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City Hall  
City of Calipatria  
April 9, 2019  
6 PM

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

CALL TO ORDER: 6:00 pm

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: *Hisel*

INVOCATION: *Spellins*

ROLL CALL: Mayor: *Maria N-Froelich*, Mayor Pro Tem: *Jim Spellins, Javier Amezcua, Huston Hisel, Hector Cervantes*  
PRESENT: *N-Froelich, Spellins, Amezcua, Hisel, Cervantes*  
ABSENT: *None*  
ALSO PRESENT: *K. Lopez, B. Smerdon, Chief 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. *Robert Slivkov in the Sunset Ranch area; I would like to make Laurel Lane a priority road for repair; the rain was really bad and made it worse. (City Manager thanked Mr. Slivkov for his comments, and stated under the Measure D LTA funds; beginning in fiscal year 2019 -2020 Council approved Some Street Sections in the Sunset Ranch Area, sections of W. Delta Street, N and S Commercial Ave. and 300 block of California St., with Design of project is about six months out) Welcomed all new council members; also thanked the mayor for the health fair.*

<p><b>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</b></p>
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INFORMATION REPORTS

Police Report

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

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Warrants
2. Minutes- March 26<sup>th</sup> April 3<sup>rd</sup>

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: *Spellins*      SECOND: *Amezcua*      VOTE: *Carried*

## RESOLUTION 19-18

## A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIPATRIA CONFIRMING LEASE OF FARM GROUND AT CITY'S WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

**WHEREAS**, the City of Calipatria owns 90 acres of useable farm ground as part of its waste water treatment plant; and

**WHEREAS**, the farm ground is not needed as part of the operation of the City's waste water treatment plant; and

**WHEREAS**, if the farm ground is allowed to go fallow it is likely to become overgrown with weeds, brush and salt cedar; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Manager, at the direction and with the approval of the City Council has negotiated a lease of the City's farm ground to JOSE LUIS CORREA; and

**WHEREAS**, the terms of the lease negotiated by the City Manager are fair and reasonable:

**BE IT RESOLVED**, that the City Council hereby approves the terms of the lease of the farm ground situated at the City's waste water treatment plant with JOSE LUIS CORREA and hereby authorizes the Mayor to execute the same on behalf of the City.

## DISCUSSION/DIRECTION

Business License- *Council inquired as to lowering or increasing fees, and updating the language? City Attorney stated that you can update language and lower the fees; but if there is consideration of an increase, it will need to be approved by an election. Special events; same or lower. City Attorney asked for direction: Council provided direction to City Legal Counsel to bring back an updated ordinance for Council consideration.*

Waiver for Calipatria High School kitchen- *City Attorney provided a written opinion and reasons the city cannot waive this; Councilmember Amezcua stated he can't believe we can't amend ordinance to allow the waiver. City Manager provided information on the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Permit that dictate the City's waste discharge requirements for priority prohibited pollutants such as grease, fats, and oils in the Ordinance. City Council did not provide direction to waive the request for the kitchen, it is required.*

MOTION: *Cervantes*      SECOND: *Spellins*      VOTE: *Carried*  
ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

Public Employee performance evaluation: 1 case –  
Govt Code 54957.6

**DIRECTION GIVEN**

Conference with labor negotiator- 2 cases  
1. City Manager      Govt Code 54957.6  
2. CPOA      Govt Code 54957.8

MOTION: *Cervantes*      SECOND: *Spellins*      VOTE: *Carried*  
RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

## COUNCIL REPORTS:

*Cervantes: I was told that the company was expanding the silo's (south of town) – will it affect her house? (City Staff will seek information on this)*

*Hisel: The water tour was great!*

*Amezcuca: Ironwood and Date Streets; Date and International Streets, stop signs are down (City Manager stated the signs have been reported, placed on schedule to be reinstalled).*

*Spellins: The airport hangar? (City Manager spoke with the tenant and he wants to clean it out before he fixes the roof)*

*Nava-Froelich: Attended ICTC- needing a bus run to Niland and Bombay Beach on the weekend; inquiring about a bus stop on the east side of town; also a bus shelter. Will attend LAFCO meeting on April 14<sup>th</sup>, the Centennial dinner was well attended; the 4<sup>th</sup> of July, who is doing this?*

STAFF:

*Medina: Discussed bus stop on the east side with the Mayor and is scheduling meeting with ICTC Staff and Caltrans; hasn't been decided if it should be on the north or south of 115. The Lions Club has enough members to form its charter, 22 members. The first meeting will be next week. Also inviting everyone to the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Pam 5K fun run/walk on Saturday morning 8:00 am, May 4<sup>th</sup> 2019 (benefitting the Cancer Resource Center of the Desert and IVC Foundation)*

*Hoff: Asked Council if it wished to move the April 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting to April 30<sup>th</sup>, due to City Manager's authorized leave that Council Meeting day. Council- preferred to keep with adopted calendar and meet on April 23, 2019.*

*Smerdon: DS Arts will have an event on May 17<sup>th</sup>; North Plaza- 6-9 pm*

MOTION: *Amezcuca*      SECOND: *Hisel*      VOTE: *Carried*  
 ADJOURN: *8:58pm*