



Record of Meeting | January 28, 2025

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority's ("Tollway") Board of Directors met in regular session on Tuesday, January 28, 2025, 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 the Board.*]

Call to Order / Roll Call

Chairman Rivera called the meeting to order at approximately 9:36 a.m. Given Director Sweeney's advance notice to the Board Secretary of his inability to attend due to a conflicting business commitment and given that a quorum of the Board was physically present, in accordance with the Open Meetings Act and Tollway By-laws, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to allow Director Sweeney's participation by audio conference. Director Wright made such a motion, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Rivera asked the Board Secretary to call the roll, those Directors present and absent being as follows:

Board Members Present:
Director James Connolly
Director Jacqueline Gomez
Director Melissa Neddermeyer
Director Scott Paddock
Director James Sweeney <i>[by telephone]</i>
Director Mark Wright
Chairman Arnaldo Rivera

Board Members Not Present:
Governor JB Pritzker <i>[ex officio]</i>
Acting Secretary Gia Biagi <i>[ex officio]</i>
Director Karen McConnaughay
Director Gary Perinar, Jr.

The Board Secretary declared a quorum present.

Chairman Rivera requested that the agenda be re-ordered to first consider Engineering Item 1. He noted that Director Neddermeyer has indicated in advance her wish to recuse herself on Engineering Item 1.



Engineering Item 1

Engineering Item 1: Award of Contract RR-24-4976 to K-Five Construction Corporation for Pavement Repairs Systemwide in the amount of \$7,703,649.59.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Item 1**. Director Wright made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. Chairman Rivera asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Wright, Director Gomez, Director Connolly, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Rivera (6)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Director Neddermeyer (1)

The motion PASSED.

[Director Sweeney departed the meeting at this time.]

Safety Message

Chairman Rivera stated that the monthly safety message will be deferred.

Public Comment

Chairman Rivera opened the floor for public comment.

Geoff Daniels, of Teamsters Local 700, addressed the Board. Mr. Daniels offered comments concerning shift differentials.

Chairman Rivera thanked Mr. Daniels for his comments.

Chairman's Items

Item 1: Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held November 21, 2024.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 1**, the minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held November 21, 2024. Director Wright made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.



Item 2: Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held December 19, 2024.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 2**, the minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held December 19, 2024. Director Wright made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Item 3: Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held November 21, 2024.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 3**, the Executive Session minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held November 21, 2024. Director Wright made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Item 4: Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held December 19, 2024.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 4**, the Executive Session minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held December 19, 2024. Director Wright made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Item 5: Committee Reports

Chairman Rivera dispensed with committee reports, noting that Directors were present for the committee meetings.

Item 6: Additional Items

Having no further items, Chairman Rivera turned the floor over to Executive Director Cassandra Rouse.

Executive Director's Items

Executive Director Rouse highlighted the Tollway's commitment to mentorship in celebration of National Mentoring Month. She noted the success of the 2024 internship program, which involved 31 interns across multiple departments, with many continuing into the fall. The Executive Director also emphasized the Tollway's ongoing professional mentorship efforts, including its *Partnering For Growth* program, which has generated over 260 mentoring agreements to support small and



diverse businesses. Finally, she thanked the Board for its continued support, citing new mentoring agreements—one of which is a reverse mentorship arrangement—and reaffirmed the Agency’s dedication to fostering meaningful mentorship opportunities.

Items for Consideration

Information Technology

Item 1: Award of Contract 24-0227 to Presidio Networked Solutions LLC for the purchase of Cisco Splunk Cloud and Enterprise Management in an amount not to exceed \$1,334,097.00 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Information Technology Item 1**. Director Wright made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Facilities & Fleet Operations

Item 1: Award of Contract 24-0110R to Hillside Auto Body & Service, Inc. for the purchase of Medium and Heavy-Duty Truck Body Shop Repairs, Vehicle Painting, and Replacement Parts in an amount not to exceed \$165,000.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).

Item 2: Renewal of Contract 21-0064R with Occupational Training & Supply, Inc. for the purchase of Safety Supplies in an amount not to exceed \$18,051.70 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Facilities & Fleet Operations Item 1**. Director Wright made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Facilities & Fleet Operations Item 2**. Director Wright made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Engineering (continued)

Item 2: Award of Contract I-24-4970 to F.H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC for Plaza Improvements on Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) at Mile Post 78.5 (Plaza 19 River Road) and Tri-State Tollway (I-294) at Mile Post 40.5 (Plaza 32 O'Hare East) in the amount of \$10,929,145.85.



Item 3: Acceptance of Proposal from Hanson Professional Services, Inc. on Contract I-24-4961 for Master Plan Design Services for Interchange Improvements on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) and the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) in an amount not to exceed \$35,269,281.30.

Item 4: Acceptance of Proposal from Atlas Engineering Group, Ltd. on Contract I-24-4959 for Construction Management Services for Plaza Improvements on Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) in an amount not to exceed \$4,629,200.00.

Item 5: Acceptance of Proposal from Terra Engineering, Ltd. on Contract I-24-4971 for Construction Management Services for Plaza Improvements on Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) in an amount not to exceed \$2,600,000.00.

Item 6: Acceptance of Proposal from Jacobs Engineering Group, Inc. on Contract I-24-4763 for Design Services on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access (I-490) from I-294 to I-90 in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000.00.

Item 7: Acceptance of Proposal from OSEH, Inc. on Contract RR-24-4957 for Construction Management Services for Pavement and Structural Preservation on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) between Mile Post 18.3 (Kishwaukee River) and Mile Post 52.2 (Randall Road) in an amount not to exceed \$2,692,138.00.

Item 8: Acceptance of Proposal from Valdes Engineering Company dba Valdes Architecture and Engineering on Contract I-24-4972 for Construction Management Services for Fiber Optic Improvements on the Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) from Mile Post 12.5 (I-55) to Mile Post 29.8 (Army Trail Road) in an amount not to exceed \$2,050,000.00.

Item 9: Acceptance of Proposal from Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. / Terra Engineering, Ltd. on Contract I-15-4658 for Supplemental Design Services for Interchange Design on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access (I-490) from south of Irving Park Road to west of County Line Road and Mt. Prospect Road in an amount of \$2,483,719.58, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$35,803,003.19 to \$38,286,722.77.

Item 10: Acceptance of Proposal from Wight & Company /Orion Engineers, LLC on Contract I-17-4681R for Supplemental Construction Management Services on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access (I-490) at Irving Park Road (IL Route 19) Interchange, in the amount of \$725,264.80, increasing the upper limit of compensation from \$4,550,000.00 to \$5,275,264.80.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 2-10. Director Wright made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.



The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Items 2-10**. Director Wright made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the Board, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to adjourn. Director Wright made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Director Gomez. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

The meeting adjourned at approximately 9:49 a.m.

Minutes taken by: Christi Regnery
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Board Secretary
Illinois State Toll Highway Authority