

City Of Calimesa
City Council Minutes of Regular Meeting
February 22, 2022

Members of the public were encouraged to participate in this 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.
- 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 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 Tuesday, February 22, 2022.**

CALL TO ORDER 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Pro Tem Cervantez

ROLL CALL: MAYOR PRO TEM CERVANTES, COUNCIL MEMBER DUVALL, AND COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT.

ABSENT: MAYOR DAVIS AND COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA

There was Council consensus to excuse the absences of Mayor Davis and Council Member Molina.

STAFF: CITY MANAGER JOHNSON, CITY ATTORNEY BARROW, CITY CLERK GERDES, FINANCE DIRECTOR REID, PLANNING MANAGER LUCIA, CITY ENGINEER THORNTON, ASSOCIATE ENGINEER SHAKIR, FIRE CHIEF O'CONNELL AND SHERIFF LT. BEATTY.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Hewitt.

PRESENTATIONS

Fire Chief Appointment Ceremony: City Manager Johnson announced her formal appointment of Tim O'Connell to Fire Chief. Chief O'Connell's wife and father joined him at the podium, where his father pinned on his Chief Badge. City Manager Johnson then administered the Oath of Office to Chief O'Connell.

Cherry Valley/El Casco Creek Wildlife Corridor: A power point presentation was given by Pete Dangermond of Two Canyons Conservancy and Trish Smith of The Nature

Conservancy regarding the Cherry Valley/El Casco Creek Wildlife Corridor and the need for connections of the regional wildlife corridors and a minimum of 300 feet encroachments. They requested the following:

- That the City expand development set asides at the Oak Valley Town Center and Summerwind Commons developments to create 300-500 wide wildlife corridors.
- Incorporate sound walls and other measures to decrease noise and light pollution in the corridor.
- Engage and secure funding for Rivers and Lands conservancy(RLC) to manage the El Casco Creek/Cherry Valley Corridor between existing RLC lands and I-10.
- Work with developers east of I-10 to negotiate set asides sufficient to connect the Cherry Valley wildlife corridor to the San Bernardino National Forest.
- Work with Caltrans on integrating a dedicated wildlife crossing as mitigation for the Cherry Valley Interchange.
- In the future through grants or mitigation credit opportunities, design and implement a creek corridor restoration and trails master plan.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

The following developers spoke stating their opposition to the requests made by Two Canyons Conservancy and The Nature Conservancy regarding the Cherry Valley/El Casco Creek Wildlife Corridor:

- John O'hanian for Oak Valley Town Center
- Paul Onufer for Summerwind Trails
- Rich Roland for Summerwind Commons

James Wright, 10320 Calimesa Blvd., Calimesa distributed a letter to the Council and spoke regarding the night operations of the Shopoff Project on Cherry Valley Blvd stating that the activity violates the 200 foot City sound ordinance separation. He added that the project is threatening the health and safety of the most vulnerable members of the community, the sensitive receptors.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DUVALL, CARRIED 3-0-2-0(MAYOR DAVIS AND COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA WERE ABSENT) TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

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

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 a regular meeting of February 7, 2022**
2. RECEIVE AND FILE CITY COMMISSION & BOARD MINUTES.
 - a) **Parks, Trails & Community Services action minutes of a special meeting of October 6, 2021.**
 - b) **Joint Planning Commission/Parks, Trails & Community Services Workshop action minutes of a special meeting of November 8, 2021.**
3. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTERS.
 - a) **Check Register Report with a total of \$487,683.96 (Check Nos. 38227 to 38293)**
 - b) **February 3, 2022 Payroll of \$80,819.02**
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 through December 31, 2021.
6. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDED JANUARY 31, 2022

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receive and file the Investment Report for the month ended January 31, 2022.
7. COUNCIL APPROVAL OF AN ALLOCATION OF FUNDS TO BE USED FOR COMPUTER NETWORK IMPROVEMENTS AND STREAMING CAPABILITIES IN THE SR. CENTER.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve Resolution No. 2022-06, amending the FY 2021-22 Budget to include an additional appropriation to the Information Technology Account for Computer Network Improvements and Streaming Capabilities in the Sr. Center.
8. AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL CONSULTING SERVICES (ON-CALL PLANNING) WITH MICHAEL BAKER INTERNATIONAL, INC.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve the Agreement for professional consulting services (on-call planning) between the City of Calimesa and Michael Baker International, Inc.

