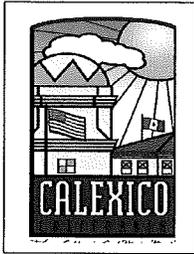


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AGENDA STAFF REPORT

DATE: November 1, 2017
TO: Mayor and City Council
APPROVED BY: Armando G. Villa, City Manager *Armando G. Villa*
PREPARED BY: Gabriela T. Garcia, Deputy City Clerk *Gabriela T. Garcia*
SUBJECT: Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meeting of October 4, 2017

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Recommendation:

Approval of City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority Minutes for Meeting of October 4, 2017.

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 Meeting of October 4, 2017 have been prepared for City Council review and approval.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Coordinated With:

None.

Attachments:

1. Minutes for City Council/Calexico Community Redevelopment Agency Successor Agency/Calexico Financing Authority for Meeting of October 4, 2017.

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THE CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 4TH DAY OF OCTOBER, 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 5:40 p.m.

ROLL CALL.

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

ABSENT:

Council Member: Jesus Eduardo Escobar

PUBLIC COMMENTS. - No public comments.

CLOSED SESSION

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION.

Council adjourned to closed session at 5:42 p.m. to discuss the following:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
Agency Representatives: Armando Villa, City Manager, Carlos Campos, City Attorney
Employee Organizations: Calexico Municipal Employees Association

Council reconvened from closed session at 6:25 p.m.

**CALEXICO CITY COUNCIL/CALEXICO REDEVELOPMENT
SUCCESSOR AGENCY/CALEXICO FINANCING AUTHORITY
REGULAR SESSION AGENDA
6:30 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hurtado called the regular portion of the agenda to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Mayor: Maritza Hurtado

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

ABSENT:

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

Mr. Herrera led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

INVOCATION

Invocation was led by Pastor Dennis Freeman of the Christ Community Church/El Centro Campus.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS.

City Attorney Carlos Campos advised that direction was given, no reportable action was taken.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco, second by Council Member Escobar. Motion passed unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS

Robert Smith from General Services Administration (GSA) was present to provide a short presentation on the Port of Entry in Calexico. He discussed the history of the inspection facility, constructed in 1974. He explained the expansion project, awarded in 2015, will be done in two phases. Phase one has three lanes southbound and ten lanes northbound, a head house and kennel.

Phase 2 is expected to receive funding in 2019. It is expected to have an additional five northbound lanes, employee parking lot structure, etc. He shared renderings of what the site is expected to look like once completed.

Councilman Real inquired as to the traffic expected to be directed to Imperial Avenue. Mr. Smith stated it was is part of phase 2 and shared photos of construction progress. He further stated current city lights need to be relocated off Cesar Chavez Blvd and GSA is working with the City of Calexico to ensure a smooth transition. Council Member Real pointed out that Mexico does not appear to have started the construction on their side. Mr. Smith stated there is a binational meeting scheduled for October 23rd and they will reveal the name of their contractor at that meeting. He also stated, GSA has asked Mexico to begin the grading as priority so we can begin the traffic flow.

Councilman Escobar stated phase one will allow ten lanes, which is what we currently have, and phase 2 will be for pedestrians. During phase 1 will we also be using the old port of entry existing ten lanes for vehicles. Mr. Smith stated he was not sure if CBP would be able to allow that.

Council Member Escobar stated the east port of entry has ready lane, standard lanes, and Senti lanes and asked if phase 1 will also have them. Mr. Smith stated he was not aware at this time.

Council Member Real stated that he toured the port of entry in San Ysidro two years ago and it was nice and self-sustaining with water treatment. He asked if this facility would be self-sustaining or if it would need to hook up to the city water. Mr. Smith responded they will need city water.

Council Member Real inquired if the ten lanes are double stacked. Mr. Smith stated that is part of phase 2. Council Member Real stated that for the short term we will not be better off and Phase 2 was approved but not funded.

