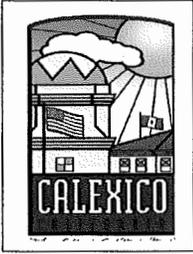


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AGENDA STAFF REPORT

DATE: April 18, 2018
TO: Mayor and City Council
APPROVED BY: David B. Dale, City Manager *DD*
PREPARED BY: Gabriela T. Garcia, Deputy City Clerk *GG*
SUBJECT: Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meetings of November 15, 2017, February 21, 2018 and March 7, 2018

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Recommendation:

Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meetings of November 15, 2017, February 21, 2018 and March 7, 2018.

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 & Analysis:

Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meetings of November 15, 2017, February 21, 2018 and March 7, 2018 have been prepared for City Council review and approval.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Coordinated With:

None.

Attachments:

Minutes for City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meetings of November 15, 2017, February 21, 2018 and March 7, 2018.

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THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 7TH DAY OF MARCH, 2018 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

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor Pro Tem: Lewis Pacheco
Council Member: Bill Hodge
Council Member: Armando Real

ABSENT

Mayor: Maritza Hurtado
Council Member: Jesus Eduardo Escobar

Mayor Hurtado arrived at 6:01 p.m.

Council Member Escobar arrived at 6:05 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Council adjourned to closed session at 5:47 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. Public Employee Appointment
Title: City Manager

2. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Representatives: David B. Dale, City Manager, Carlos Campos, City Attorney

Employee Organizations: Calexico Municipal Employees Association, Fire Fighters Association, Certified

Operators Association/SEIU Local 221, Calexico Police Officers Association, Calexico Management Association, Calexico Supervisors Association

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of Litigation, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4)

One (1) potential case

Council reconvened from closed session at 6:40 p.m.

**CALEXICO CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO REDEVELOPMENT
SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY**

REGULAR SESSION AGENDA - 6:30 PM**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hurtado called the meeting to order at 6:47 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor: Maritza Hurtado
Mayor Pro Tem: Lewis Pacheco
Council Member: Jesus Eduardo Escobar
Council Member: Bill Hodge
Council Member: Armando Real

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mr. John Moreno led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Pastor Eduardo Ceceña, provided the invocation prayer for the Council and the Community.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS.

Carlos Campos, City Attorney reported that three items were discussed, direction was given and no action was taken.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Motion was made by Council Member Real to approve the agenda as presented. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco and passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS**PROCLAMATION ACKNOWLEDGING AURORA HIGH SCHOOL FOR RECEIVING
A DESIGNATION OF MODEL CONTINUATION HIGH SCHOOLS FOR 2018.**

Mayor Hurtado led the Council in publicly reading the Proclamation acknowledging Aurora High School for receiving a designation of Model Continuation High School for 2008.

Mayor Hurtado presented the Proclamation to Mr. John M. Moreno, Principal of Aurora High School.

John M. Moreno, Principal of Aurora High School stated it was a team effort and was flattered by the recognition. Mr. Moreno introduced his staff and the School Leadership "Eagles Nest" Andy Herrera. He stated the school provides a service to the community and if not for this service, 20%

of the students would not make it. He further stated the students look to getting involved in the community and pointed out this is the third designation as a model school under his leadership.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Javier Gonzalez on behalf of the Down Syndrome Society and read a resolution addressing the proclamation of Down Syndrome which he is requesting be placed on the March 21, 2018 agenda. He will be working with the Chief on the day's celebrations.

James Beaver asked mayor to provide him consent to speak with the attorney regarding the issues with the Police Commission so the commission can begin meeting. Mayor advised this type of request is not within her authority and referred Mr. Beaver to the City Manager.

Joong Kim stated he is shameful that council member don't know how to behave themselves and they criticize the city. He commented on the council's ability to their job. He spoke about the conditions of streets while the city is spending millions on Gran Plaza. He commented on personnel issues addressed by the City and asked the council not give the money to developers and instead provide the funding for the community.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Council Member Escobar reported the Mid-Winter Fair is ongoing and IMBA is happening in Mexicali and the air show is this week and attended the local chamber mixer.

Council Member Pacheco spoke about the renovation project at Cortez Park and expressed his concern over the siblings of the deceased not being invited and suggested a proclamation for recognition. He questioned why the flags are not taken down during the week-end and spoke of preparations for the 110th celebration.

Council Member Hodge asked when the next Measure H meeting would take place. City Manager Dale advised him he is working on scheduling the meeting.

Mayor Hurtado spoke about Calexico and Mexicali celebrating anniversaries, Mexicali will celebrate 115 years in March and Calexico its 110th in April. The first event is set for a binational concert on March 16th. A youth orchestra group is going to place themselves at both sides of the border and it will be filmed by a drone. The might bulldog band will be participating. Mayor invited everyone to join the "Concierto Fraternal" at 6 pm on March 16th. Mayor stated the 110th celebration is also for the youth and they will be learning about the history of Calexico. Mayor requested that families who have great pictures to please provide them to the City for the tours. The City of Calexico will receive panels from the fence that is coming down on the west of Calexico. The fence will be replaced by a more modern fence. The City will be celebrating the anniversary from April 10-16, 2018.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

David Dale, City Manager stated the flag he will be carrying will be my mission statement. He stated the first word "together" is very important to Council, Staff, City Attorney and Residents.

He further stated we can make this thing work and we pledge to provide the effective and efficient services and quality of life.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Real pulled Item No. 5 - Warrants from February 12, 2018 to February 25, 2018 and City Salaries & Benefits from February 3, 2018 to February 16, 2018 from the consent agenda.

