

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

**August 25, 2021**

The Governing Board of Sweetwater Authority held a Special meeting on Wednesday, August 25, 2021. Pursuant to Governor Newsom's Executive Orders N-08-21, this meeting was held via teleconference. Chair Martinez called the meeting to order at 5:02 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, Hector Martinez, \*Paulina Martinez-Perez (5:15 p.m.), Jose Preciado, Mona Rios, and \*Alejandra Sotelo-Solis (5:18 p.m.)

Directors Absent: None.

Management, Staff, and Others Present: Interim General Manager Jennifer Sabine, Legal Counsel Paula de Sousa, and Board Secretary Ligia Perez. Staff Members: Administrative Assistant Michael Garcia. Others present: Special Labor Counsel Kevin Chicas of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore; and Alison Alpert of Best Best & Krieger.

- **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag**

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

There were none.

**CLOSED SESSION**

At 5:06 p.m. the Board convened in closed session for:

Conference with Labor Negotiator pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Negotiator: Kevin Chicas, Special Labor Counsel

Employee Organizations: Sweetwater Authority Employees' Committee  
Sweetwater Authority Middle Management Group  
Sweetwater Authority Confidential Group

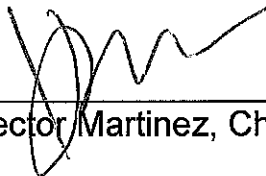
*(Note: Director Martinez-Perez entered the meeting at 5:15 p.m.)*

*(Note: Director Sotelo-Solis entered the meeting at 5:18 p.m.)*

There were no minutes taken, and the session was not audio-recorded. The Board reconvened in open session at 6:01 p.m., with all Directors in attendance. Legal Counsel de Sousa reported that the Board came out of Closed Session at 5:59 p.m. There was no reportable action taken by the Governing Board.

- Adjournment

With no further business before the Board, Chair Martinez adjourned the meeting at 6:01 p.m.



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Hector Martinez, Chair

Attest:



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Ligia Perez, Board Secretary