



## Record of Meeting | October 26, 2023

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority (“Tollway”) held the regularly scheduled Engineering, Planning & Development Oversight Committee meeting on Thursday, October 26, 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.*

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

### Call to Order / Roll Call

Committee Chair McConnaughay called the meeting to order at approximately 9:35 a.m. She asked the Board Secretary to call the roll, those Directors present and absent being as follows:

Committee Members Present:
Committee Chair McConnaughay
Director James Connolly
Director Gary Perinar, Jr.
Director James Sweeney

Committee Members Not Present:
Director Scott Paddock

Other Directors Present:
Director Jacqueline Gomez
Director Melissa Neddermeyer
Director Mark Wright
Chairman Arnaldo Rivera

The Board Secretary declared a quorum present.

### Public Comment

Committee Chair McConnaughay opened the floor for public comment. No public comment was offered.



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## Committee Chair's Items

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Committee Chair McConnaughay entertained a motion to approve **Committee Chair's Item 1**, the minutes of the regular Engineering, Planning & Development Oversight Committee meeting held on September 28, 2023, as presented. Director Sweeney made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Having no further items, Committee Chair McConnaughay called on Executive Director Cassandra Rouse.

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## Executive Director

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Executive Director Rouse stated that the meeting agenda contains seven items for the Committee's consideration.

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## Items for Consideration

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### Engineering

Executive Director Rouse introduced Manar Nashif, Chief Engineering Officer, to present to the Committee the following items:

*Item 1: Award of Contract I-23-4890 to Aldridge Electric, Inc. for Utility Conduit Installation on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 0.0 (IL-394) and Mile Post 10.2 and between Mile Post 13.5 (Menard Avenue) and Mile Post 16.9 (Harlem Avenue) in the amount of \$8,199,000.01.*

*Item 2: Award of Contract RR-23-4913 to Foundation Mechanics, LLC for Earthwork and Grading Improvements on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) at Mile Post 8.8 (127th Street) in the amount of \$593,395.00.*

*Item 3: Acceptance of Proposal from Farnsworth Group, Inc. on Contract RR-23-4894 for Systemwide Facilities, Systemwide in an amount not to exceed \$3,458,200.00.*

*Item 4: Acceptance of Proposal from WSP USA Environment & Infrastructure Inc. / T.Y. Lin International Great Lakes, Inc. on Contract I-15-4657 for Supplemental Design Services on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access (I-490) County Line Road to Franklin Avenue / Green Street in the amount of \$1,385,000.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$13,491,452.94 to \$14,876,452.94.*



During the presentation of items, Directors and staff discussed the discrepancy between the Engineer's Estimates and bids received for Engineering Items 1 and 2 and the cross-utilization of firms between contracts. **Executive Director Rouse responded that staff will review bid submissions and data patterns to ensure that no barriers exist to firms interested in doing business with the Tollway.**

Upon conclusion of the presentation and discussion of items, Committee Chair McConnaughay entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 1-4. Director Sweeney made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Committee Chair McConnaughay entertained a motion to approve placement of **Engineering Items 1-4** on the October Board of Directors meeting agenda with the Committee's recommendation for approval by the Board. Director Sweeney made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

## Legal

Executive Director Rouse requested that consideration of Legal Items 2 and 3 be deferred until after the Executive Session of the full Board meeting. She asked General Counsel Kathleen R. Pasulka-Brown to present the remaining item to the Committee:

*Item 1: Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the County of DuPage for costs associated with the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project. Cost to the Tollway: The County will reimburse the Tollway approximately \$25,101,600.*

*Item 2: Authorization to enter into a Workers' Compensation Settlement – Theodore White. As discussed in Executive Session.*

*Item 3: Approval of a Collective Bargaining Agreement with Teamsters Local 700. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.*

Upon conclusion of the item presentation, Committee Chair McConnaughay stated, without objection, that Legal Items 2 and 3 would be deferred to Executive Session of the full Board meeting.

Committee Chair McConnaughay entertained a motion to approve placement of **Legal Item 1** on the October Board of Directors meeting agenda with the Committee's recommendation for approval by the Board. Director Sweeney made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.



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## Adjournment

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There being no further business before the Committee, Committee Chair McConnaughay requested a motion to adjourn. Director Sweeney made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

The Meeting was adjourned at approximately 9:57 a.m.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Christi Regnery".

Minutes taken by: \_\_\_\_\_

Christi Regnery  
Board Secretary  
Illinois State Toll Highway Authority