

METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT
DRAFT Committee Meetings Agenda

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1:00 p.m.

March 4, 2026

1. Safety Briefing
2. Roll Call
3. Open Meetings Act Notice

Construction & Operations – Friend, Sidzyik, Cavanaugh

4. Capital Expenditures [Kendall Minor – SVP & Chief Operations Officer] – **Tab 5**
5. Acceptance of Contracts and Payment of Final Estimates
[Trevor Tonniges – Director, Plant Engineering] – **Tab 6**
6. Change Order 1 – WP2217 - Rainwood & Skyline Pump Engine Overhauls - Interstate
Power Systems [Trevor Tonniges – Director, Plant Engineering] – **Tab 7**
7. Bids on Materials and Contracts
[Jon Zellars – VP, Procurement & Enterprise Services] – **Tab 8**

Services & Extensions – Friend, Begley, Howard

8. Main Extensions [Masa Niiya – VP, Engineering] – **Tab 9**

Personnel – Begley, Sidzyik, Friend

9. Wage and/or Salary Increases and Ratification
[Bonnie Savine – VP, Human Resources] – **Tab 10**

Judicial & Legislative – Cavanaugh, Cook, Howard

10. Second Legislative Report for 2026 [Rick Kubat – Government Relations Attorney] – **Tab 11**
11. 2822 State Street Ratification – [Justin Cooper – Attorney] – **Tab 12**

(Turn over for regular Board Meeting agenda)

METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT

Regular Monthly Board Meeting Agenda

1:45 p.m.

March 4, 2026

1. Roll Call
2. Open Meetings Act Notice
3. Pledge of Allegiance
4. Approval of Minutes – Committee Meetings and Regular Board Meeting for February 4, 2026
- CONSTRUCTION & OPERATIONS** 5. Capital Expenditures
6. Acceptance of Payments and Final Estimates
7. Change Order 1 – WP2217 - Rainwood & Skyline Pump Engine Overhauls - Interstate Power Systems
8. Bids on Materials and Contracts
- SERVICES & EXTENSIONS** 9. Main Extensions
- PERSONNEL** 10. Wage and/or Salary Increases and Ratifications
- JUDICIAL & LEGISLATIVE** 11. Second Legislative Report of 2026
12. 2822 State Street Ratification
- BOARD** 13. Other Matters of District Business for Discussion
14. Public Comment
15. CLOSED SESSION

Adjourn Regular Monthly Board Meeting

(Turn over for Committee Meetings agenda)

METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT
Minutes of the Committee Meeting
February 4, 2026

Chairperson Gwen Howard called to order the Committee meetings of the Metropolitan Utilities District Board of Directors at 1:00 p.m. at its headquarters building located at 7350 World Communications Drive.

Advance notice of the meeting was published in the print version of *The Omaha World-Herald* on Sunday, January 25, 2026. Notice was also provided on the MUD website at www.mudomaha.com and other social media platforms. Agendas and all pertinent Board materials to be presented at the meeting were emailed to Directors and posted on the MUD website on Friday, January 30, 2026.

Chairperson Howard announced that the meeting was being livestreamed, and a recording of the meeting would be uploaded to the MUD website after the meeting's conclusion.

Safety Briefing

Vice President, Safety and Security Shane Hunter provided a safety briefing for all individuals attending the meeting in-person regarding protocol at the headquarters building in the event of an emergency.

Roll Call

On a roll call vote, the following Directors acknowledged their attendance: Tanya Cook, Dave Friend, Bob Sidzyk, Mike McGowan, Gwen Howard, Tim Cavanaugh, and Jim Begley.

Open Meetings Act Notice

Chairperson Howard announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was located on the wall in the back of the Board Room.

Construction and Operations – Friend, Sidzyk, Cavanaugh

Senior Vice-President and Chief Operations Officer Kendall Minor presented the proposed capital expenditures as outlined in his letter to the Committee dated January 29, 2026. Discussion took place regarding the gas meters for the OPPD North Omaha Plant.

Director of Plant Engineering Trevor Tonniges presented the acceptance of contracts and payment of final estimates as outlined in his letter to the Committee dated January 27, 2026.

Director of Program Management Emily Hovda Walton presented change order number 4 for the Platte West Water Production Facility lime grit removal system upgrades as outlined in her letter to the Committee dated January 14, 2026.

Vice-President of Procurement & Enterprise Services Jon Zellars presented the bids on materials and contracts as outlined in the letter to the Committee from Director of Procurement Sherri Lightfoot dated January 24, 2026. Discussion took place regarding the Cisco Contact Center Analytics software.

Services and Extensions – Friend, Begley, Howard

Vice-President of Engineering Masa Niiya presented the proposed main extensions as outlined in his letter to the Committee dated January 23, 2026.

Personnel – Begley, Sidzyik, Friend

Vice-President of Human Resources Bonnie Savine reviewed the wage and/or salary increases and ratifications as outlined in her letter to the Committee dated January 29, 2026.

Ms. Savine continued presenting the SPA annual salary scale adjustment as outlined in her letter to the Committee dated January 30, 2026.

Judicial and Legislative – Cavanaugh, Cook, Howard

Government Relations Attorney Rick Kubat reviewed the first legislative report of the 2026 session as outlined in his letter to the Committee dated January 27, 2026. Discussion took place regarding LB 1215.

Assistant General Counsel Joseph Kehm presented the condemnation authority request for Mangold Land Company as outlined in his letter to the Committee dated January 29, 2026.

Insurance & Pension – Howard, McGowan, Cook

Vice-President of Accounting Robert Kreiser provided an overview of the 2025 Retirement Plan and Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) Investment Review as outlined in his letter to the Committee dated January 27, 2026, and as explained in the accompanying year-end report prepared by PNC Institutional Asset Management. The report was provided 'for information only' and was not subject to approval by the full Board in the regular monthly Board Meeting to follow. All materials presented to the Board were reviewed by the Insurance & Pension Committee during the meeting of January 26, 2026.

Mr. Kreiser noted that the PNC report presents the 2025 investment performance for the Retirement and Other Post-Employment Benefits (OPEB) trust funds, and that the composite investment returns for the year ending December 31, 2025, were (16.94%) and (18.15%) for the Retirement and OPEB plans respectively (net of fees).

Mr. Kreiser introduced Braden Cielocha, Vice-President and Senior Relationship Manager at PNC Institutional Asset Management, to provide a brief presentation regarding investment performance and answer questions from the Board.

Senior Vice-President and Chief Financial Officer Steve Dickas presented the proposed changes to the OPEB investment policy statement as outlined in his letter to the Committee dated January 27, 2026.

