

1 DETROIT PUBLIC LIGHTING AUTHORITY

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3 MEETING MINUTES

4 OF

5 WEDNESDAY – APRIL 10, 2013

6 TIME: 5:05 P.M.

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9 The newly-formed (5-person) Detroit Public Lighting Authority  
10 (hereinafter referred to as “The Authority”) held its Regular (public)  
11 Meeting on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at the Coleman A. Young  
12 Municipal Center, located at 2 Woodward Avenue, 13<sup>th</sup> Floor, (within  
13 Detroit City-Council Chambers) Detroit, Michigan, 48226.  
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15 **PRESENT: DETROIT PUBLIC LIGHTING AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBERS**

16 Maureen Stapleton, Marvin Beatty, Michael Einheuser,  
17 Chairperson Vice Chair Secretary

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19 John Davis, Cedric Dargin,  
20 Treasurer Advisor

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22 **MAYOR’S OFFICE**

23 Beau Taylor,  
24 Legal Advisor

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26 **ALLEN LAW GROUP**

27 Attorneys Lipscomb and Bell  
28 Legal Counsel for (DPLA)

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30 **Also Present:**

31 Charles Watkins, Resident of the City of Detroit  
32 Maurice Bolger, Resident of the City of Detroit

Reporter-of-Minutes: Madelyn S.Hurt

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### I. CALL-TO-ORDER

- There being a quorum present, The Chair called the regular meeting of The Authority to order on Wednesday, April 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013 at the hour of 5:05 p.m.

### II. ROLL CALL

- Roll Call was taken by Board Member Einheuser. Board Members Stapleton, Beatty, and Davis acknowledged their presence, followed by Board Member Einheuser acknowledging same.
- Board Member Cedric Dargin was not present for roll call.

### III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- The Chair called for a motion to approve today's agenda.

Board Member Beatty moved for agenda approval  
Board Member Einheuser entered his support for the motion  
Seconded by Board Member Davis  
No discussion followed.

### A CALL FOR THE VOTE:

THE CHAIR: All in favor of approving the Agenda?

BOARD MEMBER BEATTY: Aye.

BOARD MEMBER EINHEUSER: Aye.

1 BOARD MEMBER DAVIS: Aye.

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3 THE CHAIR: Any opposed? None.  
4 Motion Carries.

5 Approved

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14 -Whereupon Board Member Cedric Dargin  
15 And Legal Advisor Beau Thomas arrive-

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17 IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013

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19 • The March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013 Minutes, having been properly submitted to  
20 theBoard for review prior to approval,

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22 The Chair called for a motion to approve the Minutes of March  
23 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

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25 Board Member Einheuser moved for approval of the March 13<sup>th</sup>,  
26 2013 Minutes.

27 Board Member Davis entered his support.

28 Seconded by Board Member Dargin

29 No discussion followed.

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31 A CALL FOR THE VOTE:

32 THE CHAIR: All in favor of approving the March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2013  
33 Minutes as is?

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35 BOARD MEMBER BEATTY: Aye.

36 BOARD MEMBER EINHEUSER: Aye.

37 BOARD MEMBER DAVIS: Aye.

1 BOARD MEMBER DARGIN: Aye.

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3 THE CHAIR: Opposed? None.

4 Motion Carries.

5 Approved

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7 • Ms. Hurt, Reporter-of-minutes, received a commendation (via-  
8 Board Secretary Einheuser) for the well-prepared minutes of  
9 March 13, 2013.  
10 • Full Board concurrence.

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17 Attorneys Lipscomb and Bell, from the  
18 Law Firm of the Allen Law Group, not  
19 present-

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21 -Whereupon The Board moved forward  
22 with Item: VIII. Public Comments-

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24 **VIII. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

- 25 • The Chair asked if there was anyone present wishing to speak to  
26 The Board, and if so, to please come forward.

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28 C H A R L E S W A T K I N S (retired City of Detoit worker)  
29 Electrician for 26-years/Waste Water Treatment Plant  
30 Resident of the City of Detroit  
31 Seeking employment with The Authority  
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33 THE CHAIR: The Detroit Public Lighting Authority, according to  
34 statute, has to take a couple of steps before anything is done.

