?

5 Committee reports.

6 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Finance. Carmen, you  
7 want to give us?

8 MR. WEISS: Finance met yesterday.

9 We went through the regular board reports.

10 We reviewed overtime. We talked about  
11 strategies in terms of reducing overtime, the idea  
12 of hiring more people possibly to cut down on  
13 overtime. That was discussed.

14 We started going through the budget. We  
15 had a robust discussion about the budget, which  
16 will continue, some questions and answers, et  
17 cetera.

18 We reviewed also a contract from the State  
19 of New Jersey. There is a program which gives up  
20 to \$1,500 worth of relief for low income  
21 ratepayers who were behind on their water  
22 payments. The recommendation coming out of the  
23 committee is that Passaic Valley Water should move  
24 forward with the contract. We should offer this  
25 to our ratepayers. It's something that

1                   potentially could help you.

2                   Yaacov, can we do a vote and memorialize  
3                   it with a resolution afterwards?

4                   MR. BRISMAN: That is correct, we can.

5                   MR. WEISS: So we will need a --

6                   MR. BRISMAN: We can do that now.

7                   Do I have a motion?

8                   COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Move it.

9                   COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Second.

10                  MR. BRISMAN: Roll call.

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12                   (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
13                   present respond in the affirmative. Commissioners  
14                   Levine and Cotton are absent)

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16                  MR. BRISMAN: Motion passes.

17                   We next have either special projects or  
18                   personnel. It's up to you, President.

19                  PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: We could do special  
20                  projects.

21                   Joe, could you do special projects? I'm  
22                   sorry, Commissioner Ruby is not here.

23                  COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I wasn't in  
24                  attendance. I was down in Baltimore.

25                  PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I have Pat here.

1 MR. PORCARO: I could take care of it.

2 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Sit closer.

3 MR. PORCARO: I have three pages to go  
4 through.

5 So for the special projects committee  
6 meeting we discussed all these upcoming projects.  
7 I'll start with Resolution number 55. 2-year  
8 extension of Contract #20-B-9 for Printing and  
9 Mailing Services.

10 This provides mailing services to customer  
11 service in the Finance Department and customer  
12 billings and notifications on public outreach. We  
13 want to extend the contract for Matrix Imaging  
14 Solutions in the amount of \$286,895.89. It's a  
15 2-year contract. There's no change in contract  
16 amount. They've done an excellent job for us in  
17 the past. We've only gone through half of this  
18 amount over the last two years. So it's probably  
19 going to be half of this as well for the upcoming  
20 two years.

21 Does anyone have any questions before I  
22 move on?

23 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: No, go ahead.

24 MR. PORCARO: Resolution number 56 is to  
25 award Contract 22-B-1 entitled the "Chemical Tank

1 Neutralization & Cleaning. So this is for, the  
2 Maintenance Department provides maintenance to the  
3 chemical storage tanks at the Little Falls plant.  
4 When they take the tanks out of service, they  
5 drain the chemical, they have to neutralize the  
6 chemical residual and flush the residual out of  
7 the tanks. So it includes for neutralization and  
8 disposal of the chemical waste. I'm not going to  
9 go through all the chemical tanks, but it's a wide  
10 range of chemicals from ph adjustment to  
11 coagulation. So the recommended award is to ACV  
12 Environmental Services, Incorporated in the amount  
13 of \$519,561.00 and a 2-year contract.

14 Resolution number 57. Award Contract  
15 22-B-2 entitled "Tank Integrity Testing". So this  
16 is to perform integrity testing on up to 24  
17 chemical storage tanks throughout the Little Falls  
18 Treatment Plant for maintenance purposes. The  
19 work will include removal and disposal -- I'm  
20 sorry, scratch that. That was mistake. So they  
21 perform tests, various types of testing to  
22 determine the integrity of the chemical tanks.  
23 From the test there's recommendations on making  
24 repairs.

25 We recommend awarding the contract to TTI

1 Environmental, Incorporated in the amount of  
2 \$108,597.00. It's a 2-year contract.

3 Resolution number 58 is to award Contract  
4 #22-B-17 entitled "Hydrogen Peroxide". It's to  
5 furnish and deliver hydrogen peroxide to the  
6 Little Falls plant. Hydrogen peroxide is used to  
7 remove residual ozone in the water treatment  
8 disinfection process. The unit price has  
9 increased from the previous contract from \$1.66  
10 per gallon to a \$1.86 per gallon under this new  
11 contract.

12 Second bidder bid \$2.28 per gallon. The  
13 award is Brenntag Northeast, LLC. The contract  
14 amount is \$96,000 (sic) even. It's a 2-year  
15 contract.

16 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: 93.

17 MR. PORCARO: I'm sorry, what did I say?

18 MR. BRISMAN: You said 96.

19 MR. PORCARO: I'm sorry, \$93,000. I  
20 apologize.

21 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Just a comment, a  
22 question.

23 MR. PORCARO: Sure.

24 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I think we used to  
25 get, so to speak, a list of the people who bid. I

1 don't think we've been getting that. In other  
2 words, where it says there were two bidders, the  
3 bids would be attached to the spreadsheet.

4 MR. PORCARO: Okay. Do you want me to  
5 start including that again?

6 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I personally would,  
7 yes.

8 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: That would be a good  
9 idea.

10 MR. PORCARO: Okay.

11 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Just for reference  
12 purpose.

13 MR. PORCARO: Sure, no problem. I try not  
14 to put too much into it. But that's fine, if you  
15 want.

16 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: You can say first  
17 bidder, second bidder and the amount.

18 MR. PORCARO: Okay. Very good.

19 We'll move on to the next item, number 59.  
20 Contract #22-V-18 entitled "Polyaluminum  
21 Chloride".

22 MR. BRISMAN: If we can just pause the  
23 meeting for a moment. We're having some technical  
24 difficulties. Jim and Joe cannot hear.

