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The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority's ("Tollway") Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, February 23, 2023, in the Boardroom of Tollway Headquarters in Downers Grove, Illinois. The meeting was held pursuant to the By-Laws of the Tollway upon call and notice of the meeting executed by Chairman Arnaldo Rivera and posted in accordance with the requirements of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/1, *et seq.* The meeting was open to the public.

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[Bolded entries indicate issues which may require follow-up to present or report to the Board.]

## Call to Order / Roll Call

Vice-Chair Connolly called the meeting to order at approximately 9:45 a.m. Vice-Chair Connolly stated that given Director Sweeney's advance notice to the Board Secretary of his inability to attend in person due to conflicting business and given that a quorum of the Board is physically present, in accordance with Illinois Open Meetings Act Section 7(a), a motion is requested to approve Director Sweeney's participation by audio conference. Director McConnaughay made such a motion, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote. Director Sweeney joined the meeting via audio conference.

Vice-Chair Connolly asked the Board Secretary to call the roll, those Directors present and absent being as follows:

Vice-Chair James Connolly

Director Alice Gallagher

Director Jacqueline Gomez

Director Karen McConnaughay

Director Scott Paddock

Director Gary Perinar

Chairman Arnaldo Rivera

Director James Sweeney [by telephone]

Board Members Not Present:

Governor JB Pritzker [ex officio]

Secretary Omer Osman [ex officio]

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Vice-Chair Connolly stated that Governor Pritzker has recently accepted the resignation of Chair Abreu. Vice-Chair Connolly expressed the Board's appreciation for the time and effort Chair Abreu brought to serving the Agency. Vice-Chair Connolly introduced and welcomed Arnaldo Rivera, appointed last week to serve as Chairman of the Board of Directors.

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Chairman Rivera thanked Directors, Executive Director Rouse and staff for the warm welcome and support he has received. Chairman Rivera stated he looks forward to providing oversight to the agency while executing the Tollway's vision. He then returned the floor to Vice-Chair Connolly.

Vice-Chair Connolly welcomed Captain Linda Mandat, who was recently promoted to Commander of Illinois State Police, Troop 15 and asked her to provide the monthly safety message.

#### Safety Message

Captain Mandat addressed the concern surrounding aggressive driving and reiterated the importance of driving safely and cautiously in traffic. She encouraged motorists to increase following distance to allow for adequate time to reduce speed, slow or stop. She additionally reminded drivers to stay calm when driving and stated that when encountering road rage, drivers should create distance and call 911.

#### **Public Comment**

Vice-Chair Connolly opened the floor for public comment. No comment was offered.

#### Chair's Items

<u>Item 1</u>: Approval of the Minutes of the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held January 26, 2023.

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 1**, the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held January 26, 2023, as presented. Director McConnaughay made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

<u>Item 2</u>: Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held January 26, 2023.

Vice-Chair Connolly stated that without objection, action on Chair's Item 2 will be deferred until after consideration in Executive Session.

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### Item 5: Committee Reports

Vice-Chair Connolly dispensed with committee reports, noting that all Directors were present for the committee meetings.

### Item 6: Additional Items

Vice-Chair Connolly, having no further items, turned the floor over to Executive Director Cassaundra Rouse.

## **Executive Director's Items**

Executive Director Rouse expressed appreciation for Chair Abreu's service over the past year and extended thanks to Vice-Chair Connolly for his leadership during the interim. Executive Director Rouse also welcomed newly appointed Chairman Arnie Rivera.

Executive Director Rouse introduced a short video featuring recent agency accomplishments and highlights of ongoing initiatives, including the Tollway Academy Winter Summit and Tollway awards received from the Forest Preserve District of Will County and the American Council of Engineering Companies of Illinois.

Executive Director Rouse, having no further items to report, returned the floor to Vice-Chair Connolly.

#### Items for Consideration

## Information Technology

<u>Item 1</u>: Award of Contract 22-0091 to Global Technical Systems, Inc. for the purchase of a Mobile Radio System Replacement in an amount not to exceed \$1,235,480.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).

<u>Item 2</u>: Award of Contract 23-0005 to SHI International Corp. for the purchase of Cartegraph Software Subscriptions plus Maintenance and Support in an amount not to exceed \$286,826.27 (Release Off a Multiple Award Master Contract).

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Information Technology Item 1**. Director McConnaughay made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

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Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Information Technology Item 2**. Director McConnaughay made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

# Engineering

<u>Item 1</u>: Award of Contract I-22-4868 to Meru Corporation for Substructure Removal on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 21.3 and Mile Post 21.5 (Southbound Mile Long Bridge) in the amount of \$1,988,205.42.

<u>Item 2</u>: Award of Contract I-22-4845R to Hecker and Company, Inc. for Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) Device and Fiber Installation on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 17.5 (95th Street) and Mile Post 24.1 (I-55 Ramps) in the amount of \$7,265,463.16.

<u>Item 3</u>: Award of Contract RR-22-4872 to Herlihy Mid-Continent Company for Bridge Rehabilitation on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) at Mile Post 19.1 (over Burlington Northern Santa Fe (BNSF) Railway) in the amount of \$3,931,139.00.

<u>Item 4</u>: Award of Contract I-21-4825R to Foundation Mechanics, LLC for Landscaping, Fencing and Drainage Improvements on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 37.5 (Mannheim Road) and Mile Post 40.0 (Balmoral Avenue) in the amount of \$708,951.00.

