

**AGENDA
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CITY COUNCIL
AGENDA STAFF REPORT

DATE: January 21, 2026
TO: Mayor and City Council
APPROVED BY: Benjamin A. Martinez, City Manager *[Signature]*
PREPARED BY: Veronica Luna-Alvarado, City Clerk *[Signature]*
SUBJECT: Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority/Planning Commission Minutes for Meeting of October 15, 2025.

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Recommendation:

Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority/Planning Commission Minutes for Meeting of October 15, 2025.

Background:

In accordance with Municipal Code Section 2.04.070, the City Clerk shall prepare minutes of the proceedings of each City Council Meeting.

Discussion and Analysis:

City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority/Planning Commission Minutes for Meeting of October 15, 2025.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Coordinated With:

None.

Attachment(s):

- 1. Minutes for the City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority/Planning Commission Minutes for Meeting of October 15, 2025

ATTACHMENT NO. 1

THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY/PLANNING COMMISSION MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 15th DAY OF OCTOBER 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 5:33 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

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

ABSENT:

Council Member: Lisa Tylenda – arrived at 5:47 p.m.
Council Member: Lorenzo Calderon – arrived at 5:42 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments.

ADJOURN TO CLOSE SESSION

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: Benjamin A. Martinez, City Manager, Carlos Campos, City Attorney
Employee Organizations: Calexico Municipal Employees Association, Calexico Firefighters Association, Certified Operators Association/SEIU Local 221, Calexico Police Officers Association, Supervisors Association, Calexico City Management Association.
2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Initiation of Litigation, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c)
Seven (7) Potential Cases
3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE
Title: City Manager

The City Council reconvened from close session at 6:37 p.m.

**CALEXICO CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO REDEVELOPMENT
SUCCESSOR 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 6:41 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 Pro Tem Legaspi led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Pastor Frank Zazueta led those present in prayer.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Attorney Carlos Campos stated there was no reportable action.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

City Manager requested Item No. 24 be moved up to presentations after Item No. 4A, and Items No. 12, 17 and 18 be pulled from consent for discussion. Council Member Calderon requested Items No. 11 and 13 be pulled from consent as well for discussion.

Motion was made by Mayor Nuricumbo, seconded by Council Member Marquez to approve the agenda with the requested changes. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS:

Proclamation – October 24, 2025 as World Polio Day.

Proclamation – Month of October 2025 as Crime Prevention Month.

Presentation – Informational Report on the California State Auditor’s Removal of the City of Calexico from the High-Risk Local Government Agency List.

ANNOUNCEMENTS – None

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES

The following person(s) provided public comments to council: Alfredo Ortega, Miriam Ortega, Pat Urena, Maricela Landavaro, Patricia Macias, Abel Prieto, Lorenzo Hernandez, Jose Castro, Joong Kim, Monica Valdivia and Luz Vallejo.

CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

City Manager Martinez reported on the following: the date is set for the Priorities Workshop with the Mayor and City Council on October 29, 2025, at 4:00 p.m.

COMMISSIONER’S REPORT

Pat Ureña, Community Services Commission, reported they met on October 8th and provided updates on Nosotros Park, Rodriguez Park, Heber Expansion and Cordova Park; they are working with Public Works Department, 619 Carpenters Union and volunteers for the betterment of the parks; next commission meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2025.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi reported on the following items: met with the City Manager, Councilmember Calderon and Public Works Director regarding the past storm; attended the parade committee meeting; attended the Police Commissioners Ad-Hoc Committee; attended the Kids and Badges program meeting; scheduled meeting with Police Chief and City Manager regarding the vandalism occurring in our parks.

Council Member Tylanda reported on the following items: attended the California League of Cities Conference; attended a New River Prop 4 meeting with various agencies; met with the risk manager from Joint Powers Insurance Authority (JPIA) to hopefully in the future become insured by them again; met with various residents regarding traffic and parking issues; stated Nosotros Park is being targeted with graffiti and needs some attention; invited the public to attend the Calexico Police Officers Association's Event "Nightmare on Fifth Street" on November 1, 2025.

Council Member Marquez reported on the following items: attended the California League of Cities Conference; met with Chief Contreras regarding his efforts to make the Calexico Fire Department better; attended the Kids and Badges meeting; met with city employees to thank them and listen to their concerns.

Council Member Calderon reported on the following items: met with Public Works Director Villegas regarding the water basins and called the County to request they spray the water in the retention basin to make sure the mosquito issue does not increase; thanked Republic Services for their quick clean up response after Tropical Storm Mario; attended the California League of Cities Conference.

