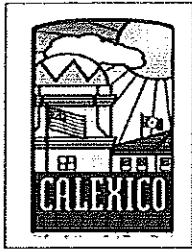


AGENDA
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AGENDA STAFF REPORT

DATE: April 7, 2021

TO: Mayor and City Council

APPROVED BY: Miguel Figueroa, City Manager *MF*

PREPARED BY: Lilliana Falomir, Public Works Manager – Administrative *L. Falomir*

SUBJECT: Informational Item: Adopt-A-Green Area Program

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Recommendation:

Informational Item: Adopt-A-Green Area Program.

Background:

Several years ago the City Council of the City of Calexico adopted the Adopt-A-Green Area Program which is designed to promote community pride and involvement in maintaining and enhancing our facilities for all to enjoy. In coordination with Public Works Department, individuals, families, civic and business organizations can take an active role and a hands-on approach in various levels of maintenance of our green areas, parks and facilities. Sites approved for adoption as determined by the Parks, Recreation, Beautification, and Senior Services Commission.

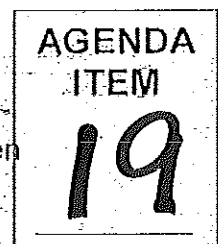
Participation activities include but not limited to the following:

1. Removal of litter
2. Planting or establishing, seedlings, trees, shrubs or flowers
3. Graffiti abatement
4. Painting
5. Watering
6. Weed control

The Adopt-A-Green Area Program is a two (2) year term, nontransferable and renewable at the end of each term if participant so desire

Discussion & Analysis:

On March 10, 2021, the Parks, Recreation, Beautification, and Senior Services Commission of the City of Calexico approved nine (9) Adopt-A-Green Area Program applications for the following individuals/organizations:



#	Applicant	Green Area	Location
1	Ana Rosa Renison	Victoria Estates Park	1200 Rancho Frontera
2	Guadalupe Salcedo	Victoria Park East Basin	1200 Block of Zapata St
3	CPAA	Meadows Estates South Basin	1100 Block of Andrade Ave
4	Carmen Zuniga Estrada	Meadows Estates North Basin	1200 Block of Andrade Ave
5	Carmen Zuniga Estrada	Carmen Zuniga Estrada	5 th St and Andrade Ave
6	CPAA	Adrian C. Cordova Memorial Park	2200 Block of Clinton Ave
7	Jesse R. Garcia	Rodriguez Park	520 McKinley St
8	Gloria G. Romo	Border Friendship Park (Genaro "Teco" Monroy)	First St. and Paulin Ave
9	ZT Baseball Imperial Valley	Rodriguez Field	500 Block of Sheridan St

On March 15, 2021, the Public Works Department received three (3) applications for the following areas:

#	Green Area	Location
1	Kennedy Gardens Park	200 Block Espinoza St
2	John F. Kennedy Park	1200 Block CN Perry Ave
3	Kennedy Gardens Green Area	200 R. Kennedy

The above-mentioned applications are tentatively scheduled to be presented to the Parks, Recreation, Beautification, and Senior Services Commission on April 14, 2021.

Please note that the following fourteen (14) areas are available for adoption:

#	Green Area	Location
1	Miguel Cortez Park	Second St & Andrade Ave
2	Rockwood Plaza Park	Fifth St & Heber Ave
3	Rio Vista Park	600 Block Emilia Dr
4	Nosotros Park	600 Kloke Ave
5	Nosotros Softball Field	600 Block Linholm Ave
6	Heber Park	900 Block Harold Ave
7	Crummett Park	800 Block E. Belcher St
8	Gutierrez Field	900 Block Andrade Ave
9	Las Casitas Field	500 Block S. Ellis St
10	Kennedy Gardens Green Area	100 Block Banagas Ct
11	Victoria Park West Basin	800 Block Zapata St
12	Victoria Park North Basin	900 Block Meadows Dr
13	Villa de Oro Basin	800 Block Calle de Oro East
14	Joel Risien Field	1100 Block Sapphire St

Fiscal Impact:

None at this time.

Coordinated With:

Public Works Department.

