

**SWEETWATER AUTHORITY GOVERNING BOARD
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING**

May 3, 2021

The Governing Board of Sweetwater Authority held a Special meeting on Monday, May 3, 2021. Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Orders N-29-20 and 33-20, this meeting was held via teleconference. Chair Martinez called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

*(*Note: After calling the meeting to order, Chair Martinez established for the record that all Directors were able to hear the proceedings, that all members of the Board were able to hear the Directors participating by teleconference clearly, and that all votes would be taken by a roll call vote pursuant to the provisions of the Brown Act. Chair Martinez further established for the record the process by which public comments would be received by the Board, which process was also described in the Agenda for the meeting.)*

- **Roll Call**

Directors Present: Josie Calderon-Scott, *Steve Castaneda (4:06 p.m.), Hector Martinez, Paulina Martinez-Perez, Jose Preciado, Mona Rios, and Alejandra Sotelo-Solis.

Directors Absent: None

Management, Staff, and Others Present: Interim General Manager Jennifer Sabine, Legal Counsel Paula de Sousa, and Acting Secretary Michael Garcia. Staff Member: Director of Engineering Ron Mosher

- **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

- **Opportunity for Public Comment** (Government Code Section 54954.3)

(Note: Director Castaneda entered the meeting at 4:06 p.m.)

Carolyn McGavock submitted written comments regarding the operations and public access at Loveland Reservoir, which were read onto the record by the Acting Secretary pursuant to the Authority's established process for public comments.

Russell Walsh submitted written comments regarding the use and public access at Loveland Reservoir, which were read onto the record by the Acting Secretary pursuant to the Authority's established process for public comments.

- **Directors' Comments**

There were none.

CLOSED SESSION

At 4:12 p.m. Legal Counsel de Sousa announced that the Governing Board will be meeting in closed session to discuss potential significant exposure to litigation regarding the Loveland Reservoir, on the advice of legal counsel pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 (d)(2). The bases include communications from Mr. Russell Walsh alleging that the Authority is acting contrary to the terms of an easement, as well as other facts and circumstances, which are not required to be disclosed pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 (e)(1).

- Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation – Significant Exposure to Litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(2): Two Cases

There were no minutes taken, and the session was not audio-recorded. The Board reconvened in open session at 6:23 p.m., with Directors Calderon-Scott, Martinez, Martinez-Perez, Preciado, Rios, and Sotelo-Solis in attendance. Legal Counsel de Sousa reported that the Board came out of Closed Session at 6:21 p.m. No reportable action was taken by the Governing Board.

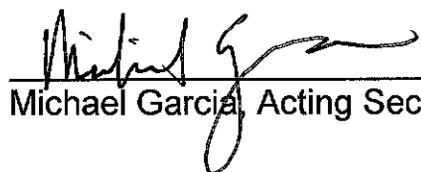
- Adjournment

With no further business before the Board, Chair Martinez adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.



Hector Martinez, Chair

Attest:



Michael Garcia, Acting Secretary