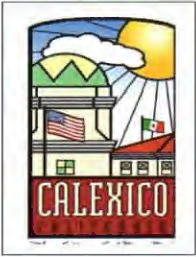
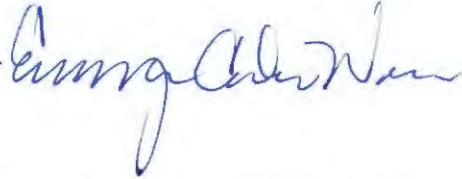



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CITY COUNCIL AGENDA STAFF REPORT

DATE: November 2, 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 Meeting of October 19, 2022

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Recommendation:

Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meeting of October 19, 2022.

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 Meeting of October 19, 2022 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 Meeting of October 19, 2022.

AGENDA ITEM 3

THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 19TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 2022 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 AB 361 APPROVED BY GOVERNOR OF CALIFORNIA ON SEPTEMBER 16, 2021.

CLOSED SESSION – 5:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

ALL PRESENT

PUBLIC COMMENTS – No Public Comments.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

City Council adjourned to close session at 5:35 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. 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

City Council reconvened from closed session at 6:18 p.m.

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

OPEN SESSION - 6:30 PM

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Moreno called the open session portion of the meeting at 6:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL

ALL COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Moreno led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MISSION STATEMENT PLEDGE

Mayor Moreno 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 direction was given, no reportable action taken.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

City Manager Colio Warren requested that a last minute item be added to the agenda for approval of request by the Mexican Consulate for the Use of the City Logo, Participation and Support from the City as a Co-Partner of the Farm Workers Breakfast and Health Fair Event Taking Place from October 27, 2022 to October 28, 2022 be added to the agenda. City Attorney Campos stated the item came to the attention of the City after the posting of the agenda.

Motion by Council Member Romo to approve the agenda with the addition of the emergency item from the Mexican consulate. Motion was seconded by Council Member Garcia and passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS**PRESENTATION BY EFRAIN SILVA, DEAN OF ECONOMIC AND WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ON THE IMPERIAL VALLEY COLLEGE COMPREHENSIVE MASTER PLAN**

Alexis Villa, Dean of Students and Special Projects provided a detailed PowerPoint presentation on the Imperial Valley College Comprehensive Master Plan including the strategic goals, guided pathways framework, eliminating student barriers and their work on making the SB169 Affordable Housing Project a reality. Ms. Villa reported Imperial Valley College is one of the top ten community colleges in the nation. Bill Gay, Public Relations Consultant presented the new and repurposed buildings and the campus enhancements to various buildings. Mr. Gay spoke on the Measure B, the \$123 million General Obligation Bond on the November 8th ballot and the additional facilities and projects. Ms. Villa and Mr. Gay answered questions from Council Member Garcia regarding modular buildings, tiny homes and technology for the automotive center.

VERBAL UPDATE ON THE CALEXICO FIRE STATION NO. 1 HEADQUARTERS PROJECT

Fire Chief Diego Favila provided an update on the Calexico Fire Station No. 1 Headquarters Project, a 9,000 sq. ft. facility which began in February 2020 and is very closed to the finish line and working on final pending items which are gas service, parking lot south of the project,

furnishings, completing the roof between the Fire and Police Departments and the façade between the departments. Chief Favila provided a tentative opening date of November 1, 2022.

PRESENTATION BY INTERIM CHIEF SERRANO – TRAFFIC CONTROL DEPARTMENT

Interim Police Chief Serrano provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Police Department including an overview on staffing and vehicles, department funding for fiscal year 2022-23 of \$778,841, traffic controller duties including directing traffic, pre-planned events, parking enforcement branch of the department including issuing parking citations, collection of meter fees and other duties such as funeral escort, oversee the school areas and they process paperwork for administrative hearings and assist with special events and answer questions from the public. Interim Chief Serrano addressed the number of traffic controllers at nine key intersections in the City, the problems caused when traffic controllers are not present, provided statistics on the citations and revenues collected by traffic controller staff. He informed the staff also carries out maintenance of the damaged meters. Interim Chief Serrano answered questions from City Council Members.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Carmen Estrada addressed the Council and thanked City Manager Colio Warren for her help and for solving the problems with the Binational Tournament and for the improvements to the City parks.

Oscar Pesqueira, Firefighters Association, stated they are very excited to be at the finish line with the completion of Fire Station 1 which will house the firefighters. He also stated the need to house the equipment since they had found a homeless person sleeping in the engine parked on the street. He also addressed the much needed personal gear and requested the Council to provide direction to the City Manager and Fire Chief to allow for obtaining medical equipment to serve the residents. He spoke on behalf of the traffic controllers and stated they are essential because they assist the Fire Department. He also invited everyone to the November 4th event at Humble Farmer in support of local cancer awareness.

Joong Kim spoke in favor of funding public safety. He addressed problems with the housing programs and the collection of housing payments. He stated the city is failing at their duty and Calexico is losing revenue.

