



MPEA Corporate Center
301 East Cermak Road
Corporate Boardroom, 5th Floor
Chicago, IL 60616

Metropolitan Pier and Exposition Authority
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
June 28, 2022 9:00 A.M.

Board Members Present: Jeffrey Bethke, Chairman; Don Villar, Vice Chairman; Jorge Ramirez*, Secretary/Treasurer; Nina Grondin*; Terrance B. McGann; Juan Morado, Jr.; Sherman Wright

*Teleconference

Others Present: Larita Clark, Chief Executive Officer; Matthew Simmons, General Counsel; Pat Allen, Senior Director of Labor Relations and Campus Operations; Stephanie Lovelace-Nieves, Controller; Dao Ngo, Deputy General Counsel; Hilary Barker, Director of Procurement; Jill Kolinski, Assistant General Counsel; Gloria Juarbe, Director of Human Resources; Molly Kievit, Senior Director of Campus Sales; Tiffany Wright, Business Diversity Program Manager; Cynthia McCafferty, Hawthorne Strategy Group; Doug Bradley, Savor/McCormick Place; Joseph Honold, Marsh; Jim Walsh, Marsh; Carlos Pineiro, RBCCH; Bob Durkin; Lynn Osmond, Choose Chicago; Rufus Purnell, Resident; Pat Doerr, HBAC; Karen Kent, Unite Here Local 1; Maria Calderon, Compliance Officer and Board Administrator

General Matters: Chairman Bethke asked for a motion to permit Members Ramirez and Grondin to participate via teleconference. Upon motion duly made by Member Villar and seconded by Member Morado, the remaining members present unanimously voted passing the motion.

A1. Roll Call: MPEA Chairman Bethke, called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. and Ms. Calderon called roll.

A2. Approval of Minutes: Chairman Bethke called for the approval of the minutes of the May 24, 2022 Regular Board meeting.

Moved by Member McGann, seconded by Member Villar, and the remaining members present voted approving item A2.

Roll call vote. Record as:

Jeffrey Bethke, Chairman – Yes	Terrance McGann – Yes
Don Villar, Vice Chairman – Yes	Juan Morado – Yes
Jorge Ramirez, Secretary/Treasurer – Yes	Sherman Wright – Yes
Nina Grondin – Yes	

The motion passed.

A3. Public Comment.

There was no public comment.

B1. Consideration of Approval of Insurance Renewal for the MPEA Insurance Program for the 07/01/2022-06/30/2023.



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Moved by Member Morado, seconded by Member Villar, and the remaining members present voted approving item B1.

Roll call vote. Record as:

Jeffrey Bethke, Chairman – Yes	Terrance McGann – Yes
Don Villar, Vice Chairman – Yes	Juan Morado – Yes
Jorge Ramirez, Secretary/Treasurer – Yes	Sherman Wright – Yes
Nina Grondin – Yes	

The motion passed.

B2. Consideration of Approval of Amendment to Existing Contract for IT Services – MPEA Corporate.

Moved by Member McGann, seconded by Member Villar, and the remaining members present voted approving item B2.

Roll call vote. Records as:

Jeffrey Bethke, Chairman – Yes	Terrance McGann – Yes
Don Villar, Vice Chairman – Yes	Juan Morado – Yes
Jorge Ramirez, Secretary/Treasurer – Yes	Sherman Wright – Yes
Nina Grondin – Yes	

The motion passed.

B3. Consideration of Approval of Contract Extension for Financial Advisory Services.

Moved by Member Morado, seconded by Member Villar, and the remaining members present voted approving item B3.

Roll call vote. Records as:

Jeffrey Bethke, Chairman – Yes	Terrance McGann – Yes
Don Villar, Vice Chairman – Yes	Juan Morado – Yes
Jorge Ramirez, Secretary/Treasurer – Yes	Sherman Wright – Yes
Nina Grondin – Yes	

The motion passed.

B4. Consideration of Approval of First Amendment to the Molson Coors Suite License Agreement.

Moved by Member Morado, seconded by Member McGann, and the remaining members present voted approving item B4.



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Roll call vote. Records as:

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Don Villar, Vice Chairman – Yes	Juan Morado – Yes
Jorge Ramirez, Secretary/Treasurer – Yes	Sherman Wright – Yes
Nina Grondin – Yes	

The motion passed.

B5. Consideration of Approval of First Amendment to the Molson Coors Sponsorship Agreement.

Moved by Member McGann, seconded by Member Wright, and the remaining members present voted approving item B5.

