

**THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER 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 5:31 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:**

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

**ABSENT:**

Council Member: Lisa Tylenda

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

The following person provided public comments to the City Council: Teri Nava.

**ADJOURN TO CLOSE SESSION**

City Council adjourned to closed session at 5:34 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. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)  
The City of Calexico vs. The Housing Authority of Calexico, et al.  
Imperial County Superior Court, Case No. ECU003183
3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)  
CDF No. 2005-1 of the City of Calexico v. PCG – La Jolla Palms, L.P., et al  
Imperial County Superior Court, Case No. ECU07546
4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION  
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)  
CDF No. 2005-1 of the City of Calexico v. PCG – La Jolla Palms, L.P., et al  
Imperial County Superior Court, Case No. ECU07547
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-1714-M  
Service Employees International Union Local 221 v. City of Calexico

The City Council reconvened from close session at 6:32 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 6:34 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**PRESENT:**

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

**ABSENT:**

Council Member: Lisa Tylenda

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**MISSION STATEMENT**

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

**INVOCATION**

Deacon Gonzalez 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 add an Emergency Item that was brought to the City after the posting of the agenda and needs immediate attention, and also a request to add a presentation.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Romo to approve the agenda and add Emergency Item as Item No. 12A and a presentation as Item 6A. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

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

**PRESENTATIONS**

6. Proclamation – Lunar New Year 2025

Mayor Garcia presented Proclamation in English and Council Member Romo in Spanish.

6A. Presentation of the Serie del Caribe Mexicali 2025.

Comite de Turismo de Mexicali provided presentation.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES**

The following persons provided public comments to the City Council: Fausto Valenzuela, Alejandra Guerrero, Astrid Calderas, Monica Valdivia, Victor Rocha, Julio Rocha, Yolanda Cunningham and via email from Andres Hernandez.

**CITY MANAGER’S REPORT**

Acting City Manager Contreras reported on the following items: thanked City staff for their hard work; flyers were sent out for the Open House for Fire Station No. 2 scheduled for Friday, December 6, 2024; met with Public Works staff regarding sidewalks and ADU’s; visited the Calexico Airport Facility; Heber Park update; mentioned the speed bumps and Scaroni Road are on today’s agenda under Information Items; update on stop signs on C.N. perry; thanked the volunteer groups that are cleaning and painting graffiti and vandalized areas.

**COMMISSIONER’S REPORT**

Patricia Ureña reported on the following: thanked Public Works Manager Falomir for the hard work and listening to their concerns; met with Park Recreation Beautification and Volunteer Services Committee at Public Library; met with Acting City Manager, Council Member Legaspi, Supervisor Escobar and members of the community to discuss the Park Project. Joseph Guilin reported that they are working together with the Police Department regarding parking meters fees and schedules.

**CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED**

Mayor Pro Tem Moreno reported on the following: congratulated the Asian community on the Proclamation for Lunar New Year 2025; asked that the public continue to give their public comments at the meetings.

Council Member Legaspi reported on the following: visited the Calexico Airport with Acting City Manager; met with the Community Services Commissioners regarding Rodriguez Park and also working on other parks.

Mayor Garcia reported on the following: reminded the public about the Farmworkers Breakfast coming up; thanked the Comite de Turismo de Mexicali for the presentation; announced that he will be making the following donations from his discretionary fund: \$100 to Kids in Badges, \$100 to Friends of the Library and \$300 for the Fire Station No. 2 for kitchen supplies.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

The following persons provided public comments to the City Council: Victor Rocha, Yolanda Cunningham, Diana Nuricumbo, and Leticia Cota.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Romo to approve only Item No. 7 and table Items No. 8 and No. 9 from the Consent Agenda: Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Finance Authority Minutes for Meetings of October 4, 2023, October 18, 2023, November 15, 2023, November 22, 2023, and November 20, 2024. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

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

**DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS**

**ITEM NO. 10 AUTHORIZE ACTING CITY MANAGER TO SIGN CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 WITH ROVE ENGINEERING, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$631,514.00 FOR COLE BLVD. BETWEEN M.L. KING AVE. AND BOWKER RD. REHABILITATION FEDERAL-AID PROJECT NO. STLP-5168(035).**

The following persons provided public comments to the council: Diana Nuricumbo, and Jose Hinojosa.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Romo to table Item No. 10. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

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

**ITEM NO. 11 RESOLUTION APPROVING AND ADOPTING AN AMENDED CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE PURSUANT TO THE POLITICAL REFORM ACT OF 1974.**

The following persons provided public comments to the council: Victor Rocha and Alejandra Guerrero.

Motion was made by Council Member Romo, seconded by Mayor Garcia to approve Item No. 11. Motion failed with the following vote to wit:

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

**ITEM NO. 12 APPROVAL OF MASTER CALENDAR OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2025.**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to approve Item No. 12. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

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

**EMERGENCY ITEM 12A APPROVAL OF MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE CITY OF CALEXICO AND THE IMPERIAL COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH, (COUNTY) AND THE CITY OF CALEXICO FIRE DEPARTMENT, (SERVICE PROVIDER) AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2024-\_\_.**

Motion was made by Council Member Romo, seconded by Mayor Garcia to approve Emergency Item No. 12A. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

AYES: Garcia, Moreno, Romo, Legaspi  
 NOES: None

ABSENT: Tylenda  
ABSTAIN: None

**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Acting City Manager Contreras provided brief explanation on these items and skipped Item No. 15 as was requested by Council Member Tylenda and she was absent.

**ITEM NO. 13 LOCAL APPOINTMENTS LIST 2025 IN CONFORMANCE WITH THE MADDY ACT, CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE.**

**ITEM NO. 14 ADRIAN C. CORDOVA MEMORIAL PARK SPEED HUMPS.**

**ITEM NO. 15 RED ZONES IN CALEXICO: CALIFORNIA LAWS, CITY ORDINANCES, AND SOLUTIONS TO IMPROVE TRAFFIC FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES, STREET SWEEPERS AND TRASH TRUCKS. (REQUESTED BY COUNCIL MEMBER TYLEND).**

**ITEM NO. 16 SCARONI ROAD BETWEEN SR-98 AND COLE BLVD.**

**FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Council Member Legaspi requested the following: a stop sign traffic study on Meadows Road from the Police Department; trash cans for Cordova Park and a possible basketball court.

Chief Orozco made the following announcements: Kids and Badges Annual Event scheduled on December 11, 2024; town hall meeting regarding downtown safety and meters on December 17, 2024 and invited the City Council and the community to participate.

Council Member Romo requested a report on the rate increase of the local taxes to \$6.50.

Mayor Pro Tem Moreno recommended having a Project Review Committee for all new City Projects to avoid surprises and stay within budget.

Mayor Garcia requested a special meeting for next week on Wednesday or Thursday.

**ADJOURNMENT**

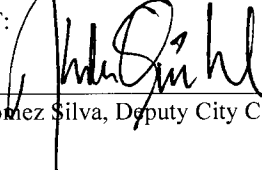
Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Moreno, seconded by Council Member Legaspi to adjourn meeting. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Signed by:  
*Camilo Garcia*  
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Camilio Garcia, Mayor

ATTEST:   
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Karla Gomez Silva, Deputy City Clerk