



Record of Meeting | July 28, 2025

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority's ("Tollway") Board of Directors met in regular session on Monday, July 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 9:52 a.m. He then asked the Board Secretary to call the roll, those Directors present and absent being as follows:

Board Members Present:	Board Members Not Present:
Director James Connolly	Governor JB Pritzker <i>[ex officio]</i>
Director Jacqueline Gomez	Secretary Gia Biagi <i>[ex officio]</i>
Director Manish Mehta	Director Mark Wright
Director Melissa Neddermeyer	
Director Scott Paddock	
Director Gary Perinar, Jr.	
Director James Sweeney	
Chairman Arnaldo Rivera	

The Board Secretary declared a quorum present.

Chairman Rivera welcomed new Director Manish Mehta, appointed by Governor Pritzker in early July, noting that he brings a strong litigation background as Partner-in-Charge of Benesch Friedlander Coplan & Aronoff LLP's Chicago office.

Safety Message

Chairman Rivera introduced Paula Blonski, the Tollway's Senior Manager of Insurance Risk and Loss Control, to present the Safety Message. Ms. Blonski reported that since 2016, the Safety and Risk Management teams have fostered a proactive safety culture, launching training programs, engagement initiatives, and transitional duty programs that have transformed how the



Agency prevents incidents. As a result, the Tollway has achieved a 65% reduction in the frequency of safety-related incidents. She noted that this improvement enhances organizational resiliency, reduces liability, and supports uninterrupted service to Tollway patrons.

Chairman Rivera acknowledged and thanked Chief Financial Officer Cathy Williams, Chief of Security and Safety Arthur Grist, and their teams for their contributions to these efforts.

Public Comment

Chairman Rivera 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 June 18, 2025.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 1**, the minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held June 18, 2025. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Item 2: Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held June 18, 2025.

Chairman Rivera stated that without objection, action on Chair's Item 2 will be deferred until after consideration in the Executive Session.

Item 3: Approval of the Executive Session Minutes for Public Release.

Chairman Rivera stated that without objection, action on Chair's Item 3 will be deferred until after consideration in the Executive Session.

Item 4: Committee Reports

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

Item 5: Additional Items

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

Executive Director's Items



Executive Director Rouse welcomed Director Manish Mehta to the Board of Directors and, with no further items to address, returned the floor to Chairman Rivera.

Items for Consideration

Finance

Item 1: Payment to the Illinois Auditor General Audit Expense Fund for the Fiscal Year 2024 Financial Audit and Compliance Audit in the amount of \$689,750.00.

Item 2: Award of Contract 24-0094 to Aon Risk Services Central, Inc. for the purchase of Insurance Brokerage Consultant Services in an amount not to exceed \$38,500,000.00 (Tollway Request for Proposal).

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Finance Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Finance Item 2**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Information Technology

Item 1: Award of Contract 25-0113 to CDW Government LLC for the purchase of Microsoft Software, Maintenance, Support, and Services in an amount not to exceed \$5,500,000.00 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract). [Recusal: Director Mehta]

Item 2: Award of Contract 25-0111 to Presidio Networked Solutions LLC for the purchase of a Tolling Network Hardware Replacement in an amount not to exceed \$794,458.68 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).

Chairman Rivera stated that Director Mehta has indicated in advance his wish to recuse himself from the decision on Information Technology Item 1. Chairman Rivera then entertained a motion to approve **Information Technology Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. Chairman Rivera asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Neddermeyer, Director Perinar, Director Connolly, Director Gomez, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Rivera (7)



Nays: (0)

Recusals: Director Mehta (1)

The motion PASSED.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Information Technology Item 2**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Facilities & Fleet Operations

Item 1: Award of Contract 25-0046 to Patson, Inc. (d.b.a. TransChicago Truck Group) for the purchase of Super-Tandem Snowplow Trucks in an amount not to exceed \$5,016,300.00 (Order Against CMS Master Contract).

Item 2: Award of Contract 25-0071 to Precision Control Systems of Chicago, Inc. for the purchase of Building Automation Maintenance, Modification, Parts, and Repair Services in an amount not to exceed \$1,246,432.00 (Tollway Sole Source).

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

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

Engineering

Item 1: Award of Contract I-25-2017 to Cardinal State, LLC for Landscape Planting Improvements on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 17.7 (95th Street) and Mile Post 23.1 (I-55) in the amount of \$987,695.83.

Item 2: Award of Contract I-25-2016 to Cardinal State, LLC for Landscape Planting Improvements on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) between Mile Post 23.1 (I-55) and Mile Post 24.5 (Plainfield Road) in the amount of \$1,072,855.00.

Item 3: Award of Contract I-24-4983 to K-Five Construction Corporation for Plaza Improvements on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) from Mile Post 125.2 (Winfield Road) to Mile Post 134.3 (Highland Avenue) in the amount of \$21,678,730.01.



Item 4: Acceptance of Proposal from Singh & Associates, Inc. on Contract I-25-2006 for Design Services for Plaza Improvements on the Tri-State Tollway (I-94/I-294) in an amount not to exceed \$6,229,950.80.