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36 On March 15<sup>th</sup>, two weeks after we were formed, we submitted a  
37 plan to Detroit City-Council. City-Council has a number of days to either

1 accept or reject the plan; and then after that, there's some time for  
2 revision. In the meantime, this Board, when given the appropriate  
3 monetary support, will move to enter into contract with a number of  
4 entities that will hire people to actually go and do the work.

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6 As a part of our responsibility, and stated in law, we have the  
7 responsibility of insuring that Detroit-based businesses and Detroiters  
8 are included in this process as much as humanly possible. And so as we  
9 ramp up for that work, we will be reaching out in a number of different  
10 ways to come up with a Communications contract to identify Detroiters  
11 to Detroit-based companies, and we hope to get as many as we can in  
12 that process. It's going to take some time to do that, but we fully  
13 suspect that if everything stays equal, and the people who are involved  
14 in this process do what they are supposed to do, that we will be able to  
15 see contracts let sometime later this year.

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23 What I would suggest that you do is first, leave us your contact  
24 information and we will make sure that all of us have that, and as we get  
25 closer, we may be able to get you connected with a contractor who will  
26 put you to work or be able to send you some information to let you know  
27 where to go, if, indeed, they're hiring. But that's generally what I  
28 believe the process is.

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30 If anyone else has anything to add?

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32 BOARD MEMBER EINHAUSER: I would suggest that you continue to  
33 watch the  
34 Michigan Citizen, and also the website, to keep up-to-date.

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36 BOARD MEMBER BEATTY: Although we're still a couple weeks away,  
37 you have to be a little patient with us until we get this covered.

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- 2 • The following E-mail address was given to Mr. Watkins for
- 3 contacting The Authority:

4 [publiclightingauthority@gmail.com](mailto:publiclightingauthority@gmail.com)

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- 6 • The Chair thanked Mr. Watkins for appearing before the Board
- 7 today and for him to keep in touch. Mr. Watkins thanked the
- 8 Board, stating that he would keep in touch.
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10 -Whereupon Mr. Watkins returned to public seating-

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12 The Chair reiterated her request for anyone wishing to speak before the

13 Board to come forward.

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15 MAURICE BOLGER,  
16 Stateline Construction  
17 Location: Greenfield-Puritan area  
18 Powerline Construction Contractor  
19 10-Years w/Public Lighting  
20 Seeking Employment with The Authority

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26 MR. BOLGER: I just wanted to introduce myself in hopes that I

27 would have

28 an opportunity to be apart of your organization.

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- 30 • The Chair acknowledged The Authority is currently in receipt of
- 31 Mr. Bolger's email.
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33 THE CHAIR: There's a section of the law that I wanted you to see,

34 to make sure

35 that you were clear. It is absolutely our intent – and it's spelled out in

36 the law – that we're trying to get as many as possible of the best-valued

37 contractors, which has required this Board to be a little more proactive

1 in identifying minority contractors and/or Detroit-based contractors.  
2 Some are minorities, some are not. There is no legal requirement for  
3 minority contractors, but there is an absolute effort that will be made on  
4 the Board's behalf to do Detroit-based business minorities.

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- 6 • Mr. Bolger presented his business cards to the Board for future  
7 contact.
- 8 • There being no further public comments, The Chair went forth  
9 with the Board's next item.

10 -Attorneys Lipscomb and Bell are present-

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### 12 V. OLD BUSINESS

#### 13 A. RFQ AND RFP PROJECT MANAGER DISCUSSION

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15 THE CHAIR: Now that both counsel have arrived, there was some  
16 information that we asked them to prepare relating to the RFP and  
17 RFQ process, because there are some considerations and policy  
18 decisions that the Board has to make as a group relating to the  
19 process we use. So, if you could speak to that, for just a few  
20 minutes.

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22 I know the Board will be going into Closed Session with them  
23 after our public meeting, but in public, we need to discuss the  
24 process that we will use and hear some of their recommendations  
25 and rationale.