Attachment:

1. Adopt-A-Green Area Program Information and Application Form.

CITY OF CALEXICO
ADOPT-A-GREEN AREA PROGRAM

ADOPTED BY

AVAILABLE

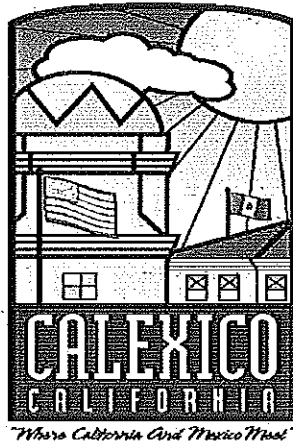
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PROGRAM INFORMATION
& APPLICATION FORMS

CITY OF CALEXICO
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT
608 HEBER AVENUE
CALEXICO, CALIFORNIA
760/768-2160
www.calexico.ca.gov

CITY OF CALEXICO



OUR MISSION

"Together, we pledge to provide effective and efficient services in a courteous and respectful manner, to improve the quality of life for all that reside in or visit our unique border community"

CITY OFFICIALS AND STAFF

Mayor:	Rosie Arreola-Fernandez
Mayor Pro-Tem:	Javier Moreno
Council Member:	Raul Ureña
Council Member:	Gloria Romo
Council Member:	Camilo Gracia
City Clerk:	Gabriela T. Garcia
City Attorney:	Carlos Campos
City Manager:	Miguel Figueroa

ABOUT THE PROGRAM:

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PARTICIPANTS:

Can do the work with their volunteers, hire a contractor or provide financial sponsorship. Participants may include one of the following or in combination.

- Individuals and Families (Must be at least 12 years of age)
- Civil, Social, Sports, School or Non-Profit Organizations.
- Businesses or Contractors.
- Government Agencies

PARTICIPATION ACTIVITIES:

Performance of one or more of, but not limited to the following activities.

- Removal of litter.
- Planting or establishing, seedlings, trees, shrubs or flowers.
- Graffiti abatement.
- Painting
- Watering
- Weed control

PARTICIPANT'S COMMITMENT:

Carefully read and sign all of the necessary documentation.

- Minimum requirement, to perform at least one (1) activity per month.
- Contract term is for two (2) years, nontransferable and renewable at the end of each term if participant so desires.
- Notify the Public Works Department seven (7) days prior to holding an activity.
- At all times exercise safe working practices.

(Participant or the City of Caléxico has the right to cancel or temporarily suspend the contract at any time if participant is unable to meet the minimum requirements or for any other due cause)

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:

The City of Calexico **does not** provide insurance coverage for participants. Adoptees must provide the City with an annual Certificate of Liability Coverage naming the City as an Additional Insured in an amount of not less than \$1 million per event or activity.

CITY'S COMMITMENT:

To provide assistance to the participants in this program to achieve the goals they have set through their activities.

- Loan safety gear.
- Provide plastic trash bags, collection and disposal.
- Assist in planting plans and techniques.
- Safety orientation.
- Replacement of recognition sign at the adopted site.

SAFETY:

Is of the utmost importance and the number one concern. Safety measures are to be in place at all times.

- Representative of participating groups must attend a safety orientation meeting.
- All participants and/or volunteers must sign a City of Calexico's Release, Hold Harmless and Agreement not to Sue form.
- Use common sense at all times.
- Notify Public Works Department of any hazard you may have encountered.
- Avoid overexertion and drink plenty of fluids.

KEY STEPS:

- Contact the Public Works Department at (760)768-2160 for adoption opportunities.
- Complete application and submit it as soon as possible.
- Provide an activity plan and schedule.

The City of Calexico would like to take this opportunity to THANK YOU in advance for your consideration in the participation of this wonderful program that is designed to enhance the quality life in our great city.

**CITY OF CALEXICO
ADOPT-A-GREEN AREA PROGRAM
ORGANIZATION RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND AGREEMENT NOT TO
SUE**

ORGANIZATION/GROUP: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ TEL: _____

RESPONSIBLE INDIVIDUAL PARTY NAME: _____

1. On behalf of (Organization Name) _____, I fully understand that our participation in the Adopt-A-Green Area program ("Program") exposes us to the risk of personal injury, death or property damage and the City of Calexico ("City") in no way assumes any liability for any such risks, even if the City provides safety equipment. I hereby acknowledge that we are voluntarily participating in this Program and agree to assume any and all such risks.

