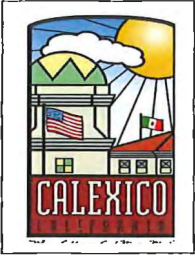


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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

DATE: September 21, 2022

TO: Mayor and City Council

APPROVED BY: Esperanza Colio Warren, City Manager

PREPARED BY: Gabriela T. Garcia, City Clerk

SUBJECT: Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency
Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meetings of
August 17, 2022 and December 2, 2020

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Recommendation:

Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/
Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meetings of August 17, 2022 and December 2, 2020.

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:

City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico
Financing Authority Minutes for Meetings of August 17, 2022 and December 2, 2020.
have been prepared for City Council review and approval.

Fiscal Impact:

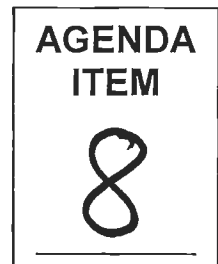
None.

Coordinated With:

None.

Attachment(s):

1. Minutes for City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency
Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority for Meetings of August 17,
2022 and December 2, 2020.



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THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 17TH DAY OF AUGUST, 2022 AT 5:30 PM AT THE FERNANDO “NENE” TORRES COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 608 HEBER AVENUE, CALEIXCO, CALIFORNIA. THE DATE, HOUR AND PLACE DULY ESTABLISHED FOR THE HOLD OF SAID MEETING PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-30.

CLOSED SESSION - 5:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Moreno called the closed session portion of the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor: Javier Moreno
Mayor Pro Tem: Raul Ureña
Council Member: Camilo Garcia
Council Member: Gloria Romo
Council Member: Rosie Arreola-Fernandez

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No public comments.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Council adjourned to closed session at 5:37 p.m. to discuss the following:

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant Exposure to Litigation, Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)/(e)(1)
One (1) Potential Case.

2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Property: 352 East First Street, Calexico, CA
Agency Negotiators: City Manager and City Attorney
Negotiating Parties: SBA Towers X, LLC
Under Negotiation: Prices and Terms

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Vertical Bridge Development, LLC v. City of Calexico
USDC, Southern Dist. Of Cal, Case No. 21-cv-2097-L-AHG

4. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)
Calexico Unified District v. City of Calexico
Imperial County Superior Court, Case No. ECU 001685

5. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Representatives: Esperanza Colio Warren, City Manager, Carlos Campos, City Attorney

Employee Organizations: Certified Operators Association/SEIU Local 221

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

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

REGULAR MEETING - 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Moreno called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

- Mayor: Javier Moreno
- Mayor Pro Tem: Raul Ureña
- Council Member: Camilo Garcia
- Council Member: Gloria Romo
- Council Member: Rosie Arreola-Fernandez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Moreno led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MISSION STATEMENT PLEDGE

Council Member Garcia led those present in reciting the Mission Statement Pledge.

INVOCATION

Council Member Romo led those present in prayer.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Attorney Campos reported council met on Items 1-4, direction was given, no reportable action was taken.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

City Manager Colio Warren requested to pull Item No. 11 - Authorize City Manager to Sign Change Order #6 for Oakview Constructors, Inc., for the New Fire Station Headquarters Project. and add an urgency item to the agenda for the installation of a mobile unit for Fire Station 2 due to the notification received by City Manager Colio Warren on Monday, August 15, 2022, regarding

plumbing issues at Fire Station 2 located on the west side of the City. The issues were not deemed to be fixable immediately, therefore, staff is requesting Council authorization to install a temporary mobile unit to continue operations.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ureña to approve the agenda with the request to remove Item 11 and add an urgency item for the Installation of a Mobile Unit for Fire Station 2. Motion was seconded by Council Member Arreola-Fernandez and passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

PRESENTATION BY ROBERT AMPARANO WITH INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE IMPERIAL VALLEY 9/11 MEMORIAL STAIR CLIMB

Firefighter Zinn, Vice-President of the 911 Stair Climb Committee issued an invitation to the City Council and Calexico to participate in the event which will take place on September 10, 2022. He provided information on registration to the event and requested support from the community and from the council to help fund the event. He also advised he is seeking sponsorship for a 911 Memorial at the Fair Grounds.

