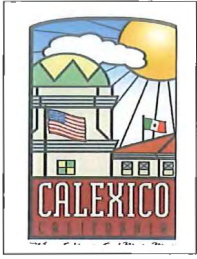


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# CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

**DATE:** December 15, 2021

**TO:** Mayor and City Council

**APPROVED BY:** Miguel Figueroa, City Manager *MF*

**PREPARED BY:** Lisa Tylenda, Planning and Building Services Director

**SUBJECT:** Adopt Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calexico Approving an Intent to Collaborate with Imperial Valley Housing Coalition and Spread the Love Foundation for the Potential Development of New Residential Affordable Housing Projects within the City of Calexico

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**Recommendation:**

The recommendation from City staff is to adopt resolution of the City Council of the City of Calexico approving an intent to collaborate with Imperial Valley Housing Coalition and Spread the Love Foundation for the potential development of new residential affordable housing projects within the City of Calexico.

**Background:**

During November 2021, representatives from Imperial Valley Housing Coalition and Spread the Love Foundation of the Imperial Valley, approached city staff with a request to create a collaborative effort with the City of Calexico in order to bring new affordable housing developments to the city.

**Discussion and Analysis:**

This staff report focuses on items requiring City Council direction over the coming months related to this proposed collaborative effort between administrative staff, City Council and the Imperial Valley Housing Coalition and Spread the Love Foundation. The goal of this proposed collaborative is for the city to achieve infill of vacant sites, meet Regional Housing Needs identified and allocated by the State of California to the City of Calexico. Through this collaborative effort, the City will have the ability to oversee the formulation of proposed projects, potentially apply for grants in regards to housing and create and provide an authentic engagement process for the community that is inclusive, dialogue-centric, culturally competent, and transparent during the collaborative effort to bring housing to the city.

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**Coordinated With:**

City Manager's Office

**Attachment(s):**

1. Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calexico approving an intent to collaborate with Imperial Valley Housing Coalition and Spread the Love Foundation for the potential development of new residential affordable housing projects within the City of Calexico.

RESOLUTION NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**A RESOLUTION TO THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO  
APPROVING AN INTENT TO COLLABORATE WITH IMPERIAL VALLEY  
HOUSING COALITION AND SPREAD THE LOVE FOUNDATION FOR THE  
POTENTIAL DEVELOPMENT OF NEW RESIDENTIAL AFFORDABLE  
HOUSING PROJECTS WITHIN THE CITY OF CALEXICO**

**WHEREAS**, during November 2021, City of Calexico Staff received a request from Imperial Valley Housing Coalition and Spread the Love Foundation for collaborative efforts to explore the potential development of new affordable residential housing projects; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed collaborative resolution does not suggest nor guarantee what, if any, action the City Council will ultimately take during the collaborative phases or once the proposed project application is formally submitted to the City of Calexico to begin the planning, building, engineering review and entitlement process; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed collaborative resolution is not an approval of any proposed project, nor does the collaborative effort or resolution reflect approval of any type of entitlement; and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed new commercial development must submit formal planning, building, and engineering applications to the City of Calexico for review, processing, and action by the Planning Commission and City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, applicant must obtain approvals from all local, State, and Federal agencies for the proposed new commercial development; and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant must be in compliance with all local jurisdictions, State, or Federal development requirements, the proposed collaboration between city staff and Imperial Valley Housing Coalition and Spread the Love Foundation is only to ensure that the potential affordable residential development reflect the performance and development standards within the City's ordinances;

**WHEREAS**, the potential residential projects must be developed, processed, and reviewed per the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA); and

**WHEREAS**, the proposed collaboration process is to receive input from the Planning Commission and City Council; and

**WHEREAS**, the applicant will be responsible for all costs related to project approvals, permitting, plan checking and inspections, and for all ongoing operations and maintenance costs for any potential development projects; and

**WHEREAS**, this resolution is only to allow the collaboration efforts between staff and Imperial Valley Housing Coalition and Spread the Love Foundation prior to the official submittal of any formal development application is submitted to the City of Calexico; and

**WHEREAS**, this collaborative effort will expire either within 60 days after the approval of the “intent to collaborate” resolution or upon the submission of any of the following applications to the City of Calexico: planning, building, or engineering applications, which ever happens first; or

**WHEREAS**, the City may, at its sole option and for its convenience, terminate at any time, all or any portion of the “intent to collaborate” resolution by giving written notice of such termination to Imperial Valley Housing Coalition and Spread the Love Foundation seven (7) days prior termination via email correspondence; and

City Council will allow staff to collaborate within the outlined parameters:

**BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council, staff will be allowed to collaborate with Imperial Valley Housing Coalition and Spread the Love Foundation within the outlined parameters:

1. Direct staff to work with the Imperial Valley Housing Coalition and Spread the Love Foundation for 60 days or until the formal submission of any development applications to the City of Calexico; whichever happens first (either the 60 day period or submission of development application).
2. The City may, at its sole option and for its convenience, terminate at any time, all or any portion of the intent to collaborate resolution by giving written notice of such termination seven (7) days prior to termination to Imperial Valley Housing Coalition and Spread the Love Foundation.
3. Staff may assist in identifying governmental constraints for proposed projects related to the preliminary development review phase and the logistics of the proposed development.
4. City of Calexico Staff nor the City Council are not responsible for resolving or mitigating any foreseen or unforeseen governmental constraints or non-governmental constraints of any type regarding the proposed project development.

5. Direct staff to create a public engagement program outline during the collaborative efforts.
6. Staff may provide recommendations in regards to designs or aesthetics for the proposed new commercial development.
7. Direct staff to provide a monthly report to the Planning Commission and City Council regarding the collaborative efforts for the proposed new commercial development.
8. Reports to be provided by staff during the second regularly scheduled meetings of the month for both the Planning Commission and City Council.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Calexico held on December 15, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

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Javier Moreno, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Gabriela T. Garcia, City Clerk

STATE OF CALIFORNIA  
COUNTY OF IMPERIAL  
CITY OF CALEXICO

I, Gabriela T Garcia, City Clerk of the City of Calexico, State of California, hereby certify the above and foregoing to be a full, true and correct copy of a resolution adopted by said City Council on this 15th day of December 2021.

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Gabriela T. Garcia, City Clerk of the City of Calexico,  
State of California

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Carlos Campos, City Attorney