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[Board Chair J. Degnan] The World Trade Center Redevelopment Subcommittee, so I'm gonna turn it over to Vice Chairman to the Chair then.

[Chair S. Rechler] Thank you, Chairman. World Trade Center Subcommittee meeting obviously held in public session, also be via the Internet for those who would like to see it. I'd like to ask the Board Secretary to note if there's any commissioners required.

[K. Eastman] The World Trade Center Redevelopment Subcommittee consists of all members of the board, so everyone here is a member for today's meeting. With regard to the World Trade Center authorization of additional construction contracts, in support of ongoing post-Sandy recovery work, Commissioner Moerdler is recused. And with regard to the World Trade Center authorization of additional contracts for architectural and engineering design with regard to Sandy recovery work, Commissioner Moerdler was recused. With regard to the World Trade Center West Bathtub item authorization to award a construction trade contract for heating, ventilation, air conditioning, and building controls, Commissioner Moerdler is recused. And on the World Trade Center West Bathtub Access Project authorization to award a construction contract for the superstructure concrete, Commissioner Moerdler is recused.

[Chair S. Rechler] Thank you. We have two items noted by the secretary to be presented by Steve Plate on both of those items. The first item, authorization of additional construction contract action to support ongoing post-Hurricane Sandy recovery.

[S. Plate] Good morning. The item I'd like to offer you first is the item for support relative to post-Hurricane Sandy recovery work and related cost. And what we've been doing over the last two years is basically completing the jobs on the original schedule while correcting all the impacts of those 125 million gallons per water. We're coming very close to the end, and we wanted to have one of the additional authorizations which anticipate some potential findings that we have in the future so we don't come to you retrospectively. We wanted to keep ahead of it as well as any potential claims by contractors for general overheads and conditions all for the resolution.

[Board Chair J. Degnan] Questions? Comments?

[Chair S. Rechler] Are we going to do a role call vote for this or— OK, we're going to do a— OK. We're going to get a role call vote to move this forward to the Board. Call the role call, please.

[K. Eastman] Chairman Degnan.

[Board Chair J. Degnan] Yes.

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[K. Eastman] Vice Chairman Rechler.

[Chair S. Rechler] Yes.

[K. Eastman] Commissioner Laufenberg. Commissioner Lipper. Commissioner Lynford.

[Comm. J. Lynford] Yes.

[K. Eastman] Commissioner Moerdler.

[Comm. J. Moerdler] Recused.

[K. Eastman] Commissioner Pocino.

[Comm. R. Pocino] Yes.

[K. Eastman] Commissioner Rosado. Commissioner Schuber.

[Comm. P. Shuber] Yes.

[K. Eastman] That will commence the roll call

[Chair S. Rechler] Thank you. Second item is the World Trade Center West Bathtub Vehicular Access Project. Steve.

[S. Plate] Thank you. This item, to give you a little background, basically deals with the remaining portion of the site— one of the remaining portion of site— that have to be completed. As you are aware, the PATH Station will sometime in the near future be closed. The temporary station will be opening up the main station, mainly the oculus. And in anticipation of that, we wanted to get a jump and prepare ourselves to award a series of contracts to enable us to complete that portion of work. This essentially is a conglomeration of different projects. It involves each one of the projects around to support efforts, projects such as the Hub as well as One World Trade and also Vehicular Security. This work, as you know, we awarded a month or two ago. The structural steel, we've broken it down in components. Why? You target specific subcontractors, you get a much more competitive bid, and we managed the interfaces as we move forward with each one of the contracts. This contract is for the superstructure concrete which involves the concrete to be placed on the slab and provides also for additional walls and any sort of concrete work needed to accomplish this. We had a very competitive situation with bids. Many of the bidders are known to us. They've worked at the site, so they know the site. We know them; they know the Port Authority; and they worked in the area throughout the city. So truly people who are familiar with us. We did sit down with them, each one of them, after received the bids, and understand exactly what their thoughts are about the project, so they truly understand what we expect, and they—and we understand what we're getting. So we offer this. This is within the engineer's estimate and actually below the budget that we established several months ago. The second

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item as well is for the HVAC—heating, ventilating, air conditioning, and building controls, again, a very competitive situation, similar paradigm. Again, we had six bidders very close, and again, it's within the engineer's estimate as well as a little below the budget that we established. So this will enable us— these two contracts under this item will enable us to move forward, and as we open up the east side of the PATH Station enables us to now aggressively pursue completing the last portion which will provide us with the means and methods to fulfill all the commitments made to the different stakeholders throughout the site. I offer the resolution.

[Board Chair J. Degnan] I move both items.

[Chair S. Rechler] Second. >> Do you want to do a role call vote?

[K. Eastman] Chairman Degnan.

[Board Chair J. Degnan] Yes.

[K. Eastman] Vice Chairman Rechler.

[Chair S. Rechler] Yes.

[K. Eastman] Commission Laufenberg.

[Comm. G. Laufenberg] Yes.

[K. Eastman] Commissioner Lipper. Commissioner Lynford.

[Comm. J. Lynford] Yes.

[K. Eastman] Commissioner Moerdler.

[Comm. J. Moerdler] Recused.

[K. Eastman] Commissioner Pocino.

[Comm. R. Pocino] Yes.

[K. Eastman] Commissioner Rosado. Commissioner Schuber.

[Comm. P. Schuber] Yes.

[Chair S. Rechler] Thank you, both items. I just wanted—down the site that day with all the fences coming down looks terrific, and I commend you and the team for the work and how expeditiously you're getting this done.