MAYORAL RECOGNITION FOR THE CASTRO FAMILY FOR 50 YEARS OF TRANSPORTATION SERVICES TO CALEXICO

Council Member Romo spoke on behalf of the Mr. Luis Castro, a visionary and his Family who started public transportation in Calexico 50 years ago. Mrs. Micaela Castro, wife to Mr. Luis Castro attended the recognition.

Mayor Moreno, Mayor Pro Tem Ureña, Council Members Arreola-Fernandez and Garcia thanked the family for the many years of service to the community of Calexico with transportation services.

Luis Castro thanked the Council for the recognition for the many years of service in memory of his father Luis Castro and his brother Ignacio Castro who founded the company in 1972. He also thanked his mother present at the meeting. He stated that with the support by the City, ICTC and FTA they could work again. He stated he was very proud of the recognition. Mayor presented Mayoral Recognition Certificate to the Castro Family.

PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING DISTINGUISHED CALEXICO HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES

Council Members read the Proclamation aloud. Mayor Moreno and Mayor Pro Tem Ureña presented the proclamation to the students recognized.

Angel de Dios thanked the Council for the recognition presented for the assistance given to the community and businesses and recognized the opportunities through the ARPA Funds.

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PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SURVIVAL AID ORGANIZATIONS SERVING THE UNHOUSED COMMUNITY IN CALEXICO

Council Members read the Proclamation aloud. Mayor Moreno and Mayor Pro Tem Ureña presented the proclamation to the representatives of the organizations being recognized.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Antonio Garcia spoke on behalf of Calexico Parents Athletic League and invited everyone to the first ever Bi-National Soccer Tournament and requested the Council's support for quality fields and maintenance of the fields for the tournament. He also promoted the Gala Dinner Dance which will be held on October 14, 2022 to raise funds for the tournament.

Leticia Aldana Cota congratulated new City Manager Colio Warren. She spoke on the increase in water fees which is in opposition to what the public was told which was that they would decrease. She stated the water quality was bad and further stated Council bickering needs to stop and Calexico needs to be the priority.

Norma Aguilar, 839 Heber Avenue, spoke about the Measure H request by Recreation for \$50K. She stated the committee awarded \$100K which was approved by Council and it is now being walked back and is not going to happen. She further stated the Council continues to use Measure H as a slush fund and not how Measure H was sold to the community and has now become part of the general fund.

Daniel Gamboa, Pool Manager addressed the Council regarding the lack of funding for the swimming pool for next year's pool program and advised he is planning to come in on September 14th with the rest of the staff with information for next summer.

Eli Lopez Director Deportivo de Baja California gave thanks for the invitation to Calexico and informed the male and female teams from Baja California will be attending the Bi-National Soccer Tournament in November and will unite with Calexico in a positive way to grow sports in Calexico.

Carmen Estrada thanked everyone supporting the League and requested support from the City for the parks and demanded the city provide funding to the parks and support Ms. Falomir for the Heber Park Gymnasium and with the one million dollars for parks. Mrs. Estrada also requested Council hire officers for security in Calexico.

Norma Valenzuela representing the seniors from the community center addressed the Council and requested they continue to fund the programs for the seniors, make improvements at the facility such as lighting. She further stated the seniors have already given to the community and it is time for them to receive the services they require for better health and quality of life.

Ben Horton addressed the council with reference to English/Spanish translations at City Council meetings. He spoke on Highway 98 and stated the crews are working again and Caltrans is working on an emergency fix and businesses are complaining. He commented on the need to repair cracks at the City Hall building and spoke about meeting with parents regarding the endangerment of children with a councilman and certain issues with council candidates running for office.

