

FINAL

THIRD TAXING DISTRICT
of the City of Norwalk
Commission Meeting
August 19, 2019

ATTENDANCE: Commissioners: Johnnie Mae Weldon, Chair; Debora Goldstein;
Ed Holowinko, Treasurer (7:05 p.m.)

STAFF: Kevin Barber, General Manager
Ron Scofield, Assistant General Manager/District Clerk

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Weldon called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

**** COMMISSIONER GOLDSTEIN MOVED TO SUSPEND THE RULES TO AMEND
THE AGENDA AND REMOVE THE STRATEGIC PLANNING ITEM.**

**** COMMISSIONER WELDON SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one from the public was in attendance to comment.

MINUTES OF MEETING

August 5, 2019 Regular Meeting

**** COMMISSIONER GOLDSTEIN MOVED TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF
AUGUST 5, 2019 REGULAR MEETING.**

**** COMMISSIONER WELDON SECONDED.**

**** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

SOLAR PROJECT DISCUSSION

Mr. Barber reminded the Commission that at the last meeting of August 5, 2019, he had started to talk to the Commission on the topic of solar/battery storage projects and the need for TTD to revise policies, procedures and rates.

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CMEEC's Risk Management Committee (RMC) met on August 15, 2019 and one of the items on the agenda was "Utility Facilitate Energy Resources" which dealt directly with solar and battery storage projects installed/operated by CMEEC. The RMC had a good discussion on the concept of this type of project. The RMC voted to update the CMEEC Board of Directors at the August 22, 2019 Board meeting of this concept. This will be brought before the Board for informational purposes only and no decision will be made.

The RMC will be meeting again in September to further vet the projects and review a more detailed project proforma. The intent is to bring it back before the CMEEC Board in September with the possibility of developing a pilot project to study the benefits of this type of project.

DISCUSSION OF EAST AVENUE PROJECT

Mr. Barber informed the Commission that Mike Adams met with the City of Norwalk on August 15, 2019, as well as other utilities (Frontier, Altice, etc.) to review the East Avenue project. TTD has provided the City of Norwalk with a conceptual design for the undergrounding of the electric utilities on East Avenue from the railroad bridge north to I-95. The City of Norwalk is now working to determine if they can afford this project. Mr. Adams reminded the City of Norwalk that the TTD Commission has not made a final decision on the undergrounding of East Avenue and suggested that they will need to go before the Commission to get a final decision.

The City of Norwalk has requested an extension with the State of Connecticut for the submittal of 60% design review for the Walk Bridge Project.

HARRIS CUSTOMER TRAINING CONFERENCE

Per Mr. Barber's contract with TTD, he is asking the Commission for their approval to attend the upcoming Harris Customer Training Conference to be held October 7-11, 2019 in Denver, Colorado. This is the yearly user conference for Cogsdale Corporation (TTD's Customer Information System vendor).

**** COMMISSIONER GOLDSTEIN MOVED TO AUTHORIZE AN ADDITIONAL BUSINESS-RELATED TRIP FOR KEVIN BARBER WHICH EXCEEDS THE NUMBER IN HIS EMPLOYMENT CONTRACT AS DESCRIBED IN THE MEMO IN THE PACKET TO ATTEND THE HARRIS CUSTOMER TRAINING CONFERENCE ON COGSDALE FROM OCTOBER 7-11, 2019 IN DENVER, COLORADO.**

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ADJOURNMENT

- ** COMMISSIONER WELDON MOVED TO ADJOURN.**
- ** COMMISSIONER GOLDSTEIN SECONDED.**
- ** THE MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.**

The meeting adjourned at 7:29 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Cynthia Tenney
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