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  - 27 • Attorney Bell reiterated The Chair's request, stating that they  
28 were
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35 asked to review some of the delivery systems that The  
36 Authority is currently contemplating; and the information he



1 was bringing forth had been done by viewing it in two  
2 frameworks. The first being:

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4 1) The “time sequence” they have to work with.  
5 2) And their “understanding” as to the Scope and Delivery  
6 of the Project.  
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8 Attorney Bell’s Recommendations To The Board:

- 9 • First: To send out an RFQ (Request for Qualifications)  
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11 • Second: Let the RFQ be followed by an RFP for Project  
12 Manager, which will be inclusive of more Specifications and  
13 Scope of Services, whereby The Authority will assume  
14 responsibility.  
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16 Attorney Bell’s Explanation of the Process:

- 17 • Currently there’s a process by which Detroit City-Council will  
18 look at the Board’s plan, possibly followed by a rejection,  
19 intertwined with a review by The Authority and a  
20 resubmission.  
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22 • Attorney Bell acknowledged that various things could happen,  
23 however his recommendation would be his process-of-choice.  
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25 Submission of RFQ Draft

- 26 • Attorney Bell, while speaking of the RFQ-Draft to be submitted  
27 today for the Board’s review, added: That if the Board  
28 chooses to follow in this direction, the RFQ could be activated,  
29 allowing the Board to acquire information from various firms  
30 and shortlisting those considered for the RFP.  
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32 -Attorney Lipscomb presented the  
33 following information-  
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## Understanding the Process

- Attorney Lipscomb brought forth (4) discrete steps in this process:
  1. A survey of the system as it presently exists.
    - What is there?
    - What works?
    - What doesn't work?
    - What grid is it on?
  2. A second piece, (perhaps) a decision for the Board:
    - Q: Are there quick fixes that can be made?
  3. The Design portion:
    - How many streetlights for every x-number of feet based on the policy decisions in which the Board itself makes? For example:
      - What is the population?
      - Commercial districts, Industrial districts, etcetera.
  4. And also, what are the construction elements?
    - Whether steel or wooden poles, LED lights, sodium chloride, or whatever the options are, followed by the actual build-out?
- Attorney Lipscomb presented the question: Does The Authority want 1, 2, or 3 firms to handle all four steps or just one firm to handle each discrete step? He acknowledged that these are the kinds of questions that could be answered based on the responses given in the RFP process.

1 THE CHAIR: The reason I thought the discussion was so important was: In  
2 my mind, I had always thought of it as one entity that would be managing  
3 this process. But after discussing it with Floyd, Ron, and others, -- that  
4 know more about it than myself –

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11 sometimes boards take a different view. For instance:  
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13 1. Having an owner's rep handle a portion of that  
14 process.

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16 2. A construction management firm that  
17 bird-dogs, and lets the various contracts that restore  
18 the  
19 system, after applications are designed via DTE to  
20 make it happen.  
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22 THE CHAIR: A policy decision needs to be made by the Board; and in  
23 doing so, a decision which is deservant of a considerable amount of  
24 thought from each Board Member, prior to rendering a decision.  
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26 QUESTION AND ANSWER SEGMENT  
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28 BOARD MEMBER DAVIS:

29 Question: Someone provides you with their qualifications as  
30 to what it is they can do. But in this case they will not have  
31 very much information  
32 to "merit" their qualifications to projects at-hand, unless we  
33 give them some information, some how, some way, as to what  
34 we want done?  
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- 1 • Although Attorney Bell agreed with Board Member Davis, he  
2 emphasized that this is why you favor the RFQ as opposed to  
3 the RFP at this moment.  
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5 The statute sets out a broad picture of what it is that you're  
6 (The Authority) responsible for; and the detail of that will, in  
7 fact, hopefully, be crystallized in short order. But right now,  
8 we don't have it. And so, as a practical matter, it makes sense  
9 if we want to "fast-track." And as I understand, the Board  
10 wants to make sure the public is, in fact, getting streetlights on  
11 and lights replaced, and whatever, at the "as soon as possible"  
12 moment, rather than wait down-the-road until we can get this  
13 crystallized,  
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19 **RECOMMENDATION:**