Council Member Real made a motion to approve consent agenda consisting of Items 6 to 9: Item No. 6. Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calexico Pursuant to Public Contracts Code (PCC) Section 20168 Finding that an Emergency Exists Due to the Need for a New Variable Frequency Drive at the Water Treatment Plant and Authorize Contracting without the need for Binding Pursuant to PCC Section 22050; Item No. 7. Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calexico, California Establishing a Fee for the Registration and Maintenance of Vacant and Abandoned Properties Pursuant to Chapter 8.50 of the Calexico Municipal Code; Item No. 8. Adopt Budget Amendment Resolution (BAR) to Appropriate Funds from CFD 2003-1 for Materials and Supplies Associated with Cordova Park Playground Replacement; Item No. 9. Approve the Standard Mileage Rate of \$.545 for Calendar Year 2018. Motion was seconded by Council Member Escobar and passed unanimously.

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION

ITEM NO. 5. WARRANTS FROM FEBRUARY 12, 2018 TO FEBRUARY 25, 2018 AND CITY SALARIES & BENEFITS FROM FEBRUARY 3, 2018 TO FEBRUARY 16, 2018.

Council Member Real requested to vote on this item separately.

Council Member Escobar asked the City Manager who was preparing the report. He was informed that Finance staff is preparing the report.

Council Member Hodge made a motion to approve the Warrants from February 12, 2018 to February 25, 2018 and City Salaries & Benefits from February 3, 2018 to February 16, 2018. Motion was seconded by Council Member Pacheco and passed by the following vote to wit:

AYES:	Hurtado, Pacheco, Escobar, Hodge
NOES:	Real
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

APPROVE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE IMPERIAL VALLEY SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT CENTER'S BUSINESS HUB PROGRAM IN THE CITY OF CALEXICO.

Miguel Figueroa stated the SBDC is present today and the Economic Development/Financial Advisory Commission has been championing congruency with the items that are approved and recommended to council. The Economic Development/Financial Advisory Commission

approved this item and pointed out that this is only one of the elements that will make the strategy work.

Meredith Garcia, Director with SBDC provided a presentation on the program with the City of Calexico. She stated the SBDC's mission is to assist the small business community and help entrepreneurs thrive in their business oriented goals. She further stated the objectives are to evaluate and implement process and protocols, enhance customer service and customer experience and engagement with the community. Their service is to provide business counseling and education to the businesses and also to look for future opportunities to strengthen the program. She advised community outreach is a second phase of the program. The Small Business Development Center is one of the components that has been making sure the City is congruent and consistent with meetings and items that get approved. It was further stated that the vision is to provide many resources and be a #1 organization. It was reported that SBDC provides counseling for 72 clients in capital infusion, owner investment, bank institution and job creations. The 2018 goal and strategy is to help 50 long term clients. SBDC will target Infrastructure, business retention and expansion. Community Outreach, Commercial and industrial areas, Promote workshops and seminars in Calexico, resources, partnership agencies through Social Media.

Mayor Hurtado asked about workshops and was informed by Ms. Garcia there will be a workshops in April in Calexico.

Council Member Real asked if this was on facebook. He was advised the SBDC can be found on Facebook and Twitter.

Council Member Escobar commended the SBDC on the program and resource that is available to the community free of charge.

Council Member Hodge stated focused on downtown and on small business day.

Motion was made by Council Member Real to Approve the Implementation of the Imperial Valley Small Business Development Center's Business Hub Program in the City of Calexico, Motion was seconded by Council Member Escobar and passed unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. ____ - AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO ENACTED PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 36937 PROPOSING TO AMEND SECTION 5.98.040 OF THE CALEXICO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ALLOW FOR THE OFF-SITE SALE AND DISPLAY OF VEHICLE ("TENT SALE") EVENTS BETWEEN THE MONTHS OF MARCH AND JULY.

Ben Horton addressed the Council and stated tis item may help the city to move forward. He stated that all sales tax will stay in Calexico and benefit Calexico. He stated he is the property manager for Crossroads Plaza Center and this is where this will be located.

Mayor Hurtado left the dais at 7:32 p.m.

This will benefit all of Calexico and there will be an influx to Calexico for the cars and will look at the services and also look at other car services in Calexico.

Mr. Joong Kim was called to make public comment to which he stated he would speak after the presentation. Mr. Kim was asked to speak prior as set by the Mayor. Mr. Kim refused to speak until after the presentation.

City Attorney Campos stated the Mayor has set the comments for now and if the person does not speak now, said person will lose the opportunity to speak.

Mayor Hurtado returned to the dais at 7:41 p.m.

Ralph Morales explained the ordinance was passed on August 2nd where the outside displays of vehicles were limiting the dealership to one tent sale per year during the month of July. The ordinance was brought to Council on January 11, 2017 to discuss and amend the ordinance however no action was taken at that time. Staff believes that limiting the tent sale to once per calendar year especially in the month of July is prohibitive to business and consumers due to the summer heat and the concentration of all tent sales within one month. He stated it also provides negative impact those sensitive to summer heat. He further stated staff finds the negative effects on public peace, health and safety will occur in Calexico as a result of only allowing the outside display within the summer month of July. Staff recommended the adoption of the Urgency Ordinance which would address the concerns by allowing the tent sales for the months of March through July as opposed to only in July.

Council Member Escobar asked what the Council is being asked to vote on and asked if the tent sale is open ended.

City Attorney Campos explained this allows each dealership to hold one tent sale per year during the months of five months.

Mayor Hurtado stated she was not in agreement due to the existing businesses. She expressed her concern with allowing outside dealerships coming to Calexico with the tent sales.