Mr. Smith stated the phase 2 rendering does show northbound exit to Imperial Avenue and a pedestrian pavilion for downtown.

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco inquired if construction is on schedule. Mr. Smith advised him there are necessary modifications that may push out the deadline.

PROCLAMATION OF CALEXICO CITY COUNCIL DECLARING THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 1-7, 2017 AS "NATIONAL 4-H WEEK".

Proclamation was read aloud by the Council. The signed proclamation was presented to 4-H representatives who were present.

PROCLAMATION OF CALEXICO CITY COUNCIL CELEBRATING SAFE COMMUNITIES AND DECLARING OCTOBER CRIME PREVENTION MONTH 2017.

Proclamation was read aloud by the Council. The signed proclamation was presented to the Calexico Police Chief.

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND PUBLIC APPEARANCES

Benjamin Horton stated he has been looking into Economic Development and he noticed on Cole Road there is a lot of dumping going on. There is a lot of trash out there and it looks terrible. He also stated that he listens to KXO radio frequently and noticed that the Mayor of El Centro and Imperial give reports the day after their council meetings for the listeners. He would like to see Calexico's Mayor do the same.

Javier Gonzales thanked the City Council for the proclamation in honor of Crime Prevention month. He stated that there have been people fighting crime in the area for quite some time. He advised the health and safety fair has been moved to February which is health awareness and crime prevention month. He asked that the city waive the park and event fee.

John Renison, Supervisor District 1, thanked the City and ICTC for being on the same page with Highway 98. He commented on the New River signing for County, IID and City of Calexico. He advised he has asked legal to look into suing the federal government regarding the New River. He stated our Congressman has tried to help, but he can only do so much. He stated there will be a binational border meeting tomorrow and can't confirm but it looks positive and they may be announcing their progress. He further stated if they start in November they will be done by March. He congratulated the City Manager for hiring Miguel Figueroa.

Mayor Hurtado suggested placing County Supervisor updates on the agenda as an item at least once per month.

James Beaver stated that several weeks ago he requested a letter from the city clerk confirming his appointment to the police commission. The reason for that was that he joined the National Sherrifs' Association. He wanted the letter to show proof of his history. The response he received from the city clerk stated there was no policy for his request. He advised he then submitted a request to the city manager however he did not think the city manager had a chance to see it yet. He requested that the council give direction to approve that letter congratulating him on his appointment. He stated he is a Police Advisory Commissioner and the need for this letter is holding up his application.

Jason Jung stated his concern over our officers not doing their job. He stated Lt. Serrano leaves on Tuesday and Thursday to work at Imperial Valley College (IVC). He takes his unmarked unit to IVC to teach and get another check. He further stated this is a fact, not an attack. He questioned the benefit the city of Calexico receives. He stated merchants are being robbed every day and the Lieutenant leaves every day at 2:30 p.m. He asked why this is allowed to happen.

Alex Perrone inquired if the cameras that were installed are working. He stated we have crime up and the cameras can be of assistance in deterring. Mayor Hurtado replied that it has been discussed in past meetings and he may want to take a look at some of the past meetings. He addressed his property on Highway 98 that had an entrance from 98 and it has now been taken away which leaves the sole entrance as an alley entrance. He asked if the city is going to pave the alley because when it rains it will be difficult to get in and out through the alley. Mayor Hurtado referred Mr. Perrone to the Public Works Director for Assistance.

Luis Castro stated he was happy to see everyone. He voiced his concern over the restrooms on First Street being out of order with the thousands of people who cross over from Mexicali to shop, work, study, etc. He pointed out people wait in line for long periods of time, the snowbirds park in downtown and there are no restrooms for them to use.

Council Member Escobar stated there is a hepatitis A outbreak in San Diego and it is important that we look at sanitation issues in Calexico. He further stated there is a homeless problem in Calexico as well and it is important that we do not let what happened in San Diego happen here.