James Beaver spoke regarding school impact fees and he addressed the multiple impact fees being imposed on homeowners and requested the Council to look into the possibility of overcharging or excessive impact fees.

Rebecca Lemon expressed her dissatisfaction with Mayor Pro Tem Ureña's decision making regarding the ARPA funds being used for the farmworkers and questioned his attitude with regards to her comments at prior meeting.

Daniela Flores, the community organizer for the Imperial Valley Equity and Justice Coalition, expressed her gratitude towards Mayor Pro Tem Ureña, Council Member Romo and City Manager Colio Warren for making policy changes to improve the condition of the Calexico community, reiterating the Coalition itself was witness to its improvements. She further commented on disrespectful comments made during the past meetings.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Colio Warren reported on Fire Station 2 and stated there will be a mold remediation inspection and will bring forth a plan for mitigation. She reported on decision to move forward with mold mitigation and address gray water issues and advised the City will have to absorb the expense. She advised that due to recent incident with the fire engine, engine is being secured inside the new station bay. She reported on the ambulance, and medical equipment which carry an approximate cost of \$1,500,000 and the radios will be an additional \$400,000 which will be brought back on November 2nd with the first quarter report plan. She reported on the New River Improvements Project bid has been issued and expect bids back in November. She reported the City continues having meetings with Customs and Border Protection regarding lane closures at the west port of entry and informed updates on lane closures are being posted on the city website. She informed on upcoming events in the community in October and November. She also informed the city is working on a Christmas parade for December with an estimated cost of \$13,000.

COMMISSIONER REPORTS – No commissioner reports.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Mayor Pro Tem Ureña reported on traffic incidents with border traffic and housing needs in Calexico. He stated he is working with Calexico Unified School District on impact fees. He reported on meeting with Dr. Veronica Terriquez from the UCLA Chicano Research Studies Institute. He commended City Manager Colio Warren and Directors on work performed.

Council Member Garcia reported on hosting students from Imperial Valley Regional Occupations Program and thanked the staff for presenting their departments to the students. Attended the Measure H Committee meeting.

Council Member Arreola-Fernandez reported attending the Mexican Consulate cancer event and thanked the Consulate and Ventanilla de Salud, attended the ground breaking of the new car wash next to Popeye's, the IVROP presentations and attended Mr. Jimmy Duron's event for the Collection of paintings of the Tower.

Mayor Moreno attended the Ventanilla de Salud Cancer Awareness event, Quack car wash ground breaking and provided an update on the Farmworker Service Center.

Council Member Romo reported attending event by Dr. Kimble in which Calexico was recognized, the Salton Sea event on Indigenous People's Day, the Calexico Unified School District Board meeting on the imposition of impact fees on residents and thanked Mr. Hector Chavira for providing a tutorial on how to view past meetings with Spanish subtitles.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Ureña, seconded by Council Member Garcia to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following items: Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meetings of September 21, 2022 and October 12, 2022; Warrants from September 10, 2022 to September 23, 2022 and City Salaries from September 10, 2022 to September 23, 2022; Approval of a Side Letter of Understanding between the City of Calexico and the Calexico Municipal Employee's Association (CMEA) for the Remaining Term Beginning July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2023; Approval of a Resolution to Continue Fully or Partially Virtual Public Meetings (AB 361).

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS**APPROVAL OF REQUEST BY CALEXICO BAJA RUNNERS FOR CITY CO-SPONSORSHIP OF THE VETERAN'S DAY EVENT ON NOVEMBER 11, 2022**

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ureña, seconded by Council Member Garcia for the approval of request by Calexico Baja Runners for City Co-Sponsorship of the Veteran's Day Event on November 11, 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

ADOPT RESOLUTION APPROVING SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CALEXICO UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, THE CITY OF CALEXICO AND THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO (IMPERIAL COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT CASE NO. ECU10114)

Motion was made by Council Member Arreola-Fernandez, seconded by Council Member Garcia to adopt Resolution Approving Settlement Agreement between the Calexico Unified School District, the City of Calexico and the Successor Agency to the Community Redevelopment Agency of the City of Calexico (Imperial County Superior Court Case No. ECU10114). Motion passed unanimously.

AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS AND THE CITY OF CALEXICO REGARDING ROCKWOOD ROLL-OUT PROJECT

Motion made by Council Member Romo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ureña to authorize the City Manager to Sign Memorandum of Understanding Between the Southern California Association of Governments and the City of Calexico Regarding Rockwood Roll-Out Project. Motion passed unanimously.

ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALEXICO RATIFYING THE SUBMITTAL OF SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (STBG) APPLICATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$519,000 WITH A LOCAL MATCH OF \$251,000 (MEASURE "D"), PROJECT MILESTONE DATES, AND TIMELY USE OF FUNDS

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ureña, seconded by Council Member Romo to adopt a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calexico Ratifying the Submittal of Surface Transportation Block Grant (STBG) Application in the Amount of \$519,000 with a Local Match of \$251,000 (Measure "D"), Project Milestone Dates, and Timely Use of Funds. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF BID DOCUMENTS FOR RECONSTRUCTION OF RESTROOMS AT ENRIQUE CAMARENA MEMORIAL LIBRARY AND AUTHORIZE THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT TO SEND THE PROJECT OUT TO BID

Motion was made by Council Member Arreola-Fernandez, seconded by Council Member Romo for approval Bid Documents for Reconstruction of Restrooms at Enrique Camarena Memorial Library and Authorize the Public Works Department to Send the Project Out to Bid. Motion passed unanimously.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE ZIP BOOKS GRANT FOR FY 2022-23 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,128.00 AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER AND FISCAL AGENT TO SIGN THE CERTIFICATION, AWARD AGREEMENT AND CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO: AND ANY RELATED DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROGRAM

Motion was made by Council Member Romo, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ureña for Acceptance of the Zip Books Grant for FY 2022-23 in the Amount of \$7,128.00 and Authorize the City Manager and Fiscal Agent to Sign the Certification, Award Agreement and Certificate of Compliance and any Amendments thereto: and any Related Documents Necessary to Participate in the Program. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVAL OF SPONSORSHIP REQUEST FROM SAN DIEGO STATE UNIVERSITY-IMPERIAL VALLEY CAMPUS (SDSU-IV) CROSS-CULTURAL CENTER IN SUPPORT OF HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH EVENT

Motion was made by Council Member Romo, seconded by Council Member Garcia for Approval of Sponsorship Request from San Diego State University-Imperial Valley Campus (SDSU-IV) Cross-Cultural Center in Support of Hispanic Heritage Month Event. Motion passed unanimously.

AUTHORIZE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT WITH IMPERIAL COUNTY OFFICE OF EDUCATION (ICOE) EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION PROGRAM

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia, seconded by Council Member Arreola-Fernandez to Authorize City Manager to Sign Partnership Agreement with Imperial County Office of Education (ICOE) Early Care and Education Program. Motion passed unanimously.

AUTHORIZATION OF OUT OF TOWN TRAVEL FOR COUNCIL MEMBER GARCIA TO ATTEND THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES LEAGUE LEADERS WORKSHOP IN MONTEREY, CALIFORNIA - NOVEMBER 3, 2022 TO DECEMBER 2, 2022. (CITY MANAGER) WITH CORRECTION TO NOVEMBER 30, 2022

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ureña, seconded by Council Member Arreola-Fernandez and passed unanimously for Authorization of Out of Town Travel for Council Member Garcia to Attend the League of California Cities League Leaders Workshop in Monterey, California with correction to the dates of travel from November 30, 2022 to December 2, 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

APPROVE OUT OF STATE TRAVEL FOR TRAINING – FBI NATIONAL ACADEMY LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF AND SERGEANTS

Motion was made by Council Member Romo, seconded by Council Member Arreola-Fernandez to Approve Out of State Travel for Training – FBI National Academy Leadership Training for Administrative Staff and Sergeants. Motion passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION/ACTION/DIRECTION REGARDING IMPROVEMENTS TO A CITY BUILDING LOCATED AT 1100 IMPERIAL AVE., CALEXICO, CA 92231 LEASED FOR \$1 PER YEAR TO THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR GREATER CALEXICO

Direction was given by Council Member Garcia to bring back the item with review of the contract language and identification of funding sources. Council Member Arreola-Fernandez concurred with the direction.

EMERGENCY ITEM: APPROVAL OF REQUEST BY THE MEXICAN CONSULATE FOR THE USE OF THE CITY LOGO, PARTICIPATION AND SUPPORT FROM THE CITY AS A CO-PARTNER OF THE FARM WORKERS BREAKFAST AND HEALTH FAIR EVENT TAKING PLACE FROM OCTOBER 27, 2022 TO OCTOBER 28, 2022

Motion was made by Council Member Garcia, seconded by Council Member Arreola-Fernandez for Approval of Request by the Mexican Consulate for the Use of the City Logo, Participation and Support from the City as a Co-Partner of the Farm Workers Breakfast and Health Fair Event Taking Place from October 27, 2022 to October 28, 2022. Motion passed unanimously.

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FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Garcia requested an ordinance to mitigate issues and concerns regarding the parking commercial vehicles and other transportation vehicles that block driveways.

Council Member Arreola-Fernandez requested an update on the Raiteros issue.

Council Member Romo requested an item to inform the public about the heavy traffic at the two ports of entry and an item to discuss the Christmas parade and start preparations for the City's 115th Anniversary Celebration in 2023.

Mayor Moreno requested an update on the State Highway 98 construction and future State Highway 98 projects.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, motion was made by Mayor Romero, seconded by Council Member Romo to adjourn the meeting at 9:04 p.m.

Javier Moreno, Mayor

ATTEST:

Gabriela T. Garcia, City Clerk