PNC Institutional Asset Management (PNC) has completed a study of the District's Pension and OPEB plans and provided recommendations to change some of the allocations of investments. This includes reducing the allocation to domestic (U.S.) equities from 42% to 38% and reducing international (non-U.S.) equities from 29% to 26% which would be offset by a 4% increase in U.S. aggregate bonds from 11% to 15%, a 2% increase in intermediate term credit from 9% to 11% and a 1% increase in short-term credit investments. All materials presented to the Board were reviewed by the Insurance & Pension Committee during the meeting of January 26, 2026.

Committee of the Whole

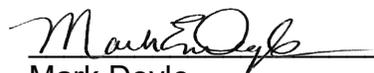
Vice President of Gas Operations Jim Knight gave a brief update of the gas supply update following the recent cold snap.

Public Comment

Chairperson Howard asked if there were any further comments from the Board or if any member of the public would like to address the Board.

Director Cavanaugh asked if the District participates in local career fairs at community colleges. Vice President of Human Resources Bonnie Savine gave a brief overview of community recruiting efforts, including local colleges, universities, and community events.

At 2:19 p.m., Chairperson Howard announced the Committee Meetings had concluded, and the Board would reconvene in ten minutes for the regular monthly Board Meeting.



Mark Doyle

President & Secretary to the Board

MD/sec

METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT
Minutes of the Regular Monthly Board Meeting
February 4, 2026

Chairperson Gwen Howard called to order the Regular Board meeting of the Metropolitan Utilities District Board of Directors at 2:30 p.m. at its headquarters building located at 7350 World Communications Drive.

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AGENDA NO. 1

ROLL CALL

On a roll call vote, the following Directors acknowledged their attendance: Tanya Cook, Dave Friend, Bob Sidzyik, Mike McGowan, Gwen Howard, Tim Cavanaugh, and Jim Begley.

AGENDA NO. 2

OPEN MEETINGS ACT NOTICE

Chairperson Howard announced that a copy of the Open Meetings Act was located on the wall in the back of the Board Room.

AGENDA NO. 3

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairperson Howard invited all who wished to participate to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

AGENDA NO. 4

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FOR THE COMMITTEE MEETINGS AND REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING FOR JANUARY 7, 2026

Director Cavanaugh moved to approve the minutes for the Committee Meetings and Regular Monthly Board Meeting for January 7, 2026, which was seconded by Director Cook and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Cook, Friend, Sidzyik, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley

Voting No: None

AGENDA NO. 5
CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

Director Friend moved to approve the proposed Capital Expenditures as presented in the Committee Meetings by Senior Vice-President and Chief Operations Officer, Kendall Minor as outlined in his letter to the Committee dated January 29, 2026. The motion was seconded by Director Begley and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Cook, Friend, Sidzyik, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley
Voting No: None

AGENDA NO. 6
ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACTS AND PAYMENT OF FINAL ESTIMATES

Director Friend moved to approve the Acceptance of Contracts and Payment of Final Estimates as presented in the Committee Meetings by Director Plant Engineering Trevor Tonniges and as outlined in his letter to the Committee dated January 27, 2026. The motion was seconded by Director Sidzyik and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Cook, Friend, Sidzyik, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley
Voting No: None

AGENDA NO. 7
CHANGE ORDER NO 4 – WP1910 – PLATTE WEST WATER PRODUCTION FACILITY LIME GRIT REMOVAL SYSTEM UPGRADES

Director Friend moved to approve the Change Order 4 – WP 1910 – Platte West Water Production Facility Lime Grit Removal System Upgrades as presented in the Committee Meetings by Director Program Management Emily Hovda Walton and as outlined in her letter to the Committee dated January 14, 2026. The motion was seconded by Director Cavanaugh and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Cook, Friend, Sidzyik, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley
Voting No: None

AGENDA NO. 8
BIDS ON MATERIALS AND CONTRACTS

Director Friend moved to approve the Bids on Materials and Contracts as presented in the Committee Meetings by Vice-President of Procurement and Enterprise Services Jon Zellars and as outlined in his letter to the Committee dated January 24, 2026. The motion was seconded by Director Begley and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Cook, Friend, Sidzyik, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley
Voting No: None

AGENDA NO. 9
MAIN EXTENSIONS

Director Friend moved to approve the proposed Main Extensions as presented in the Committee Meetings by Vice-President of Engineering Masa Niiya and as outlined in his letter to the Committee dated January 23, 2026, which was seconded by Director Sidzyk and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Cook, Friend, Sidzyk, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley
Voting No: None

AGENDA NO. 10
WAGE AND/OR SALARY INCREASES AND RATIFICATIONS

Director Begley moved to approve the Wage and/or Salary Increases and Ratifications as presented in the Committee Meetings by Vice-President of Human Resources Bonnie Savine and as outlined in her letter dated January 29, 2026. The motion was seconded by Director Friend and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Cook, Friend, Sidzyk, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley
Voting No: None

AGENDA NO. 11
SPA ANNUAL GENERAL INCREASE

Director Begley moved to approve the SPA Annual General Increase as presented in the Committee Meetings by Vice-President of Human Resources Bonnie Savine and as outlined in her letter dated January 30, 2026. The motion was seconded by Director Sidzyk and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Cook, Friend, Sidzyk, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley
Voting No: None

AGENDA NO. 12
FIRST LEGISLATIVE REPORT FOR 2026

Director Cavanaugh moved to approve the recommended positions on legislative bills outlined in the First Legislative Report for 2026 as presented in the Committee Meetings by Government Relations Attorney Rick Kubat and as outlined in his letter dated January 27, 2026. The motion was seconded by Director Cook and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Sidzyk, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley, Cook, Friend
Voting No: None

AGENDA NO. 13
CONDEMNATION AUTHORITY - MANGOLD LAND COMPANY

Director Cavanaugh moved to approve the Condemnation Authority Request for Mangold Land Company as presented in the Committee Meetings by Assistant General

Counsel Joseph Kehm and as outlined in his letter dated January 29, 2026. The motion was seconded by Director Cook and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Sidzyik, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley, Cook, Friend
Voting No: None

AGENDA NO. 14

PROPOSED REVISIONS TO OPEB INVESTMENT POLICY STATEMENT

Director McGowan moved to approve the proposed revisions to the OPEB Investment Policy as presented in the Committee Meetings by Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer Steve Dickas and as outlined in his letter dated January 27, 2026. The motion was seconded by Director Cavanaugh and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Cook, Friend, Sidzyik, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley
Voting No: None

AGENDA NO. 15

OTHER MATTERS OF DISTRICT BUSINESS FOR DISCUSSION

Chairperson Howard asked whether any Board Members had any comments they wished to share.

Senior Vice President and General Counsel Mark Mendenhall gave a brief reminder of the upcoming Heat the Streets fundraiser.