Mr. Castro requested that the Mayor visit the U.S. Customs Chief and ask him to help with the long lines and wait times during the holiday season. He pointed out it has been done by past mayors including himself

Council Member Escobar stated there are meetings held between the border crossing supervisors for Mexico and Calexico on a quarterly basis and invited Mr. Castro to attend. He stated the meetings are held at the Cultural Arts Center. He stated he will provide the information to the city manager to have it placed on the city website.

Jordana Selwick stated that when she heard it was public safety awareness month, it prompted her to speak due to an incident at her home on CN Perry seven months ago followed by another break in shortly after. She advised she placed cameras in her home and made a formal complaint. She was interviewed by a Sergeants and Lieutenants about a young man who was mentally disturbed/schizophrenia and was obsessed with her daughter. She provided a detail account of that evening's incident and questioned how it could take over 53 minutes to respond to an intruder in the house. Lt. Serrano responded that they have one year to respond to the complaint. It's been seven months. Ms. Selwick questioned why the Sergeant told her that they did not respond because they were in a shift change. She stated she wanted to make the council aware that the Police Department took 53 minutes to respond.

Mayor Hurtado stated she may speak with the Chief. Ms. Selwick stated that she does not want to speak with him because he knew about the complaint and did not reach out to her.

CITY COUNCIL COMMENTS AND REPORTS OF MEETINGS ATTENDED

Council Member Escobar requested a follow up to the last public comment for the council. He requested an update on the street sweeper, the CIP from Mr. Dale, the employee recognition and years of service awards. He stated he has noticed a business exposing tires which pose significant health risks to the community. He commented on the two major investments in our community; Hwy 98 and Port of Entry. He stated the need to need to invest in city aesthetics. He stated he is a member of Calexico rotary and they are more than willing to adopt a road. He further stated the use of low water usage, desert landscape, etc. because this is very important to him and the community.

Mr. Pacheco stated that the city is gearing up for our 110th city anniversary. He advised he had a brief meeting with the Chamber of Commerce and they are willing to help. He commented on the many corners where street lights are out in the city and the need to be proactive and make sure they are working.

Mr. Real commented on the horrible tragedy that happened in Las Vegas and hopes we have them in our prayers and hopes to never see something like that here. He spoke about the city's responsibility to maintain public safety in our community. He addressed issues with the Police Department having half the staff due to budget issues, street light issues. He stated that when it comes to public safety, street lights and cameras help a little to offset the police staff shortage. He stated that due to the Hepatitis A and the issue with the downtown homeless population, the BID could pay for the cleaning service as they did in the past.

Council Member Hodge suggested that City Manager Villa speak with the Chief of Police regarding the two subjects that were brought up in public comments. He stated he is committed to working with the City and Calexico Unified School District ensure the pool is open for at least

three months in the summer of 2018. He stated is glad to see item number 9 on the agenda regarding SB 1 due to the October 20th date to get the list in. He further echoed Council Member's concerns regarding aesthetics and beautifying our city and not just for aesthetics but to boost economics.

Mayor Hurtado stated October will be a very busy month with it being Breast cancer awareness month. She advised the fashion show will be held this coming Saturday and Mexicali and the Heffernan Memorial Healthcare District are very involved. She reported Calexico is hosting the IMBA meeting at the Cultural Arts Center at 10 a.m. on October 5, 2017 and the public is invited to attend. Calexico will also be hosting the League of Cities dinner on October 26th. She stated she is glad to see the city is looking to host events and bring people to Calexico. The First Annual Health Fair will be held on October 24, 2017. She also informed the City worked with the Mexicali Mayor to organize an important conference to discuss a variety of issues with all the mayors of Imperial County and individual cities from Yuma and San Luis. Event was hosted in Mexicali and they were toured to different locations in Mexicali. This conference spurred joint meetings for the Police Chiefs as well as Economic Development. Calexico is looking forward to hosting them in about six months. Last she reported meeting with Mr. Angel Esparza on finalizing the date for the Tamal Festival at Gran Plaza in Calexico. The anticipated date for the festival is December 4th.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion was made by Council Member Hodge to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the following: Warrants from September 13th to September 22nd, 2017 and City Salaries & Benefits from September 2nd to September 15th, 2017; Application for Alcoholic Beverage License for Chao, Carlos Roberto, Spanish Kitchen, 801 Imperial Avenue, Calexico, CA 92231. Motion was seconded by Council Member Real and passed unanimously.

