



## Record of Meeting | June 20, 2024

The Illinois State Toll Highway Authority's ("Tollway") Board of Directors met in regular session on Wednesday, July 24, 2024, 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 9:23 a.m. and 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 Karen McConnaughay
Director Melissa Neddermeyer
Director Scott Paddock
Director Gary Perinar, Jr.
Director James Sweeney
Director Mark Wright
Chairman Arnaldo Rivera

Board Members Not Present:
Governor JB Pritzker [ <i>ex officio</i> ]
Secretary Omer Osman [ <i>ex officio</i> ]

The Board Secretary declared a quorum present.

## Safety Message

Chairman Rivera asked Master Sergeant Adam Miklaszewski of the Illinois State Police to provide the monthly safety message.

Master Sergeant Miklaszewski reported that on July 17th, 2024, ISP Troop 3 participated in National Speed Awareness Day, alongside neighboring states, aiming to enhance driver safety and reduce traffic accidents. On this day, 266 citations and warnings were issued and 116



crashes were recorded. Master Sergeant Miklaszewski offered the following important reminders to Tollway patrons and all drivers:

- Obey posted speed limits.
- Stay alert to changing road conditions.
- Avoid driving while distracted.
- Never drive impaired.
- Always wear a seatbelt, and ensure children under 8 years old are secured in child safety seats.
- Comply with “Move Over” laws when approaching an emergency vehicle with flashing lights.

## Public Comment

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Chairman Rivera opened the floor for public comment.

Mr. Phillip Wacker, Ms. Lynnetta Anderson, Mr. Armando Gonzalez and Mr. Joseph Richert addressed the Board, each offering comments concerning the Tollway’s ongoing collective bargaining negotiations with the Service Employees International Union.

Chairman Rivera thanked the speakers for their comments.

## Chair’s Items

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*Item 1: Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Board of Directors Meeting held June 20, 2024.*

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair’s Item 1**, the minutes of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held June 20, 2024. Director Wright made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Director McConnaughay. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

*Item 2: Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held June 20, 2024.*

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

*Item 3: Committee Reports*

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



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Item 4: Additional Items

Chairman Rivera congratulated Executive Director Rouse on her selection to participate in the Edgar Fellows Program. He highlighted that she is one of forty-one public policy leaders from across Illinois chosen for the program's Class of 2024. Chairman Rivera emphasized that the Edgar Fellows Program, founded by former Illinois Governor Jim Edgar, is a leadership initiative aimed at fostering respectful collaboration in addressing the state's major challenges. The program brings together elected and appointed officials from all levels of government, as well as leaders from nonprofit and labor organizations, and public policy professionals.

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

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

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Executive Director Rouse announced that, with the approvals at today's Board meeting, contracts awarded to small, diverse, and veteran-owned firms will reach the \$3 billion mark – a significant milestone in the Move Illinois capital program.

She also highlighted the Agency's participation in National Speed Awareness Month, which included a press event in collaboration with the Illinois Association of Chiefs of Police and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration. The event underscored the critical importance of drivers slowing down for their own safety and the safety of others.

Additionally, Executive Director Rouse invited Tollway Directors and staff to tune in to WVON Radio on July 27th, where she and Acting Chief of Diversity & Strategic Implementation Marlene Vick will join George Wright on *The Partnership* show to discuss the Tollway's ConstructionWorks program.

With no further items to report, Executive Director Rouse returned the floor to Chairman Rivera.

### **Items for Consideration**

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#### **Finance**

Item 1: Authorization of \$800 million of Revenue Bonds to refund all or portions of the Series 2014C and 2015A Bonds.

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



## Information Technology

Item 1: Award of Contract 24-0046 to Dell Marketing L.P. for the purchase of Microsoft Software, Maintenance, Support, and Services in an amount not to exceed \$1,829,573.79 (Order Against DoIT Master Contract).

Item 2: Award of Contract 24-0064 to Carahsoft Technology Corp. for the purchase of Salesforce eBlast Services in an amount not to exceed \$443,057.21 (Release Off a Multiple Award Master Contract).

Item 3: Award of Contract 23-0130 to NTT DATA Americas, Inc. for the purchase of Data Center and Disaster Recovery Colocation Services in an amount not to exceed \$10,703,342.23 for an initial six-year term and a possible four-year renewal term in an amount not to exceed \$6,839,672.64 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Information Technology Items 1-3. Director Wright made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Information Technology Items 1-3**. Director Wright made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

## Facilities & Fleet Operations

Item 1: Award of Contract 24-0113 to Energy Absorption Systems, LLC for the purchase of Trailer-Mounted Crash Attenuators in an amount not to exceed \$508,300.00 (Order Against CMS Master Contract).

Item 2: Award of Contract 22-0173RRR to Factory Cleaning Equipment by Jon-Don, LLC for the purchase of Floor Scrubbers and Sanitation Units Preventative Maintenance and Repair Services in an amount not to exceed \$162,240.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).

