



## Record of Meeting | February 17, 2022

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority's ("Tollway") Board of Directors met in regular session on Thursday, February 17, 2022 in the Boardroom of the Tollway headquarters in Downers Grove, IL. The meeting was held pursuant to the By-Laws of the Tollway upon call and notice of the meeting executed by Chairman Willard S. Evans, Jr. 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.

[*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 11:30 a.m. He noted that Chairman Evans was unable to attend and that he would preside over the meeting in the Chairman's absence.

Vice-Chair Connolly stated that Director Sweeney has notified the Board Secretary in advance of his wish to participate in the Meeting by telephone due to employment purposes. In accordance with the Open Meetings Act, and with a physical quorum of the Board present, Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to allow Director Sweeney to participate by telephone. Director Gomez made such a motion, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Davis, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Vice-Chair Connolly (6)

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

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

Board Members Present:
Director James Connolly
Director Stephen Davis
Director Jacqueline Gomez
Director Karen McConnaughay

Board Members Not Present:
Governor JB Pritzker [ <i>ex officio</i> ]
Secretary Omer Osman [ <i>ex officio</i> ]
Chairman Willard S. Evans, Jr.
Director Alice Gallagher



Director Scott Paddock
Director Gary Perinar
Director James Sweeney <i>[by telephone]</i>

The Board Secretary declared a quorum present.

Vice-Chair Connolly introduced Capt. Jason Bradley, Illinois State Police District 15, to provide a safety message.

### **Safety Message**

Captain Bradley offered an urgent plea for motorists to comply with Scott's Law, which requires all drivers approaching any police or other emergency vehicle stopped along the roadway to proceed with caution, change lanes if possible, and slow down. He enumerated the alarming rates at which Illinois State Police squad cars have been struck in relation to Scott's Law violations, resulting in injuries to Troopers. He further noted the deaths in recent years of Tollway maintenance workers Vincent Petrella and David Schwarz, who were struck and killed while working along the roadway. Captain Bradley urged drivers to follow the law and help safeguard other drivers, emergency responders and roadway workers who may be stopped on the road.

Vice-Chair Connolly thanked Captain Bradley for the Safety Message and expressed his appreciation for the contributions of District 15.

### **Public Comment**

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

### **Chairman's Items**

*Item 1: Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held January 20, 2022.*

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Chairman's Item 1**, the Minutes of the regular Board of Directors meeting held on January 20, 2022, as presented. Director Gomez made a motion to approve the Minutes, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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



Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

*Item 2: Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session of the Board of Directors Meeting held January 20, 2022.*

Vice-Chair Connolly stated that without objection, action on Chairman's Item 2, concerning the minutes of closed meetings, will be deferred until after consideration in the Executive Session.

*Item 3: Committee Reports*

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

Having no further items, Vice-Chair Connolly turned the floor over to Executive Director José Alvarez.

### **Executive Director's Items**

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In reference to Legal Item 1, a First Addendum to Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Chicago, Executive Director Alvarez emphasized the considerable work put forth by all involved to finalize the agreement. He recognized, in particular, the efforts of Vice-Chair Connolly, the City's Department of Aviation, and the Tollway team.

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

### **Items for Consideration**

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#### **Information Technology**

*Item 1: Amendment to Contract 13-0218 with SDI Presence LLC for the purchase of Technology Professional Services in an amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.00 (Tollway Request for Proposal).*

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve Information Technology Item 1. Director Gomez made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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



Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

### Facilities and Fleet Operations

*Item 1: Award of Contract 21-0096R to J. P. Simons & Co. for the purchase of Electrical Supplies in an amount not to exceed \$188,595.60 for an initial two-year term and a possible two-year renewal term in an amount not to exceed \$188,595.60 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).*

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve Facilities and Fleet Operations Item 1. Director Gomez made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

### Engineering

*Item 1: Award of Contract RR-21-4816 to Natural Creations Landscaping for Landscape Planting Improvements on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) between Mile Post 12.0 (I-55) and Mile Post 19.25 (Ogden Avenue) in the amount of \$674,357.00.*

*Item 2: Award of Contract I-21-4741 to Meru Corporation for Utility Relocation Under Union Pacific Railroad on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access Tollway (I-490) at Mile Post 0.36 in the amount of \$1,189,050.82.*

*Item 3: Award of Contract I-21-4817 to Areatha Construction Co., Inc. for Replacement of Noise Abatement Wall on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 27.3 and Mile Post 27.5 (Ogden Avenue ramp) in the amount of \$1,752,225.25.*

*Item 4: Award of Contract RR-21-4822 to Path Construction Company, Inc. for Structural Rehabilitation on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) at Mile Post 40.8 (I-90) and on Illinois Route 390 Tollway (IL 390) between Mile Post 7.14 (Gary Avenue) and Mile Post 15.27 (Lively Boulevard) in the amount of \$2,627,627.95.*



Item 5: Award of Contract I-21-4826 to Hecker and Company, Inc. for Material Fabrication and Storage for Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 17.8 (95th Street) and Mile Post 23.8 (Flagg Creek) in the amount of \$1,305,419.14.