Council Member Real stated that Calexico is either open for business or not. This is a great agenda item to show the public on where the Council stands on being open for business. He suggested allowing one per year and motioned to allow once a year, any month, only if they are a county dealership.

City attorney Campos addressed limiting to the county and the need for justification why the county businesses are impacted more than others.

Council Member Escobar asked about businesses that pay a business license.

Council Member Real amended his motion to approve the item as it stands but open it to all twelve months.

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco pointed out that the last time there were concerns on how we are treating our local agencies, the city is in crisis and we need to look at this as an opportunity.

Council Member Escobar suggested to approve for the year and in one year, come back to review.

Council Member Hodge stated Robinson Ford is a great dealership but they could use competition and they could rise to the occasion. He further stated this is an opportunity for revenue for the city.

Council Member Escobar suggested that after a year, there be a review of the results of the tent sales for the city.

Council Member Real rescinded his motion.

Council Member Escobar motioned to approve the proposal for a full year from today and based on the information received after the year and council can then decide if it was beneficial to the city. Motion was seconded by Council Member Real and passed by the following vote to wit:

AYES: Real, Hodge, Pacheco, Escobar

NOES: Hurtado

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

PUBLIC HEARINGS

PUBLIC HEARING – FIRST READING AND INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE NO. ____ RE-ZONING PROJECT AREAS #1, #2 & #3 FROM R-1, RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY AND CH COMMERCIAL HIGHWAY, TO RA, RESIDENTIAL APARTMENT, AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION ADOPTING OF NEGATIVE DECLARATION; AND RESOLUTION APPROVING GENERAL PLAN AMENDMENT.

Council Member Real left the dais at 7:56 p.m.

Public Hearing opened at 7:56 p.m.

No comments were received in favor or against the project.

Mr. Ralph Morales, Building/Planning Manager provided a report on the proposed applications being considered which are to eliminate the legal non-conforming status of three project areas. He stated that in the past, anyone building an apartment complex in an R-1 zone would have to go through a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) that would be reviewed and approved by the Planning Commission which would allow the construction of the additional units. He provided a history on the impacts that have existed and explained that staff is trying to correct this by eliminating the legal non-conforming status. By changing the zoning, these three applicants would be allowed to outright apply for additional units and build an apartment complex. Mr. Morales provided the locations of the three projects as Project Area #1 consisting of 78 properties and bound by Rockwood Avenue on the West, Blair Avenue on the East, Sherman Avenue on the South and the North ½ of Rosemont up to the alley, Project Area #2 which

consists of five (5) properties is bounded by Fifth Street on the South, the EW ½ of Seventh Street up to the alley on the North, the NS ½ of Imperial Avenue up the alley on the West and Paulin Avenue on the East and finally Project Area #3 consisting of 10 properties is generally bounded by Beach Avenue on the West, Andrade Avenue on the East, Fourth Street on the South and Sherman Street on the North.

Mayor Hurtado left the dais at 7:58 p.m.

Mr. Morales stated staff is requesting that the public hearing be open and consider first reading of the ordinance.

Council Member Escobar asked why the carve outs. Mr. Morales stated that all the properties in the project areas and all the properties that have units in the back be brought into compliance and not to bring a large area in a zoning of Residential Apartment.

Mayor Hurtado returned to dais at 8:00 p.m.

Mr. Morales explained the City, at one point, was allowing Conditional Use Permits (CUP's) and this needs to be corrected to comply with the general plan.

Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 8:04 p.m.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco, seconded by Council Member Hodge and passed by the following vote to wit:

AYES:	Hurtado, Pacheco, Escobar, Hodge
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	Real
ABSTAIN:	None

PUBLIC HEARING - SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT - ORDINANCE NO. 1181 - PERTAINING TO ACCESSORY DWELLING UNIT REGULATIONS & ORDINANCE NO. 1182 AMENDING SECTION 17.01.900 DEFINITIONS, & CHAPTER 17.03 RESIDENTIAL ZONES.

Mr. Ralph Morales requested for this item to be continued.

City Attorney Campos suggested opening the public hearing to continue to the next council meeting. He further stated staff is doing this for cost savings measures, if the ordinance is adopted tonight the entire ordinance would have to be published and by continuing the two weeks, we can publish a summary which is less expensive and then it could be adopted.

Mayor Hurtado opened the Public Hearing at 8:05 p.m.

Mayor informed Ms. Margarita Magallanes has added public comment on Item No. 13 advising she is in favor of the project.

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco made a motion to continue item to the next meeting. Motion was seconded by Council Member Escobar and passed by the following vote to wit:

AYES: Hurtado, Pacheco, Escobar, Hodge
NOES: None
ABSENT: Real
ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Hurtado closed the Public Hearing at 8:07pm

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Hodge requested cleaning downtown for the 110th anniversary celebration.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

Maritza Hurtado, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gabriela T. Garcia, City Clerk

THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 21ST DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2018 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

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco called the closed session portion of the agenda to order at 5:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL.

Mayor Pro Tem: Lewis Pacheco
Council Member: Jesus Eduardo Escobar
Council Member: Bill Hodge

ABSENT:

Mayor: Maritza Hurtado
Council Member: Armando Real

Mayor Hurtado arrived at 5:43 p.m.

Council Member arrived at 5:47 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Ms. Mary Weddle, Citizen of Calexico for 66 years spoke on current situation with the ambulance and the need for ambulance service in Calexico. She asked if it was a billing or collection issue and further stated someone is not doing their job and blamed the council for not checking. She asked Council for a report after closed session because of the use of services by others that are taken to El Centro Hospitals. She also asked if the city had reached out to the State for help. Ms. Weddle addressed mismanagement of the City, the city deficit and spoke about the services for senior residents in Calexico.