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1 (Off the record discussion)

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3 MR. BRISMAN: We're back in business,  
4 President.

5 MR. PORCARO: Okay. Contract #22-V-18  
6 entitled "Polyaluminum Chloride" to furnish and  
7 deliver polyaluminum chloride to the plant, which  
8 is used as a filter aid in the water treatment  
9 process. The unit price is increased from \$733.33  
10 per dry time from the former contract, to  
11 \$1,325.45 for dry time under this new contract.

12 The second bidder bid \$1,818.18 for dry  
13 time.

14 The recommended award to USALCO, LLC in  
15 the amount of \$861,542.50 as a 2-year contract.

16 Resolution number 60. Procurement of  
17 Computer Equipment under State Contract. This to  
18 replace our obsolete and aging assets for  
19 hardening our cyber security and performing  
20 emergency upgrades to our SCADA equipment. We're  
21 procuring this network equipment under State  
22 contract from SHI International Corporation in the  
23 amount of \$559,291.06 (sic). This is a onetime  
24 purchase.

25 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: What type of

1 equipment is this?

2 MR. PORCARO: Networking equipment. It's  
3 for performing the cyber security upgrades,  
4 firewalls. There's antivirus software throughout  
5 the company and it's also for performing emergency  
6 repairs to our SCADA system.

7 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: So it's not really  
8 computer equipment?

9 MR. PORCARO: It's not computer equipment,  
10 no. It's a networking. It's software, hardware.

11 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I mean, it's in the  
12 computers that we have, but it's not purchasing.

13 MR. PORCARO: It's not purchasing new  
14 computers. I probably should have said that, IT  
15 equipment maybe.

16 The next item is the Resolution --

17 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Just for the record,  
18 it's 259, not 529.

19 MR. PORCARO: Did I say 5?

20 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: You said 529.

21 MR. PORCARO: Oh, \$259,291.06. I  
22 apologize.

23 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: That's okay. Just  
24 so that the record's clear.

25 MR. PORCARO: Resolution 61. Procurement

1 of Telecommunications Equipment for SCADA at  
2 Remote Facilities under State Contract.

3 So all the telecommunication companies  
4 have the right to abandon plain old telephone  
5 service lines which we depend on actually to  
6 collect information at the main pump station from  
7 various remote sites. All these phone lines are  
8 going to be abandoned, so we are going to be  
9 procuring telecommunication equipment to upgrade  
10 the outdated, you know, dial up modems with new  
11 cellular equipment. This will actually save us  
12 money in the long run for eliminating this whole  
13 technology from Passaic Valley.

14 So we're going to purchase this equipment  
15 under State contract from Unified Technology  
16 Partners Corporation in the amount of \$138,114.00.  
17 This is a onetime purchase.

18 So that's it for the Resolutions.

19 I'm just going to go through the  
20 miscellaneous topics that we discussed.

21 We were discussing the schedule for the  
22 Levine tanks projects. We will be making a  
23 submission to the Paterson Planning Board. We  
24 have a professional planner that's required to  
25 perform their own assessment of the project before

1 we make this final submission and they're still  
2 working with our consultants on some questions  
3 that they have regarding the project. As soon as  
4 our professional planner is satisfied then  
5 Castano, our outside counsel, will submit all the  
6 paperwork to the City of Paterson through the  
7 Paterson Planning Board.

8 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I thought we were  
9 taking the position we weren't going to the  
10 Paterson Planning Board?

11 MR. BRISMAN: Well, I think --

12 MR. PORCARO: We were not going to go to  
13 the Paterson Historic Commission. Originally, the  
14 application went to the Historic Commission and  
15 Gregory Castano said we are not required by law to  
16 do that, so we withdrew the application and now  
17 we're resubmitting it.

18 MR. BRISMAN: Initially, if I may? I  
19 don't want to go too far into details. It might  
20 be more appropriate for executive session because  
21 it goes into strategy perhaps. Just very briefly,  
22 in order to get all the stakeholders on board it  
23 was determined that there are certain agendas or  
24 certain pitfalls with going the route that we're  
25 not required necessarily to do. So if we do need

1 to get any variances or approvals, the decision  
2 was made only goes to building authorities over  
3 whom legal jurisdiction applies not to, you know,  
4 put ourselves in a situation where we have undue  
5 delays by trying to be a nice neighbor. Fair  
6 enough?

7 Fair enough, Pat?

8 MR. PORCARO: Fair enough.

9 MR. BRISMAN: Let's move on.

10 MR. PORCARO: The next part of the  
11 project, the advanced work for Levine will be  
12 starting up soon. We will have a pre-construction  
13 meeting hopefully next week to start the advanced  
14 work and hopefully get that moving.

15 Moving onto the Great Falls Pedestrian  
16 Bridge. Title search was performed by Action  
17 Title Research and they found that all the  
18 property, which includes the two pedestrian  
19 bridges, the two foot bridges are owned by the  
20 Paterson Municipal Utilities Authority, which was  
21 part of some --

22 MR. BRISMAN: It appears to be defunct.

23 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I was going to say,  
24 I don't think they function anymore.

25 MR. BRISMAN: It doesn't exist. I don't

1 believe that it actually exists which means it  
2 would fall to the City. So we are not the owners,  
3 as far as we knew we were never the owners of that  
4 pedestrian bridge. It's my understanding unless  
5 it was already done that there's going to be  
6 conversation on how we could work together to  
7 share on some expenses perhaps, but that's further  
8 down the line.

9 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: The determination is  
10 that we don't own it?

11 MR. BRISMAN: We don't own it.

12 MR. PORCARO: That's correct.

13 MR. BRISMAN: It was a comprehensive  
14 search. It was not a sure description.

15 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Do we need it for  
16 any purposes?