Mayor Nuricumbo reported on the following item: no report at this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

The following person(s) provided public comments to council: Joong Kim, and Max Marquez.

Motion was made by Council Member Calderon, seconded by Council Member Marquez to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following items: City Salaries Report from September 1, 2025, thru September 30, 2025; City Warrants Report from September 1, 2025, thru September 30, 2025; Approval of Professional Ambulance Billing Services Agreement with Wittman Enterprises, LLC for FY 2025-2028; Mutual Aid Agreement Between the City of Calexico Fire Department and American Medical Responses (AMR); Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to Execute the 2026 Lunch at the Library Grant Program and Authorize the 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; Staff Recommends that the City Council Adopt the Attached Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or Chief of Police to Approve or Deny License Plate Reader (LPR) Contracts; Ratification of a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager or his Designee to Execute Grant Award Agreement and/or any Documentation Pertaining to Grant No. SBRC25417CA with The Southwest Border Regional Commission for New Clarifier at Water Treatment Plant; Request for Approval of Cost of Living (COLA) Increase for Contract Employee Veronica Alvarado and Adoption of Revised General Schedule to Range G-51 CC; Authorize City Manager to Sign Agreement between the City of Calexico and Ecology Organics, a d.b.a. of Ecology Auto Parts, Inc. for the Removal of Biosolids at Wastewater Treatment Plant. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION**ITEM NO. 11. APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2025-__ OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO APPROVING THE HOSTING OF THE NATIONAL NIGHT OUT EVENT ON NOVEMBER 13, 2025, AT ROCKWOOD PLAZA.**

The following person(s) provided public comments to council: Javier Gonzalez.

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

ITEM NO. 12. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2025-__ OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO OPPOSING CALIFORNIA PROPOSITION 50, THE USE OF LEGISLATIVE CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING MAP AMENDMENT.

Brief explanation was provided by Mayor Nuricumbo.

The following person(s) provided public comments to council: Pat Urena, Frances Beope, Javier Gonzalez, John Hawk, Sean Wilcock, Sayrs Morris, Joong Kim, Joseph Guilin, Hector Meza, Luis Castro, Timothy Kelly, Roxasanna Pacheco, Jesus Eduardo Escobar, Blake Miles, Crystal Cortez and Kristian Salgado.

Discussion was held by Council.

Motion was made by Council Member Tylenda, seconded by Mayor Nuricumbo to approve Item No. 12 and the resolution opposing Proposition 50. Motion failed by the following vote to wit:

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

ITEM NO. 13. AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO ISSUE PURCHASE ORDER TO GREAT WESTERN RECREATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$51,488.50 TO PURCHASE AND INSTALL REPLACEMENT PARTS FOR ADRIAN CORDOVA MEMORIAL PARK.

The following person(s) provided public comments to council: Monica Valdivia, Yolanda Cunningham, Joong Kim and Kristian Salgado.

Motion was made by Mayor Nuricumbo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi to approve Item No. 13. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM NO. 17. DISCUSS AND REVIEW PROPOSED FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) USER FEE SCHEDULE PER THE EMS RATE STUDY DATED APRIL 2018 AND SET A PUBLIC HEARING DATE OF NOVEMBER 5, 2025.

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

ITEM NO. 18. AUTHORIZE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO ADVERTISE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES TO REPLACE THE EXISTING GASEOUS CHLORINE FEED SYSTEM WITH A LIQUID HYPOCHLORITE FEED SYSTEM AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND EASTSIDE RESERVOIR.

Fernando Williams, Public Works Department, provided brief explanation and brief discussion was held.

The following person(s) provided public comments to council: Joong Kim.

Motion was made by Council Member Calderon, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi to approve Item No. 18. Motion passed unanimously.

Motion was made by Mayor Nuricumbo, seconded by Council Member Calderon to extend the meeting past 9:30 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Nuricumbo called for a 5-minute recess at 9:29 p.m.

Council reconvened at 9:40 p.m.

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

ITEM NO. 19. APPROVE THE CITY OF CALEXICO FIVE (5) YEAR PROGRAM PROJECTS 2024-2029 FOR ROAD PROJECTS TO BE FUNDED BY IMPERIAL COUNTY LOCAL TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (LTA) SALES TAX REVENUE BOND.

The following person(s) provided public comments to council: Joong Kim.