DISCUSSION AND POTENTIAL ACTION ITEMS

ESTABLISHMENT OF PROTOCOL FOR COORDINATING THE CITY OF CALEXICO 110TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION IN 2018; INCLUDING OVERSIGHT AND BUDGETARY PARAMETERS.

Mayor Hurtado stated she wanted to begin a conversation to bring together many ideas from the community for the 110th anniversary celebration next April

City Manager Villa invited the Council to have open dialogue on the extent of involvement. He suggested the possibility of a subcommittee made up of two councilmembers to work with staff and community on the details of the event.

Council Member Real felt it was a great idea to have a subcommittee and from a budget point of view, look at alternative funds. He stated the possibility of business owners who would be willing to help. He stated he was in favor of getting a subcommittee. He asked if the 110th anniversary would be on the same day as the State of the City Address.

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco stated council should let the committee members decide.

Mayor Hurtado stated that the community members have come up with several ideas based on what has been done in the past such as placing flags on Imperial Avenue which were sold to community members as a fundraising opportunity.

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco stated the need to discuss a budget because the City is in a tight spot.

City Manager Villa stated sponsors can be sought and if additional money is needed, come back to Council.

Mayor Hurtado and Council Member Hodge expressed their desire to be on the subcommittee.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco, seconded by Council Member Real to appoint Council Member Hodge and Mayor Hurtado to the subcommittee. Motion passed unanimously.

GENERAL FUND UPDATE FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING 2016-2017.

Susan Mayer provided an update on the General Fund for fiscal year ending 2016-17. She stated the main theme tonight is that we are on track with the City's path to fiscal recovery and closing the gap between revenues and expenditures. She advised Finance completed an entire year of accounting in seven months and the objective tonight is to provide an update on General Fund 2016-17 year end close. She pointed out the General fund was the focus because it has the most discretionary money and this report is informational only and no action is needed from Council. She stated staff will not request the Council to consider budget amendments until January 2018. She informed that the 2016 financial condition has been stabilized. Everyone has come together and through painful decisions and it has been achieved. For the past three fiscal years, the City was providing services and writing checks it could not afford. As of now, the City has closed the gap for 2016-17 and there were no surprises on the anticipated and received revenues. The City has a stable fourteen million dollar revenue base. The City was fortunate to receive a grant from the Heffernan Memorial Healthcare District which assisted in balancing the budget and there was a savings of \$200,000 since the last projection. She stated two years ago the City spent nineteen million dollars and this has been brought down to fifteen million. This a dramatic turnaround for the City's financial condition.

Ms. Mayer cautioned the Council on future pending expenditures such as the wastewater loan payments, payments owed to JPIA for retrospective charges, retirement medical and Cal PERS. In order to support the City's long term plan, these obligations will increase each year, and the city needs to brace itself. She further stated the city has not set aside money for this liability, and as more employees retire, the city will see the obligations increasing. The City should keep these expenses in mind and fund them as part of the long term strategy.

She stated the 2017-18 budget was adopted with place holders and there is a need to close that gap. The beginning fund balance is slightly over \$200,000 better than expected. The first quarter of the year has ended and the city has achieved \$400,000 in vacancy savings for the year, at the cost of community services. The City Manager has reached out to JPIA and was successful in negotiating a payment plan to cover some of the retroactive charges. The JPIA board approved a payment

plan, with no cuts, but payments are smoothed throughout the years. A calendar was presented with various report dates for the various pending quarterly reports and close out.