AGENDA NO. 16

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairperson Howard asked if there were any further comments from the Board or if any member of the public would like to address the Board.

AGENDA NO. 17

CLOSED SESSION

At 02:41 p.m. Director Begley moved to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel. The motion was seconded by Director Cook and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Cook, Friend, Sidzyik, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley
Voting No: None

At 3:30 p.m. Director McGowan motioned to return to Open Session. The motion was seconded by Director Cook and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Cook, Friend, Sidzyik, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley
Voting No: None

Director Cavanaugh moved to adjourn the regular Board Meeting which was seconded by Director Cook and carried on a roll call vote.

Voting Yes: Cook, Friend, Sidzyik, McGowan, Howard, Cavanaugh, Begley

Voting No: None

The regular Board Meeting was adjourned at 3:31 p.m.



Mark Doyle

President & Secretary to the Board

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METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT

Inter-Department Communication

February 27, 2026

Subject: CAPITAL EXPENDITURES

To: Construction and Operations Committee
cc: All Board Members; President Doyle; Senior Vice Presidents Ausdemore, Dickas, Mendenhall, and all Vice Presidents

From: Kendall Minor, SVP & Chief Operations Officer

The following capital expenditures will be on the March 4, 2026, Committee Agenda for consideration and the Board Agenda for approval:

BUILDINGS, PLANTS & EQUIPMENT

1. JOB #: (100090001771 - \$155,446.87)

TOTAL COST: \$155,446.87

LOCATION: Headquarters

PURPOSE: Update Customer Service cubicles

DESCRIPTION: This project is to purchase six new small cubicles and move four existing small cubicles for the Customer Services department at Headquarters. The Customer Services department 2026 budget included the additional workstations. The new workstations will be utilized for current and new hire employees to accommodate each employee with a dedicated workstation. Currently we do not have enough dedicated workstations for all employees to be in office at the same time. This impacts our ability to effectively collaborate as a team. Work will be performed by All Makes along with internal staff for workstations, data/electrical installation, and sprinkler needs, while supervised by the Facilities department.

2. JOB #: (100086000880 - \$350,000)

TOTAL COST: \$350,000

LOCATION: Platte South and LNG

PURPOSE: Contact Center platform lifecycle replacement

DESCRIPTION: Each year, the ITS Network team replaces a portion of the network and telecommunications equipment to ensure the district's infrastructure remains up-to-date, reliable, and well-maintained. This year's lifecycle replacement will focus on standardizing network equipment at Platte South and LNG. Aligning these sites with our current device standards improves overall security, simplifies management, and ensures consistent performance across the district. These targeted replacements are essential for maintaining optimal network performance, enhancing connectivity, and supporting the district's ongoing operations and growth. In addition to the Network device upgrade, this year's lifecycle replacement includes migrating the contact center platform to the cloud to improve efficiency and reduce cost.

3. JOB #: (100086000882 - \$500,000)

TOTAL COST: \$500,000

LOCATION: Water Production Plants

PURPOSE: Cellular Repeater system upgrade

DESCRIPTION: This C&A is to replace the aging cellular repeater systems at Platte West, Platte South, and Florence water treatment plants. Due to thick concrete walls, water-filled tanks, and extensive pipe galleries, cellular signals cannot reliably penetrate the facilities. The repeater system collects and amplifies external signals, distributing them throughout the plant to ensure consistent communication. The current system was installed in 2009, and ongoing support has become increasingly challenging. Replacement parts are no longer available, and the equipment is incompatible with modern 5G frequencies. The proposed upgrade will provide a fully supported system that enables us to use current 5G networks and ensures dependable cellular coverage within the plants for safer operations.

4. JOB #: (100086000881 - \$85,000)

TOTAL COST: \$85,000

LOCATION: LNG, Ops, and Platte South conference rooms

PURPOSE: Upgrade A/V equipment

DESCRIPTION: The purpose of this C&A is to fund upgrades to Audio-Video equipment that will improve ease of use and ensure consistent technology standards across the district for presentations, video meetings, and internal communications. This year's AV C&A will support enhancements in the LNG Admin Conference Room, the OPS Lobby Conference Room, and the Platte South Conference Room.

5. JOB #: (100031000177 - \$185,000)

TOTAL COST: \$185,000

LOCATION: 2822 State Street

PURPOSE: Property Acquisition

DESCRIPTION: This C&A is to cover the funds to purchase and demo the property at 2822 State Street. Due to the property's proximity from the Florence Plant chlorine facility, the property will provide an immediate security and safety buffer area between public property and District facilities. According to the Emergency Response Guidebook the initial exclusion zone for a 1- ton cylinder is 500 feet. This property is approximately 150 feet from the chlorine building. The home will be demolished, and a security fence will be extended to enclose the lot. The District has purchased several other properties on this block and this is the last home remaining on the block.

6. JOB #: (100084001480 - \$511,925)

TOTAL COST: \$511,925

LOCATION: Headquarters

PURPOSE: Replace rooftop heating and cooling unit

DESCRIPTION: Over the next three years, Facilities Management plans to replace the existing electric rooftop heating and cooling units at Headquarters with natural gas units. The existing electric units were originally installed when the building was constructed in 2002 and are 24 years old. Service life for these type units is between 20 and 25 years according to The American Society of Heating, Refrigerating and Air-Conditioning Engineers (ASHRAE). Upon being analyzed and verified during the purchase of the building to have viable remaining service life, the units were not replaced as part of the building renovation completed in 2021. Over the last five years, Facilities Management has been able to maintain the units, but the units have become less reliable over time and are experiencing increased service and repair costs.

The estimated payback for a natural gas unit is six years based on estimated operational costs. With the replacements, improvements will also be incorporated into internal ductwork to

allow for the flexible use of the units between floors when a unit is down for extended maintenance or repairs. This ability does not exist today.

Facilities Management is seeking approval to replace Rooftop Unit No. 3 in 2026, with the remaining two units to be replaced in 2027 and 2028. Separate C&As will be sent for future approvals for the replacement of Rooftop Units No. 2 and No. 1, respectively.

7. JOB #: WP2088 (100031000014 - \$463,000)

TOTAL COST: \$463,000

LOCATION: Florence Water Production Facility

PURPOSE: Storage Building Construction

DESCRIPTION: During the winter months, the primary basins are covered with insulation to protect them from freezing. During the summer months, these covers have traditionally been stored outdoors and are exposed to the weather. To protect the covers and extend their life, a storage building is being installed. This storage building will also house various other items.

SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS

1. JOB #: R2370 (100053001662 - \$213,700) & (100067001634 - \$25,000)

TOTAL COST: \$238,700

LOCATION: North 64th Street and Miami Street

PURPOSE: Relocate water mains

DESCRIPTION: This work is required to eliminate conflicts with proposed storm sewers being done for the City of Omaha's CSO 202 Phase 2 on Project OPW 53869. This project is anticipated to begin Spring 2026 and will be constructed by a District crew.

