

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF IMPERIAL
SEPTEMBER 16, 2020**

**THIS MEETING WAS CONDUCTED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THE GOVERNOR'S
EXECUTIVE ORDER N-29-20**

TELECONFERENCE NOTICE

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom on March 17, 2020 and to the extent applicable Government Code Section 54953(b), this City Council Meeting may have include teleconference participation by the City Council Members and City staff. Consistent with Executive Order N-29-20 teleconference locations utilized by City Council Members shall not be accessible to the public and are not subject to special posting requirements.

A. CITY COUNCIL CONVENED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:30 PM

A-1. SUBJECT: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (GC 54956.9)

Case No. 37-2019-00014152-CU-PA-CTL

A-2. SUBJECT: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (GC 54956.9)

Case No. ECU001391

A-3. SUBJECT: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (GC54954.5 (e))

Title: City Manager

CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED CLOSED SESSION

B. CITY COUNCIL CONVENED TO OPEN SESSION

MAYOR PECHTL called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.

COUNCILMEMBERS PRESENT: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, AND PECHTL

COUNCILMEMBERS ABSENT: TUCKER

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: CITY MANAGER MORITA, ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER BROWN, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR LOPER, FIRE BATTALLION CHIEF RODELO, POLICE CAPTAIN LUNA, IT DIRECTOR ESTRADA, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR HALLER, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR GUTIERREZ, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR MORA, AND PARKS SUPERINTENDENT LOPEZ

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Councilmember Amparano.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION.

City Manager MORITA announced that no action was taken in Closed Session.

C. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

None.

D. SPECIAL PRESENTATION:

D-1. SUBJECT: PROCLAMATION – DEAF AWARENESS MONTH

Christopher Cardona, ASL Instructor, IVC joined the meeting virtually for the reading of the proclamation.

E. CONSENT AGENDA:

- E-1.** Approval of claims/warrants report.
- E-2.** Continue emergency action for repairs to manhole located near the intersection of Hwy 86 and Aten (southeast corner).
- E-3.** Continue emergency action for repairs to traffic signal light located at the intersection of Hwy 86 and Neckel Road.
- E-4.** Approval of Resolution No. 2020-56, Approving the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Development Impact Fee Funding Report.
- E-5.** Award contract for labor compliance services for the Playground Surfacing Improvement Project to Labor Compliance Consultants of Southern California in the amount of \$5,000.00.
- E-6.** Award contract for labor compliance services for the Barioni Waterline Improvement Project to Labor Compliance Consultants of Southern California in the amount of \$7,000.00.

Motion by AMPARANO, second by DALE to approve the consent agenda.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, AND PECHTL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

F-1. SUBJECT: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT NOTICE OF FUNDING AVAILABILITY – CORONAVIRUS RESPONSE FUND (CDBG-CV1).

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:10 PM.

Staff report presented by Assistant City Manager Brown. She reported that eligible activities include Public Facility Improvements, Public Facility Acquisition and Economic Development. The city will use the funds for public service assistance for residents who are impacted by the coronavirus pandemic. The city is allotted \$76,525.00.

There were no comments received by members of the public.

Hearing closed at 7:17 PM

- 1. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2020-57, APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING AND THE EXECUTION OF A GRANT AGREEMENT AND ANY AMENDMENTS THERETO FROM THE 2020**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANT PROGRAM – CORONAVIRUS
RESPONSE FUND 1 (CDBG-CV1).

Motion by DALE, second by AMPARANO to approve Resolution No. 2020-57.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, AND PECHTL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

G. ACTION ITEMS:

**G-1. SUBJECT: IMPERIAL COMMUNITY PARK PROJECT DESIGN & ENGINEERING
AWARD.**

1. AWARD CONTRACT TO HERMANN DESIGN GROUP FOR PROJECT DESIGN
& ENGINEERING SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$483,400.00.

Motion by AMPARANO, second by EUGENIO to award the contract to Hermann Design Group.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, AND PECHTL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

G-2. SUBJECT: RESERVOIR INSPECTION SERVICES.

1. AWARD CONTRACT TO HARPER & ASSOCIATES ENGINEERING, INC. IN
THE AMOUNT OF \$13,570.00 PLUS ADDITIONAL FEES FOR SEDIMENT
CLEANING & REPAIRS BASED ON INSPECTION.

Motion by AMPARANO, second by EUGENIO to award the contract to Harper & Associates.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, AND PECHTL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**G-3. SUBJECT: IMPERIAL COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT RULE
310 GRANT APPLICATION – PASEO DEL SOL WALKING TRAILS
PROJECT.**

1. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2020-58, APPROVING THE APPLICATION
FOR IMPERIAL COUNTY AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT RULE 310
PROJECT GRANT FUNDS.

Motion by EUGENIO, second by AMPARANO to approve Resolution No, 2020-58.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, AND PECHTL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

**G-4. SUBJECT: PLAYGROUND SURFACING IMPROVEMENT PROJECT –BID 2020-
06R.**

1. AWARD CONTRACT TO ROBERTSON INDUSTRIES, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$244,715.00.

Motion by DALE, second by EUGENIO to award contract to Robertson Industries, Inc.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, AND PECHTL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

2. APPROVE 15% CONTINGENCY.

Motion by DALE, second by AMPARANO to approve the 15% contingency.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, AND PECHTL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

G-5. SUBJECT: EMERGENCY ACTION – EUCALYPTUS TREES ALONG PORTION OF NECKEL ROAD.

1. APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2020-59 DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS MAY BE NECESSARY IN RESPONSE THERETO AND RATIFYING ACTION TAKEN TO DATE.

Motion by EUGENIO, second by PECHTL to approve Resolution No 2020-59.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, AND PECHTL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: TUCKER

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

G-6. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: UPDATE OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

There was no pertinent information to report.

H. REPORTS:

H-1. SUBJECT: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS.

Council members Amparano, Eugenio, and Pechtl all commented that is nice to see business activities and park usage taking place within the city.

H-2. SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER REPORT.

Morita stated that in January 2021, we will look to start the budget process and suggested that park shade structures and trees be considered at that time.

H-3. SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT REPORTS.

Fire Chief Rodelo reported that service calls responded to within the city this month have not been COVID related.

Captain Luna reported on the status of departmental equipment; cameras, tasers and vehicles.

Community Development Director Mora informed council that building construction in the Mayfield subdivision may create some traffic impacts to residents.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:52 PM UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.