

City Of Calimesa
City Council Minutes of the Regular Meeting of
April 19, 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 encouraged to participate in the meeting in one of two ways:

- 1) In person at the Norton Younglove Senior Center, 908 Park Avenue, Calimesa, CA 92320, maintaining a 6-foot distance from others. Face masks are mandatory.
- 2) By viewing the meeting on **Facebook Live**, beginning at 6:00 p.m. at <https://www.facebook.com/cityofcalimesa>

Submission of Public Comments: Those attending the meeting and maintaining appropriate social distancing, were allowed to speak during public comment by completing a blue speaker slip and providing it to the City Clerk at the meeting. Otherwise, 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, April 19, 2021.**

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

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

ABSENT: None

STAFF: CITY MANAGER JOHNSON, CITY ATTORNEY BARROW, CITY CLERK GERDES, PLANNING MANAGER LUCIA, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR MONSON, CITY ENGINEER THORNTON, FIRE CHIEF JOHNSON AND SHERIFF CAPTAIN SALAS.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Duvall.

PRESENTATIONS

California Low-Cost Auto Program - CA Department of Insurance, Peter Meza, Insurance Compliance Officer

Peter Meza, Insurance Compliance Officer for the State of California provided a Power Point presentation regarding California's Low-Cost Auto Insurance program and providing information of how to qualify and apply for the program. He requested that the City post the information on their social media and website for the residents of Calimesa.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Miguel Zamora, 35144 Buena Mesa Drive expressed his concerns of the condition of Buena Mesa Drive and petitioned the Council to repair the street.

Mayor Davis stated that staff is currently working on the Pavement Management Plan for the City of Calimesa streets.

City Clerk Gerdes read the following public comment into the record at the request of Kim Floyd of the Sierra Club's San Gorgonio Chapter:

Sierra Club Supports Full Implementation of SB 1383

Dear Calimesa City Council Members and Staff,

As you probably know, jurisdictions across the state are working hard to stop dumping organic material into landfills, as called for by SB 1383 "Short-Lived Climate Pollutants: Organic Waste Methane Emissions Reductions." Sierra Club supports you to make rapid progress to divert organics from landfills. Nearly one in four Californians suffer from food insecurity. Yet more than 11 billion pounds of food is wasted every year in California. According to [LA Times](#), "the typical American adult wastes about \$3.50 worth of food every day." Organic waste, including food waste, decomposes in landfills releasing methane emissions that account for 20% of the state's methane. **Since methane is a short-lived climate super pollutant 84 times more potent than carbon dioxide,** reducing methane has the fastest impact on the climate crisis. According to the [Legislative Analyst's Office](#), organic waste reduction is one of the cheapest forms of greenhouse gas reductions. And according to a well-known report [The Business and Societal Case for Reducing Food Waste](#) by ReFED:

- "Restaurants and foodservice providers could gain the largest profit boost."
- "Food waste solutions are a strong engine for job creation."
- Consumer education campaigns have the smallest cost and biggest benefit.

Calimesa can act individually and/or partner with other cities to form regional Organic Waste Reduction Campaigns with three excellent results:

- Feed the Hungry
- Conserve Natural Resources
- Slow Down Climate Change

Attached is [Sierra Club's recommended actions for organic waste reduction](#). We know SB 1383 implementation is not easy and would raise collection fees. But this is important, and the results will be worth the effort. Last but not least, thank you for your continuing work on a single-use plastic ordinance. Recently, during the State Assembly Natural Resources Committee's hearing on [AB-1276](#) Single-Use Food Accessories and Service Ware, Recology (a waste management company) showed strong support, and said the bill would help meet SB 1383's requirement on minimizing contamination. Please let me know how local Sierra Club members can help. Thanks!

Kim F Floyd
Conservation Chair
San Gorgonio Chapter Sierra Club
(Riverside and San Bernardino counties)

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION BY MAYOR PROTEM MOLINA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DUVALL, CARRIED 5-0 TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Mayor Davis asked if there were any items to be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion. Mayor Davis removed Item No. 8 to allow for separate vote.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 1 – 9)

The following Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial. Council will act upon them at one time without discussion. Any Council Member or staff member may request removal of an item from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

1. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES.
 - a) **City Council action minutes of April 5, 2021 Regular Meeting.**
2. RECEIVE AND FILE CITY COMMISSION & BOARD MINUTES.
 - a) **Library Commission action minutes of March 2, 2021 regular meeting**
 - b) **Parks, Trails, Community Services action minutes of March 3, 2021 regular meeting.**
3. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTERS.
 - a. **Check Register Report with a total of \$609,571.16 (Check Nos. 36840 to 36876)**
 - b. **April 1, 2021 Payroll of \$74,289.95**
April 15, 2021 Council Payroll of \$72,955.93
4. WAIVE FULL READING OF ANY PROPOSED ORDINANCES ON THE AGENDA.
This permits reading the title only in lieu of reciting the entire text of the Ordinances. This does not take policy action on the Ordinances or approve or disapprove any Ordinances on the agenda.
5. TRAVEL EXPENSES
RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council move to approve the Council Travel Training and Meeting/Mileage Expenses Report.
6. CALIMESA FIRE DEPARTMENT POLICY AMENDMENTS FOR ADOPTION
RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt Resolution 2021-17, A Resolution of the City of Calimesa approving amendments to the Calimesa Fire Department Policies and amending Resolution No. 2018-03.
7. ADOPTION OF ADMINISTRATIVE POLICY CONCERNING COVID-19 SUPPLEMENTAL PAID SICK LEAVE (“SPSL”) UNDER LABOR CODE SECTION 248.2.
RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2021-18, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calimesa, California adopting an Administrative Policy concerning COVID-19 Supplemental Paid Sick Leave (“SPSL”) under Labor Code Section 248.2.

9. APPOINTMENT OF QUINN BARROW AS CITY ATTORNEY WITH THE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION 2021-19 – A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIMESA APPOINTING QUINN BARROW AS CITY ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY OF CALIMESA

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council appoint Quinn Barrow as City Attorney of the City of Calimesa by the adoption of Resolution No. 2021-19.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CERVANTEZ, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER, CARRIED 5-0 TO APPROVE ITEM'S 1 – 7 AND 9 OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION

8. 2ND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 377 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CALIMESA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 16.05 OF TITLE 16 OF THE CALIMESA MUNICIPAL CODE THAT ESTABLISHED A LOCAL DEVELOPMENT MITIGATION FEE FOR FUNDING AND PRESERVATION OF NATURAL ECOSYSTEMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY MULTIPLE SPECIES HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN TO BRING THOSE SECTIONS INTO CONFORMANCE WITH UPDATED STANDARDS AND PROVISIONS.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council conduct second reading, by title only and adopt Ordinance No. 377, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Calimesa, California amending Chapter 16.05 of Title 16 of the Calimesa Municipal Code that established a local development mitigation fee for funding the preservation of natural ecosystems in accordance with the Western Riverside County Multiple Species Habitat Conservation Plan to bring those sections into conformance with updated standards and provisions.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM MOLINA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CERVANTEZ, CARRIED 3-2 BY A ROLL CALL VOTE(COUNCIL MEMBERS DUVALL AND HEWITT VOTING NO) TO CONDUCT SECOND READING, BYTITLE ONLY ADOPTING ORDINANCE NO. 377, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIMESA, CALIFORNIA AMENDING CHAPTER 16.05 OF TITLE 16 OF THE CALIMESA MUNICIPAL CODE THAT ESTABLISHED A LOCAL DEVELOPMENT MITIGATION FEE FOR FUNDING THE PRESERVATION OF NATURAL ECOSYSTEMS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY MULTIPLE SPECIES HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN TO BRING THOSE SECTIONS INTO CONFORMANCE WITH UPDATED STANDARDS AND PROVISIONS.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORTS Chamber Vice President Tony Phillips provided the report as follows: The Scholarship deadline was extended to May 6th. Chamber will be presenting 3 \$1,000 scholarships to local graduating seniors. Chamber Board revised and updated the bylaws at their last meeting. He announced a “Multi-Chamber Mixer” to

be held April 21st at the Beaumont Park and Recreation District Community Center in Beaumont. The Chamber is looking to restore the Clock Tower at the Tower Center and are looking for grants for this project, estimating the costs at \$10,000. He reported 4 new members, 11 renewals for a total membership of 129. He announced the next Chamber Breakfast that will be held on May 11, 2021 at the Kafé Royale at 8:00 am. The Christmas Parade is scheduled for the evening of December 11, 2021 and planning meetings will begin in June.

He further provided a report of the “Shop Calimesa” project, announcing the “Calimesa Hungry Games” that would start in May and run through June and will include the 35 restaurants in Calimesa, adding that customers would receive punch cards that would be punched as they patronize the restaurant. Raffle prizes will be given for punched cards of 5 punches and 10 punches. Additionally, the restaurants will be reviewed and rated, and the winning restaurant will receive a plaque and gift certificates. The winner will be announced July 8, 2021. He stated that the current balance of the Shop Calimesa fund is \$6,067.87.

POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS & REPORTS

Captain Salas reported 352 calls for service from April 1, 2021. He further reported 39 traffic citations, 2 traffic collisions, 2 assaults, 1 business burglary and 10 petty thefts.

FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS & REPORTS

Fire Chief Johnson reported 419 calls for services year to date with 322 of those calls being medical aide. He stated that he completed repair work on the station roof and would be working on a repair of the City Hall roof soon.

MAYOR & COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTING OF COUNTY & REGIONAL MEETINGS

This is the time for comments, announcements and/or reports on meetings attended at public expense as required by AB 1234.

