

THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 15TH DAY OF JANUARY 2025 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 Nuricumbo called the closed session portion of the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor: Diana Nuricumbo
Mayor Pro Tem: Victor Legaspi
Council Member: Lisa Tylenda
Council Member: Adriana Marquez

ABSENT:

Council Member: Lorenzo Calderon

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

City Attorney Carlos Campos stated that the Calexico Police Officers Association needed to be added to Item No. 1.

Motion was made by Mayor Nuricumbo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi to add the Calexico Police Officers Association to Item No. 1. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

YES: Nuricumbo, Legaspi, Tylenda, Marquez
NOES: None
ABSENT: Calderon
ABSTAIN: None

ADJOURN TO CLOSE SESSION

City Council adjourned to closed session at 5:36 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
Calexico Management Association and Calexico Police Officers Association.
2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Representatives: Juan Contreras, Acting City Manager, Carlos Campos, City Attorney
Unrepresented Employee: Fire Chief
3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
The City of Calexico v. The Housing Authority of Calexico, et al.
Imperial County Superior Court

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

The City Council reconvened from close session at 6:51 p.m.

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

OPEN SESSION – 6:30 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Nuricumbo called the open session portion of the meeting to order at 6:53 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

- Mayor: Diana Nuricumbo
- Mayor Pro Tem: Victor Legaspi
- Council Member: Lisa Tylenda
- Council Member: Adriana Marquez
- Council Member: Lorenzo Calderon

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Nuricumbo led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance and asked for a moment of Silence for the passing of President Carter and for the victims of the Los Angeles area fires.

MISSION STATEMENT

Mayor Nuricumbo led those present in the Mission Statement.

INVOCATION

Father Rojas 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 requested a revision to the agenda, to table Item No. 13 and Item No. 14.

Motion was made by Council Member Tylenda, seconded by Council Member Marquez to approve the agenda with the following revisions: table Item No. 13 and Item No. 14; move Item No. 16 as Item No. 12 and Item No. 12 as Item No. 12A. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

- 5. Certificate of Appreciation to Mujeres with Voices.

Certificate was presented by Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi

6. Certificate of Appreciation to Kids and Badges (Calexico Police Department).

Certificate was presented by Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi.

7. Certificate of Appreciation to Calexico Volunteer Alliance Group.

Certificate was presented by Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi.

8. Certificate of Appreciation to Carpenters Union 619.

Certificate was presented by Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi.

9. Certificate of Appreciation to IBEW (International of Brotherhood Electrical Workers).

Certificate was presented by Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi.

10. Mayoral Recognition to Nayra Ocegüera.

Recognition was presented by Mayor Nuricumbo.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES

The following persons provided public comments to the Council: Oscar Pesqueira, Jesse Garcia, Ben Horton, David Saunders, Victor Rocha, Jesus Solano, Julio Rocha, Carmen Estrada, Joni Santana, and Yolanda Cunningham.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

Acting City Manager Contreras reported on the following items: wished everyone a Happy New Year; gave His condolences to families who lost family members in the Los Angeles Fires; thanked city staff and volunteer groups for all their hard work; held first department head meeting of the year; stated that City Clerk was up to date with her City Council meeting minutes; update on the old Tortas and Beer building cleanup; met with ICTC regarding \$115,000.00 awarded to the City; met with CivicPlus regarding City Council meeting minutes; updating the Social Media website in order to make it more user friendly; attended the City Library Connect Program; attended the ribbon cutting/grand opening of two new business in Calexico, Daiso and El Jumping Bean Taqueria; stated that Planning & Building Director Coyne provided a status report on code enforcement and building permits and is also working on the following: 1)department website, 2) will be bringing an ordinance to council regarding ADU's and JADU's, 3) is looking into the Airport's Land Use Commission projects deemed inconsistent, 4) is also working on the Telecommunication ordinance that will be taken to council by June 2025.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi reported on the following items: attended the Art Show with Council Member Marquez; attended the ribbon cutting/grand opening of Daiso and El Jumping Bean Taqueria; attended SCAG meeting with Council Member Marquez; visited the Mexicali Police Department and stated the Mexicali Police Chief will be visiting Calexico to meet with Chief Orozco.

Council Member Tylenda reported on the following items: visited Rodriguez Park to see all the work being done by the volunteer groups; met with City staff regarding cleanup, code enforcement, and police questions regarding the unhoused efforts; met with Caltrans and ICTC regarding traffic congestion and concerns.

Council Member Marquez reported on the following items: thanked the Recreation Department for their work in the Christmas event; visited Nosotros Park and Rodriguez Park with Acting City Manager and Mayor Nuricumbo and are working on solutions to improve the conditions; met with volunteer groups working on Rodriguez Park; attended the reorganization of the Imperial County Board of Supervisors; attended SCAG meeting with Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi; attended the Calexico Art Council and thanked Jimmy Duron and Eduardo Quintero for their work; attended the ribbon cutting/grand opening of El Jumping Bean Taqueria; met with members of the Victoria Bravo community.