2. We hereby release, discharge and agree not to sue the City, its officials, employees, agents, and volunteers for any injury, death, damage to or loss of personal property arising out of, or in connection with, our participation in the Program from whatever cause, including the active or passive negligence of the City, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers or any other participants in the Program. The parties to this agreement understand that this document is not intended to release any party from an act or omission of "gross negligence," as that term is used in applicable case law and/or statutory provision.

3. In consideration for being permitted to participate in the Program, we hereby agree to indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers from any and all claims, demands, actions, or suits arising out of or in connection with our participation in the Program.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND AGREEMENT NOT TO SUE AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT IT IS A FULL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY AND SIGN ON MY OWN FREE WILL. I AM AUTHORIZED TO SIGN THIS DOCUMENT ON BEHALF OF ALL MEMBERS OF THE GROUP/ORGANIZATION I REPRESENT.

DATE: _____

RESPONSIBLE PARTY SIGNATURE: _____

**CITY OF CALEXICO ADOPT-A-GREEN AREA PROGRAM
INDIVIDUAL RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS AND AGREEMENT NOT TO SUE**

(GROUP ASSOCIATED WITH)

PARTICIPANT: _____ AGE: _____ D.O.B. _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ TEL: _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT: _____ TEL: _____

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3. In consideration for being permitted to participate in the Program, I hereby agree, for myself, my heirs, administrators, executors and assigns, that I shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City, its officers, employees, agents, and volunteers (collectively, "City Indemnitees") from any and all claims, demands, actions, or suits arising out of or in connection with my participation in the Program.

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DATE: _____ SIGNATURE: _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN: _____
(IF PARTICIPANT IS UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE)

DECLARATION FOR MINORS (UNDER 18)

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that I am the parent or legal guardian of Minor. I further declare that I shall indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the City Indemnitees from and against any and all claims resulting from, incident to, or arising out of Minor's participation in the Program, any and all risks assumed by Minor and me above, and/or the breach of any promises, covenants, and/or representations made by me herein and/or in the above Release.

By: _____
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

Name: _____
Printed Name of Parent/Legal Guardian

**CITY OF CALEXICO
ADOPT-A-GREEN AREA PROGRAM
APPLICATION**

Permission requested to encroach on the City of Calexico's Right of Way requires the following
Fill in all items found below, N/A if not applicable, complete all forms before submitting application.

INFORMATION	APPLICANT OR ORGANIZATION		DATE
	ADDRESS		
	CITY, STATE & ZIP CODE		
	TELEPHONE NUMBERS		
LOCATION	SITE NAME		
	STREET		
	CROSS STREET		
WORKFORCE	TO BE PREFORMED BY		
	VOLUNTEERS	OWN FORCES	CONTRACT FORCES

The undersigned agrees that the work will be done in accordance with the City of Calexico
Public Works Department Rules and Regulations and subject to inspection and approval.

PRINT NAME	TITLE
SIGNATURE	DATE

APPROVED BY:
DATE OF APPROVAL:



PERMIT NUMBER:
EXPIRATION DATE:

Public Works Department

CITY OF CALEXICO
PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT



LIST OF ADOPTABLE GREEN AREAS

Locations	Adopted	Date
Border Friendship Park (Genaro "Teco" Monroy) First & Paulin	X	03/10/2021
Miguel Cortez Park Second Street & Andrade Avenue		
Carmen Estrada Basin Fifth Street & Andrade Avenue	X	03/10/2021
Rockwood Plaza Park Fifth Street & Heber Avenue		
Río Vista Park (Emilia) 600 Block Emilia Drive		
Nosotros Park 600 Kloke Avenue		
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Rodriguez Park 520 Mc Kinley Street	X	03/10/2021
Rodriguez Field 500 Block Sheridan Street	X	03/10/2021
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Villa de Oro Basin 800 Block Calle de Oro East		
Victoria Estates Park 1200 Rancho Frontera Blvd	X	03/10/2021
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