

**OPERATIONS COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING**

May 19, 2021

The Operations Committee of Sweetwater Authority held a Regular meeting on Wednesday, May 19, 2021. Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 and 33-20, this meeting was held via teleconference. Director Rios called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

1. Roll Call

Directors Present: Josie Calderon-Scott, Paulina Martinez-Perez, and Mona Rios

Directors Absent: None

Management, Staff, and Others Present: Interim General Manager Jennifer Sabine, Acting Secretary Michael Garcia. Staff Members: Director of Water Quality Justin Brazil, Director of Engineering Ron Mosher, and Director of Finance Rich Stevenson.

2. Items to be Added, Withdrawn, or Reordered in the Agenda

There were none.

3. Public Comment (Government Code Section 54954.3)

There were none.

4. Action Agenda

A. Request for Input on Annual Requirement Contracts for Waterworks Fittings

Director Calderon-Scott made a motion, seconded by Director Martinez-Perez, that the Operations Committee recommend that the Governing Board direct staff to issue the Annual Requirement Contracts for Waterworks Fittings RFQ as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

B. Consideration to Approve an Easement Quitclaim – 123 Minot Avenue, Chula Vista

Director Martinez-Perez made a motion, seconded by Director Calderon-Scott, that the Operations Committee recommend that the Governing Board approve the quitclaim request of the Sweetwater Water Corporation easement, with the Owner paying all costs associated with processing the quitclaim. The motion carried unanimously.

C. Consideration to Award Annual Contracts for Water Treatment Chemicals

Director Rios made a motion, seconded by Director Martinez-Perez, that the Operations Committee recommend that the Governing Board award contracts to the lowest responsive bidders for water treatment chemicals as follows: \$243,100 to Nalco Company

LLC., Los Alamitos, CA, for Cationic Polymer; \$205,400 to Brenntag Pacific, Inc., Santa Fe Springs, CA (\$10,200 for Ammonium Sulfate, \$138,300 for Sodium Hydroxide 50%, \$5,100 for Aluminum Sulfate, \$47,900 for Fluorosilicic Acid 23-25%, and \$3,900 for Citric Acid); \$134,800 to JCI Jones Chemicals, Inc., Torrance, CA, (\$56,000 for Ton Cylinders of Chlorine and \$78,800 for Sodium Hypochlorite 12.5%); \$85,900 to California Water Technologies, Santa Fe Springs, CA, for Ferric Chloride 43%; \$18,600 to Hill Brothers Chemical Co., Brea, CA for Aqua Ammonia 19.0%; \$38,900 to Univar Solutions USA, Inc, Kent, WA (\$30,200 for Liquid Ammonium Sulfate 40% and \$8,700 for Sodium Fluoride); \$67,600 to Pencoco, Inc., San Felipe, TX for Ferrous Chloride 33%; \$8,100 to Carbon Activated Corp., Compton, CA for Activated Carbon Powder; \$132,500 to Evoqua Water Tech LLC., Sarasota, FL for Sodium Chlorite 31%. **The motion carried unanimously.**

D. Consideration to Select a Consultant for the Design of Loveland Dam's Valve Replacement Project

Director Rios made a motion, seconded by Director Martinez-Perez, that the Operations Committee recommend that the Governing Board direct staff to assign the design of Loveland Dam's valve replacement project to Sweetwater Authority's As-needed Dam Consultant, GEI Consultants, Inc., Carlsbad, CA, after obtaining a cost-proposal from the consultant and negotiating a Scope of Work and fee for design. **The motion carried unanimously.**

E. Consideration to Adopt Resolution 21-09, Amending and Adopting Local Guidelines for Implementing the 2021 California Environmental Quality Act

Director Calderon-Scott made a motion, seconded by Director Martinez-Perez, that the Operations Committee recommend that the Governing Board adopt Resolution 21-09, Amending and Adopting Local Guidelines for Implementing the 2021 California Environmental Quality Act. **The motion carried unanimously.**

5. Directors' Comments

Director Rios thanked staff for their work on the presentations.

6. **Next Meeting Date:** Wednesday, June 2, 2021 at 6:30 p.m.

7. Adjournment

With no further business before the Committee, Director Rios adjourned the meeting at 7:59 p.m.