17 MR. BRISMAN: We do not.

18 MR. PORCARO: We do not need it for any  
19 purposes, no.

20 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Who owns it legally?

21 MR. BRISMAN: The city. It was the  
22 utilities authority was the last known entity.

23 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Who was the one?

24 MR. BRISMAN: The Paterson Municipal  
25 Utilities Authority. It's a defunct authority.

1                   COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I think it's  
2 actually Passaic County.

3                   MR. PORCARO: It says Paterson.

4                   COMMISSIONER FRIEND: It says Paterson?  
5 Weren't they the ones that were setup, so to  
6 speak, to handle waste management and build  
7 incinerators and things of that nature?

8                   MR. BRISMAN: The title search said  
9 Paterson.

10                  MR. PORCARO: The address is 76 McBride  
11 Avenue.

12                  MR. BRISMAN: So we're in a better  
13 position than we were fearful that we would be.

14                  PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Okay. Thank you.

15                  MR. PORCARO: The last item I'll go over  
16 quickly, the lead line service replacement  
17 contract. We've been working with bond counsel  
18 and CDM Smith to I guess finalize the bond amount  
19 the DEP would approve. They originally approved  
20 \$35.9 million. They're going to allow us to add  
21 the existing Crew Engineers contract. Crew  
22 Engineers is currently overseeing the test fitting  
23 contract that's being done by Montana Construction  
24 which is locating lead line service throughout our  
25 main system so we're able to add \$1.6 million and

1 we also asked for an additional \$200,000 to cover  
2 interest charges, additional interest charges on  
3 the construction loan. So it looks like those  
4 amounts went through so we should have a final  
5 number from the State very shortly.

6 MR. BRISMAN: I believe there's some  
7 documents related to that that require some  
8 signature from the president.

9 MR. PORCARO: Yes, that's correct.  
10 Christine has them.

11 MR. BRISMAN: If you can make sure,  
12 President Sanchez, before you leave today.

13 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Okay.

14 Quick question, can we do those  
15 resolutions now, the ones that he just...

16 MR. BRISMAN: We generally do them at the  
17 end of the meeting as a Consent Agenda, but it's  
18 your meeting.

19 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Just to get it out of  
20 the way or you want to do as a Consent Agenda?  
21 It's up to you.

22 MR. BRISMAN: It's your meeting.

23 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I move them as a  
24 group.

25 MR. BRISMAN: We have a motion by



1 Commissioner Friend for the resolutions.

2 Do we have a second?

3 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Second.

4 MR. BRISMAN: Roll call.

5 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: The resolutions  
6 for, we're taking this out of order?

7 MR. BRISMAN: Correct. We're doing number  
8 6, items A through G.

9 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Yes, to the  
10 group.

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12 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
13 present respond in the affirmative Commissioners  
14 Levine and Cotton are absent)

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16 (Whereupon, the following Resolutions were  
17 approved:

18 A. Resolution 22-055: 2-Year Extension of  
19 Contract No. 20-B-9 "Printing and Mailing  
20 Services."

21 Contract No. 20-B-9 "Printing and Mailing  
22 Services," Matrix Imaging Solutions, Inc. of  
23 Sanborn, New York (the "Contractor") has, and  
24 continues to, provide goods and services  
25 consistently and reliably and effectively and

1 efficiently on an as-needed basis with the said  
2 contract commencing on June 10, 2020. This 2-year  
3 contract, which is otherwise scheduled to end on  
4 or about June 9, 2022, includes a provision  
5 whereby PVWC may elect to allow the said contract  
6 to expire at the end of the time stipulated, or to  
7 extend the contract time by annual or mulit-annual  
8 periods, for a total duration of not more than  
9 four (4) years, including extensions. It is  
10 recommended that Contract 20-B-9 be extended for a  
11 2-year period of time beginning June 10, 2022, and  
12 ending on June 9, 2024. The total amount of the  
13 extended contract equates to \$286,895.89.

14 B. Resolution 22-056: Award Contract No.  
15 22-B-1 Entitled: "Chemical Tank Neutralization &  
16 Cleaning."

17 One (1) bid was received by Passaic Valley  
18 Water Commission ("PVWC") FOR Contract No. 22-B-1  
19 Entitled "Chemical Tank Neutralization &  
20 Cleaning." The responsible, responsive bid  
21 submitted for this contract was that of ACV  
22 Environmental Services, Inc. of Avenel, New Jersey  
23 (the "Awardee") with respect to said bid, in the  
24 amount of \$519,561.00 and shall have a duration of  
25 two (2) years.

1 C. Resolution 22-057: Award Contract No.  
2 22-B-2 Entitled: "Tank Integrity Testing."

3 One (1) bid was received by Passaic Valley  
4 Water Commission ("PVWC") for Contract No. 22-B-2  
5 Entitled: "Tank Integrity Testing." The  
6 responsible, responsive bid submitted for this  
7 contract was that of TTI Environmental, Inc. of  
8 Mooretown, New Jersey (the "Awardee") with respect  
9 to said bid, in the amount of \$108,597.00 and  
10 shall have a duration of two (2) years.

11 D. Resolution 22-058: Award Contract No.  
12 22-V-17 Entitled "Hydrogen Peroxide."

13 It is recommended that Contract No.  
14 22-V-17 Entitled "Hydrogen Peroxide" be awarded to  
15 Brenntag Northeast, LLC of Reading, Pennsylvania  
16 in the amount of \$93,000.00. Two (2) bids were  
17 received. Hydrogen Peroxide is used to remove  
18 residual ozone in the water treatment disinfection  
19 process.

20 E. Resolution 22-059: Award Contract No.  
21 22-V-18 Entitled "Polyaluminum Chloride."

22 It is recommended that Contract 22-V-18  
23 Entitled "Polyaluminum Chloride" be awarded to  
24 USALCO, LLC of Baltimore, Maryland in the amount  
25 of \$861,542.50. Two (2) bids were received.

