

MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF IMPERIAL
FEBRUARY 7, 2018

A. CITY COUNCIL CONVENED IN CLOSED SESSION AT 6:00 PM

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: AMPARANO, PECHTL (IN AT 6:15), SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND DALE

OTHERS PRESENT: CITY MANAGER CHATWIN AND CITY ATTORNEY MORITA

- A-1. SUBJECT: CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) or (3) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9
(3 potential cases)

B. CITY COUNCIL RE-CONVENED IN OPEN SESSION

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: AMPARANO, PECHTL, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND DALE

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: CITY ATTORNEY MORITA, CITY MANAGER CHATWIN,
PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR LOPER, FIRE CHIEF
ESTRADA, POLICE CHIEF BARRA, HUMAN RESOURCES
DIRECTOR GADDIS, FINANCE DIRECTOR GUTIERREZ,
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR MORA, AND CITY
CLERK JACKSON

MAYOR DALE called Open Session to order at 7:00 PM and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Othon Mora.

ADJUSTMENTS TO THIS AGENDA:

It was requested by staff to pull Item D-2 and Item E-1 from the agenda.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

There was no action taken in Closed Session

C. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

RAY DERMA, owner Derma's Flooring, informed Council of the upcoming 40th anniversary of his company in the city. He is planning a celebration and Chamber mixer on March 15, 2018 and would like to block off portion of the streets on the west and north side of the business for the event.

MARVIN MUNSON, Imperial resident addressed Council on the Aten/La Brucherie intersection and inquired as to the timeline for installation of additional sidewalks. Glad to see this work being done.

CATHY TURNER, Imperial resident spoke about the road noise due to type of pavement on Hwy 86 on the west side of the Sunset Ranch condos. Concerns with how loud it is compared to the road noise just to the south of the condos. She asked if an overlay of additional pavement could be installed; inquired about status of hotel and Neckel/86 traffic signal project. Staff informed her that Hwy. 86 pavement was installed per Cal trans specs and an overlay is not included in this years' budget and also provided an update on the hotel and traffic signal projects.

D. CONSENT AGENDA:

D-1. Approval of claims/warrants report.

D-2. Approval of Minutes for Regular Meetings of December 20, 2017 and January 3, 2018.

Motion by AMPARANO, seconded by PECHTL to approve item D-1.

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

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 5-0

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

E-1. SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING – DISCUSSION/ACTION: ZONE CHANGE FROM R-1 (RESIDENTIAL SINGLE FAMILY) TO C-2 (COMMERCIAL GENERAL) FOR PARCEL AT HWY 86 EAST OF NORTH IMPERIAL AVENUE, NORTH OF 15TH STREET.

1. INTRODUCTION/1ST READING BY TITLE ONLY OF ORDINANCE NO. 797, AMENDING THE IMPERIAL CITY CODE TO CHANGE THE ZONING DESIGNATION OF A SPECIFIED PARCEL FROM R-1 (RESIDENTIAL, SINGLE FAMILY) TO C-2 (COMMERCIAL GENERAL).

This item was pulled from the agenda. No discussion or action taken.

F. NEW BUSINESS:

F-1. SUBJECT: CAMBRIA PARK SITE CONSTRUCTION AND EQUIPMENT (VICTORIA RANCH SUBDIVISION).

1. APPROVAL TO TERMINATE CAMBRIA PARK SITE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH VR CAMBRIA INC.

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by TUCKER to terminate the contract with VR Cambria, Inc.

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

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 5-0

2. AUTHORIZATION TO SEEK BIDS

Motion by AMPARANO, seconded by TUCKER to authorize staff to seek bids.

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

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 5-0

F-2. SUBJECT: TRAFFIC SIGNAL LIGHT AND INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS AT SR-86 AND NECKEL ROAD-FEDERAL AID PROJECT #HSIP-5134(013)

1. APPROVE CHANGE ORDER #8, #9, #10, #11, #12, #13, #16, and #17 AS SUBMITTED FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$94,624.40.

Motion by TUCKER, seconded by SAMPSON to approve Change Orders #8, #9, #10, #11, #12, #13, #16, and #17.

AYES: AMPARANO, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND DALE

NOES: PECHTL

ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

MOTION CARRIED 4-1

F-3. SUBJECT: SUPPORT FOR U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION SELECTION FOR IMPERIAL COUNTY ESSENTIAL AIR SERVICE (EAS) PROVIDER

1. APPROVAL TO PROVIDE LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR MOKULELE AIRLINES TO U.S. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE SELECTION OF THE IMPERIAL COUNTY AIRPORT EAS PROVIDER.

Motion by AMPARANO, seconded by SAMPSON to authorize the City Manager to submit a letter of support for Mokulele Airlines to the Department of Transportation.