2. JOB #: R2172 (100053001540 - \$122,000), (100067001594 - \$15,900), (100054001115 - \$190,000) & (100068001097 - \$16,900)

TOTAL COST: \$344,800

LOCATION: "F" Street from S. 205th Street to S. 213th Street

PURPOSE: Relocate water and gas mains

DESCRIPTION: This work is required to eliminate conflicts with proposed grading, paving and storm sewers being done for the "F" Street Improvements on Douglas County's Project No. C-28(547)B. This project is anticipated to begin spring 2026 and will be constructed by a District crew.

3. JOB #: R2374 (100053001664 - \$69,000), (100067001636 - \$7,600), (100054001234 - \$84,000) & (100068001220 - \$9,300)

TOTAL COST: \$169,900

LOCATION: Northridge Drive from King Street to Howell Street

PURPOSE: Relocate water and gas mains

DESCRIPTION: This work is required to eliminate conflicts with proposed grading, paving and storm sewers being done for the North Ridge Drive on City of Omaha's Project OPW 54546. This project is anticipated to begin March 2026 and will be constructed by a District crew.

4. JOB #: WP2179 (100085000681 - \$10,474,020)

TOTAL COST: \$10,474,020

LOCATION: 132nd & Harney Pump Station

PURPOSE: Rehabilitation – Construction Phase

DESCRIPTION: The 132nd & Harney Street Pump Station and Reservoir was originally

placed into service in 1961, with a major improvement completed in 1979. The facility is critical to the operation of the water system, providing 16 million gallons of finished water storage with a pumping capacity of 40 MGD.

A complete renovation is required due to obsolete instrumentation, electrical systems, pumps, motors, and engines. Additional improvements include replacing aging exterior valves on the station's suction and discharge mains, transformer and electrical service replacement, architectural repairs and enhancements, paving and drainage upgrades, security enhancements, and minor structural repairs to the interior and exterior of the tanks as well as exterior tank recoating.

This project was identified as a priority in the Water System Master Plan. These repairs and improvements will ensure the facility's continued reliable operation and avoid risks associated with unplanned outages and equipment failure.

This authorization covers construction phase funding for all materials and renovations. Construction is anticipated to begin in the summer 2026 and be completed in the first quarter of 2028. A previous C&A was approved by the Board in March of 2025 for design services.

5. JOB #: GP2988 (100052002013 - \$48,000) & (100066002826 - \$49,400)

TOTAL COST: \$97,400

LOCATION: South of Farnam St. & S. Saddle Creek Rd.

PURPOSE: Replace gas valve

DESCRIPTION: The 12" gas valve (#30003969) south of Farnam Street on South Saddle Creek Road is difficult to operate and has deteriorating gears that cannot be replaced. This valve replacement is in the same area as project R2344 that is currently under construction by a District crew. Replacing this valve concurrently with R2344 will save the District future potential gas leak risk, excavation costs, and customer impacts due to Saddle Creek Road street closures. This project is anticipated to begin March 2026 and will be constructed by a District crew.

Approved:

Kendall Minor
SVP, Chief Operations Officer

Mark E. Doyle
President

METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT

Inter-Department Communication

February 25, 2026

Subject: ACCEPTANCE OF CONTRACTS AND PAYMENT OF FINAL ESTIMATES

To: Construction and Operations Committee
 cc: All Board Members; President Doyle; Senior Vice Presidents Ausdemore, Dickas, Mendenhall, Minor, and all Vice Presidents

From: Trevor Tonniges, Director, Plant Engineering

The following items will be on the March 4, 2026, Committee Meeting for consideration and the Board Meeting Agenda for approval. Work has been satisfactorily completed on the following contracts and final payment is recommended:

Contract	Contract Approval Date	Amounts	
		*Unit Price Bid	Actual
a. REPAIR LNG DITCH EROSION IN DRAINAGE CREEK; MIDWEST EXCAVATING SERVICE, LLC; GP2933 (100020000012)	9/16/2025	\$60,250.00	\$60,250.00

Comments: All work required by the contract has been completed by the Contractor and is acceptable and in compliance with the Contract and Specifications.

Contract	Contract Approval Date	Amounts	
		*Unit Price Bid	Actual
b. INSTALL WATER MAINS IN OPPD 12" MAIN EXTENSION, N 102 ND ST FROM HADAN ST TO GARVIN AVE, HADAN ST FROM N 106 TH ST TO N 102 ND ST; JUDDS BROS CONSTRUCTION CO.;; WP2193 (100051001099, 100055001493)	5/7/2025	\$244,785.00	\$232,656.53

Comments: There was a net decrease of \$12,128.47 (-5.0%) for this project due primarily to a decrease in the amount of water main and hydrants required to complete the work. There was also a previously approved change order in the amount of \$11,067.53 for the contractor to install an air relief and concrete aprons. All work required by the contract has been completed by the Contractor and is acceptable and in compliance with the Contract and Specifications.

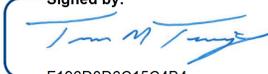
Contract	Contract Approval Date	Amounts	
		*Unit Price Bid	Actual
c. INSTALL WATER MAINS IN DUNHAM HOUSE LOT 1, 7808 N 60 TH ST; JUDDS BROS CONSTRUCTION CO.; WP2201 (100051001101, 100055001494)	7/2/2025	\$677,285.00	\$656,700.00

Comments: There was a net decrease of \$20,585.00 (-3.0%) for this project due primarily to a decrease in the amount of water main, tees, bends and augering required to complete the work. All work required by the contract has been completed by the Contractor and is acceptable and in compliance with the Contract and Specifications.

Contract	Contract Approval Date	Amounts	
		*Unit Price Bid	Actual
d. JOINT CONTRACT – CITY OF OMAHA PROJECT OPW 53753; N. 16 TH ST. TO N. 20 TH ST.; CHARLES ST. TO PINKNEY ST.; ROLOFF CONSTRUCTION; R1833 (100093001239, 100093001310, 100041000032, 100041000096, 100097000000)	5/5/2021	\$4,634,965.18	\$5,264,698.70

Comments: There was a net increase of \$629,733.52 (+13.6%) for this project due primarily to three previously approved change orders totaling \$273,731.63 as well as additional bid quantity overruns for service connections and pipe installation required to complete the work. There were numerous work orders that were charged back to the contractor. All work required by the contract has been completed by the Contractor and is acceptable and in compliance with the Contract and Specifications.

