

THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 17TH DAY OF JULY 2024 AT 5:30 P.M. AT THE FERNANDO “NENE” TORRES COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 608 HEBER AVENUE, CALEXICO, CALIFORNIA. THE DATE, HOUR AND PLACE DULY ESTABLISHED FOR THE HOLDING OF SAID MEETING.

CLOSED SESSION – 5:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Garcia called the closed session portion of the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor: Camilo Garcia
Mayor Pro Tem: Javier Moreno
Council Member: Victor Legaspi
Council Member: Lisa Tylenda

VIA TELECONFERENCE:

Council Member: Gloria Romo

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The following person provided public comments to the City Council: Teri Nava.
City Clerk received via email and read comments by the following persons: Pedro Zarzoti, Aaron Garcia, Hector Gerardo, Ivan Ho

ADJOURN TO CLOSE SESSION

City Council adjourned to closed session at 5:35 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Representatives: Juan Contreras, Acting City Manager, Carlos Campos, City Attorney
Employee Organizations: Calexico Firefighters Association, Certified Operators Association/ SEIU Local 221, City Management Association, Calexico Municipal Employees Association, Calexico Police Officers’ Association, Calexico Supervisors’ Association
2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Juan Jose Garcia Verdugo vs. City of Calexico
United States District Court Southern District of California, Case No. 22-cv-1418-RSH-LR

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
City of Calexico vs. The Housing Authority of Calexico, et al.
Imperial County Superior Court, Case No. ECU003183
4. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION
Title: City Manager
5. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT
Title: City Manager and Acting City Manager
6. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)/(e)(1)
One (1) Potential Case

The City Council reconvened from close session at 6:53 p.m.

**CALEXICO CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO REDEVELOPMENT
SUCCESSION AGENCY /CALEXICO FINANCE AUTHORITY**

OPEN SESSION – 6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Garcia called the open session portion of the meeting to order at 6:55 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor: Camilo Garcia
Mayor Pro Tem: Javier Moreno
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PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Legaspi led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MISSION STATEMENT PLEDGE

Supervisor Escobar led those present in reciting the Mission Statement Pledge.

INVOCATION

Pastor Eduardo Ceceña led those present in prayer.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Attorney Carlos Campos reported the council met in closed session, council did not finalize the close session items and will reconvene to close session at the end of the meeting.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

City Attorney Campos reported per staff recommendation to table Item No. 13 and bring it back at a future meeting.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to approve the agenda and table Item No. 13 and bring back at a future meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

7. Imperial Valley 9/11 Memorial Event and Stair Climb.

Edward Quinones provided brief presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES

The following persons provided public comments to the City Council: Ben Horton, Jesus Escobar, Joseph Guilin and Joong Kim.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Acting City Manager Contreras reported on the following items: a fire in the downtown area, the Public Works Department will be fencing that area, as well as the old Chamber of Commerce Building; Hearthstone Development Town Hall meeting scheduled for August 22, 2024, at 5:30p.m.; Fire Station # 2 Town Hall meeting at William Moreno Junior High School scheduled for August 12, 2024, pending approval; asked the Finance department to expedite the process for the purchase of a new fire engine with ARPA funds; three promotions to Sergeants; the purchase order for the twenty-four (24) LED lights for Daniel Gutierrez Field has already been done; Public Works manager reached out to Air Pollution Control for potential funds for Adrian C. Cordova Memorial Park; working on the City Manager's weekly report which will be posted online.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

Guadalupe Espino from the Library Board of Trustees reported on the following items: announced their next meeting will be on July 29, 2024; working closely with Library Manager Legaspi regarding Library programs such as summer reading program, lunch at the Library, and family nights.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Council Member Tylanda reported on the following items: invited the community to participate in the Library programs; requested not to go dark in August 2024.

Mayor Pro Tem Moreno had no reports.

Council Member Legaspi reported on the following items: attended a meeting with Mayor Garcia and stakeholders of the Chamber of Commerce and are working on an MOU; attended a Commissioner's swearing in the morning; working with community members regarding the clean-up of 3rd Street and the abandoned Fiesta Restaurant building area.

Mayor Garcia reported the following items: met with supervisor Escobar and new Acting City Manager, regarding available resources from the county; met with Chairman of the Board of Supervisors, and other Mayors, addressing the unhoused issues and coming up with strategies for a countywide plan; met with community members and Acting City Manager regarding concerns and questions the community members had; stated that the meetings will now have translation services.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Tylanda to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of the City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meetings of May 8, 2024, May 15, 2024 and July 3, 2024; Repeal and Replace Resolution No. 2024-40 - Amend Name and Title(s); Approval of Resolution of the Calexico Financing Authority Authorizing Investment of Funds in the State Treasurer's Local Agency Investment Fund; Approval of Resolution Authorizing the Destruction of Certain Departmental Records as per the City's Records Retention and Destruction Policy. Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POTENCIAL ACTION ITEMS**ITEM NO. 11 ADOPT A BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION FOR FUND NO. 255 – AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (ARPA) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,232.00 FOR THE REPLACEMENT OF AIR CONDITIONING UNIT AT THE COMMUNITY CENTER.**

The following persons provided public comments to the City Council: Joong Kim.

Motion was made by Council Member Tylanda, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to approve Item No. 11. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM NO. 12 ADOPT A RESOLUTION RATIFYING THE GRANT APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$470,712.20, ACCEPTING FUNDING FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA HIGHWAY PATROL AND AUTHORIZE ACTING

CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE GRANT AGREEMENTS AND ANY DOCUMENT(S) RELATED TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CANNABIS TAX FUND GRANT (CTFGP) PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025.

Motion was made by Council Member Tylanda, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to approve Item No. 12. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM NO. 14 APPROVAL TO TRAVEL TO ENSENADA, BAJA CALIFORNIA, MEXICO BY MAYOR PRO TEM MORENO FOR THE OFFICIAL SIGNING OF THE SISTERHOOD REAFFIRMING AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ENSENADA FROM THE STATE OF BAJA CALIFORNIA OF THE UNITED MEXICAN STATES AND THE CITY OF CALEXICO FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FROM THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

Motion was made by Mayor Garcia, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to approve Item No. 14 but with the instruction that no city funds or resources will be used. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

AYES: Garcia, Moreno, Legaspi, Romo

NOES: Tylanda

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Tylanda requested the following: for the City Attorney to put together an informational item regarding the unhoused population, current ordinances, current process or protocol for handling this issue; informational item regarding traffic study made in 2017 by ICTC and Caltrans regarding traffic flow on Imperial Avenue and Cesar Chavez Boulevard and see how the city can address traffic and congestion at the West Port of Entry area.

Mayor Pro Tem Moreno requested the following: an update on the transportation hub on Third Street; update on the air conditioning units at the Carnegie Library; update on repaving the Camarena Library; requested more input from commissioners.

Mayor Garcia also requested update on traffic study made by ICTC and Caltrans for traffic mitigation, and traffic control expenditures; he reminded the community of the Town Hall for Fire Station No. 2 on August 12, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

Council Member Legaspi requested an update on the fencing of the burnt property on Third Street.

The City Council adjourned to close session at 8:01 p.m.

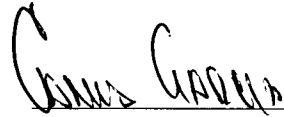
The City Council reconvened from close session at 9:14 p.m.

City Attorney Carlos Campos reported no reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

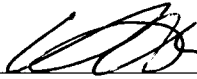
There being no further business, motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Legaspi. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.



Camilio Garcia, Mayor

ATTEST:



Veronica L. Alvarado, City Clerk