1 Polyaluminum Chloride is used as a filter aid in  
2 water treatment.

3 F. Resolution 22-060: Procurement of  
4 Computer Equipment under State Contract.

5 PVWC has elected to procure network  
6 equipment from SHI International Corp., of  
7 Somerset, New Jersey (the "Awardee") under the  
8 State Contract, in the amount of \$259,291.06.

9 G. Resolution 22-061: Procurement of  
10 Telecommunications Equipment for SCADA at Remote  
11 Facilities under State Contract.

12 PVWC has elected to procure  
13 telecommunications equipment from Unified  
14 Technology Partners Corp., of Fairfield, New  
15 Jersey (the "Awardee") under the State Contract,  
16 in the amount of \$138,114.00.)

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18 MR. BRISMAN: Resolution passes.

19 Moving on, we also have committee report  
20 for personnel.

21 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Yes.

22 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: We initially  
23 met the week of the 9th, personnel committee. We  
24 received two proposals for two promotions and one  
25 lateral transfer. We received the supporting

1 documentation giving the rationale and  
2 justification from the supervisors and/or the  
3 Personnel Department. They're included on the  
4 agenda today.

5 We also have for discussion items the  
6 fishing program and the staffing options which we  
7 discussed will be done in accordance with the  
8 union rules.

9 And the tuition aid policy will be tabled  
10 for next month.

11 We also met on this Monday and we received  
12 a proposal from the Executive Director authorizing  
13 the board to give the Executive Director the  
14 permission to offer the top remaining candidate in  
15 the Director and Assistant Director positions for  
16 the newly created ODHR Department. The Executive  
17 Director salary, annual salary, would be \$200,000  
18 and the Assistant Director salary would be 138  
19 with the maximum range of 158. The majority of  
20 the personnel voted in the affirmative to move  
21 this item to the full board for their  
22 consideration and this item also appears on your  
23 agenda today.

24 That's all I have.

25 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: You say the

1 majority. There are three members. Did all three  
2 members support it?

3 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: One member  
4 was absent.

5 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Okay.

6 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Can we do the same  
7 thing with this if we're ready to vote on it?

8 MR. BRISMAN: You can, unless you want to  
9 go into executive session.

10 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Ron, do you want to  
11 make a motion now?

12 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Yes.

13 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: We should bring  
14 it into executive session.

15 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Okay.

16 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: So we can answer  
17 some of the questions that Mr. Friend had just  
18 asked.

19 MR. BRISMAN: We have the Executive  
20 Director's report next.

21 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Mr. Mueller, can you  
22 hear us?

23 Jim, I know you're sick, just highlight  
24 the most important things you have. You don't  
25 have to do this whole ponytail stuff. Just do the

1 highlight and go back to rest.

2 MR. MUELLER: No problem, Mr. President.

3 You know, as I reported out, we had some  
4 events over the weekend, major water main breaks,  
5 51-inch. Went out of service Friday. We actually  
6 got it back into service Monday afternoon. Great  
7 efforts by all the staff.

8 On Saturday, May 21st, unfortunately, we  
9 received a report of a potential drowning victim.  
10 On Sunday, May 22nd that turned out to be true.  
11 The sheriff's department found the body of a  
12 15-year Paterson resident. So that's still under  
13 investigation. We're cooperating with the local  
14 authorities and internally as well. So we send  
15 our condolences to the family and want to thank  
16 all the first responders who worked diligently.

17 Organizational highlights. As  
18 Commissioner Van Rensalier just discussed, we  
19 concluded the interviews for ODHR. We'll go over  
20 that in closed session. All the other four  
21 directors have been approved a couple of months  
22 ago. All interviews are initiated and ongoing,  
23 which is good news.

24 Regulatory issues. We had discussed last  
25 month we received a noncompliance for ph

1 phosphate. We had to send out a system wide  
2 alert. It has been a very awkward situation. We  
3 are working with the DEP. That was for last year  
4 that noncompliance issue. We did not discover the  
5 issue until March, so we still have a potential  
6 noncompliance for January and February. We are  
7 gathering our data together and plan to meet with  
8 DEP and I will alert the board if we have to do  
9 any further alert, but we're trying to get ahead  
10 of it.

11 I believe Yitz already talked about the  
12 relief program, which was already approved by  
13 motion. So that's good.

14 And over the last month we've been  
15 coordinating with the county on the lead service  
16 line program that Pat just talked about. A lot of  
17 coordination there, road paving. We're getting  
18 ahead of that. Our plans with the next  
19 coordination with owner cities and Prospect Park  
20 in terms of how we're going to ramp up into that  
21 program and we continue to communicate with the  
22 communities on the shutoff moratorium to monthly,  
23 quarter bills, late notices, postcards, et cetera.  
24 So we'll be ramping that up and we are starting to  
25 see some payment plans come through.



1                   That's the report in a nutshell. If  
2                   there's any questions, I'm happy to answer.

3                   COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I have a question.

4                   I heard there was a water main break, I  
5                   didn't hear previous to this that it was a  
6                   51-inch. Didn't we just put a new 51-inch water  
7                   line in that area?

8                   MR. PORCARO: No, this pipe was put in in  
9                   the 1890s.

10                  COMMISSIONER FRIEND: What did we do in  
11                  that area?

12                  MR. PORCARO: The DOT relocated a little  
13                  over a thousand feet of 51-inch main just past  
14                  that, just beyond that where Great Notch Road is  
15                  and we're planning on getting it shut down, God  
16                  willing, in the fall to cement line that pipe.

17                  COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Did the break occur  
18                  as a result of the work going on there?

19                  MR. PORCARO: That's a good question.  
20                  It's possible. There's a lot of heavy equipment  
21                  rolling around in that area.

