

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

May 22, 2019

The Governing Board of Sweetwater Authority held a Regular meeting on Wednesday, May 22, 2019, at the Sweetwater Authority Administrative Office, 505 Garrett Avenue, Chula Vista, California. Chair Castaneda called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- **Roll Call**

Directors Present: *Josie Calderon-Scott (6:01 p.m.), Jerry Cano, Steve Castaneda, José F. Cerda, Hector Martinez, Jose Preciado, and *Alejandra Sotelo-Solis (6:01 p.m.)

Directors Absent: None.

Management, Staff, and Others Present: General Manager Tish Berge, Assistant General Manager Jennifer Sabine, Legal Counsel Paula de Sousa Mills, and Board Secretary Ligia Perez. Staff Members: Administrative Assistant Michael Garcia, and Program Manager Sue Mosburg
Others present: Dave Schlesinger

- **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

(Directors Calderon-Scott and Sotelo-Solis entered the meeting at 6:01 p.m.)

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

There were none.

- **Chair's Presentation**

- A. American Water Works Association – California-Nevada Section's Walter O. Weight Membership Award
- B. Association of California Water Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority (ACWA/JPIA) H.R. LaBounty Safety Award
- C. Comments from the Public Regarding Agency Staff

ACTION CALENDAR AGENDA

1. Items to be Added, Withdrawn, or Reordered on the Agenda

Per General Manager Berge's request, the Governing Board concurred to withdraw agenda item 8.

2. Approval of Minutes - Regular Meeting of May 8, 2019

Director Preciado made a motion, seconded by Director Cano, that the Governing Board approve the minutes of the May 8, 2019 Regular meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

Consent Calendar Items

Director Preciado made a motion, seconded by Director Cano, that the Governing Board approve consent items 3 and 4. Director Castaneda recused himself from consideration of warrant numbers 151113 and 151135 due to his contract with Sempra Energy, parent company of SDG&E, which Director Castaneda disclosed on the record. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Approval of Demands and Warrants – Check numbers 151076 through 151147 and electronic fund transfers 27652 through 27877
4. Consideration to Award a Contract for Network Storage System Purchase (Operations Committee Meeting of 5/15/19, Item 4)
Recommendation: Award a contract in an amount not-to-exceed \$81,931 to CDW Government LLC, Vernon Hills, IL.

Action and Discussion Items

5. Recommendation of Strategic Plan Focus Area for the Citizen's Advisory Committee (Communications Committee Meeting of 5/13/19, Item 4. A.)
Recommendation: Term of the CAC be two-years; CAC recommend, for Board approval, the Strategic Plan Goal Area(s) upon which to focus; each Board member recommend, for Board approval, one CAC member and one alternate, in lieu of an open house; and the Communications Committee develop a position description clarifying the commitment level and expectation for the CAC member and alternate.

Dave Schlesinger commented on the Citizen's Advisory Committee's organizational structure.

Director Preciado made a motion, seconded by Director Sotelo-Solis, that the Governing Board approve the term of the CAC be a two-year or four-year term; CAC recommend, for Board approval, the Strategic Plan Goal Area(s) upon which to focus on; each Board member recommend, for Board approval, one CAC member and one alternate for each two-year or four-year term; Communications Committee develop a CAC member position description clarifying the commitment level and expectation for the member and alternate; and start the process in July 2019. The motion carried unanimously.

6. New Business
 - A. Consideration to Appoint Director Cerda to the Sweetwater River Watershed Advisory Panel and Add the Panel to list of Pre-approved Meetings in Policy 511
(*Note: Director Cerda recused himself and left the room at 6:43 p.m.*)

Director Preciado made a motion, seconded by Director Sotelo-Solis, that the Governing Board appoint Director Cerda to the Sweetwater River Watershed Advisory Panel and modify Policy 511 adding this panel to the list of pre-approved meetings. The motion carried unanimously, with Director Cerda absent.

