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

ROLL CALL: MAYOR HEWITT, COUNCIL MEMBER CLARK, COUNCIL MEMBER HYATT AND COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA.

ABSENT: MAYOR PRO TEM DAVIS

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HYATT, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA, CARRIED 4-0 TO EXCUSE THE ABSENCE OF MAYOR PRO TEM DAVIS.

STAFF: CITY MANAGER JOHNSON, ASSISTANT CITY ATTORNEY GREYSON, CITY CLERK GERDES, CITY ENGINEER THORNTON AND POLICE LT. BELL.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by City Engineer Thornton.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Joyce McIntire, 987 Douglas Street, Calimesa spoke on behalf of the Western Riverside County Local Transit Coalition – Transportation NOW, stating that the Coalition has applied for a grant from the American Public Transportation Association. She provided copies of a letter of support she sent to the American Public Transportation Association and informed Council that the grant awards would be made in September. She promised to provide updates to the Council.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CLARK, CARRIED 4-0(MAYOR PRO TEM DAVIS WAS ABSENT) TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Mayor Hewitt asked if there were any items to be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion. There were no items removed for discussion.

CONSENT CALENDAR

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 August 21, 2017 regular meeting.

2. RECEIVE AND FILE CITY COMMISSION & BOARD MINUTES.
   a) Planning Commission action minutes of July 24, 2017 special meeting.

3. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTERS.
   a. Check Register Report with a total of $630,980.68 (Check Nos. 31378 to 31405)
   b) August 24, 2017 Payroll of $26,763.85

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. 2ND READING ORDINANCE NO. 351 - AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CALIMESA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 18.105 OF THE CALIMESA MUNICIPAL CODE TO UPDATE PARTICIPATION IN THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION UNIFORM MITIGATION FEE (TUMF) PROGRAM AND APPROVING A CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT EXEMPTION

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 351 by second reading of title only, An Ordinance of the City of Calimesa, California, amending Chapter 18.105 of the Calimesa Municipal Code to update participation in the Western Riverside County Transportation Uniform Mitigation Fee (TUMF) Program and approving a California Environmental Quality Act Exemption.

6. 2ND READING ORDINANCE NO. 352 – AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CALIMESA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH AN EXPEDITED PERMITTING PROCESS FOR ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING STATIONS AS REQUIRED BY GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 65850.7 AND DECLARING THAT THE ORDINANCE IS CATEGORICALLY EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 352 by second reading of title only, An Ordinance amending the Calimesa Municipal Code to establish an expedited permitting process for Electric Vehicle Charging Stations as required by Government Code Section 65850.7 and declaring that the Ordinance is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act.

7. ASSIGNMENT OF APPOINTEES TO REPRESENT CALIMESA AT THE YUCAIPA SUB-BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council designate the City Manager as the City’s representative and the Public Works Director as the City’s alternate representative to the Yucaipa Sub-Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Governing Board.
8. AMENDMENTS TO THE AUTHORIZED POSITION LIST FOR IN-HOUSE FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL TO ESTABLISH THE POSITIONS OF FIRE CHIEF AND DEPUTY FIRE CHIEF AND TO SET SALARIES FOR THOSE POSITIONS.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2017-33, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calimesa, California Adopting a Revised Position Classification Plan for City Personnel for Fiscal Year 2017-18 and Adopting a Revised Position List for the Fiscal Year 2017-18 Budget to Provide for the Positions of Fire Chief and Deputy Fire Chief.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HYATT, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA, CARRIED 4-0 (MAYOR PRO TEM DAVIS WAS ABSENT) TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED.

CHIEF OF POLICE COMMENTS & REPORTS

Police Lt. Belli stated that he had nothing to report, but commended the fire department, city staff and the Citizens on Patrol for their work during the recent Palmer Fire.

FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS & REPORTS

Fire Chief Smith was not in attendance. No report was provided.

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.

