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## MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING October 18, 2022

- 1. The Chairman called the special meeting to order at 7:14pm.
- The Secretary read the Open Public Meetings Act Statement.
- 3. Roll Call: The following Commissioners were present: Jordan (via Zoom), Lo Iacono, Ortega (via Zoom), Tombalakian and Chairman Kasparian. Commissioners Bonagura and Kelaher were absent.

Also present were Board Secretary Alison Gordon, Interim Executive Director Robert Laux, Treasurer Todd Sherer, Authority Engineer Howard Hurwitz (via Zoom), General Counsel Douglas Bern, Esq., and Consulting Engineer Nicholas Rotonda. Assistant Executive Director John Danubio and Superintendent Robert Genetelli were absent.

4. Chairman's Remarks. Chairman Kasparian commended the staff for their work on the 2023 Budget. Although the overall budget (operating plus debt service) is about a 6% increase over 2022, the Authority's member service charges are increasing about 2.86%.

Discussion on the 2023 Authority Budget: Treasurer Sherer gave a brief overview of the Introduced Budget. The 2023 operating budget is significantly impacted by the approximately 23% increase in the 2023 State Health Benefits Program-premium. Treasurer Sherer did commend the staff for reducing administrative expenses. Additionally, the staff has done a great job at providing for additional revenue sources, especially outside sludge. Between the efforts to reduce administrative expenses and increasing additional outside revenue sources, the Authority is able to limit the increase in member service charges to be consistent with the stable rate increases of past years.

- 5. Public Comments: There was no public present.
- 6. Resolution No. 93-2022 2023 Authority Budget for Fiscal Year January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023 was offered by Commissioner Lo Iacono and seconded by Chairman Kasparian. All present Commissioners voted yes.

Resolution 93-2022 – 2023 Authority Budget Resolution for Fiscal Year January 1, 2023 to December 31, 2023. The Annual Budget as introduced reflects Total Revenues of \$15,932,780, Total Appropriations, including any accumulated deficit if any, of \$15,932,780 and Total Unrestricted Net Position utilized of \$-0-. The Capital Budget as introduced reflects Total Capital Appropriations of \$12,725,000 and Total Unrestricted Net Position planned to be utilized as funding thereof, of \$875,000. The anticipated revenues as reflected in the annual budget are of sufficient amount to meet all proposed expenditures/expenses and all covenants, terms and provisions as stipulated in the said Authority's outstanding debt obligations, capital lease arrangements, service contracts and other pledge agreements. The Annual Budget for 2023 will be considered for adoption on December 13, 2022 at a public hearing.

7. The meeting adjourned at 7:22pm and the Board went into the Regular meeting.

Alison Gordon, Secretary