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Hector Ochoa Calexico addressed the council about his second request on behalf of himself and Mr. Lupe Salcedo regarding the retention at Victoria Villas and presented the following requests: for said retention basin: 1 - Repair the broken sprinklers in the basin; 2 - Finish cleaning the basin properly and 3- Requested a work scheduled for maintenance be done on an ongoing basis.

Guadalupe Salcedo 2100 Biclma, stated he loves Calexico and wants the entrances to be kept up and parks to be green and beautiful. He spoke about his participation in the upkeep the retention basin. He invited Mayor Moreno, Council Members and City Manager to assist them with their plan at the retention basin and to visit them at 7 am and see the conditions of the retention basin. He requested the City to clean the area and repair the irrigation system.

Oscar Garcia spoke in support of Mrs. Estrada and CPAL regarding the parks improvements for the binational soccer tournament. He asked the council for support of the parks and the young athletes.

David Garcias, SEIU Local 221 spoke on behalf of the certified water operators. He addressed the staffing levels being low unfilled vacancies, their struggles with additional work shifts and unable to keep up with water service operations which at times have been low and below the minimum staffing levels. He referred to the 2020 EPA Audit which recommended the city hire more water treatment plant operators, the chlorine gas disinfection system and stated Calexico is the only city that has not switched over to liquid coral or chlorine disinfection system which is safer and more cost effective. He requested equality in the employee groups specifically with regards to health care, a cost of living adjustment and competitive wages for the operators and laboratory technicians who need council support to keep services operating safely.

Oscar Palero, Water Plant Operator spoke on behalf of the Operators and the need to for staffing and requested council's support to fill the positions as soon as possible. He also requested equity in wages with the surrounding areas and informed the Calexico water is completely safe to drink.

Armando Real spoke about the needs in the city and stated that the only solution is with more commerce in the city. He asked where the Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development were on this matter because it is the only way to sell the City.

Ismael Arvizu thanked the City for the recognition. He stated he started due to the inequities and addressing pandemic needs. He spoke about the lack of public restrooms and drinking fountains, the need for parks for the binational competition and cooling centers which could be funded with ARPA funds.

Gustavo M. Gutierrez expressed his concerns over why some of the council members and county representatives continue to speak Spanish. He informed that California's Proposition 63 declares that English is the official language of the State of California and referred to Government Codes Sections 7290 and 7291 in support of his comments. He asked that Council Members abide by the California legal regulations and stop any attempts to put themselves above the law.

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CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Colio Warren informed she has continued to have conversations with the California Environmental Protection Agency and the Department of Water Resources (DWR) regarding the New River Improvements and the changes requested by DWR in order to be able to release the invitation for bids. She informed the Air Pollution and Public Works Departments has been made to initiate the alley improvements project which has been pending. She stated originally the grant application in the amount of \$3.3 million dollars was submitted in 2020 and offered to the City in 2020 however, the required grant information was submitted until 2022 and the final executed contract in May 3, 2022. Air Pollution has informed the City needs to move forward quickly in order to save the grant which was somehow delayed. She stated she is coordinating with the Fire Department on the relocation of the house for firefighters due to improvements needed at Station 2. He addressed the ten travel trailers donation accepted by City from the County of Imperial to alleviate issues with the homeless population. She informed the City approved the contract on May 4, 2021 however, the trailers were never moved to the City until August 3, 2022 when they were hauled to the Calexico East Side Reservoir. She stated the units lack essential equipment such as air conditioning, batteries, propane tanks and it could take up to seven thousand dollars per unit to bring them into compliance. She further stated the trailers will remain at their current location until the city finds the best solution for their use and they will never be placed in the downtown. She informed that on August 15, 2022, the City received Caltrans information regarding the status of the Route 98 project which was delayed due to the contractor failing to comply with the project and Caltrans had to go through a legal process to be able to hire another contractor. Caltrans has hired Rove Engineering Company to complete the first state of the project and the construction has been scheduled and Caltrans has promised via an emailed letter that they will be contacting the businesses to provide them an update in person to all businesses affected. She also informed the Council about Ordinance No. 1159 – Section addressed Municipal Code Section 2.19.040 - Disqualifying activity which states that in the event that any commissioner, board member, or committee member shall place his/her name as a candidate or permit his/her name to be placed as a candidate for any elective office in the city, the term of said commissioner shall automatically terminate effective on the date. There are two commissioners which are candidates and the City Clerk would be sending letters to those commissioners and there will be a request for new appointments.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Mayor Pro Tem Ureña stated he will be preparing a presentation on questions the community has on the budget for a future council meeting.