Eduardo Rivera, Firefighter and Member of Firefighters Association reassured the council that even though there have been problems in the past, the firefighters have been able to work with the City Manager for the past month. He pointed out the Firefighters Association has worked well with the City and negotiations are close to what is needed. He spoke about tangible solutions and have something positive to look forward to look to, to sustain the department. He thanked the Council for making the right decision for the Citizens of Calexico.

Norma Aguilar stated the Fire Department is responsive to the community and everyone has received services and has stories to tell about the department. She stated she will always be eternally grateful for their assistance. She addressed contracting out the service and the issues with this matter and asked the Council to work together with the department to resolve this matter.

CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION.

Council adjourned to closed session at 5:58 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Representatives: David Dale, Interim City Manager, Carlos Campos, Interim City Attorney

Employee Organizations: Calexico Municipal Employees Association, Fire Fighters Association, Certified Operators Association/SEIU Local 221, Calexico Police Officers Association, Calexico Management Association, Calexico Supervisors Association

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

Gabriel Rodriguez v. City of Calexico

No. CA415-020

3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT

Title: City Manager

Council reconvened from closed session at 6:40 p.m.

**CALEXICO CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO REDEVELOPMENT
SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY**

REGULAR SESSION AGENDA - 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hurtado called the regular portion of the meeting to order at 6:45 p.m.

ROLL CALL

- Mayor: Maritza Hurtado
- Mayor Pro Tem: Lewis Pacheco
- Council Member: Jesus Eduardo Escobar
- Council Member: Bill Hodge
- Council Member: Armando Real

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Ben Horton led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

CLOSED**SESSION****ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Carlos Campos, City Attorney reported the Council met on Item No. 1, provided direction but no reportable action was taken. Council also met on Item No. 2, provided direction, but no reportable action was taken. Item No. 3 was not discussed and Council will be reconvening at the end of the meeting to discuss Item No. 3 – City Manager appointment.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion was made by Council Member Real, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco and passed unanimously to approve the agenda as presented.

PRESENTATIONS**COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT ASSESSMENT PRESENTATION**

Miguel Figueroa presented an assessment of the department over the past five months and the need to address revenues for the City. Mr. Figueroa spoke on Calexico's goals and Calexico's need to be business friendly, build credibility with the residents, to fast track economic development, strengthen partnerships and ties with Mexicali, the need to have a working dynamic strategic plan to follow. He reported the Housing Program funds have been frozen since 2015 due to issues that still need to be addressed in order for the City to obtain funding. He stated that in 2015 the city contracted financial consultants to alleviate the issues with CDBG and HOME programs and oversee the day to day and incentives given for these two programs. He advised the financial consultant assists in the process of remediating the way program income reports are done and submitted to the State of California. The consultants have gone back to 2008 to assure that the program income reports were properly prepared and back-up and comply with State requirements. He advised the program income reports have been completed and submitted and are currently working with historical facts with finance to make sure the beginning balances match with the State. Once this is done, the City will be able to submit audited report to the State and again be in good standing and be eligible for grant opportunities.

He informed that the department is working on efficient and effective practices to attract business. He stated the commission has met for the past five months and are moving forward and working with a hotel enticement initiative in order to have hospitality industry in town and impact the Transient Occupancy Tax in Calexico. He stated that second is a service area/ municipal service review plan. He addressed the possibility of incorporating the business improvement district with the Economic Development Commission. He spoke on the Downtown City Center on Rockwood Avenue project for First and Second Street, the New River Improvement Project and Calexico Parkway Project.

He informed on the progress of the New River Improvement Project, the Calexico Parkway Project, San Diego State University, IV Campus Project and the Business License and New Development Fee Structure in order to adopt business friendly practices to entice new

development. He presented twenty-six projects in Calexico and going through an environmental process or in the construction phase. He focused on the following projects:

1. El Portal Subdivision 100+ Acre Subdivision with 1,000 Units. The initial phase is 400 homes and is in the initial phase and should move forward in the beginning of the year.
2. First Imperial Credit Union – 4,000 Sq. Ft. on a 1.07 Acre Property.
3. Pioneer Memorial Hospital – 4,500 Sq. Ft. of new medical office space, in addition to remodel of existing 7,456 sq. ft. building.
4. Two Cannabis projects of 120,000 sq. ft. of building space on an 11 acre of property.

Mr. Figueroa presented the City and RDA leases which are currently being reviewed and pointed out they are not up to par but it is important that they are up to date and up to market standards. He pointed out the Airport leases are not listed because they are month to month contract.

He spoke about the Cannabis overlay zone on the northwest side of town. There are two current projects and three potential new projects. He also highlighted the ordinance that gave administration to move forward with donation of property at Pruett and Kloke Road. A phase one environmental was conducted and has been completed and the properties were appraised at \$1.8 million dollars.

Mr. Figueroa stated he has obtained commitment from partners in Calexico, Imperial and Mexicali Valleys towards working with Calexico.

Council Member Escobar requested details and information on the leases. He addressed and congratulated on making Calexico business friendly and focusing on real estate development which is the future of job creation. He asked how the city can create retail sales when there are no job to pay people. He congratulated Mr. Figueroa on his work and on a great presentation.