20 It is my recommendation that we basically try to move  
21 forward with the RFQ, get those responses back, and  
22 then you'll be going out with an RFP to that short list  
23 of people and/or firms that will be able to do a variety  
24 of work. But you will be able to designate—as Ron has  
25 indicated: It might be done by one entity or 2 or 3  
26 entities, depending on the delivery system you  
27 select.  
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29 **QUESTION AND ANSWER SEGMENT-continued**

30 Question: But as far as the RFP, we have to tell them what we  
31 want done?  
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33 Answer: You've got to be a little more specific in your RFP than  
34 you do with the RFQ.  
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36 Question: How are we going to get that information put into the  
37 RFP?

Answer: Basically, again it's something that's got to be done at the direction of the Board, and part of it might very well entail some give-and-take in discussions that are going to be had with the City. Because much of the information the Board is dealing with is information that has to come from the City, at least as far as plans and/or some lighting objectives.

ATTORNEY LIPSCOMB: And what we do in the RFQ is: We kind of outline three or four areas, and we say respond to one or all of these areas with respect to your experience.

**BOARD MEMBER DAVIS:** That sounds fair.

**ATTORNEY LIPSCOMB:** Designing a lighting system. I mean, I would imagine being a civil engineering firm or an architect who has developed a subdivision, they have dealt with lighting issues, highway construction.

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They deal with lighting issues of all kinds. So we say you're going to design a system. You're going to do a survey of the existing system and/or do actual construction of whatever the design ends up being.

So we design the universe for the people in the RFQ we're going to be-- interruption.

**Question: Could we ask them in their response to not only give their qualifications, but give us their thoughts as to the approach that they would recommend?**

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2 ATTORNEY LIPSCOMB  
3 Answer: Absolutely.

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5 ATTORNEY BELL

6 Answer: Yes, we could do this. That makes a lot of sense, too;  
7 because I'm sure there are firms out here that have looked at some  
8 of the Detroit system and may have some intimate knowledge as to  
9 the Detroit system.

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11 BOARD MEMBER BEATTY: Madam Chair?

12 THE CHAIR: Yes.

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14 -DISCUSSION RE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR -

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16 BOARD MEMBER BEATTY: I would suspect that as we prepare  
17 ourselves for  
18 an RFQ or RFP, whichever way the Board decides to go, that we'll  
19 potentially have our Executive Director onboard. Is that reasonable  
20 to assume?

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22 -Discussion-off-record-

23 -Back-on-the-record-

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25 ATTORNEY BELL: There are a lot of things that will need to take  
26 place over the next few weeks. So on a practical basis, this at least  
27 allows us to get moving, and then with maximum flexibility. And we will  
28 kind of channel that a little bit more as we get further down the road.

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33 THE CHAIR: If we don't move – start this process – in the next week  
34 or  
35 ten days, we're going to miss Summer. And so in starting the  
36 qualification process we may not have an Executive Director onboard,

1 but we have the law firm, we have suggestions from the Administration,  
2 and we have a law firm onboard that's done  
3 this kind of work before. So we can at least begin the process, right?  
4 And then once we get those qualifications, then it's up to us as to how  
5 long we sit on them, work with them, review them.

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7 BOARD MEMBER DARGIN: And we need to be cautious, too, that  
8 once we  
9 start working on these "quick fixes" that we use the right materials. No  
10 sub-  
11 standard bulbs and things of that nature.

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13 THE CHAIR: No. I'm strictly talking about getting the process of the  
14 RFQ started. I'm not talking about the "quick fixes." Those are going to  
15 have to be reviewed very, very carefully. And as everyone knows, the  
16 Budget that was submitted to the Administration included dollars to not  
17 only these "uick fixes," but also to do a major project, so the citizens of  
18 this City can see the kind of work that will be done over the years to  
19 come as we restore lights in the City.

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21 We are "awaiting," for the record, Administration's response to the  
22 initial budget, and we have further discussions that will be done in  
23 Executive Session over the issue. But my feeling as a board member: If  
24 we wait another 3 or 4 weeks before we start our appeal process, then  
25 we will literally have overshot Summer. Just look at the weeks, two  
26 weeks out, two weeks in to review, two weeks out.