Mayor Moreno spoke on Highway 98 and Highway 111 Project and stated he is meeting with Caltrans officials in the next week to have a presentation given on this issue.

Council Member Garcia stated he concurred with Mr. Real on moving the City forward by bringing in more revenue and working with businesses for the retention and attraction of businesses. He attended the grand opening of the first mixed-use facility. He thank Mr. Mike Pacheco, IID for the tour of the facilities in Calexico regarding the issues of water run off on retention basins and our

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streets and stated they have signed on to help us with materials and technical assistance to find a solution to these matters.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Council Member Romo, seconded by Council Member Arreola-Fernandez and passed unanimously to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following: Warrants from June 4, 2022 to June 17, 2022 and City Salaries from June 4, 2022 to June 17, 2022; Warrants from June 18, 2022 to July 1, 2022 and City Salaries from June 18, 2022 to July 1, 2022; Warrants from July 2, 2022 to July 15, 2022 and City Salaries from July 2, 2022 to July 15, 2022; Approval of a Resolution to Continue Fully or Partially Virtual Public Meetings (AB 361); Approval of a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calexico in Support of National Domestic Violence Awareness Month – October 2022; Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 2022-1227 – An Ordinance Amending Calexico Municipal Code Section 2.04.060 Regarding City Council Agenda Order of Business.

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN CHANGE ORDER #6 FOR OAKVIEW CONSTRUCTORS, INC., FOR THE NEW FIRE STATION HEADQUARTERS PROJECT.

Item removed from the agenda.

AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN CHANGE ORDER NO. 2 WITH PYRAMID CONSTRUCTION & AGGREGATES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$279,894.91 FOR CALEXICO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT TAXIWAY A REHABILITATION FAA AIP NO. 3-06-0034-018-2020; 3-06-0034-021-2021.

Ms. Falomir provided a brief history and an update of the project which is approximately 95% complete and provided a detail of the items included in the change order. She advised Pyramid Construction and Aggregates, Inc. is requesting additional compensation due to events that occurred, which were out of their control since they bid the project in October 2021 and were allowed to begin construction in April 2022. These events were (1) oil price escalation and (2) bridge closure on Dogwood Road and Second Street.

After discussion by council members regarding the increase in costs to the project, Ms. Falomir recommended that the Council consider Items 1 and 2 which are the major needs at the airport and bring back Items 3, 4 and 5 for consideration at a later date.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia to Authorize City Manager to Sign Change Order No. 2 for only Items 1 and 2 and bring back Items 3, 4 and 5 for consideration at a later date. Motion was seconded by Council Member Arreola-Fernandez and passed unanimously.

AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO FILE NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR CALEXICO NEW RIVER PARKWAY PROJECT PHASE 1B FEDERAL PROJECT NO. HPLUL-5168(015).

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Ms. Falomir, Public Works Manager provided a brief update and advised the construction of the project has been completed and the Notice of Completion is submitted for authorization to close out the project. Council Member Garcia suggested a strong entrance to the area for fire emergency vehicles.

Armando Real suggested having a billboard at the entrance to parks with business signs paid by businesses to help the parks to maintain and alleviate the current park situation.

Motion was made by Council Member Romo, seconded by Council Member Garcia to Authorize City Manager to File Notice of Completion for Calexico New River Parkway Project Phase 1B Federal Project No. HPLUL-5168(015). Motion passed unanimously.

