

City Of Calimesa
City Council Minutes of Regular Meeting
August 7, 2023

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

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

ABSENT: NONE

STAFF: CITY MANAGER KOLBOW, CITY ATTORNEY BARROW, CITY CLERK GERDES, FINANCE DIRECTOR REID, CITY ENGINEER THORNTON, PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR MONSON, FIRE CHIEF O'CONNELL AND SHERIFF CAPTAIN PETERSON

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Pledge of Allegiance was led by Public Works Director Monson.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

Pursuant to the Brown Act, this is the opportunity for members of the public to directly address the Council on any item within the Council's subject matter jurisdiction. Please note that this is also the time in which members of the public may address the Council on any item on the Consent Calendar. This is not the time for City Council discussion of non-agenda items. After receiving public comments, Council Members, or staff, after being recognized by the Mayor, may briefly respond to statements made by the public or questions posed by the public. In addition, Council Members may ask questions for clarification or make a referral to staff for factual information to be reported back to the Council at a later meeting.

Heather Perry, Calimesa Chamber of Commerce Board Member announced the Chamber breakfast for Tuesday, August 8, 2023 and a Senior Scam Awareness event sponsored by Assemblymember Greg Wallis that would be held at the Yucaipa Senior Center on August 10, 2023 at 10:30 am.

James Wright, 10320 Calimesa Blvd, Calimesa spoke regarding fairness, due process and accountability, stating that the residents of Sharondale and Rancho Calimesa Mobile Home Park were not notified of the revised Notice of Preparation of the draft environmental impact report for the Oak Valley North Project dated July 14, 2023. He further stated that it is time for the Council to show the residents that they care about them more than the warehouses.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA, CONSENT CALENDAR AND WAIVER OF FULL READING OF ORDINANCES

This is the time for the City Council to notify the public of any changes to the agenda; such as removal of an agenda item, rearrangement of the agenda, postponement of an agenda item or continuance of an item to a future meeting. This is also the time for the City Council to remove items from the Consent Calendar for individual consideration. Waiver of full reading of ordinances does not take policy action or approve or disapprove any ordinances on the agenda, it simply means that the entire text of the ordinance will not be read.

Mayor Davis asked if there were any necessary changes to the agenda or any items to be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion. City Manager Kolbow stated that there was a need to add a business item to the agenda as the need to consider the item arose after the posting of the agenda and there is a need to take immediate action on the

item. Mayor Pro Tem Hewitt requested the Item No. 5 be removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion.

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CERVANTEZ, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA, CARRIED 5-0 TO ADD BUSINESS ITEM NO. 13 TO THE AGENDA.

The agenda as amended and Item's 1-4 and 6-10 of the consent Calendar were approved by the following action:

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER MANLY, SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM HEWITT, CARRIED 5-0 TO APPROVE THE AGENDA WITH THE ADDITION OF BUSINESS ITEM NO. 13 AND CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS 1-4 AND 6-10 AS PRESENTED.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 1 – 10)

The following items on the Consent Calendar are routine and customary items and are enacted by a single motion, with the exception of items previously removed during "Approval of the Agenda" for individual consideration. Any items removed shall be individually considered immediately after taking action on the Consent Calendar.

1. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL ACTION MINUTES.
 - a) ***City Council action minutes of the regular meeting of July 17, 2023.***
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 \$1,415,549.54 (Check Nos. 40633 to 40715)***
 - b) ***July 20, 2023 Payroll of \$101,503.29***
4. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH ENDED JUNE 30, 2023.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receive and file the Investment Report for the month ended June 30, 2023.
6. FIRE DEPARTMENT COMMAND VEHICLE EMERGENCY EQUIPMENT AND ELECTRONICS OUTFITTING AND WAIVER OF FORMAL BIDDING FOR THE SPECIFIED DESIGN BUILD TO BE AWARDED TO THE JOHNSON EQUIPMENT COMPANY.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

 - a) ***Approve the purchase and installation of the specified hardware, wiring, emergency warning equipment to include lights, siren, mounting brackets, radios, computers, batteries, battery charging inverter equipment needed to complete the fabrication and construction of a City Council approved purchase of a 2023 Ford F250 ¾ ton Gasoline 4x4 pick-up truck to be outfitted and equipped for service as a Fire Department Command Vehicle.***
 - b) ***Adopt Resolution 2023-44 allowing staff to utilize and piggyback onto the Kern County Fire Department Command Vehicle Specification - Best Value Bid Quotation Request No. 02415-21-089514, awarded to Johnson Emergency***

Equipment, for the construction and fabrication of this specialized emergency vehicle, waiving formal bidding requirements as provided by the City's Municipal Code in connection with the construction of this vehicle.