Item 3: Amendment of Contract 23-0038R with ThermFlo, Inc. for the purchase of Generator Rental Services in an amount not to exceed \$63,750.00 (Tollway Invitation for Bid).

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Facilities & Fleet Operations Items 1-3. Director Wright made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.



The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Facilities & Fleet Operations Items 1-3**. Director Wright made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

## Engineering

*Item 1: Award of Contract I-21-4743 to Plote Construction, Inc. for Roadway and Bridge Construction on the Elgin O'Hare Western Access (I-490) between Mile Post 0.0 (I-294) and Mile Post 0.6 (Franklin Avenue) in the amount of \$78,504,918.59.*

*Item 2: Award of Contract RR-24-4953 to Lorig Construction Company for Bridge Reconstruction on Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) at Mile Post 138.7 (York Road) in the amount of \$10,352,427.91.*

*Item 3: Acceptance of Proposal from Czaplicki Lopez, PLLC / Parsons Transportation Group, Inc. on Contract I-24-4946 for Design Services for Railroad Bridge Reconstruction on the Jane Addams Memorial Tollway (I-90) at Mile Post 19.5 (Union Pacific Railroad) in an amount not to exceed \$4,117,472.60.*

*Item 4: Acceptance of Proposal from Infrastructure Engineering, Inc. on Contract I-24-4949 for Design Services for Bridge Rehabilitation on the Ronald Reagan Memorial Tollway (I-88) between Mile Post 56.0 (Burkett Road) and Mile Post 74.3 (Steward Creek) in an amount not to exceed \$3,207,109.14.*

*Item 5: Award of Contract 24-0124 to Metromex Contractors Inc. for the purchase of Emergency Pavement and Patching Work in an amount not to exceed \$500,000.00 (Tollway Emergency).*

*Item 6: Amendment and Supplement to Resolution No. 22761 authorizing the award of Contract I-21-4836 for Interchange Reconstruction on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Southbound I-294/I-290/I-88 Interchange between Mile Post 30.0 (Cermak Plaza 35) and Mile Post 32.4 (St. Charles Road) in the amount of \$326,995,971.35 to Walsh Construction Company II, LLC, subject to applicable limitations.*

Chairman Rivera stated that without objection, action on Engineering Item 6 will be deferred until after consideration in the Executive Session.

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to consolidate for consideration and action Engineering Items 1-5. Director Wright made a motion to consolidate these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.



The motion to consolidate these items having carried, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Items 1-5**. Director Wright made a motion to approve these items, seconded by Director McConnaughay. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

## Legal

*Item 1: Approval of an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department of Corrections for the sale of unused vehicles. The Tollway will be reimbursed: \$448,495.60.*

*Item 2: Approval of a Memorandum of Agreement with the Service Employees International Union, Local 73. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.*

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

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 1**. He clarified for the record that Legal Item 1 is an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Illinois Department of Corrections, not the Illinois Department of Natural Resources, as stated during the committee meeting. Director Wright made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

## Executive Session

Chairman Rivera called for a motion to enter Executive Session pursuant to exceptions provided in Sections 2(c)(2), (8), (11) and (21) of the Open Meetings Act, 5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2), (8), (11) and (21), to consider Tollway matters related to collective bargaining, safety and security, pending or probable litigation, and minutes of closed meetings. Director Wright made a motion, pursuant to the sections specified, to enter Executive Session, seconded by Director McConnaughay. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

At approximately 9:52 a.m., the Board entered Executive Session.

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

At approximately 12:10 p.m., the Board re-entered the public session of the Meeting.

*[Director Connolly departed the meeting at this time.]*

Chairman Rivera asked Chief Procurement Officer Pete Foernssler to present to the Committee Engineering Item 6:



*Item 6: Amendment and Supplement to Resolution No. 22761 authorizing the award of Contract I-21-4836 for Interchange Reconstruction on the Tri-State Tollway (I-294) Southbound I-294/I-290/I-88 Interchange between Mile Post 30.0 (Cermak Plaza 35) and Mile Post 32.4 (St. Charles Road) in the amount of \$326,995,971.35 to Walsh Construction Company II, LLC, subject to applicable limitations.*

Upon conclusion of the item presentation, Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Engineering Item 6** as presented. Director Perinar made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

*Chair's Item 2: Approval of the Executive Session Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held June 20, 2024.*

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Chair's Item 2**, the Executive Session minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting held June 20, 2024. Director Wright made a motion to approve the minutes, seconded by Director McConnaughay. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

*Legal Item 2: Approval of a Memorandum of Agreement with the Service Employees International Union, Local 73. Cost to the Tollway: As discussed in Executive Session.*

Chairman Rivera entertained a motion to approve **Legal Item 2**, as presented in the Executive Session. Director Wright made a motion to approve this item, seconded by Director McConnaughay. 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 McConnaughay. The motion PASSED unanimously by voice vote.

The Meeting adjourned at approximately 12:18 p.m.

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

Christi Regnery  
Board Secretary  
Illinois State Toll Highway Authority