Council Member Escobar credited City Manager Villa for stepping into the City in the condition it was in financially. He congratulated Finance Director Gutierrez and City Manager Villa. He stated that while the City is \$6,000 above water, our staffing levels are at minimum at best. Concessions were made with just about all the labor unions, service levels with the community are low. Council Member Escobar expressed his serious concerns with the two, two-year agreements, unfunded liability, its anticipated increases, the lack of savings and that the City is self-insured. He pointed out that the ramifications of fiscal years 13-14, 14-15, and 15-16 are hurting the City. He gave kudos to City Manager Villa for taking on this job and assisting the City and now it is time to think outside the box.

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco stated that \$3.2 million is what the City is looking at; City Manager Villa has a plan and the City needs to stick to that plan. He spoke about the low reserve and asked the community to consider giving to the city because it is not always about receiving. He thanked Ms. Mayers for her report and reminded Council that there is a way out of this and they need to stick to the plan.

Council Member Hodge thanked Ms. Mayers. He stated City Manager Villa has done a great job this year and believed the conservative response is usually a slash and burn response. He stated his optimism on improvement of revenues. He addressed outsourcing services but though completely outsourcing the City would be horrible. He concurred with Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco on sticking to the plan.

Council Member Real stated every time we receive a report from Ms. Mayer it reminds him of how we got here. It took many years of councils, however it was Calexico closing its doors to business in the past twenty years that really hurt us. He thanked City Manager Villa for coming onboard during a time of uncertainty. He thanked the staff who came forward to bring to light the discrepancies in the numbers and budgets being provided. He acknowledged we have a band aid over our situation right now, but it's better than where we were. He further stated many cities throughout the state are having these CalPERS issues and recovery will not be overnight and the City needs to find a way to close the gap right now.

Mayor Hurtado thanked Ms. Mayers for all her hard work. She stated that economic development is key and the now that that Mr. Figueroa is here the City needs to be very aggressive with economic development.

Council Member Real asked if Ms. Mayers can be present at the financial advisory meeting. City Manager Villa stated it can be arranged. He spoke about the concessions made by the City and the labor unions and about the need to bring in businesses and revenue growth.

Joong Kim also thanked Ms. Mayers. He stated this only addressed the general fund but federal grants were not on report and they should be there in September. He spoke about placing blame on prior councils and cautioned the council since three members were part of the expenditures. He stated he fought for the past four years to get the budget corrected. During those three years, the

City went for additional bonds. He asked where the council was at when he questioned everything and they blindly supported the budget. He stated Calexico does not have a good future right now; our major portion of income revenue is sales tax and it has gone down. He stated the City needs development, public safety and the Council needs to work, vote hard and with due diligence.

Ismael Lopez stated a slide is missing on the plan and how the City will be executing the plan. He asked for the objectives, terms and the numbers. He asked what the commission is to obtain. He asked why the City is cutting expenses and if it was becoming more efficient. He questioned if staff was being transferred to where they belong. He asked for the plan to bring more businesses to the city. He suggested bringing professionals from Mexicali.

Council Member Hodge left the meeting and 8:45p.m.

8. AUTHORIZE ADOPT BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION FOR THE TRANSFER OF THREE (3) CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (CIP) TO FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco, seconded by Council Member Escobar to adopt Budget Amendment Resolution for the Transfer of Three (3) Capital Improvement Program (CIP) to Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Motion passed by the following vote to wit:

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

APPROVE LIST OF PROJECTS FOR FUNDING UNDER THE ROAD MAINTENANCE AND REHABILITATION ACCOUNT (RMRA) FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018.

This list needs to be submitted for the SB1 funding. We are expecting to go to bid in November and begin construction in February. Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco inquired when the funding will be received. Mr. Dale stated it would be when the project begins construction.

A motion was made by Council Member Escobar, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco to approve List of Projects for Funding under the Road Maintenance and Rehabilitation Account (RMRA) for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Motion passed by the following vote to wit:

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

AUTHORIZE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/CITY ENGINEER TO SIGN CHANGE ORDER NO. 4 WITH UNICOM GOVERNMENT, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$128,956.89 FOR THE ADVANCED METERING INFRASTRUCTURE (AMI) SYSTEM PROJECT.