<u>Item 5</u>: Award of Contract RR-22-4875 to Plote Construction, Inc. for Pavement Repairs, Systemwide in the amount of \$4,366,235.30.

<u>Item 6</u>: Award of Contract RR-22-4874 to Areatha Construction for Bridge and Roadway Repairs, Systemwide in the amount of \$1,080,754.45.

<u>Item 7</u>: Change Order / Extra Work Order on I-21-4737 to Judlau Contracting, Inc. for Railroad Retaining Wall Construction on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Tollway (I-490) between Mile Post 0.9 (Canadian Pacific Railway Bensenville Yard) and Mile Post 1.8 (Irving Park Road (IL 19)) in the amount of \$1,120,640.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$39,440,215.89 to \$40,560,855.89.

<u>Item 8</u>: Change Order / Extra Work Order on I-21-4732 to Walsh Construction Company II, LLC for Railroad Bridge Construction Union Pacific Railroad and Earthwork on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Tollway (I-490) Franklin Avenue to South of Irving Park Road (IL-19) and Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) from Mile Post 62.00 to Mile Post 62.25 (Barrington Road) in the amount of \$3,838,482.08, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$215,682,085.43 to \$219,520,567.51.



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<u>Item 9</u>: Acceptance of Proposal from exp US Services, Inc. on Contract I-18-4380 for Supplemental Construction Management Services on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) from Mile Post 35.3 (Grand Avenue) to Mile Post 36.3 (Wolf Road) in the amount of \$3,993,000.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$13,499,986.41 to \$17,492,986.41. [Recusal: Director Gallagher]

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<u>Item 10</u>: Acceptance of Proposal from Globetrotters Engineering Corporation on Contract I-19-4479 for Supplemental Construction Management Services for Roadway Reconstruction and Widening on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 22 (75th Street) to Mile Post 24 (I-55 Ramps) in the amount of \$1,900,000.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$16,000,000.00 to \$17,900,000.00. [Recusal: Director Sweeney]

<u>Item 11</u>: Acceptance of Proposal from State Materials Engineering LLC dba S.T.A.T.E. Testing, LLC on Contract RR-18-9206 for Supplemental Materials Engineering Services, Systemwide in the amount of \$5,252,245.42, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$19,894,939.18 to \$25,147,184.60.

<u>Item 12</u>: Award of Contract 22-0149 to Allstate Concrete Cutting Inc. for the purchase of Asphalt Crack-Sealant Material in an amount not to exceed \$582,000.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).

Vice-Chair Connolly noted that Director Gallagher has indicated in advance her wish to recuse herself on Engineering Item 9 and Director Sweeney has indicated in advance his wish to recuse himself on Engineering Item 10. He stated that without objection, these items would first be taken separately.

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Item 9**. Director McConnaughay made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director McConnaughay, Director Gomez, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Chairman Rivera, Director Sweeney, Vice-Chair Connolly (7)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Director Gallagher (1)

The motion PASSED.

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Item 10**. Director McConnaughay made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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Yeas: Director McConnaughay, Director Gomez, Director Gallagher, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Chairman Rivera, Vice-Chair Connolly (7)

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Nays: (0)

Recusals: Director Sweeney (1)

The motion PASSED.

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 1-8, 11 and 12. Director McConnaughay made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Items 1-8, 11 and 12**. Director McConnaughay made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

### Legal

Vice-Chair Connolly stated that without objection, action on Legal Items 2 and 3 will be deferred until after consideration in Executive Session.

<u>Item 1</u>: Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department of Transportation (IDOT) for costs associated with \*999 mobile phone services through the Chicago Lighthouse. Cost to the Tollway: \$0.

<u>Item 2</u>: Amendment to Land Acquisition Resolution 22510 for the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project (EOWA) to add 5 parcels that may need to be acquired by condemnation. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

<u>Item 3</u>: Amendment of Permanent Easement Agreement. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 1**. Director McConnaughay made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

#### **Executive Session**

Vice-Chair Connolly called for a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to exceptions provided in Section 2(c)(1), (5), (8), (11) and (21), of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1),

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(5), (8), (11) and (21), to consider Tollway matters related to personnel, the purchase or lease of real property, security, pending or probable litigation and the minutes of closed meetings. Director McConnaughay made a motion, pursuant to the sections specified, to enter Executive Session, seconded by Director Gallagher. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

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At approximately 10:07 a.m., the Board entered into Executive Session.

# Return from Executive Session and Action (if any)

At approximately 11:00 a.m., the Board re-entered the public session of the Meeting.

<u>Chair's Item 2</u>: Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session of the Board of Directors Meeting held January 26, 2023.

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 2**, as amended in Executive Session. Director McConnaughay made a motion to approve the Minutes as amended, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

<u>Legal Item 2</u>: Amendment to Land Acquisition Resolution 22510 for the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project (EOWA) to add 5 parcels that may need to be acquired by condemnation. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

<u>Legal Item 3</u>: Amendment of Permanent Easement Agreement. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 2**, as discussed in Executive Session. Director McConnaughay made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 3**, as discussed in Executive Session. Director McConnaughay made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

## Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to adjourn. Director McConnaughay made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.



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The Meeting adjourned at approximately 11:02 a.m.

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Minutes taken by:

Christi Regnery Board Secretary Illinois State Toll Highway Authority