- B. Request from the American Public Works Association to Adopt Resolution 19-11 Proclaiming Nation Public Works Week – May 19-25, 2019

(Note Director Cerda reentered the meeting at 6:35 p.m.)

Upon a motion made by Director Sotelo-Solis, seconded by Director Preciado, the following resolution:

RESOLUTION NO. 19-11
RESOLUTION OF THE GOVERNING BOARD
OF SWEETWATER AUTHORITY
PROCLAIMING NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK
MAY 19-25, 2019

was passed and adopted by the following vote to wit:

Ayes: Directors Calderon-Scott, Cano, Castaneda, Cerda, Martinez, Preciado,
and Sotelo-Solis
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

7. Approval of Directors' Attendance at Meetings and Future Agenda Items
There was none.

REPORTS AND INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

8. Overview of Financial Policies – Part 3 of 3, Debt, Disclosure Procedures, and Investment Policies (Information Item) (Finance and Personnel Committee Meeting of 5/1/19, Item 4. B.)

This item was withdrawn.

9. April 2019 Financial Reports

10. Management Report

A. Report of Assistant General Manager

There was none.

B. Report of General Manager

General Manager Berge reported on the Developer's Forum and reminded the Board group photo has been rescheduled to June 12, 2019 and asked that the Board arrive early before the Regular Board meeting.

11. Report of the South Bay Irrigation District Representative and the City of National City Representative to the San Diego County Water Authority

Director Preciado distributed copies of the San Diego County Water Authority's (CWA) Update and Water Supply Conditions presentation and the CWA's Water Resources Report; and provided a review of both reports.

12. Reports by Directors on Events Attended

A. ACWA Spring Conference – May 7-10, 2019

Directors Cano and Castaneda provided a report.

B. CSDA Quarterly Meeting – May 16, 2019

Directors Calderon-Scott, Cerda, Castaneda, Martinez, Preciado, and Cano provided a report.

13. Directors' Comments

Director Cerda commented on a local business' inaccurate claim regarding excessive charges by the Authority.

Director Sotelo-Solis commented on the City of National City's Request for Qualifications event inviting local businesses an opportunity to learn about the City's projects and how to do business with the City.

Director Martinez commented on the budget process and the usage of funds including no-use and customer refund alternatives.

Director Cano thanked Director Sotelo-Solis for hosting the City of National City's Request for Qualifications event.

CLOSED SESSION

At 8:07 p.m., the Board convened to meet in closed session with legal counsel for:

A. Conference with Real Property Negotiators pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8:

Property:	Assessor Parcel Numbers: 521-040-21-00, 521-040-22-00, 521-040-23-00
Agency Negotiators:	Tish Berge, General Manager Jennifer Sabine, Assistant General Manager Paula de Sousa Mills, Legal Counsel
Negotiating Party:	Floyd Rosson
Under Negotiation:	Price and Terms

There was no need for a closed session on item:

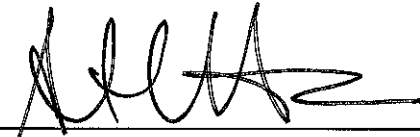
B. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 (d)(1):

United States, et al. ex rel John Hendrix v. J-M Manufacturing Company Inc., and Formosa Plastics Corporation, U.S.A., Case No. ED CV06-00055-GW

There were no minutes taken, and the session was not audio-recorded. At 8:25 p.m., Chair Castaneda declared the meeting to be in open session. No reportable action was taken by the Governing Board.

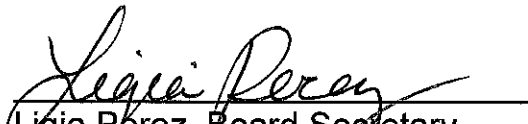
14. Adjournment

With no further business before the Board, Chair Castaneda adjourned the meeting at 8:25 p.m.



Steve Castaneda, Chair

Attest:



Ligia Pérez, Board Secretary