



**Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority
Board Meeting Minutes
January 28, 2020 9:00 A.M.**

Board Members Present: Brett Hart, Chairman; Don Villar, Vice Chairman; Jorge Ramirez*, Secretary/Treasurer; Dr. Sonat Birnecker Hart; Nina Grondin; Roger J. Kiley*; Terrance B. McGann; Juan A. Ochoa; Sherman Wright
*Teleconference

Others Present: Larita Clark, Acting Chief Executive Officer/Chief Financial Officer; David Winters, Chief Operations Officer; David Causton, SMG/McCormick Place; Matthew Simmons, General Counsel; Pat Allen, Director of Labor Relations; Dao Ngo, Director of Procurement; Steve E. Georgas, Chief Security Officer; Stephanie Lovelace-Nieves, Controller; Samina Kapadia, Assistant General Counsel; Jeanette Swan, Director of Internal Audit; Jason Bormann, Director of Treasury and Capital Management; Gloria Juarbe, Director of Human Resources; Molly Kievit, Senior Director of Campus Sales; Marilyn Rubio, Senior Manager, Community Engagement and Special Events; Tiffany M. Wright, Business Diversity Program Manager; Dave Nanda, Senior Director of Technology Strategy; Paige Lommerin, Law Clerk; Joseph T. Scheper, SMG/McCormick Place; Doug Bradley, Savor; David Whitaker, Choose Chicago; Rufus Purnell, Resident; Cynthia McCafferty, Hawthorne Strategy Group, Inc.; Andrew C. Namiot, Arthur D. Little; Jennifer B., City Bureau; Bonni McKeown, City Bureau; Maria Calderon, Compliance Officer and Board Administrator

General Matters: Chairman Hart asked for a motion to permit Members Kiley and Ramirez to participate via teleconference. Upon motion duly made by Member McGann and seconded by Member Ochoa, the remaining members present unanimously voted passing the motion.

- A1. Roll Call: MPEA Chairman Hart, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and Ms. Calderon called roll.
- A2. Approval of Minutes: Chairman Hart called for the approval of the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the December 17, 2019.

Moved by Member Villar, seconded by Member Ochoa, and the remaining members present voted approving item A2.
- A3. Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

Report from Acting CEO: Ms. Clark reported new initiatives, Hire360 and Unite Here Hospitality Apprenticeship, on campus will expand diversity efforts. Ms. Clark reported the Tap@Hyatt will be completed by mid-February.

Report from Controller: Ms. Lovelace-Nieves presented the financial results for December 2019.

Report from Director of Treasury and Capital Management: Mr. Bormann presented the tax collections for December 2019.

Report from Chief Operating Officer: Mr. Winters reported the Tap@Hyatt would be turned over to the Hyatt by end of the week. Mr. Winters reported a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the development of the Marshalling Yards and Michael Reese sites was issued three years ago. The Global Research Innovation Tourism (GRIT) group was selected and the lead developer is Farpoint Development. Mr. Winters stated a letter of intent has been signed between the City and GRIT which will assist in financing for the development. Mr. Winters stated MPEA is interested in a logistics center for the Marshalling Yards and will need to sign a letter of intent with GRIT. Mr. Winters stated MPEA will lease



the property and will approve any changes to the lease. Mr. Winters stated MPEA will have a M/WBE program for the development.

Report from McCormick Place: Mr. Causton reported The Muslim American Society - The Islamic Circle of North America Annual Convention (MAS-INCA) had 25,000 attendees, Winter Volleyball Championship had 20,000 attendees, and the Chicago Boat Show had 40,000 attendees. Mr. Causton reported Amazon Web Services had 19,000 attendees from around the world and Savor served over 188,000 meals and 160,000 snacks during the five-day event. Mr. Causton reported Amazon Web Services has signed to return to campus next year. Mr. Causton reported the Chicago Auto Show and Annual IGI Chicago Style Gymnastics Meet were moving in for their events in February. Mr. Causton reported men and women basketball games were scheduled for the beginning of February at Wintrust Arena.

Executive Session: Chairman Hart asked for a motion to convene in Executive Session to discuss item C1, collective negotiation matters and employee matters. Upon motion duly made by Member Villar, seconded by Member Birnecker Hart, and the remaining members present unanimously voted to convene in Executive Session.

Upon return from Executive Session, item C1 was presented for consideration and discussion.

Review of Covered Actions and Eligible Agreements:

- C1. Consideration of Approval of Executive Session Minutes of the December 17, 2019 Regular Board Meeting.

Moved by Member McGann, seconded by Member Ochoa, and the remaining members present voted approving item C1.
- D1. Consideration of Approval for Unite Here Hospitality Apprenticeship Lakeside Center License Agreement.

Moved by Member Ramirez, seconded by Member Villar, and the remaining members present voted approving item D1.
- D2. Consideration of Approval for Time Extension for Retirement Plan – Financial Consulting Services.

Moved by Member McGann, seconded by Member Ochoa, and the remaining members present voted approving item D2.
- D3. Consideration of Approval for Resolution No. MPEA 20-01 – Resolution Authorizing Amendment of Continuing Disclosure Undertakings.

Moved by Member Ochoa, seconded by Member Kiley, and the remaining members present voted approving item D3.
- D4. Consideration of Approval for Contract Extension for Telecommunication Supplies.

Moved by Member Villar, seconded by Member Birnecker Hart, and the remaining members present voted approving item D4.
- D5. Consideration of Approval for Contract Extension for Fire Pump Inspection Services.



Moved by Member McGann, seconded by Member Birmecker Hart, and the remaining members present voted approving item D5.

- D6. Consideration of Approval for Five (5) Year Extension for Antenna License Agreement.

Moved by Member Villar, seconded by Member Birmecker Hart, and the remaining members present voted approving item D6.

- D7. Consideration of Approval for Five (5) Year Extension for Antenna License Agreement.

Moved by Member Villar, seconded by Member McGann, and the remaining members present voted approving item D7.

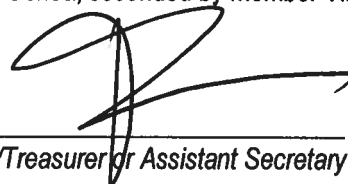
- E2. Consideration of Approval for Resolution No. MPEA 20-02 – Appointment of Chief Executive Officer of the Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority.

Moved by Member McGann, seconded by Member Villar, and the remaining members present voted approving item E2.

Adjournment

Chairman Hart moved to adjourn the meeting moved by Member Ochoa, seconded by Member Villar, and the meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote of the Board.

Approved: February 18, 2020



Secretary/Treasurer or Assistant Secretary