ADOPTION OF A JOB DESCRIPTION AND SETTING FORTH A PAY RANGE FOR THE POSITION OF FUEL LINEMAN

Denise Garcia, Human Resources Manager informed that with the job description, the city will be able to fill the positions with permanent part-time positions.

Motion was made by Arreola-Fernandez, seconded by Council Member Romo to adopt a Job Description and Setting Forth a Pay Range for the Position of Fuel Lineman.

ITEMS NO. 15 THROUGH 18

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Urena, seconded by Council Member Romo and passed unanimously to approve Items 15-18 consisting of the following: 15. Approval to Reschedule City Council Meeting of September 7, 2022 to Wednesday, September 14, 2022; 16. Ratification of Letter to Comite Civico del Valle in Support of the Southern Border Region Economic Equity Plan (SB RELP); 17. Ratification of Letter to San Diego/Imperial Valley Small Business Development Center (IVSBDC) in Support of the Southern Border Region Economic Equity Plan (SB RELP); 18. Ratification of Letter to San Ysidro Health's Application to Bring a Program of All-Inclusive Care for the Elderly (PACF) to Imperial County.

APPOINTMENT TO THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMISSION BY MAYOR PRO TEM UREÑA

Mayor Pro Tem Ureña appointed Benjamin Horton Jr. to the Economic Development/Financial Advisory Commission.

EMERGENCY ITEM: EMERGENCY EXPENDITURE TO HOUSE FIREFIGHTERS FROM STATION 2 DUE TO PLUMBING ISSUES WITH THE STATION

Chief Favila spoke on the emergency at Fire Station 2 due to seepage from the gray water system coming from the drainage system within the fire station and with this compiled with the many other issues at the station make it unsafe and uninhabitable. In order to decrease liability due to mold and to protect the employees, the decision was made to vacate the station and bring equipment and crews to Fire Station 1. He stated services are being provided to the east area with a small delay in driving time. City Manager Colio Warren spoke about various issues affecting Station 2 which include the

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train crossings blocking the east and west sides of Calexico from 5 am to 8 am and again from 3 pm to 6 pm, therefore she made a recommendation to have a temporary mobile home in the parking area of Station 2. The building will be shut down but not the apparatus area. She advised Fire Chief Favila obtained a quote on the rental of the mobile home for one year for an amount of forty-one thousand for the first year which can be funded with salary savings from unfilled positions. Mrs. Colio Warren stated her recommendation was for the Council to allow her to work with the Fire Department to bring the facility as soon as possible in order to immediately continue with services. Fire Chief Favila and City Manager Colio Warren answered questions from Council Members regarding timelines and housing and staging of vehicles during peak traffic hours and procurement process and long term solutions to the situation.

City Manager Colio requested authorization not to exceed an amount and obtain three quotes to be brought forth for approval.

City Attorney Campos requested that the amount not to be exceeded be stated.

Chief Favila requested an amount of sixty thousand dollars due to the utility hook-ups.

Motion by Council Member Arcoleta-Fernandez to approve an emergency expenditure in amount not to exceed \$60,000 for temporary mobile home to house the firefighters from Fire Station 2. Motion was seconded by Council Member Garcia and passed unanimously.

Chief Favila assured that the community on the west side of Calexico is still protected and the 911 system has not changed and they can call for services.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

RECEIVE AND FILE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES MINUTES FOR MEETING OF JUNE 8, 2022.

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia, seconded by Council Member Arcoleta-Fernandez and passed unanimously to receive and file the Library Board of Trustees Minutes for Meeting of June 8, 2022.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Moreno requested the following items:

Special Meeting on September 1, 2022 for 5 pm to address the following items:

1. Complete presentation/update by Caltrans on Highway 98 Project.
2. Item to present the \$500 check for Calexico Historical Book Project.
3. Item for Rockwood Avenue Street Art Project.
4. Item for Binational Committee for Soccer Tournament for Calexico Parents Athletic League (CPAL).
5. Item regarding the garbage company contract and the \$40,000 to hire personnel to clean the downtown.
6. Item for a Binational Healthcare Commission with Mexicali/Letter of Agreement.