Council Member Hodge congratulated Mr. Figueroa and spoke about areas that need improvement. He spoke about the housing area and asked if all reports had been submitted. Mr. Figueroa advised all reports pending have been completed and are currently working with Finance and representatives of Housing and Community Development on the beginning balances to make sure they are correct. He further explained once this happens the City will be ready for the State of California to make a complete review and the city will be able to apply for funding and anticipate the process is expected to be complete in approximately four to eight weeks.

Council Member Real congratulated Mr. Figueroa on the report and spoke about balancing the City's financial burden. He further addressed and compared city fees and business license fees with those of other Valley cities. Mr. Figueroa explained he will invest his time and his staff to structure the fees so the developers do not take the burden of the fees up front before they put a shovel in the ground. He spoke of an overall overhaul to move forward.

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco addressed the fees for Calexico which need to be looked at and thanked Mr. Figueroa for cleaning up housing and moving forward.

Mayor Hurtado thanked Mr. Figueroa for his hard work. She addressed the loss of businesses such as JC Penney and hoped that things were different and spoke about the opening of the new Calexico Brewery opening on Saturday. She spoke about the many ongoing projects and the work with the City of Mexicali.

MEASURE H PRESENTATION

David Dale, Interim City Manager, presented an overview of the Measure H General Tax which will sunset in 2030. Mr. Dale provided a history of the actions taken by the Measure H Committee and the Council through the life of the Measure. Mr. Dale explained the details of the bond and the distribution of the funds. He stated there are \$7.4 million in bond funds left and will be used for the fire station. He addressed the issue of the city absorbing funds from Measure H for general fund without the review from the Commission. Mr. Dale provided detailed expenses taken from Measure H for General Fund.

Mayor Hurtado asked if any illegal activities had occurred without consulting the committee and if there was any illegal activity that needs to be addressed.

City Attorney Campos stated that it should have gone to the Measure H Committee and there was a process that was not followed but because the City Council ultimately was the authority could spend the monies, and these are general fund monies, these were not enterprise monies or specifically used for Police and Fire, the city could allocate the funds.

Mayor Hurtado further stated the doubts of the committee and asked if there was any correction that need to occur or if there was any illegal activity that needs to be addressed.

City Attorney Campos stated that, at this point, he did not see anything illegal and though the process was not followed and because City Council is ultimately the body who allocate how these monies are going to be spent and these decisions did come to the City Council, he did not see that since the process was not followed, it would undo the decisions by Council.

Council Member Real addressed the way the bond was sold to the people versus the way it was actually written. He stated the need for oversight and hoped that in the future, this works out.

Council Member Escobar expressed his disappointment due to the lack of respect for the commission. He encouraged that moving forward, the commission be respected and listened to and have them be a voice for the tax payer.

Mayor Hurtado stated Measure H is receiving \$2.5 Million Dollars per year. Mayor asked how much of this money is already committed. City Manager Dale informed that \$1 million to debt service and committed and \$800,000 were for Police and \$400,000 were for Fire.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Norma Aguilar pointed out Measure H is an oversight committee. She corrected the attorney because Measure H knew that it was a general tax however it was sold to the public as being fore fire, police and senior citizens. She advised by-laws were prepared and approved by Council and in the language it included the 10% set aside. She stated the 10% was part of the by-laws language

and unless the Council made a change to the past vote to not encumber the 10% from Measure H then this was an illegal action because only the people who are part of the vote can reverse it. She also addressed the \$678,000 that was presented to the Measure H by the Finance Manager and was not approved by Measure H. She asked for a report on the 10% reserve.

Mayor Hurtado suggested the Measure H Committee meet with legal and review the issues.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

Javier Gonzalez congratulated Mr. Figueroa on his presentation to the Rotary Club. He thanked Mr. Figueroa for information provided which assisted them in winning the competition. He stated the community needs to start working together on the various clubs in the Valley. He requested Measure H pay for signs at Kennedy Gardens. He informed the public of the upcoming Health and Safety Fair at Kennedy Gardens.

Ben Horton Discussed the Gran Plaza CFD and the issue that the CFD has to be paid by property or sales tax. He stated starting tomorrow he will begin requesting public records that will be presented to the Council on this matter.

Chris Velasco spoke regarding an agenda item on Clean Tech Ad Company and stated he wants to build an accessory dwelling unit out of shipping containers and asked the Council to look into this matter. He suggested the city add more trees and to make it cooler and spoke about the many opportunities for the Calexico Downtown.

James Beaver spoke about issue of letter he requested from the city. He asked why the city does not adopt an ordinance to request background check on commissioners. He also addressed Council Member Escobar's issue on safety in the downtown areas and pointed out this would have to be an agenda item.

Sean Acuña, President for the Calexico Police Officers Association, requested clarification between the Gran Plaza CFD bond and the City of Calexico with regards to the shortfall of \$700,000. He spoke on the taxes to be paid by Gran Plaza and commented the City of Calexico was paying the debt by Gran Plaza. He stated he received clarification by the City Manager that the City is not paying for the debt service and asked the City look into this document and the City is not paying and Gran Plaza is responsible for paying any shortfall for the debt service and this would drastically reduce the shortfall.

Alex Perrone commended Mr. Miguel Figueroa and his staff for their work. He addressed the closing of the JCPenney store and asked the city to approach them about keeping the store open. He spoke about mix use in the downtown and this could sprawl development. He commented and encouraged a campus community housing in Calexico. He further commented on losing sales in the downtown to the Amazon and mall sales and suggested the BID and economic commission to encourage everyone to shop local.

Jose Luis Yepes invited everyone to the opening of the Brewing Company in Calexico. He stated he is very happy to be part of the community and want to be part of the growth in the community.

He further stated they have close ties with brewers in Mexicali and hope to promote growth in Calexico.