Council Member Calderon reported on the following items: attended two new business ribbon cutting/grand openings in the City; thanked the volunteer groups; congratulated Acting City manager Contreras for his work.

Mayor Nuricumbo reported on the following items: met with ICTC, Department of Transportation and Caltrans regarding border traffic; met with Imperial Valley Economic Development Corporation regarding ways to bring more businesses to the City; met with the Dean of San Diego State University Imperial Valley Campus to restart relationship and collaboration with our academic community and our students.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi, seconded by Council Member Tylenda to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following item: Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Finance Authority Minutes for Meetings of December 11, 2024 and December 18, 2024. Motion passed with the following vote to wit:

- AYES: Nuricumbo, Legaspi, Tylenda, Marquez
- NOES: Calderon
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None

Council Member Calderon requested to retract his vote on Consent Agenda and voted yes. Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

ITEM NO. 12 (PREVIOUSLY ITEM NO. 16) RESOLUTION REQUESTING A FORMAL PRESENTATION FROM THE IMPERIAL IRRIGATION DISTRICT (IID) REGARDING PROPOSED RATE INCREASES TO POWER AND WATER USERS.

The following persons provided public comments to the Council: David Saunders, and Jesus Solano.

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

- AYES: Nuricumbo, Legaspi, Tylenda, Marquez
- NOES: Calderon
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None

ITEM NO. 12A (PREVIOUSLY ITEM NO. 12) AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CALEXICO MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTERS 2.19, 2.27, 2.28, AND 2.56 REGARDING GENERAL COMMISSION PROCEDURES, COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMISSION, PLANNING COMMISSION AND COMMUNITY POLICE ADVISORY, TRAFFIC AND CODE ENFORCEMENT COMMISSION AND ADDING A COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT COMMISSION.

The following persons provided public comments to the Council: Yolanda Cunningham, Jesus Solano, Bertha Carreno, Anna Serrano, Gerardo and Lupe Jimenez, Victor Rocha, and Jose Hinojosa.

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

AYES: Nuricumbo, Legaspi, Tylenda, Marquez
NOES: Calderon
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

ITEM NO. 13 APPROVAL OF THE MAILING OF PROPOSITION 218 NOTICE FOR COMMERCIAL AND RESIDENTIAL SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES PROVIDED BY REPUBLIC SERVICES.

This item was tabled.

ITEM NO. 14 APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO AUTHORIZING THE SELECTION OF IPS AS THE VENDOR FOR THE PURCHASE AND IMPLEMENTATION OF 615 PARKING METERS.

This item was tabled.

ITEM NO. 15 APPOINTMENT BY MAYOR NURICUMBO OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING OFFICER PURSUANT TO MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 1.27.090 – HEARING OFFICER.

Mayor Nuricumbo appointed Karla Flores as the Administrative Hearing Officer.

ITEM NO. 17 APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU) BETWEEN THE CALEXICO POLICE DEPARTMENT (CPD) AND THE WHOLE PERSON CARE CLINIC SOBERING CENTER.

Motion was made by Council Member Tylenda, seconded by Council Member Calderon to approve Item No. 17. Motion passed unanimously.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi requested the following items: thanked Acting City Manager for outstanding job; requested to have the pillars, for the access of Nosotros Park, removed temporarily during the baseball league; requested cameras be installed in the areas that have tagging issues; requested report on Heber Park and a report on the speed bumps for the next meeting; a town hall meeting regarding Heber Park.

Council Member Tylenda requested the following items: bring back the item for a forensic audit for both the Finance and Public Works Departments and bring the draft RFP for council review for next meeting; an update on the Cesar Chavez property.

Council Member Marquez requested the following items: an update on the proposal of having an individual watching the parks after dark to lock up gates, turn lights on and off, and in charge of irrigation; have someone look into the water pump at Rodriguez Park which is not working; would like to meet with Parks and Recreation to bring back the Farmer's Market; requested Chief Orozco look into creating a volunteer patrol for the downtown area; thanked Acting City Manager Contreras for his hard work; thanked the Calexico Fire Department and thanked the department heads for their attendance and their help.

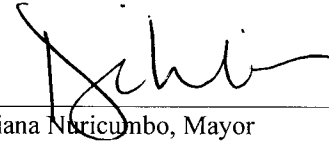
Council Member Calderon requested the following items: have all the dead trees in the City cut down and removed; status update regarding the plumbing issues in the restrooms at Alex Rivera Park.

Mayor Nuricumbo requested the following items: watering of the City's public green areas; to maintain a proactive approach to the unhoused situation; to find a way to have Code Enforcement officer on weekends; to work in conjunction and start repairs in both Nosotros Park and Rodriguez Park; find a way to tackle the tagging issues, to catch these individuals as well as Code Enforcement going ahead with citations to private properties that have been tagged; requested a trash can for the Bank of America ATM's.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion made by Council Member Calderon, seconded by Council Member Tylenda to adjourn meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:32 p.m.



Diana Nuricumbo, Mayor

ATTEST:



Veronica L. Alvarado, City Clerk