**Based upon Engineering's estimated unit quantities.*

Signed by:

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 Trevor Tonniges
 Director, Plant Engineering

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 President

METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT

Inter-Department Communication

January 30, 2026

Subject: CHANGE ORDER 1 – RATIFICATION – RAINWOOD P3 & SKYLINE P2-3 ENGINE OVERHAULS; RAINWOOD PUMP STATION @ 6303 RAINWOOD RD, OMAHA, NE 68152 & SKYLINE PUMP STATION @ 1440 S 214 ST, ELKHORN, NE 68022; INTERSTATE POWER SYSTEMS; WP2217 (1000085000697 & 100085000698)

To: Committee on Construction & Operations
Cc: All Board Members, Doyle, Minor, Dickas, Mendenhall, Ausdemore, and All Vice Presidents

From: Emily Hovda Walton, Director, Program Management

On 07/02/2025 the District entered into a contract with Interstate Power Systems to perform top-end overhauls of pump engines Rainwood P3 and Skyline P2-3. The original contract price was \$444,653.08. Change Order No. 1 results in a net add of \$93,444.71. This will change the total contract price to \$538,097.79.

There is a single item included under Change Order No. 1, including one addition to the overall contract price.

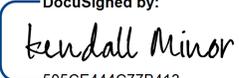
The sole item on this change order is for the replacement of the central bearings on these pump engines. The bearings showed significant wear at the time of inspection, and replacement of the bearings was strongly recommended. Condition of the bearings was unknown prior to work beginning, so an inspection was planned for once the respective pump engines were disassembled. With the pump engines already in a disassembled state for this project, Engineering in collaboration with Water Operations elected to move forward with the additional work right away.

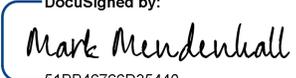
This work has been completed and your approval is requested.

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METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT

Inter-Department Communication

February 24, 2026

Subject: BIDS ON MATERIALS AND CONTRACTS DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY

To: Construction & Operations Committee
 cc: All Board Members; President Doyle; Senior Vice Presidents Ausdemore, Dickas, Mendenhall, Minor, and all Vice Presidents

From: Sherri A Lightfoot, Director, Procurement

The following items will be on the March 4, 2026 Committee Agenda for consideration and the March 4, 2026 Board Agenda for approval. The recommended bid is bolded and listed first. Nonlocal bidders have been indicated in italics.

WATER/GAS MAIN CONTRACTS

<u>Item</u>	<u>Bids Sent</u> <u>/ Rec'd</u>	<u>Bidders</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Cast Iron Water Main Replacement Miami St. - N. 120th St. to N. 124th Cir. 100093001460 100041000251 WP2141 Engineering Estimate: \$2,661,100.00 (C&A for An Annual Water Infrastructure Replacement approved January 7, 2026 in the amount of \$31,765,775.00.)	41/3	<i>K2 Construction</i> <i>Valley Corporation</i> <i>Murphy Pipeline</i>	\$2,528,175.00 2,675,389.83 3,331,045.00
Cast Iron Water Main Replacement Cedar Island Dr. to S. 25th St. and Rose Lane Rd. to Lee Cir. 100093001474 100041000261 WP2178 Engineering Estimate: \$2,528,650.00 (C&A for An Annual Water Infrastructure Replacement approved January 7, 2026 in the amount of \$31,765,775.00.)	41/2	<i>K2 Construction</i> <i>Valley Corporation</i>	\$2,314,355.00 2,641,801.21

Install Water Mains The Hill Section 5	41/5	Kersten Construction	\$558,435.00
Lots 403-542 SE of N. 165th St. and Rachel Snowden Pkwy		Cedar Construction	574,687.00
100055001640 WP2282		MC Wells Contracting	597,000.00
Engineering Estimate: \$575,450.00		<i>Judds Bros. Construction</i>	623,760.00
		<i>Pat Thomas Construction</i>	709,491.00

(A C&A in the amount of \$670,753.00 will be presented to the Board on March 4, 2026 for approval.)

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<u>Item</u>	<u>Bids Sent / Rec'd</u>	<u>Bidders</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Servers and an Engineering Workstation for Gas Production SCADA Project	3/3	<i>Sterling</i>	\$173,892.08
100086000820		<i>AuditSolv</i>	190,571.27
		<i>Dell EMC</i>	192,360.66

(C&A for 100086000820 approved February 4, 2026 in the amount of \$200,000.00.)

OTHER

<u>Item</u>	<u>Bids Sent / Rec'd</u>	<u>Bidders</u>	<u>Bid Amount</u>
Harney Street Pump Station Rehabilitation	21/7	Crossland Heavy Contr.	\$7,651,238.00
100085000681 WP2179		<i>Building Crafts</i>	8,573,844.00
		<i>Eriksen Construction</i>	9,493,478.00
		Meco-Henne Contr.	9,324,552.00
		<i>SKM Turnkey Construction</i>	9,579,051.00
		7er Construction	10,406,594.00
		<i>Valley Corporation</i>	12,595,989.00

(A C&A in the amount of \$10,474,020.00 will be presented to the Board on March 4, 2026 for approval.)

Headquarters Rooftop Unit No. 3 (RTU) Replacement	8/2	Grunwald Mechanical	\$419,920.00
100084001480		Boiler Chiller Systems	473,800.00

(A C&A in the amount of \$511,925.00 will be presented to the Board on March 4, 2026 for approval.)

Florence Storage Building 100031000014 WP2088	16/5	Darland Construction C2 Building Dean Snyder Constr. Lueder Constr. Meco-Henne Contr.	\$421,000.00 441,547.00 462,500.00 463,698.00 540,000.00
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(A C&A in the amount of \$463,000.00 will be presented to the Board on March 4, 2026 for approval.)

Chlorine Building Valve Replacement at the Florence Water Treatment Plant 100071000863	3/3	Swaglok <i>JCI Industries</i> <i>Mellen & Assoc.</i>	\$36,908.16 48,096.00 51,200.00
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(C&A for 100071000863 approved February 23, 2026 in the amount of \$36,910.00.)