Council Member Escobar left the dais at 8:23 p.m.

Mayor Pacheco asked City Manager who takes care of allies in Calexico because there are allies that are down to dust and they have no gravel. City Manager Dale informed him that the allies are taken care of by the City and asked for specific allies and will look into this matter.

Council Member Escobar returned to the dais at 8:25 p.m.

Council Member Real commented on the huge cat infestation in the City of Calexico and questioned if the city could keep control of animal control. He addressed the issue of the corners at Cole Road and Rockwood and reported the four lights are still out. He expressed his concerns on small expenses which add up.

Council Member Hodge asked City Manager Dale to look into positions that are interim and requested a change to these positions because they have been interim for years.

Mayor Hurtado addressed the matter of stray cats and stated the city has a holding area for animals and they do not hold cats and the recommendation to the community is they not feed the stray cats and that animals can be taken to the county animal control and stated her concern and opposition due to the animals being put to sleep. Mayor reported she met with Mexicali Border authorities to discuss the border wait times and was given great information on a new system installed which cause additional pause and they are willing to adjust their schedules to address peak times and maintain communication with our staff. She spoke about establishing great relationships with Mexicali and will continue to work with them to be able to find resolution on the long lines. Mayor announced Calexico will be celebrating its 110 celebration and Mexicali will celebrate 115 years.

Council Member Escobar stated the need to revitalize the finance department. He stated the importance that department needs a director, finance manager and two accountants.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

Nothing to report.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Real pulled Item No. 4 - Warrants from February 1st, 2018 to February 11th, 2018 and City Salaries & Benefits from January 20th to February 2nd, 2018 for discussion.

Council Member Hodge made a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of Items No.'s 5 through 9 as follows: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calexico Pursuant to Public Contracts Code (PCC) Section 20168 Finding the Continued Existence of an Emergency Due to the Need for a New Variable Frequency Drive at the Water Treatment Plant and Authorize Contracting without the need for Bidding Pursuant to PCC Section 22050; Authorize Interim City Manager to Sign Amendment 1 to the Agreement for the Calexico West Land Port of Entry Temporary Power Line Relocation (Executed December 2015); Authorize Interim City Manager to sign Agreement with GSA for the Calexico West Land Port of Entry Cesar Chavez Boulevard

and 2nd Street Signal Lights and New Equipment Installation to Direct Traffic; Authorize Interim City Manager to Sign Amendment 1 and 2 to the Agreement for the Calexico West Land Port of Entry Sewer Pump Station (Made and entered into on April 11, 2017); Award the Bid Proposal from Hazard Construction Company in the amount of \$3,678,759.00 (base bid) for the Street Improvement Project Asphalt Rubber Composite Layer Overlay on Designated Streets Project No. 2018-100; and authorize the Interim City Manager to Sign an Agreement between the City of Calexico and Hazard Construction Company for the Street Improvement Project Asphalt Rubber Composite Layer Overlay on Designated Streets Project No. 2018-100. Motion was seconded by Council Member Escobar and passed unanimously.

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION

ITEM NO. 4. - WARRANTS FROM FEBRUARY 1ST, 2018 TO FEBRUARY 11TH, 2018 AND CITY SALARIES & BENEFITS FROM JANUARY 20TH TO FEBRUARY 2ND, 2018.

Council Member Real made a motion not to approve Item No. 4 - Warrants from February 1st, 2018 to February 11th, 2018 and City Salaries & Benefits from January 20th to February 2nd, 2018.

Motion died due to lack of second.

Motion was made by Council Member Hodge, seconded by Council Member Escobar to approve Item No. 4. - Warrants from February 1st, 2018 to February 11th, 2018 and City Salaries & Benefits from January 20th to February 2nd, 2018. Motion passed by the following vote to wit:

- AYES: Hurtado, Pacheco, Escobar, Hodge
- NOES: Real
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None

AUTHORIZE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AGREEMENT WITH U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A TEMPORARY LANDING MAT BARRIER ON CITY PROPERTY APN 058-400-06-000.

Motion was made by Council Member Real, seconded by Council Member Hodge and passed unanimously to authorize the Interim City Manager to sign agreement with U.S. Customs and Border Protection for the Installation of a Temporary Landing Mat Barrier on City Property APN 058-400-06-000.

CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST BY MEGA PARK TO EXTEND EXPIRATION OF TENTATIVE MAP FOR TWO YEARS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 66452.6(E).

Motion was made by Council Member Escobar to approve request by Mega Park to extend expiration of Tentative Map for two years pursuant to Government Code Section 66452.6E. Motion was seconded by Council Member Real and passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENT BY COUNCIL MEMBER ESCOBAR TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION.

Council Member Escobar appointed Mr. Ricardo Uribe to the Planning Commission.

CLOSED SESSION

Council adjourned to closed session at 8:45 p.m. to discuss the following:

3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT

Title: City Manager

Council reconvened from closed session at 9:37 p.m.

Carlos Campos, City Attorney reported city council met on Item No. 3 Public Employee Appointment – Title: City Manager and on a 5-0 vote, the City Council unanimously appointed Mr. David Dale as City Manager subject to negotiation and approval of a contract that will be agendized at a future meeting.

Mayor Hurtado welcomed Mr. Dale as City Manager. Mr. David Dale stated he hopes to make the city proud and work for the residents.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 9:39 p.m.

Maritza Hurtado, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gabriela T. Garcia, City Clerk

THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 15TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2017 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

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hurtado called the closed session portion of the agenda to order at 5:42 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor: Maritza Hurtado
Mayor Pro Tem: Lewis Pacheco
Council Member: Jesus Eduardo Escobar
Council Member: Bill Hodge
Council Member: Armando Real

PUBLIC COMMENTS

No public comments.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION.

