

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF IMPERIAL
OCTOBER 21, 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 included 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 OPEN SESSION

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

OTHERS PRESENT: CITY MANAGER MORITA, CITY CLERK JACKSON. ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER BROWN, PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR LOPER*, POLICE CHIEF BARRA*, IT DIRECTOR ESTRADA, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR HALLER*, ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DIRECTOR GUTIERREZ*, PARKS SUPERINTENDENT LOPEZ*, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR MORA*, AND PLANNER TYLEND*

*remote participation

MAYOR PECHTL called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and he led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA.

Staff requested item C-3 be tabled.

B. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

B-1. Matters not appearing on the agenda.
None

B-2. Matters appearing on the agenda.
None

C. CONSENT AGENDA:

- C-1.** Approval of claims/warrants report.
- C-2.** Approval of Treasurers' Report for month of September 2020.
- C-3.** Approval of minutes for meetings of August 21, 2020 and September 2, 2020.
- C-4.** Continue emergency action for removal of a cluster of eucalyptus trees located along the north side of Neckel Road. (East of Hwy. 86).

Motion by AMPARANO, second by DALE to approve items C-1, C-2, C-4 and withholding warrant 95380 for separate action.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, TUCKER, AND PECHTL
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 5-0

Motion by AMPARANO, second by DALE to approve warrant 95380 payable to JT Towing.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, AND PECHTL
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: TUCKER
ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 4-0-1

D. ACTION ITEMS:

D-1. SUBJECT: MOU BETWEEN THE IMPERIAL POLICE DEPARTMENT AND THE DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION.

1. APPROVAL OF MOU BETWEEN CITY OF IMPERIAL POLICE DEPARTMENT AND DRUG ENFORCEMENT ADMINISTRATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021

Motion by AMPARANO, second by EUGENIO to approve the MOU.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, TUCKER, AND PECHTL
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 5-0

D-2. SUBJECT: FACILITY USE AGREEMENT FOR IMPERIAL VALLEY UNITED SOCCER ASSOCIATION (IVUSA).

1. APPROVAL OF FACILITY USE AGREEMENT FOR IVUSA.

Motion by AMPARANO, second by EUGENIO to approve the facility use agreement.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, TUCKER, AND PECHTL
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 5-0

D-3. SUBJECT: FACILITY USE AGREEMENT FOR TIGER FOOTBALL CLUB.

1. APPROVAL OF FACILITY USE AGREEMENT FOR TIGER FOOTBALL CLUB.

Motion by DALE, second by AMPARANO to approve the facility use agreement and to waive fees.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, TUCKER, AND PECHTL
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 5-0

D-4. SUBJECT: HOUSING ELEMENT PREPARATION 6TH CYCLE.

1. AWARD CONTRACT TO HOWES, WEILER, LANDY CONSULTING SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$68,150.

Motion by EUGENIO, second by DALE to award contract to Howes, Weiler, Landy Consulting.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, TUCKER, AND PECHTL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 5-0

D-5. SUBJECT: LA BRUCHERIE ROAD WIDENING PROJECT FROM ATEN BLVD. TO TRESHILL RD.

1. REQUESTING ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,500. TO MATCH THE 25 PERCENT INDIRECT PIPELINE FUND OF ELIGIBLE PIPELINE COSTS OF IID'S APPROVED COST ESTIMATE FOR DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION TO PIPELINE A PORTION OF DAHLIA CANAL LOCATED BETWEEN ATEN BLVD. TO TRESHILL RD.

Motion by AMPARANO, second by DALE to approve the additional funding.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, EUGENIO, TUCKER, AND PECHTL

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: TUCKER

ABSENT: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 4-0-1

D-6. SUBJECT: UPDATE OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

Assistant City Manager Brown provided update. New state guidelines have been announced that include personal care services can now open along with pro sporting events to take place both with modifications. Last Friday was the first night that open air dining was allowed to be held in the city. The participating restaurants were all busy. So far the city has spent \$276,798.00 in response to Covid.

E. REPORTS:

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

Eugenio reported that she attended the outdoor dining last Friday. Ms. Eugenio read an email from a resident who wishes to remain anonymous. The resident expressed his disappointment with the city continuing to assess penalties and late fees on unpaid utility bills during the pandemic.

Amparano reported that he attended the outdoor dining Friday night. He was glad to see that restaurants were busy. Mr. Amparano apologized for missing the groundbreaking event yesterday due to scheduling conflicts.

Mayor Pechtl echoed the comments from Friday night. Mayor Pechtl was honored to represent the city at the groundbreaking event for the new businesses at the north end of Imperial Avenue. A video was shown of the event.

E-2. SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER REPORT.

None.

E-3. SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT REPORTS.

Parks Superintendent Lopez informed Council that the city will have a booth at the Tucker Open Air market to conduct citizen outreach for the park project.

Sgt. Sheffield reported that officers are now certified in the use of tasers.

Mr. Haugh, NAF provided an update on activities taking place at the base. There are several squadrons undergoing training here.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:00 P.M. UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.