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Council Member Garcia requested an item to revisit the Chamber of Commerce with Katey Luna.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Council Member Garcia motioned to adjourn the meeting at 9:14 p.m. Motion was seconded by Council Member Romo and passed unanimously.

Javier Moreno, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gabriela T. Garcia, City Clerk

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THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER, 2020 AT 5:30 PM AT THE FERNANDO “NENE” TORRES COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 608 HEBER AVENUE, CALEXICO, CALIFORNIA. THE DATE, HOUR AND PLACE DULY ESTABLISHED FOR THE HOLD OF SAID MEETING PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-30.

CLOSED SESSION - 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Arreola-Fernandez called the closed session portion of the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor: Rosie Arreola-Fernandez
Council Member: Lewis Pacheco
Council Member: Camilo Garcia
Council Member: Bill Hodge

ABSENT:

Mayor Pro Tem: Morris Reisin

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No Public Comments.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

City Council convened in closed session at 5:33 p.m. to discuss the following:

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

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

City of Calexico, et al., v. Keely Martin Bosler, as the Director of the Cal. Dept. of Finance
Superior Court, County of Sacramento, Case No. 34-2020-80003339

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

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

Calexico Auto Dismantlers, Inc., v. City of Calexico
USDC, Southern District of Cal., Case No. 20cv1822-BEN-MDD

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant Exposure to Litigation, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)/(e)(1)

One (1) potential case

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

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

REGULAR SESSION – 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Arreola Fernandez called meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor: Rosie Arreola-Fernandez
Council Member: Lewis Pacheco
Council Member: Camilo Garcia
Council Member: Bill Hodge

ABSENT:

Mayor Pro Tem: Morris Reisin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Pacheco led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MISSION STATEMENT PLEDGE

Mayor Arreola-Fernandez led those present in reciting the Mission Statement Pledge.

INVOCATION

Mayor Arreola-Fernandez led those present in prayer.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Attorney Campos reported direction was given, no reportable action taken.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion was made by Council Member Hodge, seconded by Council Member Garcia to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Arreola-Fernandez, Pacheco, Garcia, Hodge
NOES: None
ABSENT: Reisin

PRESENTATION

CORONAVIRUS COVID-19 UPDATE BY POLICE CHIEF GERARDO AND FIRE CHIEF DIEGO FAVILA

City Manager Figueroa provided the presentation and advised City managers in Imperial Valley had meeting with County CEO and Imperial County Public Health Director and discussed the increase in deaths related to Covid-19 and the concern over space in health facilities and increasing number of cases attributed to recent holidays and winter season coming up.

County Supervisor Escobar stated he believed the initial run for the vaccine would be about January or February, however there will be a small batch in December. He further stated he is worried about the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays and family parties. He stressed that families cannot continue to gather as in the past due to spiking numbers and hospitals reaching capacity. He stated the need to slow the spread and cautioned everyone to be socially responsible and avoid the social gatherings. He answered questions from the Council regarding the state of the tier for the County and testing site in Brawley site and the alternate care facility at Imperial Valley College, no government testing in Calexico however, local doctors are providing testing.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES - No public comments.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT - Nothing to report.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Council Member Garcia reported participating via zoom regarding how hard some cities, in Imperial County, have been hit with Covid-19. He reported on the unemployment numbers stated that over the last year the biggest job loss was in government. He encouraged everyone to get involved with the SCAG program to increase opportunities.

Bill Hodge stated he believed one of the best councils the city of Calexico has ever had. He expressed that he and another current council member will no longer be on this council and wished future council luck.

