

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

May 28, 2020

The Governing Board of Sweetwater Authority held a Special meeting on Thursday, May 28, 2020. Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Orders N-29-20 and 33-20, this meeting was held via teleconference. Chair Castaneda called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m.

*(*Note: After calling the meeting to order, Chair Castaneda 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 Castaneda 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, Jerry Cano, Steve Castaneda, José F. Cerda, *Hector Martinez (4:10 p.m.), *Jose Preciado (5:04 p.m.), and Alejandra Sotelo-Solis

Directors Absent: None

Management, Staff, and Others Present: General Manager Tish Berge, Assistant General Manager Jennifer Sabine, Legal Counsel Nicholas Norvell, and Board Secretary Ligia Perez. Staff Members: Director of Water Quality Justin Brazil, Administrative Assistant Michael Garcia, Water Treatment Superintendent Mark Hatcher, Director of Engineering Ron Mosher, Director of Distribution Greg Snyder, Director of Finance Rich Stevenson, and Director of Administrative Services Dina Yorba. Others Present: Jennifer Duffy, Doug Gillingham, Don MacFarlane, and Kirstin Skadberg

- **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

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

There were none.

ACTION CALENDAR AGENDA

1. Workshop to Identify a Short-list of Alternatives from the Coarse Screening Project Evaluation from the Feasibility Study for Maximizing Reservoir Assets and Expanding Local Water Supply

(Note: Director Martinez entered the meeting at 4:10 p.m.)

(Note: Director Preciado entered the meeting at 5:04 p.m.)

Director Cerda made a motion, seconded by Director Calderon-Scott, that the Governing Board receive the results of the Course Screening Project Evaluation from the Feasibility Study for Maximizing Reservoir Assets and Expanding the Local Water Supply, and accept the recommended short-list of alternatives to be considered during the Fine Screening Analysis. The motion carried unanimously.

2. Continued Review of Draft FY 2020-21 Budget
No action was required by the Governing Board.

- **Directors' Comments**

Director Preciado apologized for being late and will ask the Board Secretary for the audio of the full meeting.

Director Calderon-Scott commented on being encouraged and energized by the Study findings.

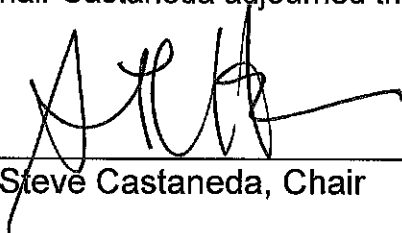
Director Martinez thanked the consultants for their detailed presentation and is looking forward to the fine screening results.

Director Cerda thanked the consultant team for their presentation and is looking forward to the next steps and implementation as the Authority works towards water independence.

Chair Castaneda commented on beginning refreshing talks with water district neighbors to talk about opportunities to expand benefits for all customers; and that the work completed until this point has not been in vain.

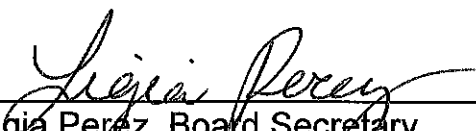
- **Adjournment**

With no further business before the Board, Chair Castaneda adjourned the meeting at 6:02 p.m.



Steve Castaneda, Chair

Attest:



Ligia Perez, Board Secretary