

***If you plan on attending the public meeting and need special accommodation because of a sensory or mobility impairment/disability or need an interpreter, please contact Catherine J. Hoff, City Clerk at 760-348-4141 ext. 2; with 48 hours notification to arrange for accommodations to be made.***

City Hall  
City of Calipatria  
March 19, 2020  
6 PM

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL  
OF THE CITY OF CALIPATRIA  
**PLEASE TURN OFF ALL ELECTRONIC DEVICES**  
MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER: 6:02 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: *Chief Mara*

INVOCATION: *Spellins*

ROLL CALL: Mayor:Jim Spellins, MayorProTem:Huston Hisel, Javier Amezcua, Maria Nava-Froelich, Hector Cervantes

PRESENT: *Nava-Froelich, Amezcua, Hisel, Spellins*

ABSENT: *Cervantes*

ALSO PRESENT: *Captain's J. Quintana, C. Estrada, Chief Mara, R. Medina, R. Rameriz*

MAYOR'S MESSAGE/PUBLIC COMMENT

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**To maintain social distancing, in person attendance is strongly discouraged. Should a member of the public wish to provide public comments, please submit written comments via email to [c\\_hoff@calipatria.com](mailto:c_hoff@calipatria.com) or contact the City Clerk's office at 760-348-4141 ext 2, by 5 PM Thursday.**

State of California Governor Gavin Newsom waived specific portions of the Brown Act by Executive Order for the period that social distancing measures are recommended and required by state and local public health officials. The waiver of Brown Act provisions requires:

- A. Members of the public are allowed to observe and address public meetings telephonically or through other electronic means.
- B. Procedures "swiftly" accommodate any reasonable request to accommodate access by disabled individuals to meetings that are accessible telephonically or through other electronic means in accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
- C. Notice of the procedure is provided for making requests for such reasonable accommodations with the notice for any public meeting.

**THIS AGENDA CONTAINS A BRIEF GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF EACH ITEM TO BE CONSIDERED. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY LAW, NO ACTION OR DISCUSSION SHALL BE TAKEN ON ANY ITEM NOT APPEARING IN THE FOLLOWING AGENDA**

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**NEW BUSINESS**

MOTION: *N. Froelich* SECOND: *Hisel* VOTE: *Carried*  
RESOLUTION 20-09 R. Medina, City Manager

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIPATRIA DECLARING  
A LOCAL EMERGENCY FOR THE COVID-19 CORONAVIRUS**

*WHEREAS*, California Health & Safety Code section 101080 authorizes the City to declare a local health emergency whenever the City of Calipatria determines that there is an epidemic; and

*WHEREAS*, on March 4, 2020, the Governor of the State of California declared an emergency based on the threat of the COVID-19 coronavirus (COVID-19) within the state; and

*WHEREAS*, on March 5, 2020, Imperial County ("County") declared a local health emergency throughout the County based on the imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of COVID-19 in Imperial County; and

*WHEREAS*, the City Council hereby finds that there is an imminent and proximate threat to public health from the introduction of COVID-19 in Imperial County, for the reasons set forth and that the use of emergency power is warranted to deal with this emergency:

*NOW THEREFORE THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIPATRIA, CALIFORNIA, DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:*

1. That the foregoing is true, correct and adopted hereby.
2. That this Resolution is adopted and is effective immediately and until such time as revoked by the City Council or City Manager.
3. The City Manager as the Director of Emergency Services and the Emergency Operations Coordinator shall have the authority provided by state law and City policies and procedures to coordinate the implementation of orders handed down by the federal government, Governor of California and the County of Imperial Department of Health.

**COUNCIL REPORTS:**

Cervantes: *Absent*

*N.Froelich: We have canceled the Children's Health Fair; no host this year. Also canceled Back to School and LAFCo. I.V. Transit meeting next week. We need clothes & food at the resource center, we will be there until we are told to leave.*

*Amezcuca: Seeded the baseball field- there might not be a season- it would start May 16<sup>th</sup>*

*Hisel: The pole at Calipat Queen needs to be removed (CM- it's a cast aluminum base- tired welding but it doesn't take)*

*Spellins: Nothing to report*

STAFF:

*Medina: Bid open for measure D- 2 bids- maybe rebid. R.R. in the park has vandalism- toilets plugged with rags.*

*Hoff: tentative meeting on Tuesday. Will let you know*

MOTION: *N.Froelich*

SECOND: *Hisel*

VOTE: *Carried*

ADJOURN: *6:35 pm*

*Mara: we have modified calls- staying outside of residence with an outside officer on the phone for details. Will take felonies to jail- others ticketed and released. Depends on circumstance.*