Council adjourned to closed session at 5:43 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Title: City Manager
(Govt. Code 54957(b))

Council reconvened from closed session at 6:30 p.m.

**CALEXICO CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO REDEVELOPMENT
SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY**

REGULAR SESSION AGENDA - 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hurtado called the regular session of the meeting to order at 6:37 p.m.

Mayor announced the Council will be extending the closed session.

Carlos Campos, City Attorney announced the addition of an urgency item to the agenda which will require a 4/5 vote. The items will be the appointment of an interim City Manager as well as a permanent City Manager.

Motion was made by Council Member Hodge, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco to add the items on the Appointment of an Interim City Manager and the Appointment of a Permanent City Manager to the Agenda. Motion passed unanimously.

Council convened to closed session at 6:39 p.m.

Council reconvened from closed session at 6:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor: Maritza Hurtado
Mayor Pro Tem: Lewis Pacheco
Council Member: Jesus Eduardo Escobar
Council Member: Bill Hodge
Council Member: Armando Real

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Carlos Campos, City Attorney announced reportable actions from closed session for a motion made by Council Member Hodge, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco to appoint Mr. David Dale as Interim City Manager effective December 15, 2017 due to resignation submitted by current City Manager Villa.

Armando Villa, City Manager thanked the Council for accepting his resignation. He announced he would be staying on for thirty days to assist with the transition due to accepting a position with another city which he would announce at another time. He thanked the council for their understanding and accepting his resignation and terms.

Mayor Hurtado stated today's discussion was very harmonious and professional and wish Mr. Villa good luck in future endeavors.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Boy Scout Leader Gio led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Invocation was given by Priest Nathan Yearsley, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Calexico.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Pacheco, seconded by Council Member Hodge to approve the agenda with modification to the agenda of the previously voted upon addition of the Appointment of an Interim and Permanent City Manager. Motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Chris Herring Emergency Services Director with Imperial County spoke on event taking place in Calexico tomorrow. There will be a disaster exercise in Calexico; it is an annual exercise in the

downtown area. He stated he is working closely with Chief Gomez and Chief Favila on this event and agencies from across the County will be participating.

10:55 - Loli Torres addressed the Council on behalf of the Taxpayers for Efficiency, Effectiveness, Truthfulness and Honest. Mrs. Torres read a statement demanding a reasonable level of public safety services because they believe the current services are below reasonable levels which is unacceptable. She stated the group understands there are only two sworn officers on duty at night and fire does not have or meet the minimum number of firefighters per shift and for ambulance only one is available due to staffing shortages. She stated that as a senior citizen the services are crucial and the current levels of service are inexcusable. She stated the Council has not addressed the lack of services and these are serious and dire situations to the citizens of Calexico. She expressed her many concerns for the hiring of the right city manager and additional positions open and the potential for a worse situation to arise.

Jose Gutierrez stated the residents of Las Casitas requested the City make improvements to their park, which is in bad conditions. He commented on the equipment needed such as missing shades, lighting, benches and speed limit signs. Mr. Gutierrez made suggestions for improving the park.

Council Member Real left dais at 7:50 p.m.

Mr. Gutierrez requested additional trash pick-ups and speed limit signs between JM Ostrey and Sam Ellis Street.

Ben Horton spoke as a concerned citizen and stated that in January and February he spoke on the lack of a Business Improvement District (BID). He stated the BID has not met and it is time to reinstitute the resolution to levy the BID. He spoke about banners that were purchased and how the City did not allow them to be placed. He asked the Council to discuss this assessment fee of which the downtown merchants are not benefiting.

Council Member Real returned to the dais 7:57 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Council Member Escobar wished Vincent Memorial luck on the semi-finals for the Division 5 Title and wished them luck in the semi-finals. National Philanthropic Day is on November 29th which boasts the best of the Valley when it comes to giving. He asked everyone support this through the Imperial Valley Community Foundation. He spoke about being on the Council for a year, he stated he is a learning experience and he does not regret it because he is serving the community. He wished Mr. Villa the best in his future endeavor.

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco stated he has worked with three city managers and two interims and by far Mr. Villa surpasses those individuals on honesty and strong leadership even though when he came in the City was lacking a lot of services. He stated he appreciates the work he has done. He further stated the Council has done well for the past year and he wished for the best for the City with the strong projects pending because things are looking good. He thanked everyone for their support.

Council Member Real stated one of his greatest achievements is having brought Armando Villa to Calexico. He was given the trust and he did not let the council down. He stated that wherever he goes, that city is ready to have him. He thanked Mr. Villa for his service for the City.

Council Member Hodge requested and strongly urged the City Manager to hire the two fully vetted officers. He stated his respect for Mr. Villa's capability, intelligence and sense of integrity. He further stated he did a fine work and a remarkable job for the City. He stated the City will be ok because he felt strong about the City Council. He wished Mr. Villa and his family the very best of luck.

Mayor Hurtado reassured that the Council has a very good dialogue and things are not easy and there is a lot of work to do. She thanked Mr. Villa for the dialogue. She spoke about the Veterans MOU and stated the City will be working with three veteran posts in Calexico to ensure the monument is kept up. City of Calexico is working with border patrol to obtain a piece of the wall in memory of when the mural was painted. She announced the 110 anniversary of the City of Calexico and the celebration will be from April 11-16, 2018. The theme is "The Past and the Present" due to the rich history of Calexico.

