

# MINUTES

**CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF IMPERIAL  
200 WEST 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
IMPERIAL, CA 92251-1637  
AUGUST 7, 2019**

## **A. CITY COUNCIL CONVENED TO OPEN SESSION**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:** TUCKER

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT:** CITY ATTORNEY MORITA, CITY MANAGER CHATWIN, PUBLIC SERVICES FOREMAN GONZALES, FIRE CHIEF ESTRADA, POLICE CAPTAIN LUNA, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR HALLER, IT DIRECTOR ESTRADA, FINANCE MANAGER GUTIERREZ, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR MORA, CITY CLERK JACKSON, AND PIO CHALUPNIK

Mayor AMPARANO called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M. and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tracy Rascoe, American Legion Post 25

### **ADJUSTMENTS TO THIS AGENDA:**

Item F-12 is tabled at this time.

## **B. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:**

**B-1.** Matters not appearing on the agenda.

MARK GRAN representing his nephew Bob Gran Jr., owner of the Motor Vu property. Mr. Gran read a statement from Bob regarding a water bill that he received from the city in which he is looking for a resolution to settle the issue.

TRACY RASCO, Imperial Valley Patriots Planning Committee, invited all patriots to join the organization. Meetings are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays of the month at 6:00 PM at Post 25 in El Centro, CA.

JEZEBEL RAMIREZ ROBLES, Miss Imperial Valley 2019 introduced herself to the Council. Miss Robles informed them that she will be representing the City of Imperial by competing in the Miss California USA competition that is to be held in January 2020. The competition is based on academics and the program encourages young women to seek higher education. Miss Robles is also seeking sponsorships in order to participate in the competition.

**B-2.** Matters appearing on the agenda.

SUSAN PARADIS, Chamber of Commerce Executive Director spoke on item F-1. Ms Paradis stated the Chamber truly appreciates the support they receive from the city and looks forward to working

together on future events. In addition, Ms. Paradis spoke on item F-10 saying the Chamber of Commerce would like to participate in discussions or committee meetings to discuss future events. The Chamber of Commerce has submitted applications to Community Services for their December events.

**C. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:**

**C-1. SUBJECT: PROCLAMATION – 100<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE AMERICAN LEGION**

Mr. Tracy Rascoe, Boyce Aten Post spoke about the American Legion as to who they are and what they do along with the Legions' history. Mr. Rascoe invited those interested to join them at their celebration on August 24<sup>th</sup>.

A Proclamation was read by MAYOR AMPARANO and presented to Mr. Rascoe.

**D. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- D-1.** Approval of claims/warrants report.
- D-2.** Approval of minutes for regular meetings of May 1, 2019, May 15, 2019 and special meeting of May 29, 2019.
- D-3.** Acceptance of Quitclaim Deed from Imperial Irrigation District for portion of the McCall Drain No. 5 at the Cross Elementary School site.
- D-4.** Authorization to send claim rejection letter to Jeffrey Jimenez as requested by Carl Warren & Company.

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by DALE to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**E. PUBLIC HEARING(S):**

**E-1. SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION/ACTION: HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE**

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:30 PM in order to receive testimony either for or against adoption of the Housing Element Update.

A review of the Housing Element Update was provided by Lisa Tylanda, City Planner. Goals and objectives for the local housing update were reviewed and it is recommended that City Council adopt the 2014-2021 Housing Element Update.

There were no comments made by members of the audience nor were there any written comments received. The Public Hearing was closed at 7:39 PM with the following action taken:

- 1. APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2019-45, TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE HOUSING ELEMENT UPDATE AND SUBMIT TO DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT (HCD).**

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by EUGENIO to approve Resolution No. 2019-45.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**F. ACTION ITEMS:**

**F-1. SUBJECT: AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF IMPERIAL AND IMPERIAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.**

Council member DALE requested that the item be tabled as he would like the full Council to be in attendance to participate in this discussion.

1. TERMINATION OF IMPERIAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE SERVICE AND LEASE AGREEMENT.

Motion by DALE, seconded by PECHTL to table this item to August 21, 2019.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**F-2. SUBJECT: AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF IMPERIAL AND CODE EXXPERTS.**

1. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF IMPERIAL AND CODE EXXPERTS FOR WEB DEVELOPMENT SERVICES FOR THE TERM OF ONE (1) YEAR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,800.00.

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by DALE to approve the agreement.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**F-3. SUBJECT: UTILITY BILLING SOFTWARE UPGRADE.**

1. APPROVE DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FOR UTILITY BILLING SOFTWARE UPGRADE PROVIDED BY HARRIS COMPUTER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,080.00.

Motion by DALE, seconded by PECHTL to approve disbursement of funds.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**F-4. SUBJECT: LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF MPERIAL AND DELL FINANCIAL SERVICES FOR REPLACEMENT OF DELL POWEREDGE SERVERS.**

1. APPROVAL OF LEASE AGREEMENT AND DISBURSEMENT OF FUNDS FOR THE TERM OF THREE (3) YEARS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,718.33 ANNUALLY (\$70,434.64).

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by DALE to approve the lease agreement with Dell Financial Services.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**F-5. SUBJECT: DECLARE SHORETEL SWITCHES AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL.**

1. DECLARE SHORETEL SWITCHES (VoIP Phone System) AS SURPLUS EQUIPMENT AND AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL.