22                  PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Is there any  
23                  investigation being done? That's the first  
24                  question I asked.

25                  COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Who's paying for it?

1 MR. PORCARO: We can't really blame it on  
2 the union. They were working away from it. But  
3 there were steel plates not that far from the  
4 break.

5 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I think we ought to  
6 look into it and see because I'm sure it cost us a  
7 lot of money in overtime and things of that  
8 nature, so.

9 MR. PORCARO: It's a big deal, very big  
10 deal.

11 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: We ought to find  
12 out.

13 MR. PORCARO: One thing I did notice, we  
14 all noted, was the bottom of the pipe was much  
15 thinner than the top of the pipe.

16 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I'm positive that it  
17 was a 51-inch water line that was put in there  
18 last year.

19 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: No, I don't think so,  
20 Jerry. At least the part that was broken. The  
21 funny thing is my thinking is it broke on the  
22 bottom, it didn't break on the top. It was on an  
23 old pipe.

24 The first question I asked whether that  
25 was caused by the construction work being done

1           there and that's something that needs to be  
2           investigated. I don't know how we're going to go  
3           about that that, Pat, but that needs to be  
4           determined because if that was the case then we  
5           need to go after them and make sure.

6                   MR. PORCARO: Look, it's very difficult to  
7           prove. The backfill that was used around that  
8           pipe was very, you know, rocky, contains rocks.  
9           It's about three feet deep. You had about three  
10          feet of cover. So we had construction equipment  
11          rolling over that. It's going to put a little bit  
12          of impact on it. You might have fatigue where  
13          it's rubbing up against the rocky backfill  
14          material. They didn't use good bedding like we  
15          use now around the pipe.

16                   COMMISSIONER FRIEND: How many customers  
17          were affected during that period of time?

18                   MR. PORCARO: Well, most of our customers  
19          were affected. Luckily, we were able to isolate  
20          the break and we were pulling water out of the  
21          Great Notch Reservoir and the City of Newark  
22          helped us. They started by giving us 5 million  
23          gallons.

24                   COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Because I mentioned  
25          to Mr. Mueller and as I have in the past, you

1 know, we should develop a reverse phone call  
2 system. I think the county will help us. The  
3 Sheriff has it. Clifton has it. Passaic must  
4 have it. So when people are affected, you know,  
5 not everybody goes to the website every hour to  
6 see what's happening with the Passaic Valley Water  
7 Commission, so we should have some type of  
8 communication.

9 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I guess, Jerry, what  
10 you're saying is we should set up some type of  
11 alerts.

12 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: That's right, on the  
13 phones.

14 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I agree. I don't look  
15 at social media.

16 MR. PORCARO: I agree. But,  
17 Commissioners, you have to understand, it's very  
18 difficult to do this because it would have to be  
19 very specific by pressure gradient, by the  
20 gradients that the customers are being served by.  
21 So we can't just send out -- let's say when New  
22 Street was inundated by Hurricane Ida, it was a  
23 mess because we end up dialing out to all of our  
24 customers. You have to be very careful because  
25 only certain customers are fed by the New Street

1 Reservoir and --

2 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: It could create a  
3 panic if you send it to everybody. I don't have  
4 an issue.

5 MR. PORCARO: We're working on it.

6 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I think it should be  
7 looked into it.

8 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: It's not as easy.  
9 It sounds like a great idea, but it's not as easy  
10 as you would think.

11 MR. BRISMAN: Just knowing from other  
12 places, one thing I caution, many, many people  
13 don't answer their land lines. They assume it's  
14 spam. Unless you have cell phones -- it might  
15 help the seniors who may be more apt, but a lot of  
16 people do not answer their phone, especially they  
17 see an agency on it.

18 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Except the most  
19 complaints that I received with reference to our  
20 last couple of occurrences, with reference to the  
21 water just occurred and even with Ida going back,  
22 very poor communication from the Passaic Valley  
23 Water Commission.

24 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Mr. Mueller, one thing  
25 I'd like to know, Saturday overnight or Monday

1           overnight, Commissioner Ron and I had messages  
2           from the mayor and city officials because there  
3           was a main break in the City of Passaic. I went  
4           to bed early because I felt tired, whatever, when  
5           I woke up and I see these messages, I said what  
6           the hell went on, but I didn't see anything from  
7           Passaic Valley Water letting us as commissioners,  
8           letting us know that there was an issue in the  
9           town. At least us should be informed so we can  
10          inform the officials what's going on when they  
11          call us.

12                    COMMISSIONER FRIEND: It may be hard to  
13           isolate the calls to a particular area, but the  
14           message can say if you live in the Route 3/46 area  
15           and you're not getting water and your water is  
16           brown this is the reason for it. It's better to  
17           over tell people than not to tell people when they  
18           are affected.

19                    PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I think Pat and Mr.  
20           Mueller, I think, Jerry, everybody has a point  
21           here. Everybody's right. I think you guys should  
22           look into something and come back to the board.

23                    MR. PORCARO: Okay. So if I may, we're  
24           using CDM Smith under that seven and a half  
25           million dollar contract to help us.

1 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: To figure it out.

2 MR. PORCARO: Yes. They have experts  
3 there and I'm utilizing this contract as a  
4 mechanism to push this thing forward. It's just  
5 too much -- I was trying to do it myself, then we  
6 hired a GIS specialist. It's just too much. We  
7 have 650 miles of pipe, over 60,000 customers.  
8 It's a very difficult thing to manage, but I think  
9 with these consultants that we have on board, we  
10 can push forward.

11 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: So here's a  
12 question. I don't know if it's done, I'm just  
13 throwing it out there, when something happens in  
14 the town, let's say in Paterson, do we reach out  
15 to the mayor?