David Dale, Public Works Director/City Engineer stated this is part of the Capital Improvements Program and \$200,000 were budgeted because we knew we would need additional meters. Additional meters were added due to State requiring that we meter our parks and municipal areas. Mayor Hurtado questioned if this is going to be funded by enterprise funds and when Council will receive reports on these other funds. City Manager Villa stated that a report will be presented at the next council meeting.

A motion was made by Council Member Pacheco, seconded by Council Member Escobar to Authorize Public Works Director/City Engineer to Sign Change Order No. 4 with UNICOM Government, Inc. in the Amount of \$128,956.89 for the Advanced Metering Infrastructure (AMI) System Project. Motion passed by the following vote to wit:

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

AUTHORIZE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR/CITY ENGINEER TO SEEK PROPOSALS FOR A WATER AND WASTEWATER RATE STUDY.

Mr. Dale stated this item is only to seek proposals for a water and wastewater rate study. We are not looking to change rates at this time. He advised this was passed on April 5, 2015 however, it was only for water and it was not implemented. He advised he is coming back to request to move forward with seeking proposals due to its importance. He further stated that in his five months of being with the City, he has received a lot of complaints with the water rate structure. The current water rate is \$43.89 for up to 22,000 gallons per month for water only. The sewer bill is \$38 for up to 22,000 gallons of use. Mr. Dale stated he believed the structure may be archaic and perhaps by making a lower base rate it would allow residents to save money, on their bill, by reducing their water consumption. He further stated this will also help with water conservation. He advised the rates should be studied every five (5) years because costs fluctuate. This is only to authorize seeking proposals. Once we receive them, we would come back to council for approval to move forward with the rate study.

Joong Kim stated he hopes this is not what happened last month. He stated the last time the City hired a consultant, the council approved water not wastewater. He hoped this time rate study goes well to benefit the community.

Council Member Real thanked the staff and city manager. He stated this is something that he has been fighting for since he was elected and it makes him happy to see it on the agenda and it is very important to our city. Everyone feels the city needs this rate study to see where we are at and he thinks many of the citizens will benefit.

A motion was made by Council Member Real, seconded by Council Member Escobar to Authorize Public Works Director/City Engineer to seek Proposals for a Water and Wastewater Rate Study. Motion passed by the following vote to wit:

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

CONSIDERATION OF A LETTER OF UNDERSTANDING (LOU) WITH SEIU/OPERATOR.

City Manager Villa stated this is a request for approval of a letter of understanding for a period of three years. The employees who work with the water plant agreed to contribute to retirement plan and health insurance. He further stated there is a stipulation that if the city should see better return on revenues this would be revisited.

Mayor Hurtado requested clarification on the period. She was informed the time period is 2017-2020.

Joong Kim commended City Manager Villa for getting an agreement but stated he hopes it does not lead to overtime. He further stated he is sad the City of Calexico has to plan on employees' payroll cut to balance budget

A motion was made by Council Member Real, seconded by Council Member Escobar to approve Consideration of a Letter of Understanding (LOU) with SEIU/Operator. Motion passed by the following vote to wit:

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

APPOINTMENT BY CITY COUNCIL OF A RESIDENT COMMISSIONER TO THE CALEXICO HOUSING AUTHORITY.

Motion was made by Council Member Real, seconded by Council Member Escobar to appoint Ms. Silva as resident commissioner to the Calexico Housing Authority.

Motion passed by the following vote to wit:

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

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Council Member Real: Item on closure of the downtown area at Rockwood between First and Second Streets. Item was supported by Council Member Escobar.

Mayor Pro Tem Pacheco requested a report on the abatement program and requested to fly the flag at half-mast due to what happened in Las Vegas.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Maritza Hurtado, Mayor

ATTEST

Erica Lacuesta, Deputy City Clerk