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by EUGENIO to declare the equipment and surplus and authorize the disposal of it.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**F-6. SUBJECT: DESIGN SERVICES FOR THE ATEN BOULEVARD BICYCLE PATH FROM "P" STREET TO DOGWOOD ROAD.**

1. AWARD CONTRACT TO DYNAMIC CONSULTING ENGINEERS FOR THE ENGINEERING DESIGN SERVICES OF THE ATEN BOULEVARD BICYCLE PATH.

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by DALE to award the contract to Dynamic Consulting Engineers in the amount of \$59,800.00.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**F-7. SUBJECT: CAMBRIA PARK.**

1. ACCEPTANCE OF CAMBRIA PARK AS COMPLETED BY R.E. SHULTZ, INC. AND AUTHORIZE THE FILING OF THE NOTICE OF COMPLETION.

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by DALE to accept the project as completed and authorize the filing of the Notice of Completion.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**F-8. SUBJECT: CITY HALL SEWER LINE.**

1. CONTINUE OR SUSPEND EMERGENCY AS NECESSARY FOR THE REPAIRS/REPLACEMENT TO THE SEWER LINES.

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by DALE to continue the emergency.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**F-9. SUBJECT: AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION (ALUC) REPRESENTATIVE.**

1. NOMINATION OF KRISTOPHER HAUGH TO COUNTY AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION.

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by DALE to appoint Kristopher Haugh as the city's representative.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**F-10. SUBJECT: SPECIAL EVENT CALENDAR FOR THE 2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR.**

COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR HALLER presented suggestions for city events/market days and potential dates to the Council for consideration. It is suggested that the number of events be reduced to four, down from the previous seven.

1. PROVIDE DIRECTION FOR THE SELECTION OF FOUR CITY SPECIAL EVENTS TO BE HELD DURING THE 2019-2020 FISCAL YEAR.

Direction given to staff to proceed with planning events for October, December, February and April.

**F-11. SUBJECT: SUN VALLEY BEHAVIORAL MEDICAL CENTER 5K AND 1 MILE CASA RACE.**

1. APPROVAL OF SUN VALLEY BEHAVIORAL MEDICAL CENTER TO HOST THEIR ANNUAL 5K AND 1 MILE RACE ON OCTOBER 12, 2019.

Motion by DALE, seconded by PECHTL to approve the event.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

2. APPROVAL OF THE CLOSURE OF STREETS AFFECTING NO. IMPERIAL AVE., CLAYPOOL DR. AND MARSHALL AVE.

Motion by DALE, seconded by PECHTL to approve the closure of streets as requested.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**F-12. SUBJECT: EAGER PARK PLAYGROUND SURFACING IMPROVEMENT PROJECT.**

1. ACCEPT QUOTE RECEIVED FROM WESTERN STATE BUILDERS FOR DEMOLITION, REMOVAL AND DISPOSAL OF EXISTING POUR IN PLACE RUBBER SURFACING AND INSTALLATION OF FIBAR CLOTH IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$44,000.00

Item tabled at the request of staff.

**F-13. SUBJECT: PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICTS (CFDs) AND LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS.**

1. APPROVAL OF SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE PROFESSIONAL SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF IMPERIAL AND KOPPEL & GRUBER PUBLIC FINANCE FOR ADMINISTRATION SERVICES OF COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICTS (CFDs) AND LANDSCAPE AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2020 AND JUNE 30, 2021.

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by DALE to approve the Second Amendment to the agreement with Koppel & Gruber Public Finance.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND AMPARANO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**F-14. SUBJECT: LETTER TO SUPPORT BALANCED ENERGY PLAN FOR CALIFORNIA**

DEBORAH McGARREY, PUBLIC AFFAIRS MANAGER, SO CAL GAS spoke about efforts on the state level to limit the sources of energy to be used by homeowners and businesses.

1. CONSIDERATION TO SUPPORT SoCalGas IN AN EFFORT TO MAINTAIN LOCAL CONTROL OF ENERGY SOLUTIONS AND BALANCED ENERGY SOLUTIONS.

Motion by DALE, seconded by PECHTL to submit a letter in support of SoCal Gas in maintaining local control of energy solutions.

AYES: DALE, EUGENIO, PECHTL, AND TUCKER

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**G. REPORTS:**

**G-1. SUBJECT: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS.**

EUGENIO reported on her vacation and how they narrowly missed being in El Paso, Texas at the time of the shooting at the El Paso Wal Mart, as they had made a last minute decision to travel to Roswell New Mexico.

PECHTL commented on FFA Leadership students and their fund raising efforts.

AMPARANO reported that our city parks are looking good. Mayor Amparano visited the “Fairy” camp put on this summer by the Community Services Department as was able to speak with parents of the attendees. Mayor Amparano questioned staff if the population signs along SR-86 can be updated to reflect our current population.

**G-2. SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT HEAD AND STAFF REPORTS.**

CAPTAIN LUNA updated the Council on the recruitment process for 2 police officers. Captain reported that five of our Explorers are attending an academy in San Diego this week.

HAUGH, NAF PAO reported that it is quiet on base for the remainder of August. Activity will pick up again in September.

CHALUPNIK PIO, updated Council on the system for live streaming of Council meetings.

**G-3. SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER REPORT.**

CHATWIN reported he will be out of the office on vacation from August 13 – 19<sup>th</sup>.

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 9:00 P.M. UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2019 AT 7:00 P.M.**