

City Of Calimesa
City Council Minutes of Regular Meeting
May 2, 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 Monday, May 2, 2022.**

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

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

ABSENT: COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA.

There was Council consensus to excuse the absence of Council Member Molina.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by City Engineer Thornton.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Kevin Walton, San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency Director greeted the Council and introduced himself as a recently appointed Director to the San Gorgonio Pass Water Agency.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DUVALL, CARRIED 4-0-1-0(COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA WAS ABSENT) TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

Mayor Davis asked if there were any items to be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion. Council Member Hewitt requested that Item No. 6 be pulled for discussion.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 1 – 10)

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 April 18, 2022.
2. RECEIVE AND FILE CITY COMMISSION & BOARD MINUTES.
a) There are no minutes ready for approval at this time.
3. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTERS.
a) Check Register Report with a total of \$619,367.74 (Check Nos. 38529 to 38597)
b) April 14, 2022 Payroll of \$78,556.53
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. TREASURER’S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDED MARCH 31, 2022
RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receive and file the Investment Report for the month ended March 31, 2022.
7. AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES – CITY MANAGER RECRUITMENT.
RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve a professional services agreement with HR Dynamics & Performance Management, Inc. in an amount not-to-exceed \$22,585.
8. RENEWAL OF LAW ENFORCEMENT CONTRACT
RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve renewing the law enforcement contract with the Riverside County Sheriff’s Department and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement.
9. EMERGENCY CLEANUP OF SEPTIC TANK LEAK ON HARRUBY DRIVE.
RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2022-17 making findings in support of a waiver of public bidding requirements and amending the FY 2021-22 budget to include an appropriation in the amount of \$22,569.97 for emergency cleanup services.
10. APPROVE AMENDED AGREEMENT WITH RIVERSIDE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING, HOMELESS PREVENTION AND WORKFORCE SOLUTIONS (HHPWS) FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECT

NO. 5.CM.01-21, NORTON YOUNGLOVE SENIOR CENTER ADA IMPROVEMENT PROJECT NO 2020-02.

RECOMMENDATION: *That the City Council approve an amended agreement with Riverside County Department of Housing, Homeless Prevention and Workforce Solutions (HHPWS) for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Project No. 5.CM.01-21 for the amount of \$46,067.70 for the construction of the Norton Younglove Senior Center ADA Improvement Project No 2020-02.*

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM CERVANTEZ, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT, CARRIED 4-0-1-0(COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA WAS ABSENT) TO APPROVE ITEM'S 1-5 AND 7-10 OF THE CONSENT CALENDAR AS PRESENTED.

ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION

6. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2021-20 APPROVING A CPI RATE INCREASE BY CR&R, INCORPORATED EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021.

RECOMMENDATION: *That the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2022-16, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calimesa, California approving a CPI rate increase by CR&R, Incorporated effective July 1, 2022.*

Council Member Hewitt wanted to make sure that the public understood that the rate increases are high due to the high increase in the CPI and asked Alex Braicovich of CR&R to speak regarding the increases.

Alex Braicovich of CR&R spoke regarding the annual rate increases and the increases due to the new SB 1383 State Law regarding organic waste requirements. He stated that the residential rates are increased by the CPI only, adding that the residential rates do not include SB 1383 charges. He further stated that the SB 1383 charges are for commercial customers only.

Mike Barron, 670 W. Avenue L, Calimesa spoke regarding monies due to the residents effected by the Sandalwood Fire, adding that those who lost income due to street closures during the fire, have not been compensated for those losses.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER HEWITT, SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM CERVANTEZ, CARRIED 4-0-1-0 (COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA WAS ABSENT) TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2022-16, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIMESA, CALIFORNIA APPROVING A CPI RATE INCREASE BY CR&R INCORPORATED EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2022.

POLICE CHIEF COMMENTS & REPORTS

Captain Salas reported 277 calls for service between April 18th and May 1st, with 3 assaults, 6 domestic violence, 2 burglaries, 2 DUI's, 11 thefts, 4 felony thefts, 1 robbery, 1 sex crime, 13 traffic citations, 4 traffic collisions, 4 stolen vehicles with 1 recovered and 2 vandalism calls.

FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS & REPORTS

Fire Chief O'Connell reported 584 calls for service since January 1, 2022, 405 of those calls being medical aide, 20 fires, 14 mutual aid out of the City and 4 mutual aids into the City. 129 miscellaneous calls for public assistance. He further reported that the department has staff members in paramedic school getting ready for the transition to ALS.

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 reported that she attended a WRCOG meeting where they spoke about the budget, TUMF revenues and the fate of the fellowship program, as well as a closed session for various items.

Mayor Pro Tem Cervantez reported that he attended a meeting of the RCA where they amended the joint project review application in an effort to clarify MSHCP.

BUSINESS ITEMS

11. NEW CALIMESA WEBSITE REVEAL.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receive and file the report received on the new website.

Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Gerdes provided a demonstration of the new City website that was planned for launch on May 5, 2022.

The report was received and filed by a consensus of the City Council

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 Hewitt reported that she attended Beaumont Boys and Girls Club Breakfast of Champions on April 22, 2022. She further reported that she attended the Molina's Bra Drive at Riverside County Medical Center on April 29, 2022, adding that the Bra donations were for those sexually assaulted. She stated that Amazon donated 25,000 bras to the drive. She announced the Calimesa Chamber Scholarship Tea to be held May 11, 2022 at the Calimesa Event Center and the Smiles for Seniors Umbrella Awards to be held on May 14, 2022.

Mayor Pro Tem Cervantez stated that he had received a lot of good comments on the Countyline Road Project.

Council Member Duvall reported that she attended a Veterans Expo Meeting on April 14, 2022 where they received a Homeless Outreach Presentation and Information. She provided the following email address for those veterans needing housing assistance: abirdr82@aol.com for Anita Worthen. She further reported that she attended the Crafton Hills College Foundation Gala on April 21, 2022, adding that there were 300 guests in attendance. She provided a shout out to Michelle Riggs, the Director of Development at Crafton Hills.

Council Member Duvall gave a "Shout out" to Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Darlene Gerdes for a great job to ensure all City employees and Council members follow all process and procedures within the City, State and Federal guidelines. She gave an additional "Shout out" to Dakota who is an employee at the Marketplace 7/11. The pumps were down and Dakota worked with the technician to validate all services were up and running.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS & REPORTS

None.

RECESS TO CLOSED SESSION

City Attorney Barrow announced the Closed Session Item and Mayor Davis recessed the meeting to Closed Session at 6:56 p.m.

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL -- ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)(e)(5) - A point has been reached where, in the opinion of the City Council, on the advice of its City Attorney based on existing facts and circumstances, there is a significant exposure to litigation against the City. A threat of litigation is available upon request at the City Clerk's Office at City Hall, 908 Park Ave, Calimesa, CA 92320.

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

a. No reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was adjourned at 7:22 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of the City Council on Monday, May 16, 2022 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Darlene Gerdes, City Clerk

MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER HEWITT, SECOND BY MAYOR PRO TEM CERVANTEZ, CARRIED 4-0-1-0(COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA WAS ABENT TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF MAY 2, 2022 REGULAR MEETING AS PRESENTED.

APPROVED: May 16, 2022.