

**MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE  
SOUTH ORANGE COUNTY WASTEWATER AUTHORITY**

Approved

**Board of Directors**

**April 7, 2026**

The Special Meeting of the South Orange County Wastewater Authority (SOCWA) Board of Directors was held in person and via teleconference on April 7, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. at their Administrative Offices located at 34156 Del Obispo Street, Dana Point, California. The following members of the Board of Directors were present:

KATHRYN FRESHLEY	El Toro Water District	Director
BOB WHALEN	City of Laguna Beach	Director
SCOTT GOLDMAN	South Coast Water District	Director
FRANK URY	Santa Margarita Water District	Director
MIKE DUNBAR	Emerald Bay Service District	Director (Zoom)
DAVID REBENSORF	City of San Clemente	Director

Staff Present:

AMBER BOONE	General Manager
RONI GRANT	Capital Improvement Program Manager
JIM BURROR	Deputy GM/ Chief Engineer
LYNDA MAY	Assistant Secretary
ANNA SUTHERLAND	Staff Accountant
JACK BECK	Accountant
MATT CLARKE	Chief Technology Officer
ROBERT CULVER	Environmental Service Manager

Also Present:

ADRIANA OCHOA	Snell & Wilmer
MARK MCAVOY	City of Laguna Beach
KELSEY DECASAS	Moulton Niguel Water District
MATT COLLINGS	Moulton Niguel Water District
RICK SHINTAKU	South Coast Water District
JENNIFER LOPEZ	South Coast Water District
ERICA CASTILLO	South Coast Water District
PAUL PENDER	Santa Margarita Water District
DENNIS CAFFERTY	El Toro Water District
DUSTIN BURNSIDE	City of San Clemente

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Frank Ury called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Director Kathryn Freshley

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

4. APPROVAL OF BOARD MEMBER REQUEST FOR REMOTE PARTICIPATION

Director Mike Dunbar participated remotely.

The Board of Directors convened to Closed Session at 8:36 a.m.

5. CLOSED SESSION

- A. Closed Session Conference Pursuant to Government Code § 54957(b)(1)  
Public Employment  
Title: General Manager

The Board of Directors reconvened to Open Session at 8:52 a.m. Chairman Ury stated there were no reportable actions from the Closed Session.

6. BUDGET WORKSHOP - Presentation of FY 2026-27 Budget

Ms. Amber Boone, General Manager, provided a slide presentation on the FY 2026-27 Budget with Mr. Jim Burror, Deputy General Manager, presenting the CIP Budget portion. The Board discussed the master budget template's structure and provided feedback on the need for an executive summary for each CIP project.

This was an information item; no action was taken.

9. OTHER MATTERS

None.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Ury adjourned the meeting at 10:07 a.m.

I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing Minutes are a true and accurate copy of the Minutes of the Special Meeting of the South Orange County Wastewater Authority Board of Directors on April 7, 2026, and approved by the Board of Directors of the South Orange County Wastewater Authority.



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Lynda May, Assistant Secretary  
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