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### Closed Session - Labor Negotiation Strategy

Agenda of: November 18, 2021

Item No.: **2021-444**

Amount: N/A

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

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

**DATE:** November 12, 2021

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

### MOTION

Upon the request and recommendation of William M. Wolfson, Chief Administrative and Compliance Officer, and Randal M. Brown, General Counsel, 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 ICEO 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

negotiations 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 item does not impact the shared services agreement between GLWA and DWSD.