

**METROPOLITAN WATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT
OF GREATER CHICAGO
ETHICS COMMISSION
OPEN SESSION MINUTES**

**April 27, 2021 MEETING
TO BE HELD AT 100 East Erie, Chicago, IL 60611
2:30 P.M.**

1st Floor - Main Board Room

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT

Zelda B. Harris
Jose A. Lopez

STAFF PRESENT

James Murray, Principal Attorney
Ellen M. Avery, Deputy General Counsel

- I. Call to order. The meeting convened with a call to order at 2:38 p.m.
- II. Approval of the Minutes. The minutes from the October 27, 2020 meeting of the Ethics Commission were unanimously approved without modification.
- II. Public Comment. None.
- III. Continuing Matters.
 - No new complaints received through the ethics complaint site at ethicscomplaint@mwrdd.org.
- IV. New Business.
 - Ellen M. Avery, Deputy General Counsel, will take over the role of liaison to the Ethics Commission on behalf of the MWRDC. James Murray, Principal Attorney, previously held the role of liaison.
 - The term for Commissioner Zelda B. Harris expired on May 15, 2021. She is not seeking reappointment.
 - The MWRDC Board, by advice and consent, is seeking the appointment of two new Commissioners for two-year terms commencing on May 16, 2021. The designated new Commissioners are Prof. Kevin Hopkins and attorney Trisha Rich.
 - The Commissioners discussed the duty to report under Lobbyist Registration and Reporting requirements under the Ethics Ordinance and the need to consider issuing a cease and desist order before taking additional action against a person alleged to be in violation.
- V. Other Business. None

The meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.