Council Member Molina reported that she attended a RTA Ribbon Cutting for the new Gold Line, the Christmas Parade Committee Meeting, YCJUSD Board Meeting and she has been working on a bus travel training project and recently road the bus to Temecula and back for $2.00.

Council Member Hyatt questioned the ridership of the Beaumont Pass Transit Route 136, stating that he knows a resident who has specifically called for a deviation pick-up and has been left standing on the sidewalk with no pick-up from the driver.

Council Member Molina stated that she would contact the resident and work out the issue with Beamont Pass Transit.

Council Member Clark reported that he attended the Beaumont State of the City event.

Mayor Hewitt reported that he attended a RCTC/WRCOG Joint Workshop where they discussed the RCA and its fees, etc.
BUSINESS ITEMS


RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council Introduce Ordinance No. 354 for first reading; An Ordinance of the City of Calimesa, California, Adding Chapter 2.90 to Title 2, Administration and Personnel, of the Calimesa Municipal Code to Establish the Calimesa Fire Department, Create Department Staffing, set forth Powers and Duties Necessary for the Operation of the Fire Department, and Making a Determination of Exemption from CEQA.

City Manager Johnson presented the agenda report.

Joyce McIntire, 987 Douglas Street, Calimesa expressed her concerns of having qualified staff and the appropriate equipment for the Fire Department and spoke about the passing of her father in 1989, who went into cardiac arrest. She indicated that the then Police Chief showed up within minutes to assist, but that the Fire Department did not arrive until 45 minutes following the 911 call. She further indicated that her father may have survived if the fire department would have arrived sooner.

After Council discussion, the following action was taken:

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HYATT, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA, CARRIED 4-0(MAYOR PRO TEM DAVIS WAS ABSENT) TO APPROVE FIRST READING, BY TITLE ONLY OF ORDINANCE NO. 354, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CALIMESA, CALIFORNIA, ADDING CHAPTER 2.90 TO TITLE 2, ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL OF THE CALIMESA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH THE CALIMESA FIRE DEPARTMENT, CREATE DEPARTMENT STAFF, SET FORTH POWERS AND DUTIES NECESSARY FOR THE OPERATION OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, AND MAKING A DETERMINATION OF EXEMPTION FROM CEQA.

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 Molina requested an item on a future agenda for the formation of a "Movies in the park" program.

Council Member Clark announced that he attended the Smiles for Seniors Bowl-athon
fundraiser, adding that it was a great event. He reported that the COP assisted in blocking roads during the Palmer fire.

Council Member Hyatt congratulated Charles Hurt, President of the Calimesa Cultural and Performing Arts Association for a great year of the "Concerts on the Greens". He spoke in response to Joyce McIntire’s comments regarding the fire department in 1989, stating that it was prior to incorporation and the County of Riverside provided the Fire Department at that time. He assured her that the new fire department would provide qualified staff and have all the necessary equipment. He announced the death of Carol Taylor and commended her on her involvement with the Sr. Center, the COP and the Friends of the Library and the Library Commission, adding she was a great lady and a great city volunteer.

Mayor Hewitt announced that a number of Seventh Day Adventists churches and schools were providing various items and delivering them to Houston for Hurricane Harvey Relief.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS & REPORTS

City Manager Johnson announced that Mesa Verde Estates Project was approved by the Planning Commission at their August 28, 2017 meeting and would come before the City Council in October.

Council Member Hyatt questioned if there were any updates to the WRCOG/Beaumont Settlement Agreement. City Manager Johnson stated that she would be attending a meeting with City Engineer Thornton at the WRCOG office in Riverside in the morning. She further stated that she would provide an update to Council following the meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of the City Council on Monday September 18, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Darlene Gerdes, City Clerk

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HYATT, SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA, CARRIED 4-0-0-1(MAYOR PRO TEM DAVIS ABSTAINED) TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 5, 2017 REGULAR MEETING AS PRESENTED. APPROVED: September 18, 2017