7. ACCEPTANCE OF A 2003 INTERNATIONAL 4X2 TYPE II WATER TENDER AWARD FROM THE FEDERAL EXCESS PROPERTY PROGRAM (FEPP) FOR USE BY THE CITY OF CALIMESA FIRE DEPARTMENT.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

- a) ***Approve the award of a surplus 2003 International 4x2 Type II - Tactical Water Tender to the City of Calimesa Fire Department to be used for firefighting suppression operations during wildland and structural fire emergency incidents, or operations in support of emergency incidents with limited water supply; and***
- b) ***Adopt Resolution No. 2023-45, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calimesa, California, accepting a 2003 International 4x2 type II Water Tender awarded to the City of Calimesa Fire Department through the Federal Excess Personal Property (FEPP) Program.***

8. DPR19-04 RV FUELING STATION: BOND REDUCTION.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

- a) ***Authorize Staff to reduce the Street Improvement Faithful Performance Bonds to 10% of the total amount to be retained as the Warranty Bonds for a period of 1 year; and***
- b) ***Authorize Staff to release the Payment Bonds.***

9. PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR ON-CALL LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURAL SERVICES WITH COMMUNITY WORKS DESIGN GROUP ("CWDG")..

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve the Agreement (Attachment A) for professional consulting services (on-call landscape architectural services) between the City of Calimesa and Community Works Design Group ("CWDG")..

10. FIRST AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH TKE ENGINEERING..

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve the First Amendment to Agreement for Engineering Services between the City of Calimesa and TKE Engineering, Inc.

ITEMS REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION

5. CITY OF CALIMESA SALES TAX UPDATE – 1Q 2023 JANUARY – MARCH.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council receive and file the Sales Tax update for 1Q 2023 January – March.

Mayor Pro Tem Hewitt requested the item be pulled from the Consent Calendar as she felt it was important to verbally state that the City has posted strong sales tax

numbers and that receipts were 4.5% above the first sales period of 2022. She expressed her appreciation of those shopping local and keeping the tax dollars in the city.

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM HEWITT, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA, CARRIED 5-0 TO RECEIVE AND FILE THE SALES TAX UPDATE FOR 1Q 2023 JANUARY – MARCH.

SHERIFF CAPTAIN COMMENTS & REPORTS

Captain Peterson reported an average of 19 calls for service per day for the month of June with a total of 570, he further reported 100 extra calls on the 4th of July holiday with 20 of those being firework related. He reported an attempted robbery at the Chase Bank over the weekend, stating that the suspect was not a local resident and was apprehended at the bank facility. He stated that they are working on response times, reporting a 5.5 minute response time in July down from a 7 minute response time in June.

FIRE CHIEF COMMENTS & REPORTS

Fire Chief O'Connell reported 1,011 calls for service year to date, down 6% from last year, with 684 of those calls being medical aid, 220 public assistance calls and 33 fire responses. He further reported response times at 6 minutes 56 seconds, assistance on a vegetation fire in Yucaipa and assisted with an emergency in Cabazon. He stated that weed abatement enforcement continues, reminding that it's a year round endeavor. He announced that the new ladder truck was in route and should arrive within the next couple of days. He further announced that the paramedic students have completed their training and are going through the testing process now. He reported that the department has received a water tender truck through the Federal Surplus program, stating that he would be heading to Bishop to inspect the vehicle.

Mayor Pro Tem Hewitt questioned what the black strip was on his badge. Chief O'Connell replied that the black strip was in honor of those fire fighters who lost their lives in the helicopter crash in Cabazon that occurred over the weekend.

Council Member Molina thanked Chief O'Connell and his staff for the assistance regarding weed abatement issues on her property, as well as the other properties in her neighborhood, adding that she, as well as other property owners must be accountable, stating that she his happy to do whatever is necessary to defend her property.

BUSINESS ITEMS

11. APPOINTMENT OF THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES VOTING DELEGATE REPRESENTING CALIMESA AT THE ANNUAL LEAGUE CONFERENCE.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council select a primary voting delegate who will vote on League issues representing the City of Calimesa at the Annual League of California Cities Conference to be held September 20 – 22, 2023 in Sacramento.

Deputy City Manager/City Clerk Gerdes presented the agenda report, stating that Council Member Molina was the only member of Council attending the conference.

After Council discussion the following action was taken:

MOTION BY MAYOR PRO TEM HEWITT, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CERVANTEZ, CARRIED 5-0 TO APPOINT COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA AS THE VOTING DELEGATE FOR THE CAL CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE OF SEPTEMBER 20 – 22, 2023 IN SACRAMENTO.