Motion was made by Mayor Nuricumbo, seconded by Council Member Marquez to approve Item No. 19. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM NO. 20. STAFF RECOMMEND THAT THE CITY COUNCIL APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE TO CONTINUE CONTRACT WITH AXON ENTERPRISES, INC. FOR USE BY THE CALEXICO POLICE DEPARTMENT.

Motion was made by Council Member Tylenda, seconded by Council Member Calderon to approve Item No. 20. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM NO. 21. ADOPT AND SUBMIT CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (CAL OES) UNIVERSAL RESOLUTION AND RATIFY AUTHORIZATION FOR CITY MANAGER TO SIGN PROJECT ASSURANCES FOR FEDERAL ASSISTANCE.

Motion was made by Council Member Calderon, seconded by Council Member Tylenda to approve Item No. 21. Motion passed unanimously.

ITEM NO. 22 AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER OR HIS REPRESENTATIVE TO SURPLUS THE TRAILERS AND APPROVE THE TRANSFER OF FIVE (5) TRAILERS TO THE REPS FOR VETS, A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION.

Motion was made by Mayor Nuricumbo, seconded by Council Member Calderon to approve Item No. 22. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC HEARING

ITEM NO. 23 PUBLIC HEARING ON AN URGENCY INTERIM ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO ESTABLISHING A MORATORIUM ON NEW APPLICATIONS AND NEW PERMIT RENEWAL APPLICATIONS FOR COMMERCIAL CANNABIS BUSINESSES.

Mayor Nuricumbo opened the public hearing at 10:06 p.m.

Planning & Building Director Coyne provided an overview of the item and discussion was held.

There being no public comments, Mayor Nuricumbo closed the public comment portion of the hearing at 10:20 p.m.

Motion was made by Council Member Tylenda, seconded by Council Member Marquez to approve Item No. 23. Motion passed unanimously.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

ITEM NO. 25. STATUS BY AUDIT FINDINGS FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (CDHCD) FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP ACT (HOME).

City Manager Martinez provided brief explanation.

ITEM NO. 26 TRUCK ROUTE ON COLE BOULEVARD BETWEEN M.L. KING AVENUE AND BOWKER ROAD.

Public Works Director/City Engineer Villegas provided brief explanation.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi requested the following items: (1) mosquito issue at the retention basin: Public Works Director/City Engineer Villegas provided brief update and City Manager Martinez stated an update will be provided on 11-5-2025; (2) food truck ordinance; Planning & Building Director Coyne stated that they are looking to bring an ordinance at the second meeting in November.

Council Member Tylanda requested the following items: (1) update on adjustment of permit fees; (2) department memos; (3) business license fee for special events to mirror the garage permit process (previously seconded by Mayor Nuricumbo and Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi); (4) agenda policy for review and discussion (seconded by Mayor Nuricumbo); (5) requested a while back an update on school fees; (6) requested a workshop united with the Calexico School District to see what we can do to help our community. Councilmember Tylanda stated the items she is requesting today, she has already requested in the past.

Council Member Marquez requested the following items: (1) support first responders by not over working them and instead of overtime, hire more people; (2) parking lot behind the Fire Department needs to be fixed, and Fire Chief stated he did receive quote from Rove since they were working next door at the PD; (3) bring back the meetings regarding the Heber Park updates, meetings were held every week, then every two weeks and now she has not heard anything; Mayor Nuricumbo stated they were meeting in the first week of November with the officer from the state, City Manager stated that at staff level, have been working on this and will have an update soon as for state level both Mayor Nuricumbo and Councilmember Tylanda expressed interest going and meeting with them; (4) find out what is going on with the apartment building in La Jolla Palms.

Council Member Calderon requested the following items: (1) has been asking to have the dead trees on Hwy 98 removed and with Tropical Storm Mario now there are weeds as well, it is a safety and fire hazard, stated that we didn't need an agenda item, we just need to get it done.

Mayor Nuricumbo requested for the priorities workshop: (1) requested that the items that were brought up to be on the priorities meeting; (2) specifically agrees with the fee study, the agenda policy, the school district workshop.

Councilmember Marquez asked when she was going to get the information regarding the building in La Jolla Palms. Planning & Building Director Coyne stated he could get the information tomorrow. City Manager Martinez stated that all council members will receive the information.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Council Member Tylanda, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Legaspi to adjourn meeting. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 10:58 p.m.

Diana Nuricumbo, Mayor

ATTEST:

Veronica Luna-Alvarado, City Clerk