Roll call vote. Records as:

Jeffrey Bethke, Chairman – Yes	Terrance McGann – Yes
Don Villar, Vice Chairman – Yes	Juan Morado – Yes
Jorge Ramirez, Secretary/Treasurer – Yes	Sherman Wright – Yes
Nina Grondin – Yes	

The motion passed.

B6. Consideration of Approval of Contract Extension for Paint Supplies & Equipment.

Moved by Member Ramirez, seconded by Member Wright, and the remaining members present voted approving item B6.

Roll call vote. Records as:

Jeffrey Bethke, Chairman – Yes	Terrance McGann – Yes
Don Villar, Vice Chairman – Yes	Juan Morado – Yes
Jorge Ramirez, Secretary/Treasurer – Yes	Sherman Wright – Yes
Nina Grondin – Yes	

The motion passed.

B7. Consideration of Approval of Sole Source Contract for Fire Alarm System Upgrade.

Moved by Member McGann, seconded by Member Wright, and the remaining members present voted approving item B7.

Roll call vote. Records as:

Jeffrey Bethke, Chairman – Yes	Terrance McGann – Yes
Don Villar, Vice Chairman – Yes	Juan Morado – Yes
Jorge Ramirez, Secretary/Treasurer – Yes	Sherman Wright – Yes
Nina Grondin – Yes	

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Executive Session: Chairman Bethke asked for a motion to convene in Executive Session to discuss item C1, employee matters and litigation. Upon motion duly made by Member Morado, seconded by Member McGann, and the remaining members present unanimously voted to convene in Executive Session.

Roll call vote. Record as:

Jeffrey Bethke, Chairman – Yes	Terrance McGann – Yes
Don Villar, Vice Chairman – Yes	Juan Morado – Yes
Jorge Ramirez, Secretary/Treasurer – Yes	Sherman Wright – Yes
Nina Grondin – Yes	

The motion passed.

D1. Consideration of Approval of Executive Session Minutes of the May 24, 2022 Regular Board Meeting.

Moved by Member Wright, seconded by Member Villar, and the remaining members present voted approving item D1.

Roll call vote. Records as:

Jeffrey Bethke, Chairman – Yes	Terrance McGann – Yes
Don Villar, Vice Chairman – Yes	Juan Morado – Yes
Jorge Ramirez, Secretary/Treasurer – Yes	Sherman Wright – Yes
Nina Grondin – Yes	

The motion passed.

D2. Consideration of Approval of Resolution No. MPEA 22-03 Executive Compensation.

Moved by Member Ramirez, seconded by Member McGann, and the remaining members present voted approving item D2.

Roll call vote. Records as:

Jeffrey Bethke, Chairman – Yes	Terrance McGann – Yes
Don Villar, Vice Chairman – Yes	Juan Morado – Yes
Jorge Ramirez, Secretary/Treasurer – Yes	Sherman Wright – Yes
Nina Grondin – Yes	

The motion passed.

D3. New Business.

There was no new business introduced.

Report from CEO: Ms. Clark reported the night before the face brick on the retaining wall bordering McCormick Place Lakeside Center and Jean-Baptiste Pointe DuSable Lake Shore Drive buckled and fell. Ms. Clark reported there was an immediate response by Mr. Allen and his team, the State Police, the Chicago Police Department, and the City of



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Chicago's Streets and Sanitation Department to help with the removal of the bricks. Ms. Clark reported the State and the City partners came together to successfully address the situation. Ms. Clark reported a structural engineer will be assessing what caused the bricks to fall. Ms. Clark reported the month of June was strong with the American Society of Clinical Oncology (ASCO) having over 32,000 attendees and close to selling out for 2023. Ms. Clark reported Salesforce had over 7,000 attendees; the American Optometric Association had over 3,000 attendees; the American Institute of Architects had President Obama as their keynote speaker; and the American Society of Safety Professionals (ASSP) had over 5,000 attendees. Ms. Clark reported the Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda will be back on campus after seven years with 12,500 attendees and Nike's Tournament of Champions with over 25,000 players and coaches.

Report from Controller: Ms. Lovelace-Nieves presented the financial results and tax collections for May 2022.

Adjournment

Chairman Bethke moved to adjourn the meeting moved by Member Morado, seconded by Member Wright, and the meeting was adjourned by unanimous vote of the Board.


Roll call vote. Record as:

Jeffrey Bethke, Chairman – Yes	Juan Morado – Yes
Don Villar, Vice Chairman – Yes	Sherman Wright – Yes
Nina Grondin – Yes	

The motion passed.

Time meeting adjourned: 10:34 a.m.

Approved: August 30, 2022

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 Secretary/Treasurer or Assistant Secretary