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28 BOARD MEMBER DAVIS: But I'm more concerned with the "quick  
29 fixes." Getting half-way through it, and then saying "we took the wrong  
30 public road."

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32 THE CHAIR: That's where I think each of us will probably have to  
33 spend some serious time reviewing the material again of the students at  
34 the University of Michigan. And if there's data that we need from the  
35 Administration, I assume they'll give it to us, so that we can do a little  
36 re-creation of the bill. But we can also do

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6 all the due diligence that we absolutely have to do, as a separate entity,  
7 in order for us to move forward quickly. The speed with which this is  
8 being done is not on us.

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10 -Discussion-off-record-  
11 -Back-on-the-record-

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13 -Draft RFQ submitted to the Board-

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15 BOARD MEMBER EINHEUSER: Well, let's move forward. Let's review the  
16 draft and we'll give you our feedback.

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18 THE CHAIR: If we get that today, and we review it in the next couple of  
19 days, when do you think we should begin to get this out on the street?

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21 ATTORNEY BELL: I don't know if you're going to have a meeting  
22 next week, but we could have this out on the street on Monday. And  
23 again, it gives you maximum flexibility and you're not constrained by it.  
24 And as Board Member Davis indicated, there's nothing in this RFQ that's  
25 going to constrain you in any way. So you're not making any decisions.

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27 ATTORNEY LIPSCOMB: We're asking people to raise their hands.  
28 ATTORNEY BELL: Exactly. Tell us who you are, tell us what you  
29 know. And that way we won't get locked-in on anything.

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31 THE CHAIR: I would entertain a motion that we allow this RFQ to go out  
32 after we've reviewed it. Seven days will be given to review it, and it will  
33 go out on Monday or Tuesday of next week, with any additions or issues  
34 that we've found by Sunday.

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36 So moved by Board Member Beatty.  
37 Board Member Einheuser entered his support for the motion



1                   Seconded by Board Member Davis.  
2                   No discussion followed.

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10           A CALL FOR THE VOTE:

11           THE CHAIR: All in favor?

12           BOARD MEMBER BEATTY: Aye.

13           BOARD MEMBER EINHEUSER: Aye.

14           BOARD MEMBER DARGIN: Aye.

15           BOARD MEMBER DAVIS: Obstain.

16           THE CHAIR: Opposed?

17           BOARD MEMBER DAVIS: I obstained.

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19           THE CHAIR: Obstention: 1. Okay.  
20           The motion carries.

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22           THE CHAIR: We will get that to you this evening or deliver it first  
23   thing  
24           in the morning. And we will review it with action.

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26           ATTORNEY LIPSCOMB: Appreciate it.

27           ATTORNEY BELL: Thank you.

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29           THE CHAIR: Thank you very much.

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31   VI.   NEW BUSINESS

32           A.   COMMUNICATION CONTRACT

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34           THE CHAIR: We have yet still, unfortunately, not received a  
35           Communication

1 Contract for final information. I do not want to hold up the Board  
2 and the next phase, and what we're going to have to do. And so, is  
3 there any New Business?

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5 -off record discussion re telephone call received  
6 by Board Member Davis-

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9 -back on the record-

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15 THE CHAIR: In absence of the Communication contractor's final list  
16 of costs, I would like to decide, right now, or at least have a quick  
17 conversation about – well, never mind. We actually don't have to  
18 do that. I'll get it back  
19 in two weeks. No, next week.

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21 There was a question as to whether this is a Regular Meeting or a  
22 Called Meeting. Our attorneys have advised us that this is a Regular  
23 Meeting  
24 and not a Special Meeting . So I think we've been off one week.

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26 • When we first started, we started with a meeting on March 1<sup>st</sup>.  
27 • That next week we met and we approved a calendar that said:  
28 from that day, (that next Wednesday) and every other week  
29 thereafter would be a Regular Meeting.

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31 So if you count back, this is a Regular Meeting of the Detroit Public  
32 Lighting Authority that has been published and we should adhere to  
33 because it's published.

