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Thursday, April 30, 2020

Remote Connection via GoToMeeting

10:00 AM

## **Attendees**

Michael Rademacher	Arlington	Richard Raiche	Somerville
David Manugian	Bedford	Sam Stivers	Southborough
John Sullivan	Boston	John DeAmicis	Stoneham
Jay Hersey	Brookline	John Carroll	MWRA Board of Directors
John Sanchez	Burlington	Joe Foti	MWRA Board of Directors
Ed Dowling	Cambridge	Michael Cole	MWRA
Lou Mammolette	Chelsea	Ria Convery	MWRA
Maurice Handel	MAPC	Matt Horan	MWRA
Elena Proakis Ellis	Melrose	Fred Laskey	MWRA
Jeremy Marsette	Natick	Andreae Downs	WAC
Bernie Cooper	Norwood	Joe Favaloro	Advisory Board staff
Lou Taverna	Newton, Chairman	Travis Ahern	Advisory Board staff
Nick Rystrom	Revere	Lenna Ostrodka	Advisory Board staff
Brendan O'Regan	Saugus	James Guidod	Advisory Board staff

## **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING SUMMARY**

### **A. Approval of Advisory Board Package of Recommendations on the Community Loan Assistance Program**

Executive Director, Joe Favaloro, explained that the budgeting process that was started at the beginning of the year had to be reinvented since then. He thanked the MWRA and Advisory Board staffs for all their efforts in the process. MWRA Executive Director, Fred Laskey, echoed Mr. Favaloro's comments, noting the economic impact felt by MWRA ratepayers and the relief that will be provided with the updated budget.

Director of Finance and Policy, Travis Ahern, led a presentation overviewing an adjusted FY21 Proposed Budget with a rate revenue increase of 1%. Mr. Ahern showed that the 1% figure allowed the maximum amount of relief for communities without a long-term burden on the MWRA's fiscal sustainability. Mr. Ahern also reviewed the community loan deferral options for communities between FY20 and FY22.

John De Amicis made a motion to approve the revised FY21 CEB resulting in a combined Rate Revenue Requirement increase of 1.0% for FY21; and approve the inclusion of FY20 and FY22 in the previously approved debt deferral proposal to the MWRA as presented. Bernie Cooper seconded the motion. The motion carried with a rollcall vote as follows:



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Jay Hersey	Brookline	Yes
John G. Sanchez	Burlington	Yes
Ed Dowling	Cambridge	Yes
Lou Mammolette	Chelsea	Yes
Ralph Pecora	Lexington	
Yem Lip	Malden	
Maurice Handel	MAPC	Yes
Elena Proakis Ellis	Melrose	Yes
Jeremy Marsette	Natick	Yes
Lou Taverna	Newton	Yes
Bernard Cooper	Norwood	Yes
Nicholas J. Rystrom	Revere	Yes
Brendan O'Regan	Saugus	Yes
Richard Raiche	Somerville	
Sam Stivers	Southborough	Yes
John P. DeAmicis	Stoneham	Yes

**B. Approval of the FY21 Proposed Advisory Board Operating Budget**

Executive Director, Joe Favaloro, previewed the Proposed Advisory Board Operating Budget for FY21. The proposed budget of \$599,704 had a 2.3% increase from the approved FY20 budget.

Bernie Cooper made a motion to approve the Proposed FY21 Advisory Board Operating Budget at an increase 2.3%. John DeAmicis seconded the motion. The motion carried with a rollcall vote as follows:

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Michael Rademacher	Arlington	Yes
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Jay Hersey	Brookline	Yes
John G. Sanchez	Burlington	Yes
Ed Dowling	Cambridge	Yes
Lou Mammolette	Chelsea	Yes
Ralph Pecora	Lexington	
Yem Lip	Malden	
Maurice Handel	MAPC	
Elena Proakis Ellis	Melrose	Yes
Jeremy Marsette	Natick	Yes
Lou Taverna	Newton	Yes
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## C. Approval of the Advisory Board Meeting Agenda for May 4, 2020 and Adjournment

Bernie Cooper made a motion to approve the agenda for the May 4, 020 Advisory Board meeting and Adjournment of the April 30 Executive Committee Meeting. Nick Rystrom seconded the motion. The motion carried with a rollcall vote as follows:

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Michael Rademacher	Arlington	Yes
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John G. Sanchez	Burlington	Yes
Ed Dowling	Cambridge	Yes
Lou Mammolette	Chelsea	Yes
Ralph Pecora	Lexington	
Yem Lip	Malden	
Maurice Handel	MAPC	
Elena Proakis Ellis	Melrose	Yes
Jeremy Marsette	Natick	Yes
Lou Taverna	Newton	Yes
Bernard Cooper	Norwood	Yes
Nicholas J. Rystrom	Revere	Yes
Brendan O'Regan	Saugus	Yes
Richard Raiche	Somerville	
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Respectfully submitted,

Michael W. Rademacher, Secretary

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