Mayor Davis recused himself from the meeting for Item No. 12 due to a potential conflict of interest. Mayor Pro Tem Hewitt chaired the meeting for the item.

12. CALIMESA BOULEVARD REALIGNMENT AT SINGLETON ROAD – INITIAL STUDY (IS)/MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION (MND) AND MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM (MMRP).

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council adopt Resolution 2023-46, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Calimesa California, adopting an addendum to the General Plan Environmental Impact Report for the proposed Calimesa Boulevard Realignment project at Singleton Road in the City of Calimesa.

City Engineer Thornton presented the agenda report.

After Council discussion the following action was taken:

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER MOLINA, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MANLY, CARRIED 4-0 TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2023-46, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CALIMESA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING AN ADDENDUM TO THE GENERAL PLAN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED CALIMESA BOULEVARD REALIGNMENT PROJECT AT SINGLETON ROAD IN THE CITY OF CALIMESA.

Mayor Davis returned to the meeting at 6:31.

13. SUMMERWIND PARK: ACCEPTANCE OF GRANT DEED.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council:

- 1) Accept the Grant Deed for Summerwind Park in fee simple title.***
- 2) Authorize City staff to execute the Certificate of Acceptance and forward the necessary documents to the County Recorder's Office for recordation.***

City Manager Kolbow presented the agenda report.

After Council discussion the following action was taken:

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER MANLY, SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM HEWITT, CARRIED 5-0 TO ACCEPT THE GRANT DEED FOR SUMMERWIND PARK IN FEE SIMPLE TITLE AND AUTHORIZE CITY STAFF TO EXECUTE THE CERTIFICATE OF ACCEPTANCE AND FORWARD THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS TO THE COUNTY RECORDER'S OFFICE FOR RECORDATION.

MAYOR & COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTING OF COUNTY & REGIONAL MEETINGS/CONFERENCES

This is the time for 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 Manly reported that he attended a meeting of the San Geronio Pass Water Alliance on July 26, 2023, stating that many reservoirs are still full and agencies are working to capture all the water that they can.

Council Member Molina reported that RCTC and RTA were both dark in July and SCAG is dark in August, so no meetings were held. She announced that the Lunch in the 4th Street Community Park program was completed on July 21, 2023, adding that attendance was down when compared to prior years. She announced the successful "Popsicles in the Park" events that were held at the 4th Street Park on July 25, 2023 and August 1, 2023 and thanked staff for their work.

Council Member Cervantez reported that the RCA was dark for July, but stated the members received an email from Executive Director Anne Mayer with various project updates and stated that the RCA Board of Directors directed staff to complete an assessment of the MSHCP plan and process, adding that later in August an RFP will be solicited for consultants to begin an assessment.

Mayor Pro Tem Hewitt reported that she attended a WRCOG meeting earlier in the day where they discussed guidelines to evaluate new WRCOG programs and Initiatives, received a PACE program update and accepted a planning grant award for the ICARP program. She stated that the next meeting will be held on September 11, 2023.

Mayor Davis provided a reminder of the Summerwind Park Grand Opening that would be held on Tuesday, August 8, 2023 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. He announced the "Concerts on the Green" that are held on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m. at the Calimesa Event Center.

CITY MANAGER COMMENTS & REPORTS

City Manager Kolbow publicly wished his wife a Happy 19th Wedding Anniversary.

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

City Attorney Barrow announced the Closed Session items and Mayor Davis adjourned to Closed Session at 6:42 p.m.

A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8
Property: APN 410-030-049, 410-030-050, 410-030-051 and 410-030-052, South Side of County Line Road, 79.78 feet west of 3rd Street Calimesa, CA City Negotiators: Will Kolbow. Negotiating Parties: Billy W. Simmons and Monte Vista Medical Center. Under Negotiations: Price and Terms for acquisition of property by City

B. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8
Property: 301 West County Line Road, Calimesa, CA City Negotiators: Will Kolbow. Negotiating Parties: 7-Eleven Inc., A Texas Corporation Under Negotiations: Price and Terms for acquisition of property by City

CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT

- A. Direction was given to the property negotiator with no further reportable action.
- B. Direction was given to the property negotiator with no further reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m. to the Regular Meeting of the City Council on Monday August 21, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


Darlene Gerdes, City Clerk

MOTION BY COUNCIL MEMBER CERVANTEZ, SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER MANLY, CARRIED 4-0-1-0(MAYOR DAVIS WAS ABSENT) TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 7, 2023, REGULAR MEETING AS PRESENTED.

APPROVED: August 21, 2023