Item 6: Award of Contract I-21-4594 to Lorig Construction Company for Roadway and Bridge Construction on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) at 88th Avenue and Cork Avenue Interchange in the amount of \$9,277,464.15.

Item 7: Award of Contract RR-21-4827 to Plote Construction, Inc. / Peter Baker & Sons & Co. for Pavement Rehabilitation on the Tri-State Tollway (I-94) between Mile Post 21.90 (Half Day Road) and Mile Post 15 (Atkinson Road) in the amount of \$30,858,814.69. [Recusal: Director Davis]

Item 8: Award of Contract RR-21-4819 to Plote Construction, Inc. for Pavement and Shoulder Rehabilitation on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 23.8 (Flagg Creek) and Mile Post 29.2 (Cermak Road) in the amount of \$17,261,000.00.

Item 9: Extra Work Order on I-19-4491 to Walsh Construction Company II, LLC for I-55 Ramp A Bridge Construction on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 24.0 (I-55 ramps) and Mile Post 24.5 (Plainfield Road) in the amount of \$450,000.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$26,474,271.50 to \$26,924,271.50.

Item 10: Extra Work Order on RR-20-4555 to Lorig Construction Company for Bridge Replacement on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Plainfield Road Over I-294 and Flagg Creek, Mile Post 24.3 to Mile Post 24.6, in the amount of \$625,000.00, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$21,443,857.21 to \$22,068,857.21. [Recusal: Director Davis]

Item 11: Acceptance of Proposal from TranSystems Corporation on Contract RR-21-4800 for Construction Management Services Upon Request, Systemwide in an amount not to exceed \$5,000,000.00. [Recusal: Director Davis]

Item 12: Acceptance of Proposal from Patrick Engineering, Inc. on Contract I-21-4805 for Construction Management Services Upon Request on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.00.

Item 13: Acceptance of Proposal from ABNA Engineering, Inc. on Contract I-21-4812 for Design Services Upon Request on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) in an amount not to exceed \$3,000,000.00. [Recusal: Director Davis]

Item 14: Award of Contract 20-0206R to Cicero Mfg. & Supply Co., Inc. for the purchase of Safety Appurtenance Parts in an amount not to exceed \$1,204,629.10 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).



Vice-Chair Connolly stated that Director Davis indicated in advance his wish to recuse himself on Engineering Items 7, 10, 11 and 13. He requested that these items be taken first as a group.

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 7, 10, 11 and 13. Director Gomez made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Director Sweeney, Vice-Chair Connolly (6)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Director Davis (1)

The motion PASSED.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Items 7, 10, 11 and 13**. Director Gomez made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Gomez, Director McConnaughay, Director Paddock, Director Perinar, Director Sweeney, Vice-Chair Connolly (6)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Director Davis (1)

The motion PASSED.

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 1 thru 6, 8, 9, 12 and 14. Director Gomez made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director Sweeney. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.



The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Items 1 thru 6, 8, 9, 12 and 14**. Director Gomez made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

### Legal

*Item 1: Approval of First Addendum to Intergovernmental Agreement with the City of Chicago for work associated with the I-490 (Elgin O'Hare Western Access Project). Cost to the Tollway: Not to exceed \$16,773,452.00.*

*Item 2: Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Village of Hinsdale for work associated with the I-294 (Central Tri-State Project). Cost to the Tollway: Not to exceed \$500,000.00. [Recusal: Director Gallagher]*

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 1**. Director Gomez made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 2**. Director Gomez made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.



## Administration

Item 1: *Renewal of Contract 18-0011 with BlueApple Health, LLC for the purchase of Stroke Screening Services in an amount not to exceed \$44,500.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).*

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Administration Item 1**. Director Gomez made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

## Executive Session

Vice-Chair Connolly called for a motion to enter into Executive Session pursuant to exceptions provided in Sections 2(c)1, 11, 21 and 29 of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)1, 11, 21 and 29, to consider Tollway matters related to personnel, pending or probable litigation, the minutes of closed meetings and internal audit controls. Director Gomez made a motion, pursuant to the sections specified, to enter Executive Session, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

At approximately 11:55 a.m. the Board entered into Executive Session.

## Return from Executive Session and Action (if any)

Board Members Present:	Board Members Not Present:
Director James Connolly	Governor JB Pritzker <i>[ex officio]</i>
Director Stephen Davis	Secretary Omer Osman <i>[ex officio]</i>
Director Jacqueline Gomez	Chairman Willard S. Evans, Jr.





Director Karen McConnaughay
Director Scott Paddock
Director Gary Perinar
Director James Sweeney [by telephone]

Director Alice Gallagher
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At approximately 1:30 p.m., the Board re-entered the public session of the Meeting.

*Chair's Item 2: Approval of the Minutes of the Executive Session of the Board of Directors Meetings held January 20, 2022*

Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 2**, as presented. Director Gomez made a motion to approve the Minutes, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.

**Adjournment**

There being no further business before the Board, Vice-Chair Connolly entertained a motion to adjourn. Director Gomez made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Director McConnaughay. Vice-Chair Connolly asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

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

Nays: (0)

The motion PASSED.



The Meeting adjourned at approximately 1:35 p.m.

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

Christi Regnery  
Board Secretary  
Illinois State Toll Highway Authority