Mayor Arreola Fernandez also expresses her gratitude towards Council Members Hodge and Reisin. She informed that the Imperial Regional Detention Center gave out of turkeys to thirty families. She was also able to participate with the Mexican Consulate who provided the Library books to give migrant children. In addition, during her meeting with Imperial Regional Detention Center they gave local leaders an update on the progress for the community of Calexico

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Council Member Pacheco, seconded by Council Member Garcia to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following: Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meeting of May 6, 2020. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

- AYES: Arreola-Fernandez, Pacheco, Garcia, Hodge
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: Reisin

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CALEXICO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND THE ARTS AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Motioned was made by Council Member Pacheco, seconded by Council Member Hodge to approve the first reading by title only of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Calexico, California, Amending the Calexico Municipal Code to establish the Library Board of Trustees and the Arts and Historical Commission. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Arreola-Fernandez, Pacheco, Garcia, Hodge
NOES: None
ABSENT: Reisin

APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE ENCLOSED SUBLEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CALEXICO ARTS COUNCIL

Motion was made by Council Member Hodge, seconded by Council Member Garcia to approve and authorize the City Manager to sign the enclosed sublease agreement with the Calexico Arts Council. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Arreola-Fernandez, Pacheco, Garcia, Hodge
NOES: None
ABSENT: Reisin

APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE ENCLOSED SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH AMERI NATIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICES

Motioned was made by Council Member Pacheco, seconded by Council Member Hodge to approve and authorize the City Manager to Sign the Enclosed Second Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with AmeriNational Community Services. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Arreola-Fernandez, Pacheco, Garcia, Hodge
NOES: None
ABSENT: Reisin

APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A CITY COUNCIL POLICY REGARDING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC AND DIGITAL SIGNATURES FOR CITY BUSINESS

Motion made by Council Member Garcia, seconded by Council Member Hodge on the approval of a Resolution Adopting a City Council Policy Regarding the Use of electronic and Digital Signatures for City Business. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Arreola-Fernandez, Pacheco, Garcia, Hodge
NOES: None
ABSENT: Reisin

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Hodge requested review of Ordinance regarding the senior citizen commission and requested it to be amended for possible discussion and action.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned the meeting at 7:34 pm

Rosie Arreola-Fernandez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gabriela T. Garcia, City Clerk

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THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 2ND DAY OF DECEMBER, 2020 AT 5:30 PM AT THE FERNANDO “NENE” TORRES COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 608 HEBER AVENUE, CALEIXCO, CALIFORNIA. THE DATE, HOUR AND PLACE DULY ESTABLISHED FOR THE HOLD OF SAID MEETING PURSUANT TO EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-30.

CLOSED SESSION - 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Arreola-Fernandez called the closed session portion of the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

Mayor: Rosie Arreola-Fernandez
Council Member: Lewis Pacheco
Council Member: Camilo Garcia
Council Member: Bill Hodge

ABSENT:

Mayor Pro Tem: Morris Reisin

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No Public Comments.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

City Council convened in closed session at 5:33 p.m. to discuss the following:

CLOSED SESSION

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

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

City of Calexico, et al., v. Keely Martin Bosler, as the Director of the Cal. Dept. of Finance
Superior Court, County of Sacramento, Case No. 34-2020-80003339

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

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

Calexico Auto Dismantlers, Inc., v. City of Calexico
USDC, Southern District of Cal., Case No. 20cv1822-BEN-MDD

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant Exposure to Litigation, pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)/(e)(1)

One (1) potential case

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

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

REGULAR SESSION – 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Arreola Fernandez called meeting to order at 6:41 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PRESENT:

- Mayor: Rosie Arreola-Fernandez
- Council Member: Lewis Pacheco
- Council Member: Camilo Garcia
- Council Member: Bill Hodge

ABSENT:

- Mayor Pro Tem: Morris Reisin

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Pacheco led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MISSION STATEMENT PLEDGE

Mayor Arreola-Fernandez led those present in reciting the Mission Statement Pledge.

