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### **Closed Session - Labor Negotiation Strategy**

**Agenda of:** February 14, 2024

**Item No.:** **2024-056**

**Amount:** N/A

**TO:** The Honorable  
Board of Directors  
Great Lakes Water Authority

**FROM:** Suzanne R. Coffey, P.E.  
Chief Executive Officer  
Great Lakes Water Authority

**DATE:** February 8, 2024

**RE:** **Closed Session - Labor Negotiation Strategy**

#### **MOTION**

Upon the request and recommendation of William M. Wolfson, Chief Administrative and Compliance Officer, the Board of Directors (Board) of the Great Lakes Water Authority (GLWA), **Agrees to meet with GLWA management in Closed Session to discuss labor negotiation strategy**; and authorizes the CEO to take such other action as may be necessary to accomplish the intent of this vote.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Section 8(c) of the Michigan Open Meetings Act permits a Public Body to meet in Closed Session "For strategy and negotiation sessions connected with the negotiation of a collective bargaining agreement if either negotiating party requests a closed hearing;" GLWA management has requested the opportunity to meet with the Board to discuss such strategy. The Open Meetings Act requires an affirmative roll call vote of 2/3 of the Board Members appointed and serving is necessary for such a meeting.

#### **JUSTIFICATION**

GLWA management has requested the opportunity to meet with the Board to discuss labor negotiation strategy.

#### **BUDGET IMPACT**

The proposed Closed Session does not impact the budget.

**COMMITTEE REVIEW**

This matter is presented directly to the GLWA Board of Directors.

**SHARED SERVICES IMPACT**

This request for a Closed Session meeting does not impact the Shared Services Agreement between GLWA and DWSD.