John Renison, Supervisor District 1 congratulated the council for supporting Armando Villa for the past year. He informed the Mexican Port of Entry will be May 2018. High 98 will open until next Wednesday the 22nd. Congratulated Armando Villa

Mayor Hurtado spoke about having the BID clean the downtown area.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

He state the city has a stable plan. He asked the Council for assistance and to stay with the plan that implements fiscal restraint, work on economic development and over the next 30 days he will work with Mr. Dale on the plan and vision for the city to continue with the process seamlessly.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Hodge pulled Item No. 5 for discussion and made a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following: 2. Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meetings of October 18, 2017, November 1, 2017 and Special Meeting of October 18, 2017; 3. Application for Alcoholic Beverage License for Cardenas Markets LLC, 2300 N. Imperial Avenue, Calexico, CA 92231; 4. Warrants from October 23rd, 2017 to November 3rd, 2017 and City Salaries & Benefits from October 14th to October 27th, 2017; 6. Approve the City of Calexico Five (5) Year Program Projects 2017-2022 for Road Projects to be Funded by Imperial County Local Transportation Authority (LTA) Sales Tax Revenue Bond. Motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco and passed unanimously.

ITEMS PULLED FROM CONSENT AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION**ITEM NO. 5. AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES BETWEEN THE CITY OF CALEXICO AND WILLDAN FINANCIAL SERVICES FOR A WATER AND WASTEWATER RATE STUDY.**

Council Member Hodge asked how much is paid. Mr. Dale informed him it is about \$100. Council Member Hodge asked if there was a strong possibility that the minimum would go up. Mr. Dale explained this will come up in the rate study.

Mayor Hurtado informed the water is at \$43, sewer is at \$38 and trash is at \$18. Mr. Dale stated the evaluations will be for only water and sewer rates base on city costs.

Council Member Hodge made a motion to approve Item No. 5 to Authorize City Manager to Sign an Agreement for Professional Services between the City of Calexico and Willdan Financial Services for a Water and Wastewater Rate Study. Motion was seconded by Council Member Escobar and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS**EL PORTAL DEVELOPMENT - APPROVAL OF REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH IMPERIAL VALLEY BUILDERS, LP, ENVIRONMENTAL CONSULTING SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ERICSSON GRANT, INC. AND LETTER OF AGREEMENT WITH COURY PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL FOR PREPARATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTS AND PLANNING CONSULTING SERVICES FOR PROJECT NO. UA 2017-08.**

City Manager Villa stated a development was previously approved about ten years ago and is coming back and there is a need for an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for assessment of the project and is seeking consulting services of a planner to assist with the process for this large project. Today's approval is for a reimbursement agreement to pay for all costs involved in the environmental. It will take about 22 weeks for the process and also need to approve the consulting agreement with Ericson Grant and Coury Planning.

Mayor Hurtado asked if this had gone through Planning. Mr. Villa informed her this is in the preliminary stages of a tentative tract map and we need to prepare the environmental document first and then take it before the Planning Commission for approval and eventually come to Council for final approval.

Council Member Hodge made a motion to approve El Portal Development Approval of Reimbursement Agreement with Imperial Valley Builders, LP, Environmental Consulting Services Agreement with Ericsson Grant, Inc. and Letter of Agreement with Coury Planning & Environmental for Preparation of Environmental Documents and Planning Consulting Services for Project No. UA 2017-08. Motion seconded by Council Member Escobar and passed unanimously.

APPOINTMENT BY COUNCIL MEMBER LEWIS PACHECO TO THE CALEXICO POLICE ADVISORY COMMISSION.

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco appointed Mr. Peter Castro.

AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN A MASTER EQUITY LEASE AGREEMENT WITH ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT, INC. FOR A PERIOD OF SIXTY (60) MONTHS FOR VEHICLE LEASE PROGRAM.

David Dale stated the city is looking to lease vehicles for a period of five years and from a financial point of view and by leasing them, the city will be saving money in the long run in the amount of \$60,000 a year based on maintenance of older vehicles. There will be 15 trucks for water and wastewater vehicles.

Mayor Hurtado asked if this went out for bid. City Attorney Campos advised the City piggy backed on a public bid called TIPS.

Mayor Hurtado asked about the surplus vehicles. Mr. Dale advised the city is working on the sale of surplus vehicles.

Council Member Escobar asked if the \$60,000 will be applied to general fund or enterprise fund. Mr. Dale stated the idea is to hand down some of the better vehicles to the general fund departments and explained that at the end of five years there will be equity in each vehicle for new vehicles. He explained this will be a lease agreement with equity. City Manager Villa stated the idea is to develop efficiently.

Motion by Council Member Real to Authorize the City Manager to Sign a Master Equity Lease Agreement with Enterprise Fleet Management, Inc. for a Period of Sixty (60) Months for Vehicle Lease Program. Motion seconded by Council Member Hodge and passed unanimously.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Escobar – Item for Ms. Meyer to provide an update on financial statement for the first quarter. City Manager Villa stated it is scheduled for the first meeting in December to include property tax information that was not in the prior report.

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco requested to look into the lights that are off at Rockwood and 9th.

Council Member Hodge requested to have an ad-hoc committee for Towncenter. He also reported a house riddled with drug paraphilia next to 623 Canal Street.

Mayor Hurtado requested to look into the employee recognition program. City Manager Villa stated this will be done quarterly. He reported HR is handling the milestone recognition for next month. Mayor requested an item to address the changes to the positions due to the council being told there were going to be no increases in salaries.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:30 pm

Maritza Hurtado, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gabriela T. Garcia, Deputy City Clerk