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35 So any meeting that we decide to have after this point would be subject  
36 to a Special Call and Notice. And we would do that for the public if  
37 indeed we find it necessary.

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2 ATTORNEY BELL: Just to make sure, before you close the  
3 meeting,  
4 we'd like to actually make sure that the Board is aware of  
5 something. And I didn't know about the agenda, whether we're  
6 getting to the end?  
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8 THE CHAIR: Yes.

9 ATTORNEY BELL: So, should we bring that to your attention  
10 right now?

11 THE CHAIR: Yes. It's under New Business.  
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14 VII. NEW BUSINESS - continued

15 B. RESOLUTION FOR BOARD CONSIDERATION  
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17 -Document distributed to the Board-  
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23 ATTORNEY BELL: The first one is a Resolution ratifying any  
24 actions that the Board has taken up to this point and time. This is  
25 necessitated by not really knowing precisely when the City actually had  
26 the Articles of Incorporation filed with the Clerk's office and with the  
27 State. So we believe, based on what we've been told, that it's been  
28 done.  
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30 But just to make sure -- while the Board was deliberating a  
31 week or two  
32 weeks ago -- that everything you did deliberate on and everything you  
33 did decide upon, this first resolution actually ratifies all of your actions  
34 that have been taken up to this point and time. So I'd like to offer that  
35 to the Board for their consideration.  
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1 BOARD MEMBER DAVIS: Have they received a stamped copy  
2 back?

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4 ATTORNEY BELL: We believe it's been filed appropriately. I  
5 have not seen a copy back yet. Unfortunately. We've been asking for it.  
6 But we've been led to believe that it's been filed.

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8 THE CHAIR: The Clerk's Office has returned, apparently their  
9 copy, and the Secretary's copy indicated when their copy was finally sent  
10 to the Office of the Great Seal. It would be stamped the date they  
11 received it. We fully suspect that it was mailed last Thursday. That's  
12 stamped. And they say it's just going to take some time for the State to  
13 get it back to us.

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15 Board Member Einheuser moved for adoption of the  
16 Resolution,

17 Adding: "If necessary, we'll do it next time."

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19 -laughter-

20 ATTORNEY BELL: Right. Exactly.

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22 Board Member Beatty entered his support for the motion.

23 Seconded by Board Member Davis.

24 No discussion followed.

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31 A CALL FOR THE VOTE:

32 THE CHAIR: All in favor?

33 BOARD MEMBER BEATTY: Aye.

34 BOARD MEMBER DAVIS: Aye.

35 BOARD MEMBER DARGIN: Aye.

36 THE CHAIR: Opposed? None.

37 Motion carries.

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2 THE CHAIR: And we will get a signed copy to our attorneys and for  
3 proper posting on our website.  
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5 C. MINUTES OF WEDNESDAY, APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2013.  
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7 ATTORNEY BELL: The other issue is – and it's only housekeeping.  
8 And if you've already done it verbally, fine— approving your  
9 minutes from your last meeting. Is that already done?  
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11 THE CHAIR: We did March 13<sup>th</sup>. We're going to do March 27th, April 3<sup>rd</sup>,  
12 and today, April 10<sup>th</sup>, next week, and then we'll be caught up. And our  
13 Board Secretary is going to make sure that happens.  
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15 ATTORNEY BELL: All right. And that takes care of – I believe  
16 pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Act – all of our  
17 business.  
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19 THE CHAIR: Thank you.

20 At this time, Board Member Einheuser placed on-the-record:  
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22 That pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings  
23 Act, all of the Board's business is to be conducted  
24 in public, except when it's for the purpose of  
25 considering attorney-client privilege.  
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27 Informaton that is exempt from disclosure by statute.  
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33 • Board Member Einheuser brought forth a motion to go into  
34 Executive Session.  
35 Board Member Beatty entered his support for the motion  
36 Seconded by Board Member Davis.  
37 The Chair: Opposed? None.

