

THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 6TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 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 PM

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

ABSENT:

Council Member: Gloria Romo
Council Member: Lisa Tylenda

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

No public comments.

ADJOURN TO CLOSE SESSION

City Attorney Carlos Campos asked Council to add a close session item to the agenda, City of Calexico vs. the Housing Authority.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to add the close session item to the agenda. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

AYES: Garcia, Moreno, Legaspi
NOES: None
ABSENT: Romo, Tylenda
ABSTAIN: None

City Council adjourned to closed session at 5:33 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
2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT
Title: City Manager and Interim City Manager

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Pyramid Construction and Aggregates, Inc. v. City of Calexico, et al.
Imperial County Superior Court, Case No. ECU003541

4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNCIL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)/(e)(1)
Two (2) Potential Cases

5. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Cal. Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) Case No. LA-CE-1682-M
Calexico Municipal Employee Association v. City of Calexico

The City Council reconvened from close session at 6:45 p.m.

**CALEXICO CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO REDEVELOPMENT
SUCCESOR 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 6:47 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

Council Member: Gloria Romo
Council Member: Lisa Tylanda

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Ben Horton led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MISSION STATEMENT

Mayor Pro Tem Moreno led those present in the Mission Statement.

INVOCATION

Pastor Ceseña led those present in prayer.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Attorney Carlos Campos reported council met in closed session, direction was received, no reportable action.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

City Attorney Campos stated staff requested to pull Item No. 7A and Item No. 16.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to approve the agenda and pull Items No. 7A and No. 16. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

AYES: Garcia, Moreno, Legaspi
NOES: None
ABSENT: Romo, Tylenda
ABSTAIN: None

PRESENTATIONS

7. Proclamation - Farmworker Appreciation Week 2024.

Proclamation was presented by Mayor Gacia.

8. Presentation – Imperial County Public Works 3-Year Road Improvement Plan.

Mr. John Gay, Imperial County Public Works Department, provided brief presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES

The following people provided public comments to the City Council: Houssam Yousif, Yolanda Cunningham, Julio Rocha, Carmen Estrada, Arturo Medina.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Acting City Manager Contreras reported on the following items: thanked all city employees for continuous hard work; final walk through for Fire Station No. 2; funds for new traffic study with assistance from Imperial County, LTA, and ICTC; business task force delivered violation notices, updating the business licenses; City Clerk's office received training regarding Civic Plus agenda management software; the City is moving forward with a Finance Director and has provided an offer to a Planning Director; possibility of speed bumps around Cordova Park area; thanked the volunteer groups cleaning the Veteran's Memorial and the downtown area.

COMMISSIONER'S REPORT

The following Commissioners provided a status report: Patricia Urena, Community Services Commission, stated the commission's next meeting is on November 13, 2024; Rodriguez Park update; Heber expansion project; Veteran's Memorial area clean up; Christmas Tree Lighting on November 15, 2024. Roxanna Pacheco, Community Services Commission, reported on the Mural Project for Cycle 8. Ben Horton,

Economic Development/Financial Advisory Commission, stated commissioners are doing a great job; suggested staff assist with callers who are interested in doing business in Calexico. Blanca Morales, Business Improvement District, requested to meet monthly instead of quarterly; requested a special meeting to discuss the parking meter fees.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Mayor Pro Tem Moreno reported on the following items: thanked commissioners for their reports; commented on Assembly Bill 2249 and Assembly Bill 2302.

Council Member Legaspi asked Acting City Manager if Scaroni Road by Dennys Restaurant can be fixed; expressed he would like to participate in the meeting regarding \$8.5 million for the Heber Park project; he has received phone calls regarding sidewalks for people with disabilities and asked if Public Works Department can look into it; requested extra patrol at Cordova Park due to complaints; Veteran's Day event on November 11th at the Veteran's Memorial; attended a Halloween event at the Camarena Memorial Library; thanked the commissioners for their work.