16 MR. PORCARO: Yes.

17 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: And let him know?  
18 I would think it might be easier to --

19 MR. PORCARO: If there's a boil water  
20 advisory, the answer to that question is yes, we  
21 are required to contact the mayor.

22 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: So what Jerry wants  
23 to do, wouldn't it be easy to contact the  
24 municipalities in charge of the city and tell them  
25 this is what's happening, can you put an alert.

1 This is happening in your town. It's happening in  
2 Paterson. It's not happening in Passaic and not  
3 happening in Clifton. If it happens in Clifton  
4 then Paterson and Passaic don't need to be called.

5 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: You know, Carmen,  
6 something up there might affect different towns.

7 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: I'm just throwing a  
8 suggestion. The idea just popped in my mind.

9 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I think we should be  
10 informed too, you know why, because you're going  
11 to get a call and say what's going on. You're not  
12 familiar with this. We all should be informed.

13 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Contact the Sheriff  
14 because we get calls from the Sheriff all the time  
15 and I'm sure they might have it broken down into  
16 particular areas.

17 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: So I think  
18 what's happening, could be happening is that the  
19 residents who were impacted in our respective  
20 communities, they call the mayor, right, because  
21 you call the mayor for any and everything and then  
22 the mayor is going to reach out to his folks that  
23 he has on, you know, on the water commission to  
24 see what we know about it. So I think if we were  
25 initially in the loop, right, if there's an issue



1 in our towns, they should automatically call the  
2 commissioners, because the politicians, the mayors  
3 are going to call us first and we look like we  
4 don't know what we're doing and we're out of the  
5 loop when we don't have an answer.

6 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: I get a call on my  
7 phone. I don't pick up my phone, but the phone  
8 gets answered. You can hear it on the machine  
9 every time there's something going on, I hear  
10 Andre.

11 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Andre is a very good  
12 communicator.

13 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: He did very good  
14 with the water situation.

15 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: He's on TV every  
16 night. I love him, he's terrific.

17 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: That's how you run  
18 a town.

19 MR. MUELLER: President Sanchez, I hear  
20 everybody's points and it is complicated on some  
21 levels. Let me come back. I'll work with Pat and  
22 our communications group and come up with a  
23 communications plan and propose that next month to  
24 the board. Does that make sense?

25 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: It makes sense.

1           Make those people that we're paying them so much  
2           money to figure it out. That's what we're paying  
3           them for.

4           PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Thank you, Jim.

5           MR. MUELLER: Okay. We'll be back next  
6           month with a plan.

7           PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: I know you have a lot  
8           on your table.

9           MR. MUELLER: No, it makes a lot of sense.

10          PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: All right. Thank you.  
11          Are you done with your report, Jim?

12          MR. MUELLER: Yes, unless there's other  
13          questions.

14          PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Thank you.

15          Are we ready for executive session?

16          MR. BRISMAN: No, Controller's Report.

17          MR. WEISS: Cash on hand is 15.4 million.

18          Our accounts receivable is at

19          16.3 million.

20          Our accounts payable is at approximately  
21          4.7 million.

22          The budget is as we discussed when we did  
23          the finance committee report. That's in process  
24          to be reviewed I should say.

25          The audit is being worked on by auditors.

1 They have all the information that they needed  
2 from us. Now they're doing their due diligence  
3 and that's moving ahead.

4 That's all I have.

5 MR. BRISMAN: We don't need a vote to  
6 accept that?

7 MR. WEISS: No.

8 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: What about the summary  
9 report?

10 MR. WEISS: That's afterwards.

11 MR. BRISMAN: We'll do that at the end.

12 Requests for Action. Requests to  
13 advertise a request for proposals for Project No.  
14 22-B-83 "Construction Administration & Management  
15 for the Levine Reservoir Project."

16 This project will assist PVWC with  
17 managing public relations, performing construction  
18 administration and resident observations services  
19 for overseeing the construction of the Levine  
20 Tanks in Paterson for the duration of the  
21 three-year project.

22 Can we get a motion for that?

23 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Move it.

24 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Second.

25 MR. BRISMAN: We have a second from

1 Commissioner Depadua.

2 Roll call.

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4 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
5 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioners  
6 Levine and Cotton are absent)

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8 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Now we could have a  
9 resolution to go into executive session.

10 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Move it.

11 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Second.

12 MR. BRISMAN: All in favor?

13 Any opposed?

14 The doors will close.

15 The time is 10:16.

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19 MR. BRISMAN: We're back in open session.

20 All in favor?

21 Mr. President, we have already voted on  
22 the Consent Agenda.

23 The only things we have are the resolution  
24 to enter into the Shared Service Agreement with  
25 County of Passaic, Township of Wayne, and the

1 Wayne Board of Education for the construction of  
2 the sidewalk on Berdan Avenue.

3 We also included as the next part of the  
4 Consent Agenda will be the sidebar agreement with  
5 respect to the three titles: Public Works  
6 Inspector Senior Public Works Inspector, Principal  
7 Engineering Aid.

8 We also have recommendations out of closed  
9 session for two promotions, a lateral transfer,  
10 and proposed resolution with respect to the  
11 Department of Human Resources.

12 The other resolutions were already voted  
13 on.

14 So we will only add to that the minutes of  
15 the public meeting that were held on April 27,  
16 2022.

17 We need a motion and a second.

18 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Can I get a motion?

19 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Move it.

20 MR. BRISMAN: We have a motion by  
21 Commissioner Van Rensalier.

22 Do we have a second?

23 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Second.

24 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: This is for the  
25 minutes?

1 MR. BRISMAN: No, this is for all the  
2 resolutions including the minutes.

3 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I'm sorry, then I  
4 would like to have the Resolution number 1 split  
5 into two separate resolutions for a separate vote.

