

**MINUTES
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF IMPERIAL
JANUARY 4, 2023**

A. CITY COUNCIL CONVENES TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:00 PM.

This is a CLOSED SESSION in which the COUNCIL discusses matters in closed as opposed to open session. Only those matters authorized by the Brown Act as permissible CLOSED SESSION subjects will be discussed. They are as follows:

B. CITY COUNCIL CONVENES TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:00 PM.

MAYOR BURNWORTH CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:03 PM.

ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL:

PHYSICAL ATTENDANCE: MENDOZA, OBESO-MARTINEZ, AMPARANO AND BURNWORTH

ABSENT: TUCKER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY CITY MANAGER DENNIS MORITA

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

MORITA: NO REPORTABLE ACTION

MAYOR BURNWORTH WOULD LIKE TO PULL ITEM C-2 AND HAVE THEM COMMENT ON ITEM WHEN IT COMES UP ON AGENDA.

ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

TURNER: COUNCIL WILL BE GOING BACK INTO CLOSED SESSION.

C. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

C-1. MATTERS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA:

PUBLIC APPEARANCES: NONE

C-2. MATTERS APPEARING ON THE AGENDA:

PUBLIC APPEARANCES: NONE

D. CONSENT AGENDA:

- D-1.** CONTINUATION OF EMERGENCY AT HWY 86 AND ATEN ROAD.
- D-2.** APPROVAL OF CLAIMS AND WARRANTS REPORT
- D-3.** APPROVE MATERIAL CHANGE TO WATER TREATMENT OPERATOR(S) AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATOR(S) I, II, AND III SERIES CLASSIFICATION.

DISCUSSION:

MENDOZA WOULD LIKE TO PULL ITEM D-3 FOR FURTHER DISCUSSION.

MAYOR BURNWORTH WILL MOVE ITEM D-3 TO E-5 FOR DISCUSSION.

ACTION:

MOTIONS BY MENDOZA AND SECOND BY AMPARANO TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA WITHHOLDING D-3.

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0

E. ACTION ITEMS: (DISCUSSION/ACTION - APPROVE - DISAPPROVE)

- E-1. SUBJECT: DEVELOPMENT PARK IMPACT FEE REIMBURSEMENT FOR RUSSELL SUBDIVISION.**

DISCUSSION:

PARK IMPACT FEES ARE CHARGED TO DEVELOPER AT THE TIME OF BUILDING PERMITS FOR THE COAST OF PARKS AND THEIR IMPROVEMENTS. RUSSELL SUBDIVISION PAID FEES PRIOR TO CUSTRUTION. THE PARK HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND ACCEPTED BY THE CITY. NOW THE CITY IS ASKING FOR APPROVAL ON REIMBURSEMENT TO RUSSELL SUBDIVISION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$184,565.74.

MENDOZA HAS ASKED IF PARKS ARE STILL BEING BUILT IN RETENTION BASINS DUE TO THE MAP PROVIDED ON THE AGENDA. **MORA** HAS RESPONDED THAT PARKS ARE NO LONGER BEING BUILT IN RETENTION BASINS MOVING FORWARD. THE MAP PROVIDED WAS APPROVED BACK IN 2017.

OBESO-MARTINEZ HAS ASKED IF THE PARKS MOVING FORWARD WILL BE BUILT LIKE THE PARK OFF OF BREWER ROAD AND NANCE. RESPONSE WAS YES.

ACTION:

MOTION BY OBESO-MARTINEZ AND SECOND BY MENDOZA TO REIMBURSE RUSSELL SUBDIVISION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$184,565.74.

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0

E-2. SUBJECT: PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT FOR PUBLIC SERVICES DEPARTMENT.

DISCUSSION:

PUBLIC SERVICES HAS REQUESTED FIVE QUOTES FROM VENDORS TO INCLUDE THE PRICE OF EQUIPMENT, TAX AND DELIVER FEE. ONLY TWO VENDORS RESPONDED WITH QUOTES THAT INCLUDED EQUIPMENT, TAX AND DELIVER. TRI STATE BOBCAT WAS THE CHEAPER QUOTE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$22,540.00. PUBLIC SERVICES IS ASKING FOR AN APPROVAL OF \$22,540.00 AND NOT TO EXCEED \$33,000.00.

ACTION:

MOTION BY AMPARANO AND SECOND BY MENDOZA TO APPROVE EQUIPMENT PURCHASE.

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0

E-3. SUBJECT: RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION FOR CITY CLERK.

DISCUSSION:

BROWN - THIS IS A RESOLUTION TO ESTABLISH COMPENSATION FOR THE CITY CLERK. AFTER THE RETIREMENT OF FORMERS CITY CLERK JACKSON CITY MANAGER MARITA WAS APPOINTED AND COMPENSATION WAS ESTABLISHED BY COUNCIL TO ZERO. AS KRISTINA ADJUSTS TO HER ELECTED POSITION AND GROWS MRS. SHIELDS CAN COME BACK BEFORE YOU AT YOUR DISCRETION.

