

City Of Calimesa
City Council Minutes of the Special Meeting of
January 25, 2021

Pursuant to the State of California Executive Order N-29-20, regarding the COVID-19 pandemic, the Calimesa City Council conducted this meeting in the Norton Younglove Senior Center maintaining appropriate social distancing. Members of the public were not in attendance and were encouraged to participate in the meeting by viewing the meeting on **Facebook Live**, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at <https://www.facebook.com/cityof.calimesa>

Submission of Public Comments: Public comment was accepted via email to the Calimesa City Clerk at dgerdes@cityofcalimesa.net with a deadline of **5:30 p.m. on Monday, January 25, 2021.**

CALL TO ORDER 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Davis

ROLL CALL: MAYOR DAVIS, MAYOR PRO TEM MOLINA, COUNCIL MEMBER CERVANTEZ, AND COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT.

ABSENT: None

STAFF: CITY MANAGER JOHNSON, CITY ATTORNEY GREYSON, CITY CLERK GERDES, PLANNING MANAGER LUCIA, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR MONSON, CITY ENGINEER THORNTON, DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF RODRIGUEZ AND SHERIFF LT. CAMPA.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro Tem Molina.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

None

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM MOLINA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CERVANTEZ, CARRIED 4-0 TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2021-04, MAKING AN APPOINTMENT TO THE FILL THE VACANCY ON THE CITY COUNCIL ARISING FROM THE RESIGNATION OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBER LARRY SMITH.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2021-04, A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calimesa, California appointing _____ (name to be inserted at the meeting) to fill the vacancy on the City Council arising from the resignation of Council Member Larry Smith.

Mayor Davis addressed the 4 applicants in attendance and allowed each one to address the Council one final time prior to Council making their appointment to fill the vacancy. Johnathan Manly, Renee Kanoti, Eric Stalter and Wynona Duvall each addressed the Council.

Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Gerdes read one public comment received via email into the record as follows:

"I listened to the interviews for City Council Appointment. I had concerns that the applicants did not understand the role of a Council Member, who they represent and most had their own agendas. One applicant answered he would work to keep the City fiscally sound, protect our Mission Statement and Vision, and rural lifestyle; was Jonathan Manly. I feel he would represent the Calimesa Resident's, the City's Vision, Mission Statement, and what so many residents cherish and moved here for the rural life style. I feel he would make his own decisions for the betterment of all, as a City Council Member. Please consider Jonathan Manly to fill the Council Member seat. Thank you, Joyce McIntire, Calimesa Resident Douglas Street".

Mayor Davis opened the nominations for appointment to the vacancy. Mayor Pro Tem Molina made a motion to nominate Wynona Duvall, Council Member Hewitt seconded the motion.

Mayor Davis made a motion to nominate Johnathan Manly, Council Member Hewitt seconded the motion.

Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Gerdes explained that the votes would be taken in order of the nominations made, adding that the applicant who receives the majority vote first, would be the successful applicant.

Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Gerdes took a roll call vote for the nomination of Wynona Duvall to fill the Council vacancy.

The actions taken are as follows:

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM MOLINA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT, CARRIED 3-1(MAYOR DAVIS VOTED NO) TO APPOINT WYNONA DUVALL TO FILL THE COUNCIL VACANCY.

MOTION BY MAYOR DAVIS, SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM MOLINA, CARRIED 4-0 TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2021-04, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIMESA, CALIFORNIA APPOINTING WYNONA DUVALL TO FILL THE VACANCY ON THE CITY COUNCIL ARISING FROM THE RESIGNATION OF COUNCIL MEMBER LARRY SMITH.

COUNCIL MEMBERS' COMMENTS & REPORTS

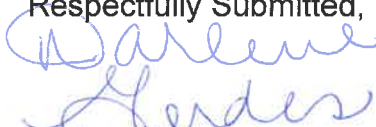
This is the time for additional general comments, announcements, reports on meetings attended at public expense as required by AB 1234, requests of staff, and other issues of concern to Council Members may be presented briefly at this time. The Council may not legally take action on any item presented at this time other than to direct staff to investigate a complaint or place an item on a future agenda unless (1) by a majority vote, the Council determines that an emergency situation exists, as defined by Government Code § 54956.5 or (2) by a four-fifths vote, the Council determines that there is a need for immediate action and the need for action arose subsequent to the agenda being posted as required by Government Code § 54954.2(b).

Each Councilmember congratulated Wynona Duvall on her appointment.

County Supervisor Jeff Hewitt announced the passing of Carla Thornton, Moreno Valley Council Member, stating that she was a veteran who served 20 years in the Air Force, she was only 42 years old and leaves behind a 12-year-old child. He added that her death is a horrible loss not only for her family, but for the City of Moreno Valley.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:27 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of the City Council on Monday, February 1, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene Gerdes, City Clerk

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER DUVALL, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT CARRIED 5-0 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 25, 2021 SPECIAL MEETING AS PRESENTED.
APPROVED: February 1, 2021