6 MR. BRISMAN: Okay. Well, we have the  
7 motion and second for the entire agenda.

8 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I understand that  
9 and then typically there is the ability to discuss  
10 the motion and second, is there not?

11 MR. BRISMAN: There is.

12 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Okay. So I'm  
13 assuming we're on the discussion portion of this.

14 MR. BRISMAN: That is correct.

15 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: So my concerns  
16 are that we have never in the past grouped every  
17 resolution that is coming out of closed session  
18 and we have never given anybody the inability to  
19 separate their votes so they can vote yay and nay  
20 on particular items. We in fact do that all the  
21 time when it comes to doing bills lists to give  
22 people the opportunity to abstain to particular  
23 checks that would provide for a conflict of  
24 interest.

25 So with that being said, I think that the

1 motion is out of order at this point because there  
2 was not the ability given to ask for a separate  
3 vote on anything and the fact that we are voting  
4 on sidebar agreements to contracts and shared  
5 services and we're lumping that in with personnel  
6 matters is highly unusual and not been done in  
7 past.

8 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: What do you want  
9 separate?

10 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I would like  
11 Resolution number 1 as listed on the agenda split  
12 into two separate resolutions so they can be voted  
13 on separately.

14 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Make your motion.

15 MR. BRISMAN: I was just trying to do it  
16 in interest of time.

17 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Take a separate roll  
18 call.

19 MR. BRISMAN: That's fine. We could take  
20 a separate roll.

21 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Fine. We're going to  
22 do it that way.

23 MR. BRISMAN: What are the separate  
24 resolutions?

25 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: So resolution

1 number 1 is listed here regarding the Executive  
2 Director position for Organizational Development  
3 and Human Resources and also a resolution  
4 regarding the promotion of an individual to a  
5 newly created title of Assistant Director of ODHR.  
6 I would like those two items as separate votes.

7 MR. BRISMAN: Okay. So we'll do those.  
8 Do you want separate on each one?

9 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: What I would  
10 prefer is to see us do the motions on the sidebar  
11 agreement and share services separately because  
12 they seem to dovetail nicely. One's  
13 contractual -- actually, they're both  
14 semi-contractual.

15 Then I would like to see a motion done for  
16 the listing A, B, and D as a group as a separate  
17 motion.

18 Then Resolution 1 separated as two  
19 separate resolutions.

20 MR. BRISMAN: Okay. So, Commissioner  
21 Kolodziej, just so you understand, I did it all in  
22 interest of time because there were no questions  
23 in executive session with respect to that. So  
24 that being said, do we have a consensus to retract  
25 the motion and second and to do it that way?



1 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Yes.

2 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Okay.

3 MR. BRISMAN: Why don't we do this. Let's  
4 first have a motion on the minutes of the meeting  
5 held on April 27, 2022.

6 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: So move.

7 MR. BRISMAN: We have a motion. Do we  
8 have a second?

9 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Second.

10 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Yes to the  
11 minutes.

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13 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
14 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioners  
15 Levine and Cotton are absent)

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17 MR. BRISMAN: Can we have a combined  
18 motion for the Shared Services Agreement that was  
19 referenced earlier as well as the sidebar  
20 agreement?

21 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Move it.

22 MR. BRISMAN: We have a motion.

23 Do we have a second?

24 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Second.

25 MR. BRISMAN: Roll call.

1                   COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: There was no need  
2 for a motion on Entin Road?

3                   MR. BRISMAN: No, we got a consensus. I  
4 actually have the settlement authority. We just  
5 had a consensus to enter into a release because  
6 there was a lawyer. Based upon the resolutions  
7 giving me the authority, I don't think it requires  
8 a motion.

9                   Would you like there to be?

10                  COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: No.

11                  Yes to the Shared Services and yes to the  
12 sidebar agreement.

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14                  (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
15 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioners  
16 Levine and Cotton are absent)

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18                  MR. BRISMAN: Okay. Now, we have three  
19 personnel actions, we have two promotions, and one  
20 lateral transfer.

21                  Do we have a motion?

22                  COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Move it.

23                  COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Second.

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25                  (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners

1 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioners  
2 Levine and Cotton are absent)

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4 (Whereupon, the following items from  
5 Personnel were approved:

6 I. Promotions

7 A. Stanley McDowell, Jr. as Assistant  
8 Building Superintendent.

9 Current Title: Senior Building Maintenance  
10 Worker.

11 Current Salary: \$73,441.79.

12 Current Range: \$50,000.00 - \$78,000.00.

13 Proposed Salary: \$76,701.49 (1  
14 increment).

15 Proposed Range: \$50,003.20 - \$93,000.00.

16 B. Lilia Negrete as Provisional Principal  
17 Accountant.

18 Current Title: Senior Accountant.

19 Current Salary: \$105,400.03.

20 Current Range: \$59,999.94 0 \$105,400.02.

21 Proposed Salary: \$119,000.00.

22 Proposed Range: \$80,000.00 - \$133,791.80.

23 II. Lateral Transfer:

24 D. Mazin Hussein as Custodial Worker.

25 Current Title: Pumping Station Attendant.

1 Current Salary: \$42,543.04.

2 Current Range: \$38,000.00 - \$65,258.28.

3 Proposed Salary: No Change.

4 Proposed Range: \$35,000.00 - \$68,340.00)

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6 MR. BRISMAN: Okay. The last item that we  
7 have the resolutions that came out of closed  
8 session.

9 Proposed Resolution 1. Do we have a  
10 motion?

11 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Move it.

12 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Second.

13 MR. BRISMAN: Okay.

14 Roll call.

15 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Yes, to hiring  
16 the Director of ODHR.

17 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: We're voting to  
18 separate these two resolutions. Correct?

19 MR. BRISMAN: No, we're voting on the  
20 resolutions.

21 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: On the two  
22 resolutions.