Item 5: Acceptance of Proposal from The Roderick Group, LLC (dba Ardmore Roderick) on Contract I-25-2008 for Design Services for Plaza Improvements on the Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) and Veterans Memorial Tollway (I-355) in an amount not to exceed \$4,970,000.00. [Recusal: Director Gomez]

Item 6: Acceptance of Proposal from Crawford, Murphy & Tilly, Inc. on Contract RR-25-2010 for Design Services for Roadway and Bridge Rehabilitation on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) from Mile Post 2.6 (Rockton Road) to Mile Post 18.3 (Kishwaukee River) in an amount not to exceed \$8,715,058.94.

Item 7: Award of Contract 24-0062R to MDSolutions Inc. for the purchase of Aluminum Extrusions in an amount not to exceed \$1,221,782.50 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).

Item 8: Award of Contract RR-25-4994 to Lorig Construction Company for the purchase of Emergency Bridge Repair Services in an amount not to exceed \$2,000,000.00 (Tollway Emergency).

Item 9: Award of Contract I-25-4995 to F. H. Paschen, S.N. Nielsen & Associates, LLC for the purchase of Emergency Canopy Removal Services in an amount not to exceed \$2,300,000.00 (Tollway Emergency). [Recusal: Director Mehta]

Chairman Rivera stated that Director Gomez has indicated her wish to recuse herself from the decision on Engineering Item 5. Chairman Rivera then entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Item 5**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. Chairman Rivera asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Neddermeyer, Director Perinar, Director Connolly, Director Mehta, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Rivera (7)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Director Gomez (1)

The motion PASSED.

Chairman Rivera stated that Director Mehta has indicated his wish to recuse himself from the decision on Engineering Item 9. Chairman Rivera then entertained a motion to approve



Engineering Item 9. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. Chairman Rivera asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Neddermeyer, Director Perinar, Director Connolly, Director Gomez, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Rivera (7)

Nays: (0)

Recusals: Director Mehta (1)

The motion PASSED.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 1-4 and 6-8. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Items 1-4 and 6-8**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Legal

Item 1: Approval of an Addendum to an Intergovernmental Agreement with Cook County and the City of Elmhurst to increase the Tollway's estimated participation cost from \$7,164,712 to \$18,191,830.

Item 2: Approval of an Addendum to an Intergovernmental Agreement with Cook County, the City of Elmhurst and the Village of Northlake to reduce the Tollway's estimated participation cost from \$8,219,833 to \$1,177,162. [DEFERRED]

Item 3: Authorization to Enter into a Settlement Agreement with BCORE Corridor Chicago, LLC; Tollway Parcels No. TW-6C-16-002, TW-6C-16-002.P & TW-6C-16-002.T. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Item 4: Authorization to Enter into a Second Interim Agreement with Judlau Contracting, Inc. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Chairman Rivera stated that action on Legal Item 2 will be deferred to a future meeting and that Legal Items 3 and 4 will be deferred until after consideration in Executive Session. He then entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.



Security and Safety

Item 1: Award of Contract 25-0075 to Universal Protection Service, LLC (d.b.a. Allied Universal Security Services) for the purchase of Security Services in an amount not to exceed \$2,600,000.00 (Order Against CMS Master Contract).

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Security and Safety Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Planning

Item 1: Approval of the Illinois Tollway Strategic Plan

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Strategic Planning Item 1**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Executive Session

Chairman Rivera called for a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to exceptions provided in Section 2(c)(11) and (21) of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11) and (21), to consider Tollway matters related to pending or potential litigation and the minutes of closed meetings. Director Neddermeyer made a motion, pursuant to the sections specified, to enter Executive Session, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

At approximately 10:03 a.m., the Board entered the Executive Session.

Return from Executive Session and Action

At approximately 11:22 a.m., the Board re-entered the public session of the Meeting.

Chair's Item 2: Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held June 18, 2025.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 2**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Chair's Item 3: Approval of Executive Session Minutes for Public Release.



Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 3**. Director Neddermeyer made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Perinar. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Legal Item 3: Authorization to Enter into a Settlement Agreement with BCORE Corridor Chicago, LLC; Tollway Parcels No. TW-6C-16-002, TW-6C-16-002.P & TW-6C-16-002.T. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Legal Item 4: Authorization to Enter into a Second Interim Agreement with Judlau Contracting, Inc. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.

Chairman Rivera noted that Director Mehta has indicated in advance his wish to recuse himself from the decision on Legal Item 3. Chairman Rivera then entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 3**, as discussed in the Executive Session. Director Wright made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Neddermeyer. Chairman Rivera asked that the roll be called on the motion, the vote of yeas and nays being as follows:

Yeas: Director Neddermeyer, Director Perinar, Director Connolly, Director Gomez, Director Paddock, Director Sweeney, Chairman Rivera (7)

Nays: (0)

Recusal: Director Mehta (1)

The motion PASSED.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 4**, as discussed in the Executive Session. Director Wright made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director Neddermeyer. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

Adjournment

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



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Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting

Meeting Date
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The meeting adjourned at approximately 11:25 a.m.

Christi Regnery

Minutes taken by: _____

Christi Regnery
Board Secretary
Illinois State Toll Highway Authority