Three (3) Fiberglass Crew Truck Bodies with Altec Crane, Valve Turner, Air Compressor and Power Inverter 100088000816	5/1	Altec	\$862,254.00
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(C&A for Annual Construction Machines, Equipment, Vehicles and Upfitting approved January 7, 2026 in the amount of \$21,769,000.00)

Five (5) Crew Truck Bodies with Altec Crane, Air Compressor and Power Inverter 100088000857	5/1	Altec	\$1,423,195.00
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(C&A for Annual Construction Machines, Equipment, Vehicles and Upfitting approved January 7, 2026 in the amount of \$21,769,000.00)

Two (2) 16,000 LB Load Capacity Tandem Axle Trailer 100088000919	6/2	Murphy Tractor Equip. Midwest Underground	\$55,592.00 59,936.00
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(C&A for Annual Construction Machines, Equipment, Vehicles and Upfitting approved January 7, 2026 in the amount of \$21,769,000.00)

Two (2) Integrated Plastic Pipe Straightening/Rerounding System and Trailer Combination 100088000918	5/2	Industrial Sales <i>ISCO Industries</i>	\$138,007.20 145,000.00
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(C&A for Annual Construction Machines, Equipment, Vehicles and Upfitting approved January 7, 2026 in the amount of \$21,769,000.00)

High Density Polyethylene (HDPE) Water Pipe (Rigid) (April 1, 2026 - March 31, 2027)	8/5	Core & Main Omaha Winwater <i>MRC Global</i> Industrial Sales <i>Groebner</i>	\$140,849.60 155,447.60 162,108.00 164,806.00 183,278.40
High Density 6" Polyethylene (HDPE) Water Pipe (Coils) (April 1, 2026 - March 31, 2027)	6/5	ISCO Industrial Sales Core & Main <i>Lincoln Winwater Works</i> American Underground	\$62,208.00 64,260.00 64,476.00 69,444.00 69,487.20
Ductile Iron Water Pipe (April 1, 2026 - March 31, 2027)	6/5	Lincoln Winwater Works American Underground Omaha Winwater Core & Main <i>American Cast Iron Pipe</i>	\$240,300.00 242,460.50 242,746.00 244,496.00 261,214.50
Furnish Complete Building Cleaning Services – Addendum for CC2 (March 16, 2026 to December 31, 2026)	1/1	RTG Building Services	\$163,942.80

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 Vice President, Procurement and Enterprise Services

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 Steven E. Ausdemore
 Senior Vice President, Safety, Security and Field Operations

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METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT

Inter-Department Communication

February 23, 2026

Subject: MAIN EXTENSIONS

To: Services and Extensions Committee
cc: All Board Members; President Doyle; Senior Vice Presidents Ausdemore, Dickas, Mendenhall, Minor, and all Vice Presidents

From: Masa Niiya, Vice President, Engineering

The following main extensions will be on the March 4, 2026, Committee Agenda for consideration and the Board Agenda for approval:

1. JOB #: WP2282 (100055001640 - \$670,753)

PROJECT COST: \$670,753

DISTRICT COST: \$0

LOCATION: Southeast of North 165th Street and Rachel Snowden Parkway

DISTRICT SUBDIVISION: Friend

PURPOSE: Install water mains for The Hill Subdivision Section 5

DESCRIPTION: Work to be done will provide water service and fire protection to 140 single-family residential lots in The Hills Subdivision Section 5.

2. JOB #: GP2956 (100060001558 - \$548,833)

PROJECT COST: \$548,833

DISTRICT COST: \$99,547

LOCATION: East of Hidden Valley Drive and Platteview Road

DISTRICT SUBDIVISION: Sidzyk

PURPOSE: Install gas mains for Bellevue Bay Water Park

DESCRIPTION: Work to be done will provide gas service to Bellevue Bay Waterpark at 15575 Bayfront Boulevard.

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METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT

Inter-Department Communication

February 19, 2026

Subject: WAGE AND/OR SALARY INCREASES AND RATIFICATIONS, MARCH 2026 BOARD MEETING

To: Personnel Committee
 cc: All Board Members; President Doyle; Senior Vice Presidents Ausdemore, Dickas, Mendenhall, Minor and all Vice Presidents

From: Bonnie Savine, Vice President, Human Resources

The Human Resources Department is recommending the Board of Directors approve the wage or salary increases outlined below. All positions involve District employees earning more than \$10,000 per year and therefore require your approval.

1. Operating and Clerical (OAC) Wage Increases Due To Promotion

The Human Resources Department is recommending the Board of Directors approve wage increases for the following Employees within the OAC classification. These wage increases are based on a job selection process, are in compliance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement, and are made following the posting and application process for a job opening in the District. The effective date for these increases will be the beginning of the next OAC pay period following Board approval.

Employee: Reid Hansen
Current position (department): Machine Operator I (Construction)
New position (department): Utility Worker (Construction)
Current rate; step/grade: \$39.54; Step 3
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$41.87; Step 3
Percent of increase: 5.13%
District hire date: November 7, 2022

Employee: Gordon Hunt
Current position (department): General Maintenance Mechanic (Water Distribution)
New position (department): Valve Maintenance Mechanic (Water Distribution)
Current rate; step/grade: \$39.61; Step 3
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$43.63; Step 4
Percent of increase: 10.15%
District hire date: October 3, 2022

Employee: David Johnson
Current position (department): Large Boring Machine Operator (Construction)
New position (department): Utility Worker (Construction)
Current rate; step/grade: \$41.87; Step 2
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$44.07; Step 4
Percent of increase: 5.25%
District hire date: May 17, 2021

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Employee: **Gage Koziel**
Current position (department): Water Maintenance Worker (Water Distribution)
New position (department): Meter Reader – Car Route (Meter Services)
Current rate; step/grade: \$36.84; Step 3
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$38.09; Step 4
Percent of increase: 3.39%
District hire date: October 10, 2022

Employee: **Rolando Rodriguez**
Current position (department): Mechanic I (Transportation)
New position (department): Maintenance Mechanic Trainee (Central Maintenance)
Current rate; step/grade: \$36.17; Step 3
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$36.62; Step 4
Percent of increase: 1.24%
District hire date: May 6, 2024

Employee: **Angelique Sancho-Hernandez**
Current position (department): Customer Account Clerk IV (Rates and Customer Billing)
New position (department): Builder Services Clerk (Business Development)
Current rate; step/grade: \$36.75; Step 4
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$36.76; Step 4
Percent of increase: 0.03%
District hire date: May 22, 2017

Employee: **Jason Smith**
Current position (department): Chemical Equipment Mechanic I (Water Pumping – Florence)
New position (department): Chemical Equipment Mechanic II (Water Pumping – Florence)
Current rate; step/grade: \$42.06; Step 4
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$45.00; Step 3
Percent of increase: 6.99%
District hire date: August 4, 2014

Employee: **Chris Talmon**
Current position (department): Water Maintenance Worker (Water Distribution)
New position (department): Valve Maintenance Mechanic (Water Distribution)
Current rate; step/grade: \$36.84; Step 3
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$39.27; Step 2
Percent of increase: 6.60%
District hire date: June 27, 2022

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Employee: **Mario Torres-Garcia**
Current position (department): Pipe Layer Trainee (Construction)
New position (department): Gas Maintenance Trainee (Gas Distribution)
Current rate; step/grade: \$31.17; Step 3
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$34.24; Step 4
Percent of increase: 9.85%
District hire date: July 1, 2024

2. Operating and Clerical (OAC) Wage Increases Due To Job Transfer

The Human Resources Department is recommending the Board of Directors approve wage increases for the following Employees within the OAC classification. A transferring employee who is at less than Standard Wage will be moved to an equal rate in the new job classification or, if there is not an identical wage rate, to the nearest higher wage rate in the new job classification. These wage increases are based on a formal selection process, are in compliance with the Collective Bargaining Agreement, and are made following the posting and application process for a job opening in the District. The effective date for these increases will be the beginning of the next OAC pay period following Board approval.

