

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF IMPERIAL
NOVEMBER 18, 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 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 CLOSED SESSION AT 6:00 PM

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

CASE NO. ECU 00568

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

CASE NO. ECU 00569

**A-3. SUBJECT: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED
LITIGATION**

Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to subdivision (b) of Section 54956.9

ONE POTENTIAL CASE

CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED CLOSED SESSION

B. CITY COUNCIL CONVENED TO OPEN SESSION

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

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: PECHTL

**OTHERS PRESENT: CITY MANAGER MORITA, CITY CLERK JACKSON,
ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER BROWN, PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR LOPER* FIRE
CHIEF ESTRADA*, IT DIRECTOR ESTRADA, COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR
HALLER*, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR MORA*, PARKS
SUPERINTENDENT LOPEZ*, PUBLIC SERVICES MANAGER SELF*, SGT SHEFFIELD*,
AND CITY PLANNER TYLEND***

*denotes remote participation.

MAYOR PRO-TEM EUGENIO called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Dale.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

There was no reportable action taken in Closed Session.

C. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

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

C-2. Matters appearing on the agenda.
None.

D. CONSENT AGENDA:

- D-1.** Approval of claims/warrants report.
- D-2.** Approval of minutes for meetings of September 16, 2020, October 1, 2020, and October 7, 2020.
- D-3.** Suspend emergency action for removal of a cluster of eucalyptus trees located along the north side of Neckel Road. (East of Hwy. 86).
- D-4.** Continue emergency action for repairs to water treatment plant Filter Gallery Piping.
- D-5.** Approval of final map and related documents for Monterrey Park Subdivision No. 2, Unit 3B.

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

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, TUCKER, AND EUGENIO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: PECHTL

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

E. PUBLIC HEARING:

E-1. SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING ABANDONMENT OF RIGHT-OF-WAY AT 13TH AND 14TH STREETS.

The Public Hearing was opened at 7:07 pm.

Staff report was presented by City Planner Tylanda. Catalyst Development is requesting the abandonment in order to install needed improvements for their proposed construction of an apartment complex. Proposed infrastructure improvements would recover the deteriorating or non-existent infrastructure within the surrounding area. Improvements range from storm drains, alley way improvements, curb gutter installation, sidewalk improvement and the extension of 15th street to La Brucherie Road.

Russell Roben Catalyst Development, was present.

There were no comments received from members of the public.

There was a brief discussion among council members and staff regarding rights-of-way and street vacations having been approved for other projects and how these are applied to the city's circulation plan.

The hearing was closed at 7:24 pm.

1. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2020-61, A RESOLUTION OF INTENTION TO VACATE A PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY.

Motion by DALE, second by AMPARANO to adopt Resolution No. 2020-61.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, TUCKER, AND EUGENIO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: PECHTL

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

E-2. SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING: URGENCY ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING USE OF OUTDOOR SPACE AND PARKING.

Public Hearing was opened at 7:26 pm

City Planner Tylanda provided the staff report. An urgency ordinance was approved by council on October 7, 2020 to allow outdoor dining. Staff is seeking an extension of the ordinance.

There were not any comments received from the public.

Hearing closed at 7:28 pm.

1. APPROVAL OF TIME EXTENSION OF ORDINANCE NO. 810, AN URGENCY ORDINANCE TO AUTHORIZE THE USE OF NEW OR ADDITIONAL SPACE FOR OUTDOOR BUSINESS SERVICES.

Motion by DALE, second by AMPARANO to approve the time extension of the urgency ordinance.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, TUCKER, AND EUGENIO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: PECHTL

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

F. ACTION ITEMS:

F-1. SUBJECT: SPECIAL EVENT PERMITS PROCESS.

1. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2020-62 TO ESTABLISH THE PROCESS AND FEE STRUCTURE FOR SPECIAL EVENTS IN THE CITY OF IMPERIAL.

Motion by AMPARANO, second by DALE to approve Resolution No, 2020-62.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, TUCKER, AND EUGENIO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: PECHTL

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

F-2. SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT – PUBLIC SERVICES.

1. APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A NEW HOLLAND C345 COMPACT LOADER TIER 4 SKIDSTEER FROM SCOTT EQUIPMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$111,563.19.

Motion by TUCKER, second by DALE to approve the purchase of the skid steer.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, TUCKER, AND EUGENIO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: PECHTL

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

F-3. SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT – PUBLIC SERVICES.

1. APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A BUCKET TRUCK FROM UTILITY CRANE & EQUIPMENT, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$165,146.27.

Motion by DALE, second by TUCKER to approve the purchase of the bucket truck.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, TUCKER, AND EUGENIO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: PECHTL

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

F-4. SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT – PUBLIC SERVICES.

1. APPROVAL TO PURCHASE AN ASPHALT HOTBOX RECLAIMER FROM KM INTERNATIONAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$29,430.00.

Motion by AMPARANO, second by DALE to approve the purchase of the asphalt hotbox.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, TUCKER, AND EUGENIO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: PECHTL

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

F-5. SUBJECT: SURPLUS DESKTOP COMPUTERS.

1. DECLARE DELL COMPUTERS AS SURPLUS AND AUTHORIZE DISPOSAL.

Motion by DALE, second by AMPARANO declare the computers as surplus and authorize disposal.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, TUCKER, AND EUGENIO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: PECHTL

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

F-6. SUBJECT: CORONAVIRUS RELIEF FUND SMALL BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.

1. AWARD OF MICRO GRANTS TO THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,000.00 EACH:
 - a. Beauty Mark Salon
 - b. Classic Clippers
 - c. Faith & Wellness Fitness Camp
 - d. Imperial Truss and Lumber

- e. Knowledge Tree Preschool & Children's Center
- f. SlowFlow Yoga Studio
- g. Studio PM
- h. Valley Dry Cleaning
- i. WaterTek

Motion by AMPARANO, second by DALE to award the grants as presented.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, TUCKER, AND EUGENIO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: PECHTL

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

2. AWARD OF MICRO GRANT FUNDS TO THE FOLLOWING INDEPENDENT CONTRACTORS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,500.00 EACH:

a. John Robinson Personal Trainer, G -Rob Athletics

b. Thomas Hett Personal Trainer, IV HiiT

Motion by AMPARANO, second by DALE to award the grants as presented.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, TUCKER, AND EUGENIO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: PECHTL

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

F-7. SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF CHRISTMAS TREE

1. AUTHORIZATION FOR CITY MANAGER OR HIS DESIGNEE TO PURCHASE A CHRISTMAS TREE AND/OR DECORATIONS FOR CITY HALL.

Motion by DALE, second by AMPARANO to have staff create a tree by using decorative lights.

AYES: AMPARANO, DALE, TUCKER, AND EUGENIO

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: PECHTL

MOTION CARRIED 4-0

F-8. SUBJECT: UPDATE OF COVID-19 PANDEMIC.

Assistant City Manager Brown informed council of the various restaurants participating in the outdoor dining. One restaurant plans to take a 2-week break as they have other commitments for the Thanksgiving holiday.

G. REPORTS:

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

Mayor Pro-tem Eugenio commented on vehicles speeding along 4th Street and recent accident at 4th & G Streets.

G-2. SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER REPORT.

None.

G-3. SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT REPORTS.

Sgt. Sheffield reported on the “No Shave November” to raise funds for the Cancer Resource Center.

Parks Superintendent Lopez updated council on the playground surfacing project.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:20 PM UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2020 AT 7:00 P.M.