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City Hall  
City of Calipatria  
January 22, 2019  
6 PM

REGULAR 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 Hall*

INVOCATION: *Spellins*

ROLL CALL: Mayor: Maria N-Froelich, Mayor Pro Tem: Jim Spellins, Javier Amezcua, Hector Cervantes, Huston Hisel

PRESENT: *N.Froelich, Spellins, Amezcua, Hisel, Cervantes*

ABSENT: *None*

ALSO PRESENT: *K. Lopez, Chief's Hall & Mara, R. Medina*

MAYOR'S MESSAGE/PUBLIC COMMENT

At this time the Council will hear comments on any agenda item and on any item not on this agenda. Personal attacks on individuals, slanderous comments or comments that may invade an individual's privacy are prohibited. If you wish to be heard, please stand and address yourself to the Mayor, we request that you limit your remarks to no more than three (3) minutes. *Marco Orozco, 310 So. Sorenson Av – I have lived here from the early 70's, has three issues and asked the Mayor if the City Manager is hired by the Council? Mayor's responds - Yes. 1) the Palm trees on the center medians on Sorenson Ave. need trimming, are a hazard and an eye sore, and he was told by the City Manager there was a plan to trim, clean up and redo the center medians and it hasn't been done, and don't give me this BS. Also, one of the palm branches could fall and hurt someone driving by with their window open, which is a liability and says he's been to 3 or 4 council meetings to express his concerns, nothing is being done, is tired of being BS'd and wants the truth. He asked if his comments get recorded, City Clerk replied yes, on the minutes. 2) Says Public Works trimmed the oleander trees to the bottom and left stumps, and would like to see the stumps removed. 3) The trees in the park are all dead and have been – don't BS me, - I don't want to hear about once a month tree removal! Plus, the only reason the tree in front of Circle K was removed is because it was almost falling down, which is BS. Mayor Nava-Froelich responded to Mr. Orozco that you cannot attack our City Manager, and the defamatory remarks are not welcome. Mr. Orozco responded that he didn't realize he was attacking him and said he may be nervous. Mr. Orozco continued asking if the Solar Panels at the Wastewater treatment plant are working, City Manager Responded yes they are, and asked Finance Officer to confirm from billing, and she confirmed. City Manager asked if he could provide a response during public comment to address Mr. Orozco's concerns, Mayor Nava-Froelich said yes. City Manager responded, he takes umbrage to the comments provided by Mr. Orozco in reference to BS, as he has always provided information and responses that are accurate including the past. 1) The Center medians were redesigned and bid out during the capital improvements project completed in 2015, and the center median project was withdrawn and not completed due to lack of funds, project bid amount was in the range of \$160,000.00 and designed as a zeroscape median similar to others in the Palm Desert Area. And, this project stands ready and has been issued an encroachment permit to be completed if funds become available. This is a State Highway and Caltrans originally designed the medians that may have been more suitable to the area on the coast. The Date Palms that have not survived in the medians may have died due to contaminated soil as the Circle K project currently under construction has encountered contaminated soil on their property. 2) Public Works did trim down the mini oleanders on the center medians and the*

stumps are scheduled to be removed during the second week of February. 3) Yes, there are some dead trees in the park not all of them and the City is possibly losing the mature eucalyptus trees due to reduced water usage and cost saving measures. The City of Calipatria adopted a general fund budget to reduce it's watering in the parks 50% in order to save over \$100,000.00 for metered water service several years ago when metering went into effect. The loss of mature Eucalyptus trees is consistent and evident throughout the City. The dead trees in the park are on a schedule to be removed one every three to four weeks due to limited resources, not BS. The City has removed two trees within the past two months and is on schedule to remove a dead tree in Rademacher Park across from the Post Office tomorrow morning. The tree that was across from circle k was not leaning over ready to fall, it has always leaned to the west and was taken down two months ago, was still alive and difficult to take down, not BS. The City has programmed and scheduled for the second week of February to complete maintenance on the center medians. Councilmember Amezcua asked- from a prior probe article sent to him from Luis Zendejas, how many trees have been cut? City Manager responded, the probe article response is accurate, at that time the City removed 10 dead trees, and has removed 16 in total to date and have 7 more to go as scheduled.