Employee: **Jeffrey Welchert**
Current position (department): Water Plant Engineer (Platte West Plant)
New position (department): Water Plant Operator (Water Production & Pumping)
Current rate; step/grade: \$38.71; EN
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$39.59; Step 2
Percent of increase: 2.27%
District hire date: September 15, 2025

3. Operating and Clerical (OAC) Wage Increases Due To Job Progression

The Human Resources Department is recommending the Board of Directors approve the following wage increases for the OAC employees who have successfully completed required training and who have been recommended by their supervisor for promotion as they progress within their job family. All increases are based on the bargaining unit wage structure. The effective date for these increases will be the beginning of the next OAC pay period following board approval.

Employee: **Mitchell Kozak**
Current position (department): Computer Aided Drafting Technician I (Engineering Design)
New position (department): Computer Aided Drafting Technician II (Engineering Design)
Current rate; step/grade: \$32.17; Step 4
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$35.48; Step 2
Percent of increase: 10.29%
District hire date: June 5, 2023

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4. Supervisory, Professional and Administrative (SPA) Salary Increases Due To Job Promotion

The following employees are selected for promotion into SPA positions. It is recommended the President be authorized to increase the salary of these employees. These SPA jobs have been evaluated, graded, appropriate job descriptions completed, and posting guidelines fulfilled. The effective date for these salaries will be the beginning of the next SPA pay period following board approval.

Employee: **Mainor Martinez**
Current position (department): Engineer II (Program Management)
New position (department): Project Engineer – Supervisory (Program Management)
Current rate; step/grade: \$110,687; SPA – 04
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$116,221; SPA – 05S
Percent of increase: 5.00%
District hire date: June 2, 2025

Employee: **Kevin McWilliams**
Current position (department): Group Leader (Construction)
New position (department): Foreman, Construction (Construction)
Current rate; step/grade: \$51.42; Step 4
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$112,302; SPA – 05S
Percent of increase: 5.00%
District hire date: June 30, 2003

Employee: **Steven Stella**
Current position (department): Engineer II (Program Management)
New position (department): Project Engineer – Supervisory (Plant Engineering)
Current rate; step/grade: \$120,376; SPA – 04
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$126,395; SPA – 05S
Percent of increase: 5.00%
District hire date: March 21, 2022

Employee: **Jared Tomes**
Current position (department): Engineer II (Infrastructure Integrity)
New position (department): Project Engineer – Supervisory (Plant Engineering)
Current rate; step/grade: \$113,176; SPA – 04
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$118,835; SPA – 05S
Percent of increase: 5.00%
District hire date: April 15, 2019

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Employee: **Nathan Williams**
Current position (department): Sr. Plant Engineer – Supervisory (Plant Engineering)
New position (department): Director, Water Distribution (Water Distribution)
Current rate; step/grade: \$140,687; SPA – 07S
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$147,721; SPA – 08S
Percent of increase: 5.00%
District hire date: March 11, 2019

Employee: **Marc Willis**
Current position (department): Attorney – Compliance (Law Department)
New position (department): Assistant General Counsel – Claims & Compliance (Law Department)
Current rate; step/grade: \$152,367; SPA – 07
Proposed rate; step/grade: \$159,985; SPA – 09S
Percent of increase: 5.00%
District hire date: May 16, 2011

5. Supervisory, Professional and Administrative (SPA) New Hire Ratification

Board of Director Ratification of salaries, for new SPA employees hired from outside the District, is required to confirm the salary within the grade established for the position. Authorization to ratify the annual salary of SPA employees hired from outside the District will be requested each month, if appropriate.

Employee: **Tina Lindberg**
Current position (department): Buyer (Purchasing)
Current rate; step/grade: \$100,000; SPA – 03
District hire date: February 23, 2026

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METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT

Inter-Department Communication

February 24, 2026

Subject: SECOND LEGISLATIVE REPORT – 2026 SESSION

To: Judicial and Legislative Committee
cc: All Board Members; President Doyle; Senior Vice Presidents Ausdemore, Dickas, Mendenhall, Minor; all Vice Presidents

From: Rick Kubat, Government Relations Attorney

The Nebraska Legislature will conclude public hearings on proposed legislation on February 27, 2026, and proceed to full day floor debate on March 3rd. Senator, committee, and speaker priority designations have been established, and the legislature is tentatively scheduled to adjourn on April 17, 2026. Provided below is an update on pending legislation. Please note that the District has removed opposition to LB 964, with the understanding that a pending amendment will be adopted, removing the District’s concerns with the underlying bill. In addition to the list of bills provided below, there are numerous other legislative proposals that will continue to be monitored on behalf of the District.

2026 LEGISLATION

LB 761 (Brandt) – Makes several technical and harmonizing changes to environmental statutes and provides for new application fees and changes in several water related permit costs. Water well registration and permitting fees are increased from \$40 to \$200 as a recommended inflationary adjustment by the Nebraska Department of Water, Energy and Environment (DWEE). Additionally, beginning July 1, 2027, a new annual fee is provided for National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits. The new fee shall not be more than the amount necessary to reimburse DWEE for administering or providing the necessary services for NPDES permits. LB 761 was amended into LB 759 via AM 1939.

Board Pos: Neutral
Status: Amended into LB 759 and advanced to Select File

LB 827 (DeKay) - Adds new powers to Nebraska NRDs, allowing them to create or join programs that educate residents about, or research, practices to improve water quality, water management, and soil health. These programs can include demonstration projects and educational events, and NRDs may partner with a wide range of organizations and agencies. LB 827 was amended into LB 794 via AM 2019.

Board Pos: Support
Status: Amended into LB 794 and submitted to the Governor

LB 901 (Revenue Committee) - A place holder bill that provides for a yet to be determined adjustment to the 5.5% state sales and use tax beginning July 1, 2027.

Board Pos: Oppose
Status: Revenue Committee hearing February 25, 2026

LB 935 (Bosn) - Allows attorney's fees and court costs for frivolous or harassing claims or defenses brought against a political subdivision or its elected officials. LB 935 has received a judiciary committee priority designation.

