

Intergovernmental Strategies/Finance Joint Sub-Committee

Date: Aug 8, 2024

Attendees: Councilors Max Tassinari (MT), Suzanne Swope (SS), John DaRos (JD), Joe Aiello (JA), VP Hannah Belcher (HB)

Guest: Frmr Chief Paul Flanagan, Board member MWRA, Subject Matter Expert

6:30PM Call to order by MT

Vote to enter into exec session "To discuss strategy with respect to collective bargaining or litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the bargaining or litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares." Unanimous.

Executive Session

Discussion with Frmr Chief Flanagan, current board member at MWRA

- Chief Flanagan offered insights on how the fire department, and other departments have been helped in the past by having a neighborly relationship with the MWRA.
- Offered insight into how agreements with MWRA are debated in their board to the extent he was allowed to share.
- Offered hope that a deal with the MWRA could be struck and they would continue to be good neighbors to the extent of their ability.

Discussion regarding best advice from Chief Flanagan

- Discussion on requesting additional aid for fire and safety equipment in new agreement with MWRA.
- Discussion on creating a presentation for the council president and full council in executive session to discuss with full council the recommendations of this joint sub committee

Members thanks to Frmr Chief Paul Flanagan for his time and for the information he was able to share with this group in the best interest of the town, and for his continued work representing the town on the MWRA board.

Vote to end exec session.

Vote to adjourn.