INVOCATION

Mayor Arreola-Fernandez led those present in prayer.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

City Attorney Campos reported direction was given, no reportable action taken.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion was made by Council Member Hodge, seconded by Council Member Garcia to approve the agenda as presented. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

- AYES: Arreola-Fernandez, Pacheco, Garcia, Hodge
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: Reisin

PRESENTATION

CORONAVIRUS COVID-19 UPDATE BY POLICE CHIEF GERARDO AND FIRE CHIEF DIEGO FAVILA

City Manager Figueroa provided the presentation and advised City managers in Imperial Valley had meeting with County CEO and Imperial County Public Health Director and discussed the increase in deaths related to Covid-19 and the concern over space in health facilities and increasing number of cases attributed to recent holidays and winter season coming up.

County Supervisor Escobar stated he believed the initial run for the vaccine would be about January or February, however there will be a small batch in December. He further stated he is worried about the upcoming Thanksgiving and Christmas Holidays and family parties. He stressed that families cannot continue to gather as in the past due to spiking numbers and hospitals reaching capacity. He stated the need to slow the spread and cautioned everyone to be socially responsible and avoid the social gatherings. He answered questions from the Council regarding the state of the tier for the County and testing site in Brawley site and the alternate care facility at Imperial Valley College, no government testing in Calexico however, local doctors are providing testing.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES - No public comments.

CITY MANAGERS REPORT - Nothing to report.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Council Member Garcia reported participating via zoom regarding how hard some cities, in Imperial County, have been hit with Covid-19. He reported on the unemployment numbers stated that over the last year the biggest job loss was in government. He encouraged everyone to get involved with the SCAG program to increase opportunities.

Bill Hodge stated he believed one of the best councils the city of Calexico has ever had. He expressed that he and another current council member will no longer be on this council and wished future council luck.

Mayor Arreola Fernandez also expresses her gratitude towards Council Members Hodge and Reisin. She informed that the Imperial Regional Detention Center gave out of turkeys to thirty families. She was also able to participate with the Mexican Consulate who provided the Library books to give migrant children. In addition, during her meeting with Imperial Regional Detention Center they gave local leaders an update on the progress for the community of Calexico

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Council Member Pacheco, seconded by Council Member Garcia to approve the consent agenda consisting of the following: Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meeting of May 6, 2020. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

- AYES: Arreola-Fernandez, Pacheco, Garcia, Hodge
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: Reisin

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY OF AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE CALEXICO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES AND THE ARTS AND HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Motioned was made by Council Member Pacheco, seconded by Council Member Hodge to approve the first reading by title only of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Calexico, California, Amending the Calexico Municipal Code to establish the Library Board of Trustees and the Arts and Historical Commission. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Arreola-Fernandez, Pacheco, Garcia, Hodge
NOES: None
ABSENT: Reisin

APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE ENCLOSED SUBLEASE AGREEMENT WITH THE CALEXICO ARTS COUNCIL

Motion was made by Council Member Hodge, seconded by Council Member Garcia to approve and authorize the City Manager to sign the enclosed sublease agreement with the Calexico Arts Council. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Arreola-Fernandez, Pacheco, Garcia, Hodge
NOES: None
ABSENT: Reisin

APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN THE ENCLOSED SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH AMERI NATIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICES

Motioned was made by Council Member Pacheco, seconded by Council Member Hodge to approve and authorize the City Manager to Sign the Enclosed Second Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with AmeriNational Community Services. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Arreola-Fernandez, Pacheco, Garcia, Hodge
NOES: None
ABSENT: Reisin

APPROVAL OF A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A CITY COUNCIL POLICY REGARDING THE USE OF ELECTRONIC AND DIGITAL SIGNATURES FOR CITY BUSINESS

Motion made by Council Member Garcia, seconded by Council Member Hodge on the approval of a Resolution Adopting a City Council Policy Regarding the Use of electronic and Digital Signatures for City Business. Motion passed by the following roll-call vote:

AYES: Arreola-Fernandez, Pacheco, Garcia, Hodge
NOES: None
ABSENT: Reisin

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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ADJOURNMENT

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Rosie Arreola-Fernandez, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gabriela T. Garcia, City Clerk