Board Pos: Support
Status: Judiciary Committee hearing February 18, 2026

LB 964 (Bostar) - Mandates that governing bodies of political subdivisions in Nebraska conduct open and public hearings before selling, leasing, or purchasing real property. The bill requires public notice, the opportunity for public comment, and sets a two-month window to complete the transaction after the hearing. If the real property transaction does not occur within two months of the public hearing, a subsequent public hearing is required. Notices must be published in a legal newspaper and provide specific property and transaction details. LB 964 creates additional burdens and timing constraints for the numerous easements and property transactions required for a public gas and water utility. It is understood that LB 964 will be significantly altered via a pending amendment. The amendment removes easements from the parameters of the bill and further narrows publication requirements to only purchases of real property at a value of \$20,000 or greater.

Board Pos: Board position changed from opposed to neutral with the adoption of a pending amendment
Status: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee hearing February 5, 2026

LB 1033 (Spivey) - Requires the Department of Health and Human Services to make crisis assistance payments under the Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). It establishes a standard maximum payment of \$800 per program year, with the possibility of higher payments in extenuating circumstances, thereby expanding the scope of assistance available to low-income households facing energy-related emergencies.

Board Pos: Support
Status: Health and Human Services Committee hearing February 20, 2026

LB 1093 (Ballard) - Modifies the statutory definition of "excavation" by adding an exemption for certain hand digging activities performed by telecommunications, community antenna television, or broadband service providers. Specifically, hand digging to a depth not exceeding eighteen inches for the purpose of connecting a customer to the provider's network will not be considered an "excavation" and thus will not require prior notification under the One-Call Notification System Act.

Board Pos: Oppose
Status: Transportation and Telecommunications Committee hearing February 10, 2026

LB 1096 (Bostar) - Criminalizes the unauthorized import of high-risk agricultural pathogens or pests, with heightened penalties for concealment, foreign government involvement, or major economic harm. The bill prohibits companies and governmental entities from entering into agreements that grant foreign adversaries access to critical infrastructure, subject to narrow

exceptions approved by the Attorney General. It requires registration, employee vetting, and incident reporting for companies with access to critical infrastructure and mandates the removal of software or technologies produced or controlled by foreign adversaries. The Attorney General is empowered to enjoin sales or transfers of infrastructure to foreign entities and must maintain a public list of prohibited network-connected technologies. The bill expands public records exemptions to include critical water infrastructure. It is understood that LB 1096 will be amended to address some of the concerns relayed by opponents of the bill. The bill has received a priority designation from Senator Bostar.

Board Pos: Neutral
Status: Judiciary Committee hearing February 5, 2026

LB 1136 (Dungan) - Requires Nebraska political subdivisions to maintain, on the homepage of their websites, clear notices that identify the official or law department by name, title, and address authorized to receive tort claims. Filing a claim with the designated official or department will constitute substantial compliance with filing requirements. If a political subdivision fails to keep this information accurate and up-to-date, deadlines for submitting claims and initiating suits are tolled.

Board Pos: Neutral
Status: Judiciary Committee hearing February 19, 2026

LB 1215 (McKinney) - Establishes the Political Subdivision Contracting Transparency Act. Mandates prompt payment practices, makes numerous statutory requirements for procurement procedures, requires a centralized online calendar for solicitations, and mandates debriefs for unsuccessful bidders. LB 1215 will require significant and cumbersome changes to the District's procurement policies and will create timing issues for procurements that require board approval.

Board Pos: Oppose
Status: Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee hearing February 26, 2026

2025 CARRYOVER LEGISLATION

LB 117 (Holdcroft) – Creates a sales tax exemption for the sale and use of *residential* electricity, natural gas, propane, and sewer. Senator Holdcroft has indicated his intention is for LB 117 to specifically eliminate state sales taxes for residential utilities, but to allow cities to maintain their local option sales taxes.

Board Pos: Support
Status: Remains in the Revenue Committee

LB 147 (Hansen) – Public and private water entities which provide water for human consumption may add fluoride. Entities that choose to fluoridate must do so in an amount and manner as determined by the Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services.

Board Pos: Neutral
Status: Remains in the Health and Human Services Committee

LB 542 (Dover) – Under current law, the District is required to move facilities at District expense for any changes, alterations, or relocations of roads. LB 542 would require the state or local government to pay for relocation of utilities when federal funds or state funds for local governments are part of the financing for said road project. LB 542 received opposition testimony from the Nebraska Department of Transportation and representatives of cities with the primary concern being the additional costs associated with roads projects should the state or cities be required to pay for utility relocations.

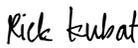
Board Pos: Support
Status: Remains in the Transportation and Telecommunications Committee

LB 546 (Rountree) – Provides political subdivisions that supply electricity, natural gas, water, or sewer service with permissive authority to request an emergency proclamation from the Governor when the political subdivision operates in multiple counties. LB 546 was introduced to address the requirement of requesting multiple counties to sign-off on an emergency declaration when utilities are operating in more than one county. The utilities listed will have the authority under the bill to make a direct request to the Governor for such a declaration.

Board Pos: Support
Status: Remains in the Government, Military and Veterans Affairs

LB 548 (Lippincott) – Introduced to address a specific situation, where a municipal natural gas utility desires to serve an industrial customer outside of the utilities’ territorial jurisdiction. LB 548 as currently drafted, would allow any publicly owned natural gas utility to serve an industrial customer that uses three million British thermal units of gas per day. The legislation would only apply to industrial customers who are both outside the jurisdiction of the municipal gas utility and not serviced within the territory of any other existing gas utility. LB 548 was amended via AM 2072. As amended, the bill’s applicability was significantly narrowed to only apply to cities of the first or second class or villages and is further limited to transactions on or before January 1, 2027. LB 548 has received a priority designation by Senator Lippincott for the 2026 session.

Board Pos: Neutral
Status: Placed on Final Reading

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METROPOLITAN UTILITIES DISTRICT
Inter-Department Communication

February 26, 2026

Subject: RATIFICATION - PURCHASE OF 2822 STATE STREET

To: Judiciary and Legislative Committee
cc: All Board Members; President Doyle; Senior Vice Presidents Ausdemore, Dickas, Minor, and all Vice Presidents

From: A. Justin Cooper, Attorney

Management seeks ratification of the purchase of property at 2822 State Street for the price of \$127,000. 2822 State Street is a small lot with a single-family home adjacent to the District's Florence Water Treatment Plant. The District currently owns all other lots on this block and acquiring this lot provides a complete boundary to enhance both our physical security posture and ensure safety relative to the District's critical chemical storage facility. The District will take steps to demolish the home and extend our security fence later this year.

Management learned the property was subject to a foreclosure sale and quickly moved to participate in that sale. Management submitted a successful bid at the foreclosure sale on February 25, 2026. The final purchase price was approximately \$200 above the outstanding balance on the loan and appropriate when compared with other nearby properties.

The funds for this acquisition are included in the 2026 budget as described by the Capital Expenditure Authorization present in this month's meeting.

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