23 MR. BRISMAN: He voted yes to the first  
24 part of it and no the second part.

25 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: So yes to the first

1 part to hire the organization development and no  
2 to the other.

3 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I thought these  
4 were separate motions?

5 MR. BRISMAN: They are separate motions.

6 That was not clear at all. On the  
7 resolution, on the agenda there is one resolution.  
8 My understanding of your vote, Mr. Kolodziej, was  
9 to vote yes for part of the resolution and no for  
10 the second.

11 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: No, my motion was  
12 to split that resolution into two parts so that we  
13 could vote on one and then vote on the second one.  
14 I don't know why we're taking a poll of yes and no  
15 to two halves. There should be two separate  
16 motions.

17 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Two resolutions.

18 MR. BRISMAN: Okay. That was not the  
19 motion made by Commissioner Van Rensalier.

20 We're going to do it right this time.

21 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I will remove my  
22 second. My apologies.

23 MR. BRISMAN: That's why I got confused.

24 What we're going to do. Commissioner  
25 Kolodziej, you would like to make a motion to

1 split the resolution?

2 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Yes.

3 MR. BRISMAN: Is there a second to do  
4 that?

5 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Second.

6 MR. BRISMAN: This is now a vote to split  
7 the resolution.

8 Roll call.

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10 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
11 present respond in the affirmative. President  
12 Sanchez responds in the negative. Commissioners  
13 Levine and Cotton are absent)

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15 MR. BRISMAN: The first resolution will be  
16 to allow the executive director to make an offer  
17 to the top remaining candidate for the Director of  
18 Organizational Development and Human Resources for  
19 a salary not-to-exceed \$200,000 which will be  
20 considered top of range for this position.

21 Do we have a motion?

22 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Moved it.

23 MR. BRISMAN: Motion by Commissioner  
24 Friend.

25 Seconded by Commissioner Kolodziej.

1                   COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Notwithstanding  
2                   the motion really kills our ability to negotiate,  
3                   yes.

4                   MR. BRISMAN: Second resolution, upon  
5                   onboarding of the top candidate, Danny Rodriguez  
6                   will be promoted to the title of Assistant  
7                   Director, ODHR at a salary of \$138,000 with a  
8                   maximum range of \$158,000.

9                   Do we have a motion?

10                  COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Move.

11                  COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Motion to table.

12                  MR. BRISMAN: Well, we have a motion to  
13                  move it. Do we have a second on the motion to  
14                  move or a second to motion to table?

15                  COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Second on the  
16                  motion to the table.

17                  MR. BRISMAN: Do we have a second on the  
18                  motion to move it?

19                  Okay. We have a motion and second to  
20                  table.

21                  COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Abstain.

22                  COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: I'm sorry, I  
23                  didn't hear that vote.

24                  PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: That was an  
25                  abstention.

1 COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Motion to table,  
2 yes.

3 COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: Yes.

4 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Motion to table,  
5 yes.

6 PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Okay. Table it.

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8 (Roll call was taken, all Commissioners  
9 present respond in the affirmative. Commissioner  
10 Friend abstained. Commissioners Levine and Cotton  
11 are absent)

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13 MR. BRISMAN: The second half of that  
14 resolution is tabled.

15 I believe we are up to New Business.

16 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I'll move the rest  
17 of the group.

18 MR. BRISMAN: We already moved that group  
19 earlier.

20 Summary of disbursements and payrolls  
21 through May 25, 2022, in the amount of  
22 \$7,792,768.86.

23 Do I have a motion?

24 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Motion.

25 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Second.



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(Roll call was taken, all Commissioners present respond in the affirmative)

PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Quick question. You guys made a recommendation of the personnel committee to put these things on the agenda and then Kolodziej decides to table it. I don't get it. I thought it was a recommendation to put it on the agenda?

COMMISSIONER VAN RENSALIER: It was a recommendation by myself and Commissioner Kolodziej to move it forward for the full board's consideration, you're correct.

COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: Mr. President, it is the recommendation that the committee member who was unable to attend because of the fire at his business has expressed that he is against that particular side of the resolution and he had asked if I would give the courtesy of tabling it until he could be here to participate, so I plan on honoring my colleague's --

PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: That's fine. I just wanted to know. Thank you.

COMMISSIONER KOLODZIEJ: That's why I made

1 a motion to table.

2 MR. BRISMAN: I don't believe there are  
3 any recommendations from executive conference.

4 Is there any good and welfare before  
5 adjournment?

6 Do we have a motion to adjourn?

7 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: Would it be  
8 appropriate, I mean, do we do anything to  
9 acknowledge to the family of the young man that  
10 drowned in any way?

11 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: We don't even know  
12 who it is.

13 MR. BRISMAN: They announced who it is.

14 COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: I heard he was from  
15 Paterson.

16 MR. BRISMAN: Yes, I think Eastside they  
17 had a whole...

18 COMMISSIONER FRIEND: I don't know if we  
19 had a similar incident in the past.

20 MR. BRISMAN: We did have, it predates me,  
21 I don't know if Commissioner Sanchez was here. I  
22 would recommend just because of who knows where  
23 this will go that maybe we have some discussion  
24 about what, if anything, should be done, but  
25 certainly perhaps...

1                   PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: It happened in the  
2 past, you were not here. It happened in the past.  
3 Anything we say might be considered in the  
4 lawsuit. So my thinking is, it's a legal issue  
5 for now. Keep it that way.

6                   MR. BRISMAN: That's why I recommend we  
7 hold off for now. It's a tragedy.

8                   COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: It's a tragedy.

9                   MR. BRISMAN: Motion to adjourn?

10                  PRESIDENT SANCHEZ: Yes.

11                  COMMISSIONER DEPADUA: Motion.

12                  MR. BRISMAN: All in favor?

13                  The meeting is adjourned at 11:23.

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