Mayor Pro Tem Molina reported that she attended an RCTC meeting, stating that the Hwy 60 Truck Lane project is 60% complete. She further reported that she attended an RTA Budget and Finance Meeting and a Transportation Now meeting. She further reported that she attended a CalCities Executive meeting where they discussed the Leagues opposition to SB9 and SB278. She announced the next Riverside Division League Meeting of May 10, 2021. She further spoke of a proposed bill regarding broadband and an emergency alert system throughout the State.

Council Member Cervantez reported that he attended a fire ad-hoc meeting with city staff in regard to the 2nd fire station that would be coming in the future.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

10. **CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING** - ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT 21-01 ADOPTING ORDINANCE 369 TO AMEND VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE

ZONING ORDINANCE (TITLE 18 OF THE CALIMESA MUNICIPAL CODE)
REGARDING ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND JUNIOR ACCESSORY
DWELLING UNITS

RECOMMENDATION: *That the City Council open the continued public hearing, take public testimony, close the public hearing, and thereafter:*

- 1. Find that Zoning Text Amendment 21-01 regarding Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units (JADUs) to be exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 21080.17 and State CEQA Guidelines Section 15282(h) and making findings in support thereof, and direct staff to file a Notice of Exemption, and;**
- 2. Introduce first reading, by title only, of Ordinance 369, an Ordinance of the City of Calimesa approving Zoning Text Amendment 21-01 ("Project") amending various sections of the Zoning Ordinance (Title 18 of the Calimesa Municipal Code) regarding Accessory Dwelling Units and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units.**

Mayor Davis opened the continued public hearing at 6:36 p.m.

Dan Fairbanks, Planning Consultant presented the agenda report.

There was no public comment.

Mayor Davis closed the public hearing at 6:57 p.m.

After Council discussion the following actions were taken:

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM MOLINA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CERVANTEZ, CARRIED 5-0 TO FIND THAT ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT 21-01 REGARDING ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS (ADUS) AND JUNIOR ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS (JADUS) TO BE EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT (CEQA) PURSUANT TO PUBLIC RESOURCES CODE SECTION 21080.17 AND STATE CEQA GUIDELINES SECTION 15282(H) AND MAKING FINDINGS IN SUPPORT THEREOF, AND DIRECT STAFF TO FILE A NOTICE OF EXEMPTION.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM MOLINA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CERVANTEZ, CARRIED 5-0 TO INTRODUCE FIRST READING, BY TITLE ONLY, OF ORDINANCE 369, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CALIMESA APPROVING ZONING TEXT AMENDMENT 21-01 ("PROJECT") AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE ZONING ORDINANCE (TITLE 18 OF THE CALIMESA MUNICIPAL CODE) REGARDING ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS AND JUNIOR ACCESSORY DWELLING UNITS.

BUSINESS ITEMS

11. SUMMER MEETING SCHEDULE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council provide direction to staff pertaining to the 2021 summer meeting schedule and determine a date for the 2021/2022 Fiscal Year Budget Study Session.

City Manager Johnson presented the agenda report.

After Council discussion the following actions were taken:

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CERVANTEZ, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DUVALL, CARRIED 5-0 TO CANCEL THE JULY 5, 2021 AND AUGUST 16, 2021 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS.

THERE WAS COUNCIL CONSENSUS TO SCHEDULE A FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BUDGET WORKSHOP FOR MONDAY, MAY 24, 2021 AT 3:00 P.M.

12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION REGARDING SB 556 WIRELESS BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council provide direction to staff regarding action, if any on SB 556 Wireless Broadband Infrastructure.

Mayor Pro Tem Molina presented the agenda report.

AFTER DISCUSSION THERE WAS COUNCIL CONSENSUS FOR THE MAYOR TO SIGN THE LETTER OF OPPOSITION FOR SB 556 (DODD), RELATED TO WIRELESS BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE DEPLOYMENT.

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).

Council Member Duvall stated that she attended a Yucaipa Valley Water District Board meeting, adding that they are implementing a new computer system for payments. She further stated that she attended a Veteran's Expo Committee meeting on April 15, 2021.

Council Member Hewitt encouraged all to support the local businesses and the Calimesa Chamber.

Mayor Pro Tem Molina announced a blood drive to be hosted by the Lions Club at the Tractor Supply on Tuesday, April 20, 2021.

Mayor Davis encouraged all to watch for the rattlesnakes, as they are out.

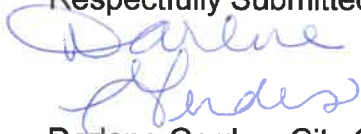
CITY MANAGER COMMENTS & REPORTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of the City Council on Monday, May 3, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Darlene Gerdes, City Clerk

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER DUVALL, SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT, CARRIED 5-0 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF APRIL 19, 2021 REGULAR MEETING AS PRESENTED.
APPROVED: May 3, 2021