9. AMEND AND RESTATE THE FAIR SHARE AGREEMENT FOR COUNTY LINE ROAD CORRIDOR IMPROVEMENTS PARK AVENUE TO BRYANT STREET SB 1 2018 LOCAL PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM GRANT

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

- 1. Approve the Amended and Restated Fair Share Agreement for the County Line Road Corridor Improvements from Park Avenue to Bryant Street SB 1 2018 Local Partnership Program Grant; and***
- 2. Approve Resolution 2022-07 a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calimesa California, amending the Fiscal Year 2021-22 Budget to include an adjustment in the Street and Traffic Development Impact Fee (Fund 36) for the construction of the County Line Road Corridor Improvement Project including design, construction, contingency, and construction management.***

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER DUVALL, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT, CARRIED 3-0-2-0(MAYOR DAVIS AND COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA WERE ABSENT) TO APPROVE THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORTS

Chamber Vice-President Tony Phillips presented the Chamber report as follows:

Shop Calimesa: Valentine's Day give-away was a success, \$100 gift cards to restaurants, a box of chocolates and 1 dozen red roses were given away to 3 winners with 100 tickets in the drawing. Hungry Games will begin in May and the winners will be awarded in July.

Chamber: 134 total chamber membership, 5 new for the month of February and 10 renewals. The Installation and Awards Dinner in January was a success, thanked Council and staff for their support. Chamber Monthly breakfast was held on February 8, 2022 with Duane Burk of Cherry Valley Park and Recreation Department was the speaker. Next meeting will be held March 8, 2022 at the Kafé Royale with Suzanne Boswell from Life Stream will be the speaker. A Pass Area Joint Chamber meeting will be held Thursday, February 24, 2022 at the Beaumont Chamber Office. Working with Senator Ochoa-Bogh's office to hold a town hall meeting. Accepting applications for High School Scholarships for the 2022 School Year. Watch for a future Cornhole Competition throughout the City to collect monies for various charities.

POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS & REPORTS

Lt. Beatty reported 330 calls for service February 7th – 20th with one injury related traffic collision and 7 non-injury traffic collisions, felony thefts and a spike in connex box thefts. Point in Time Count of the homeless scheduled for February 23, 2022 with POP Officer Cedeño taking the lead. The shared pass area Mental Health Clinician has made a difference in the pass area and the City of Calimesa.

FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS & REPORTS

Interim Fire Chief O'Connell reported that the delay in ambulance response times has improved and that staff is preparing for the wildfire season with additional trainings.

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 Hewitt announced that the WRCOG General Assembly would be held on June 23, 2022 at the Pechanga Resort and the keynote speaker will be Steve Wozniak of Apple Computer.

BUSINESS ITEMS

10. FIELD INTERNSHIP BETWEEN CITY OF CALIMESA SAN BERNARDINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT (CRAFTON HILLS COLLEGE)

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve an Emergency medical Services/Field Internship "In-kind" agreement between the San Bernardino Community College District (Crafton Hills College) and the City of Calimesa.

Fire Chief O'Connell presented the agenda report.

After Council discussion the following action was taken:

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER DUVALL, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT, CARRIED 3-0-2-0(MAYOR DAVIS AND COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA WERE ABSENT) TO APPROVE AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES/FIELD INTERNSHIP "IN-KIND" AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SAN BERNARDINO COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT(CRAFTON HILLS COLLEGE) AND THE CITY OF CALIMESA.

11. ADOPT A RESOLUTION OPPOSING INITIATIVE 21-0042A1

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council consider approval of Resolution 2022-08 a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calimesa California Opposing Initiative 21-0042A1.

City Manager Johnson presented the agenda report.

After Council discussion, the following action was taken:

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT, SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM CERVANTEZ, CARRIED 3-0-2-0(MAYOR DAVIS AND COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA WERE ABSENT) TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2022-08, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIMESA CALIFORNIA OPPOSING INITIATIVE 21-0024A1.

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 reported that she volunteered at an Eye Clinic and Diabetic Screening event on February 12th, stating that 219 patients were seen and 172 received recycled eyeglasses. She announced that volunteers are needed on March 2, 2022 at Calimesa Elementary to participate in the yearly "Reading Across America". She further reported that she attended a Veterans Expo on February 17, 2022, adding that information for Dental Services – Smile Unto Him was provided, stating that Smile Unto Him was founded to provide dental treatment for the underserved and needy in Riverside County.

Mayor Pro Tem Cervantez thanked Two Canyons Conservancy for their presentation and the developers for their comments.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS & REPORTS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 7:05 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of the City Council on Monday, March 7, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Darlene Gerdes, City Clerk

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM CERVANTEZ, SECOND BY COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT, CARRIED 3-0-0-2(MAYOR DAVIS AND COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA ABSTAINED) TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 22, 2022 REGULAR MEETING AS PRESENTED.

APPROVED: March 7, 2022.