1 No discussion

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3 I. ROLL CALL

- 4 • Roll Call was taken (prior to going into Executive Session) by  
5 Board Member Einheuser. All Board Members acknowledged  
6 their presence and so noted on-the-record.  
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8 THE CHAIR: At this point, we thank the public for coming in  
9 and hearing us today. We hope that you will come back to our next  
10 regular scheduled meeting or that you look for special meetings as  
11 needed.  
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13 Mr. Watkins, please keep in touch with us. We would love to  
14 see you somehow involved in this process. We just have to get  
15 further along.  
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17 MR. WATKINS: I will.  
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19 -Whereupon the Regular (public) Meeting  
20 of the Detroit Public Lighting Authority Board  
21 adjourned @5:35p.m. to convene into  
22 Executive Session.-  
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24 -Whereupon the Detroit Public Lighting Authority  
25 Board reconvened its Regular(public) Meeting  
26 @ 6:54p.m.  
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28 THE CHAIR: My only question is: How quickly do you think we  
29 can  
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1 have these community meetings? And I think we should have them  
2 pretty quickly. And I'm wondering:

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4 1. Do we use Wednesday's, every other, to have our  
5 meetings out in the public?

6 2. Or use any other days we can come up with?

7 And I'll send everybody the dates and times.  
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9 I was going under the assumption that we have seven  
10 meetings, one in each district. The list back from Berg Muirhead  
11 said that their quote included two public meetings. We can go  
12 probably half-way with them on that. And we'll pay them an  
13 additional amount to do the other. I think that's reasonable. They  
14 pay for three, we pay for four.  
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16 BOARD MEMBER BEATTY: We're paying for them, right?

17 -laughter-

18 THE CHAIR: Right. We're paying for them all.

19 BOARD MEMBER EINHEUSER: It's included in their retainer  
20 obviously.  
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22 THE CHAIR: Right. So, I'd like to see us get these meetings  
23 done by May. I think you can have two-a-week for three or four  
24 weeks. And one of them is a Regular Meeting. Two or three could  
25 be your Regular Meetings, some in the day and some at night. Or  
26 do we do them all at night?  
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28 BOARD MEMBER DAVIS: These are official meetings?

29 THE CHAIR: Sure.  
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31 BOARD MEMBER DAVIS: What are we going to do about  
32 requests for other organizations?

33 THE CHAIR: Well, that's a policy discussion we need to have.  
34 We have one in April. It's already on the books. I sent them out to  
35 everybody.  
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1 BOARD MEMBER EINHEUSER: The Chair has said she's going to  
2 go, and I

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7 think that's great, but maybe we can all agree that we don't have  
8 to have a formal meeting, if we can all agree to go to a couple of  
9 them, and it's representing the Board.

10 THE CHAIR: But by the 28<sup>th</sup>.

11 **The following addition inserted on 5/09/2013**

12 I. ROLL CALL CONDUCTED PRIOR TO CLOSED SESSION

- 13 • Secretary Einheuser conducted the roll call.

14 SECRETARY EINHEUSER: Board Member Stapleton?

15 BOARD MEMBER STAPLETON: Present.

16 SECRETARY EINHEUSER: Board Member Beatty?

17 BOARD MEMBER BEATTY: Present.

18 SECRETARY EINHEUSER: Board Member Davis?

19 BOARD MEMBER DAVIS: Present.

20 SECRETARY EINHEUSER: Board Member Dargin?

21 BOARD MEMBER DARGIN: Present.

22 Secretary Einheuser indicated his presence for the record.

23 ADJOURNMENT:

24 There being no further agenda items to discuss, a motion was  
25 entered to adjourn the meeting.

26 BOARD MEMBER BEATTY: Madam Chair, I move that we  
27 adjourn the Regular (public) Meeting.

28 BOARD MEMBER DAVIS: Support.

29 Seconded BY BOARD MEMBER DARGIN

30 THE CHAIR: No discussion.

31 A CALL FOR THE VOTE:

32 THE CHAIR: All in favor?

33 BOARD MEMBER DAVIS: Aye

34 BOARD MEMBER BEATTY: Aye.

35 BOARD MEMBER DARGIN: Aye.

36 THE CHAIR: Opposed? None.

37 Motion carries.



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The Regular(public)Meeting of the Detroit  
Public Lighting Authority Board was  
Adjourned @6:56p.m.

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