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

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 5-0

F-4. SUBJECT: STREET AND SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS FOR “F” AND “G” STREETS BETWEEN BARIONI BOULEVARD AND 15TH STREET. 15-CDBG-10577

1. AUTHORIZATION TO SEEK BIDS

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by AMPARANO to authorize staff to seek bids.

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

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 5-0

F-5. SUBJECT: DOGWOOD ROAD PAVEMENT REHABILITATION FROM ATEN BOULEVARD TO SOUTHEAST CITY LIMIT – FEDERAL AID PROJECT #RSTP-5134(019) – CITY OF IMPERIAL BID NO. 2017-03.

1. APPROVAL OF BALANCING CHANGE ORDER IN THE AMOUNT OF \$15,255.30

Motion by TUCKER, seconded by AMPARANO to approve the balancing change order in the amount of \$15,255.30.

AYES: AMPARANO, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND DALE

NOES: PECHTL

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 4-1

2. ACCEPTANCE OF PROJECT AS COMPLETED BY AGGREGATE PRODUCTS, INC. (API) AND AUTHORIZE FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION.

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

AYES: AMPARANO, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND DALE

NOES: PECHTL

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 4-1

F-6. SUBJECT: REVIEW OF EXISTING CITY OF IMPERIAL ORDINANCE PROHIBITING THE SALE OF FIREWORKS.

1. REVIEW AND PROVIDE DIRECTION REGARDING THE PROHIBITION OF SALE OF FIREWORKS WITHIN THE CITY OF IMPERIAL

Direction was given to staff to prepare an ordinance that will allow the sale of safe and sane fireworks and the allowance to discharge of same in city limits.

F-7. SUBJECT: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR PERMIT APPLICATION FOR MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARIES

1. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2018-01, ADOPTING APPLICATION PROCESS AND POLICIES AND PROCEDURES REGARDING MEDICAL CANNABIS DISPENSARIES OUTLINED IN ORDINANCE 795.

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by TUCKER to approve Resolution 2018-01.

AYES: PECHTL, TUCKER, AND DALE

NOES: AMPARANO AND SAMPSON

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 3-2

F-8. SUBJECT: CITY COUNCIL LIAISONS, BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS APPOINTMENTS

CITY MANAGER CHATWIN made the recommendation to eliminate the Development/Design Review Committee, Economic Development & Marketing, Finance & Administration, Library, Parks & Recreation, Public Services liaisons.

1. APPROVAL TO REMOVE/DISSOLVE CITY COUNCIL LIAISON POSITIONS FOR THE INTERNAL AND/OR INACTIVE ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEES.

Motion by PECHTL, seconded by TUCKER to remove and or dissolve liaison positions as recommended.

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

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE MOTION CARRIED 5-0

2. APPOINTMENT OF CITY COUNCIL LIAISONS TO REMAINING BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Public Safety (Fire & Police):	Robert Amparano
Airport Advisory Board:	Geoff Dale
Airport Land Use Commission:	Charles Lucas
Air Pollution Control Advisory Board:	James Tucker
Association of California Cities Allied with Public Safety:	Vacant
Centinela Citizens Advisory Board:	Vacant
California Joint Powers Insurance Authority:	Betty Sampson
Imperial Chamber of Commerce:	Robert Amparano
Imperial County Film Commission:	Betty Sampson
Imperial County Transportation Commission:	Robert Amparano
(ICTC/LTA/SAFE)	
North County Coalition of the Arts (NoCCA)/I.C Arts Council:	Darrell Pechtl

G. REPORTS:

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

AMPARANO reported that he attended the ribbon cutting for the Ricochet RC center last week.

PECHTL inquired as to the timeline for Aten sidewalk Phase II project. Also inquired as to when the block walls in the Sky Ranch and Wildflower Subdivisions will be repaired.

G-2. SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT HEAD AND STAFF REPORTS

CHIEF BARRA informed Council he will be meeting with IV Expo CEO to discuss this upcoming fair and fiesta.

G-3. SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER REPORT.

Asked Council to confirm with his office as to the best date to schedule a council retreat. Also reminded everyone about the next market day event which will be the Tri-tip Cook-off contest on February 24, 2018.

G-4. SUBJECT: CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.

Chamber Executive Director PARADIS reported on the Economic Development luncheon meeting held on January 17, 2018, the Richochet RC center ribbon cutting; and the labor law seminar on January 31, 2018. Upcoming events are a Mega Mixer on February 8th; a ribbon cutting for Odds & Ends on February 17th and the Chamber is planning to hold a tax law seminar in the near future. Also announced that nominations are open for three Board of Director seats.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:38 PM UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 2018 AT 7:00 P.M.