Mayor Garcia reported the he attended the League of Cities Conference last month; suggested commissioners and new council members get training on Ethics, Brown Act and issues regarding public service; reported on funding requested to ITCT through the LTA to address traffic issues and traffic control, in which the City was able to secure \$250,000.00; stated there will be no Christmas Parade this year only Christmas Tree Lighting.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Finance Authority Minutes for Meetings of December 6, 2023, January 24, 2024, April 3, 2024, July 17, 2024, October 2, 2024, and October 22, 2024; Warrants from September 7, 2024 to September 19, 2024 and City Salaries from August 7, 2024 to September 19, 2024 ; Warrants from September 20, 2024 to October 3, 2024 and City Salaries from September 20, 2024 to October 3, 2024; Warrants from October 4, 2024 to October 17, 2024 and City Salaries from October 4, 2024 to October 17, 2024; Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the Acting City Manager to Execute the 2025 Lunch at the Library Program in the Amount of \$11,544.00 and Authorize the Acting City Manager, Fiscal Agent or His Designee to Sign the Certification, Award Agreement and Certificate of Compliance and any Amendments Thereto, and any Related Documents Necessary to Participate in the Program; Resolution of the City of Calexico accepting the State of California Citizen's Option for Public Safety (COPS) funds for FY 2023/2024; It is recommended that the City of Calexico Review the Police Department's Annual Military Equipment Report. Motion passed with the following vote:

AYES: Garcia, Moreno, Legaspi
NOES: None
ABSENT: Romo, Tylenda
ABSTAIN: None

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

ITEM NO. 15 ADPOT A BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION FOR FUND NO. 255 – AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN ACT (ARPA) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,300.00 FOR THE COMMUNITY CENTER CEILING TILE PROJECT.

The following person provided public comments to the council: Janette Martinez.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to approve Item No. 15. Motion passed with the following votes:

AYES: Garcia, Moreno, Legaspi
NOES: None
ABSENT: Romo, Tylenda
ABSTAIN: None

ITEM NO. 17 AUTHORIZE ACTING CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AND FILE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR RENOVATIONS TO CALEXICO FIRE STATION NO. 2.

The following person provided public comments to the council: Janette Martinez.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to approve Item No. 17. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

AYES: Garcia, Moreno, Legaspi
NOES: None
ABSENT: Romo, Tylenda
ABSTAIN: None

ITEM NO. 18 APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE CITY OF CALEXICO AND THE UNITED STATES BORDER PATROL (USBP) TO REESTABLISH THE CALEXICO INVESTIGATIONS TEAM AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2024-__.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to approve Item No. 18. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

AYES: Garcia, Moreno, Legaspi
NOES: None
ABSENT: Romo, Tylenda
ABSTAIN: None

ITEM NO. 19 AUTHORIZE ACTING CITY MANAGER TO SIGN CHANGE ORDER NO. 8 WITH MOUNTAIN CASCADE, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$531,007.52 FOR THE NEW RIVER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – CALEXICO REACH.

The following persons provided public comments to the council: Karla Ibarra, and Jannette Martinez.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to approve Item No. 19. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

AYES: Garcia, Moreno, Legaspi
NOES: None
ABSENT: Romo, Tylenda
ABSTAIN: None

ITEM NO. 20 APPROVAL OF BID DOCUMENTS FOR SCARONI ROAD PAVEMENT REHABILITATION STAE PROJECT NO. LPPSB1L-5168(034) AND AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO SEND THE PROJECT OUT TO BID.

The following persons provided public comments to the council: Jannette Martinez and Ben Horton.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Mayor Garcia to approve Item No. 20. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

AYES: Garcia, Moreno, Legaspi
NOES: None
ABSENT: Romo, Tylenda
ABSTAIN: None

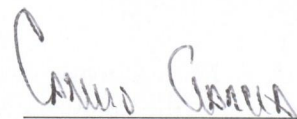
FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Legaspi requested to the Acting City Manager to look into fixing Scaroni Road by Denny's Restaurant.

Mayor Garcia requested a plan to restructure the entire business license process.

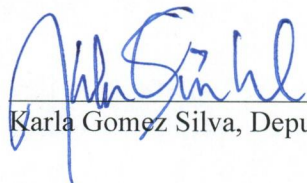
ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.



Camilio Garcia, Mayor

ATTEST:



Karla Gomez Silva, Deputy City Clerk