MYSELF - PLANNING ON ATTENDING BOTH COUNCIL AND PLANNING COMMISSION MEETING MONTHLY.

MAYOR BURNWORTH REQUESTED A \$100.00 A MEETING. **AMPARANO** SUGGESTED THAT IT'S ONE GENERAL STIPEND FOR EVERYTHING. **TURNER** REMINDED COUNCIL THAT BECAUSE IT IS A RESOLUTION IT CAN COME BACK BEFORE THE COUNCIL.

ACTION:

MOTION BY AMPARANO AND SECOND BY OBESO-MARTINEZ TO APPROVE THE CITY CLERK'S STIPEND OF \$400.00 A MONTH.

MOTION CARRIED: 3-0

ABSTAIN: 1 BY COUNCIL MENDOZA

**E-4 SUBJECT: IMPERIAL CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS
CALENDAR YEAR 2023.**

- A. PERSONNEL COMMITTEE:
PRIMARY: MAYOR BURNWORTH ALTERNATE: OBESO-MARTINEZ**

- B. AD HOC COMMITTEE:
PRIMARY: MAYOR BURNWORTH ALTERNATE: AMPARANO**

- C. FRIENDS OF IMPERIAL PARKS
PRIMARY: OBESO-MARTINEZ ALTERNATE: MENDOZA**

- D. IMPERIAL ARTS DISTRICT COMMITTEE
PRIMARY: MAYOR BURNWORTH ALTERNATE: TUCKER**

- E. AIRPORT LAND USE COMMISSION
PRIMARY: HAMMORNESS ALTERNATE:**

- F. CENTINELA CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE
PRIMARY: TUCKER ALTERNATE: CAPT. SHEFFIELD**

- G. CALIFORNIA JOINT POWER INSURANCE AUTHORITY (CJPIA)
PRIMARY: MAYOR BURNWORTH ALTERNATE: CITY MANAGER MORITA**

- H. IMPERIAL VALLEY REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
PRIMARY: MENDOZA ALTERNATE: OBESO-MARTINEZ**

- I. IMPERIAL COUNTY TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION
PRIMARY: AMPARANO ALTERNATE: MENDOZA**

- J. SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG)
PRIMARY: AMPARANO ALTERNATE: MENDOZA**

ACTION:

MOTION BY AMPARANO AND SECOND BY MENDOZA TO APPROVE THE PRIMARY AND ALTERNATE REPRESENTATIVES FOR IMPERIAL CITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS CALENDAR YEAR 2023.

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0

E-5. SUBJECT: APPROVE MATERIAL CHANGE TO WATER TREATMENT OPERATOR(S) AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATOR(S) I, II AND III SERIES CLASSIFICATIONS.

DISCUSSION:

MENDOZA EXPRESSED I'M CONCERNED ABOUT THE MID-LEVEL AND HIGHER-LEVEL POSITIONS NOT GOING TO BE REQUIRING ANY EXPERIENCE. **LOPER** EXPLAINED YOU STILL NEED ALL THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE POSITION. THEY ARE JUST TRYING TO BRING EVERYTHING IN LINE WITH THE STATE SO ONCE THEY PASS GRADE TWO AND THREE THEY CAN BE PROMOTED.

ACTION:

MOTION BY MENDOZA AND SECOND BY OBESO-MARTINEZ TO APPROVE MATERIAL CHANGE TO WATER TREATMENT OPERATOR(S) AND WASTEWATER TREATMENT OPERATOR(S) I, II AND III SERIES CLASSIFICATIONS.

MOTION CARRIED: 4-0

F. REPORTS:

F-1. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

TONY INFORMED THE CITY COUNCIL AND PUBLIC ABOUT THE TREE PLANNING EVENT SATURDAY, JANUARY 7, 2023 AT SUNSET PARK AT 9 AM. ALL VOLUNTEERS WELCOME TO LEARN HOW TO MAINTAIN, CARE AND PLANT TREES.

F-2. CITY MANAGER REPORT:

MORITA - NO REPORT.

F-3. MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

MENDOZA HAS EXPRESSED HOW SHE HAS BEEN WORKING WITH TONY ON THE GRANT FOR THE TREE PLANNING EVENT AT SUNSET PARK AND WOULD LIKE TO SAY "THANK YOU TO TONY FOR BEING EASY TO WORK WITH."

G. ADJOURNMENT:

G-1. SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT OF THIS REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL IS UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023, AT 7:00 PM.

DISCUSSION:

MAYOR BURNWORTH WOULD LIKE TO RECONVENE TO CLOSE SESSION.

ADJOURNED THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 8:35 PM. NO REPORTABLE ACTION.