

**MINUTES OF COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING
OF THE WATER WORKS BOARD OF THE CITY OF BIRMINGHAM
September 12, 2022**

A Communications Committee Meeting of The Water Works Board of the City of Birmingham was held on Monday, September 12, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.

The following Committee members were present via roll call: Committee Chairwoman Tereshia Huffman, Directors Tom Henderson and Lucien Blankenship. Also present were Directors George Munchus and Ronald Mims.

Others present were: Michael Johnson, General Manager; Iris Fisher, Derrick Murphy, and Jeffrey Thompson, Assistant General Managers, Cynthia Williams, Bard Administrator; Anitra Clark, Corporate Governance Specialist; Tracey Godbold, Executive Assistant; Rick Jackson, Valencia Dulaney, Colandus Mason, Charles McGhee, Jeff Wade, and David Walker, BWWB Employee; Mark Parnell, Parnell Thompson, LLC; Byron Perkins, Perkins-Law, LLC; Kelvin Howard, Kelvin W. Howard, LLC; Tiffanie Agee, Agee Law; and Tommy Palladino, Agency 54; (BPD) Officer Emanuel Rosato.

Committee Chairwoman Huffman declared a quorum in attendance.

Committee Chairwoman called the meeting to order at 1:03 p.m. Prayer was offered by AGM Fisher.

Following, Chairwoman Huffman made a request to amend the agenda as follows: to table item 1, Request Committee recommend to the Board to issue a ninety-day (90) written notice to Agency 54 a/k/a The Lewis Group, of the Board's intent to terminate that certain agreement dated August 22, 2013, and to add an Executive Session before item 2. Director Blankenship made a motion to amend the agenda as stated and Director Henderson seconded the motion. The Committee unanimously voted to amend the agenda as stated.

Next, the Committee moved forward with the amended agenda. Approval of Minutes, there were none. Reports of Officers, there were none, and Unfinished Business, there was none.

Following, the Committee moved to the second item of the amended agenda, Request Committee to enter an Executive Session. Attorney Parnell certified that based on conversations with Chairwoman Huffman, the Executive Session is needed to discuss with counsel legal matters regarding Directors' participation in electronic meetings as it pertains to Ala. Code 36-15-1 (1975) regarding the applicability of Ala. Code §36-25A-5.1 (1975) and Ala. Code §36-25A-5.2 (1975). Director Henderson made a motion to enter Executive Session and Director Huffman seconded the motion; the Committee unanimously voted to enter said session. The respective persons left the meeting room at 1:12 p.m. At 1:44 p.m., the respective persons returned to the meeting room. Director Henderson made a motion to adjourn the Executive Session and to resume the meeting, Director Blankenship seconded the motion. (a copy of said document is on file in Diligent)

Next, the Committee moved to the last item on the agenda, Request Committee recommend to the Board to enter into a one-year agreement with O2 Ideas, Inc., to provide public relations consulting services, at a monthly out-of-pocket cost to the Board of \$25,000.00, upon review by the Board's Attorneys. The General Manager informed the meeting body of a change to the referenced agreement; there would be a 30-day notification termination clause instead of a 60-day notification; and to authorize the General Manger to add said item to the Board's agenda for Wednesday, September 14, 2022. Director Henderson made a motion to move the item to the full Board and Director Huffman seconded the motion. Directors Henderson and Huffman voted to move the item and Director Blankenship voted No. (a copy of said agreement is on file in Diligent).

As there was no further business to come before the Committee, Director Blankenship made a motion to adjourn the meeting and Director Henderson seconded the motion. On a motion duly made and seconded, the meeting was adjourned at 1:48 p.m.

_____/s/
Michael Johnson
General Manager

_____/s/
Tereshia Huffman
Communications Committee Chairwoman

Lucien Blankenship
Director

_____/s/
Tom Henderson
Director