**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**

#### INFORMATION REPORTS

Fire Report- Dec 21<sup>st</sup>, Jan 15<sup>th</sup>

MOTION: *Spellins*            SECOND: *Cervantes*            VOTE: *Carried*

#### CONSENT AGENDA

1. Warrants
2. Minutes- Jan 8<sup>th</sup>

#### EMERGENCY ADDENDUM TO THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CALIPATRIA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY

MOTION: *Cervantes*            SECOND: *Spellins*            VOTE: *Carried*

#### ADJOURN TO THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY

MOTION: *Cervantes*            SECOND: *Spellins*            VOTE: *Carried*

#### RESOLUTION 2019-06-SA R. Medina, Successor Agency Chair

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE CALIPATRIA REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY APPROVING THE RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE 19-20 A & B FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 2019 THROUGH JUNE 2020 AND APPROVING CERTAIN RELATED ACTIONS

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to Health and Safety Code (the "HSC") § 34172 (a) (1), the City of Calipatria Redevelopment Agency was dissolved on February 1, 2012; and

**WHEREAS**, consistent with the provisions of the HSC, the City Council of the City of Calipatria previously elected to serve in the capacity of the Successor Agency of the Calipatria Redevelopment Agency (the "Successor Agency"); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to HSC § 34179, the Successor Agency previously established the Calipatria Oversight Board to assist in the wind-down of the former redevelopment agency through June 30, 2018, at which time it was dissolved by operation of law; and

**WHEREAS**, consistent with HSC § 34179 (j), on July 1, 2018 the Imperial Countywide Oversight Board (the "CWOB") was established to assist in winding-down the dissolved redevelopment agencies within the County of Imperial; and

**WHEREAS**, per HSC § 34177 (o) (1), the Successor Agency is required to prepare a Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (the “ROPS”) before each twelve-month fiscal year period; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to HSC § 34180 (g), CWOB approval is required for the establishment of each ROPS, beginning with ROPS 19-20; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to HSC § 34177 (o) (1), a CWOB-approved ROPS 19-20 A and B for the period of July 2019 through June 2020 must be submitted to the State Department of Finance and to the County Auditor-Controller not later than February 1, 2019 (the “Submission Deadline”); and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to HSC § 34177, the Successor Agency is legally required to continue to make payments due for enforceable obligations; and

**WHEREAS**, the approval of the establishment of ROPS 19-20 A and B will ensure that the Successor Agency has the authority to continue to pay its enforceable obligations; and

**WHEREAS**, it is proposed that the Successor Agency approve the establishment of the Successor Agency’s ROPS 19-20 A and B, which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”; and

**WHEREAS**, the CWOB is scheduled to consider approval of ROPS 19-20 A and B on January 30, 2019; and

**WHEREAS**, once approved by the CWOB, ROPS 19-20 A and B will be filed be submitted to the State Department of Finance and to the County Auditor-Controller by the Submission Deadline: and

**WHEREAS**, all the prerequisites with respect to the approval of this Resolution have been met.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the Board of Directors of the Successor Agency to the Calipatria Redevelopment Agency, as follows:

Section 1. The foregoing recitals are true and correct and are a substantive part of this Resolution.

Section 2. The Successor Agency’s ROPS 19-20 A and B, which is attached hereto as Exhibit “A”, is approved, inclusive of each enforceable obligation.

Section 3. The amount requested for enforceable obligation No. 11, the Successor Agency’s Administrative Cost Allowance, is consistent with the provisions of HSC § 34171 (b) and is thus considered fair and reasonable.

Section 4. The City Manager, in his capacity as the Executive Director of the Successor Agency, or designee, is authorized to: i) post that ROPS 19-20 A and B on the City’s website, ii) transmit the ROPS 19-20 A and B to the State Department of Finance, the State Controller’s Office and the County Auditor-Controller for their review within the timeframe and in the manner prescribed by the HSC; and iii) make ministerial revisions to ROPS 19-20 A and B, which may include, but are not limited to restating the information included within ROPS 19-20 A and B in any format that may be requested by the State Department of Finance, take such other actions and execute such other documents as are necessary to effectuate the intent of this Resolution, and to implement ROPS 19-20 A and B on behalf of the Successor Agency, including authorizing and causing such payments.

Section 5. This Resolution shall take effect upon the date of its adoption.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION AND ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

MOTION: *Spellins* SECOND: *Cervantes* VOTE: *Carried*

Real property negotiations; Govt Code 54956.9

1 case

*INFORMATION PROVIDED*

MOTION: *Spellins* SECOND: *Hisel* VOTE: *Carried*

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

COUNCIL REPORTS:

Cervantes: *Nothing to report*

Hisel: *Nothing to report*

Amezcuca: *Nothing to report*

Spellins: *The airport building is getting tagged. 2) What about canal water for the parks?*

Nava-Froelich: *Will attend ICTC at 6 pm, no LAFCO meeting. The first SARE meeting at CHS. Attended the Centennial meeting and there are tickets available for the BBQ. I will challenge the council to donate a \$100 for the Centennial.*

STAFF:

Medina: *Will be removing another tree; 6am Wednesday morning. Working on a RFP for Engineering of Freeman Street s/b finished by June 30<sup>th</sup>. North Brown Av should be coming back to council the send meeting in March. Circle K is moving along. Also staying in touch with the owner of Calimart.*

Hoff: *Nothing to report*

MOTION: *Spellins*  
ADJOURN: *7:09pm*

SECOND: *Cervantes*

VOTE: *Carried*