

**MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL  
CITY OF IMPERIAL  
JANUARY 18, 2023**

**A. CITY COUNCIL CONVENES TO CLOSED SESSION AT 5:30 PM.**

This is a CLOSED SESSION in which the COUNCIL discusses matters in closed as opposed to open session. Only those matters authorized by the Brown Act as permissible CLOSED SESSION subjects will be discussed. They are as follows:

**B. CITY COUNCIL CONVENES TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:00 PM.**

**MAYOR BURNWORTH CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:16 PM.**

ROLL CALL OF CITY COUNCIL:

PHYSICAL ATTENDANCE: **MENDOZA, OBESO-MARTINEZ, AMPARANO AND BURNWORTH**

ABSENT: **TUCKER**

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY **MAYOR PRO TEM AMPARANO**

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**

**MORITA:** NO ADJUSTMENTS TO AGENDA.

**ACTIONS TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:**

**TURNER:** THE COUNCIL MEET AND DISCUSSED ONE PUBLIC EVALUATION ABOUT THE CITY MANAGER. DIRECTION WAS GIVEN. NO REPORTABLE ACTION.

**C. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:**

**C-1. MATTERS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA:**

PUBLIC APPEARANCES: NONE

EMAIL WAS RECEIVED ON 11/18/2023. EMAIL HAS BEEN ATTACHED FOR PUBLIC RECORD.

**D. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- D-1.** CONTINUATION OF EMERGENCY ACTION RESOLUTION 2022-60, LIFT STATION LIFT STATION REPAIRS AT SANDALWOOD GLEN, SKY RANCH, CROSS & COLONIA.
- D-2.** APPROVAL OF CLAIMS AND WARRANTS REPORT.
- D-3.** DECLARATION OF DUPLICATE BOOKS AND MATERIALS AS SURPLUS FROM THE IMPERIAL PUBLIC LIBRARY.

**DISCUSSION:**

NONE

**ACTION:**

MOTIONED BY AMPARANO AND SECONDED BY OBESO-MARTINEZ TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA.

**MOTION CARRIED: 4-0**

**E. ACTION ITEMS: (DISCUSSION/ACTION - APPROVE - DISAPPROVE)**

- E-1.    SUBJECT:    SUNSET PARK PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS.**

**DISCUSSION:**

**LOPEZ** EXPLAINED THAT A FEW MEETINGS AGO THE COUNCIL DIRECTED STAFF TO LOOK AT A FEW OPTIONS TO ADD LIGHTING TO THEIR PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS FOR SUNSET PARK. STAFF DECIDED THAT ADDING LED LIGHTING SIMILAR TO WHAT THE PARK CURRENTLY HAS AROUND ITS BASKETBALL COURT AND PLAYGROUND. THIS WOULD ALLOW FOR TWO ADDITIONAL LIGHTS AT THE NORTHWEST FIELD. THE QUAD HEAD FIXTURES WOULD CREATE LIGHTING FOR INFIELD AND SURROUNDING AREAS ON THE WEST SIDE OF THE PARK. STAFF WOULD ALSO LIKE TO INCORPORATE TIE-IN POINTS FOR ADDITIONAL LIGHTING AS PART OF THIS PROJECT.

**ACTION:**

MOTIONED BY MENDOZA AND SECONDED BY OBESO-MARTINEZ TO APPROVE PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS TO SUNSET PARK.

**MOTION CARRIED: 4-0**

- E-2.    SUBJECT:    ON-CALL PLAN REVIEW AND INSPECTION SERVICES.**

**DISCUSSION:**

THE CITY RECEIVED FIVE PROPOSALS FOR RFP FOR ON-CALL REVIEW AND INSPECTION SERVICES. AFTER CAREFULLY REVIEWING EACH PROPOSAL THE CITY STAFF IS RECOMMENDING TO AWARD THE TWO MOST QUALIFIED CONSULTANTS WHICH OUR BPR CONSULTANT GROUP AND INNER WEST. THIS WILL HAVE NO IMPACT ON THE CITY. THE DEVELOPER WILL PAY THE COST.

**AMPARANO** ASKED IF THE CITY HAS EVER USED BPR OR INNER WEST. THE ANSWER WAS NO. **MORA** EXPLAINED THEY ARE NEW BUT INNER WEST USED TO BE SQL AND HE IS FAMILIAR WITH THEM. **MORA** ALSO STATED OTHER CITIES IN THE IMPERIAL VALLEY USE INNER WEST. **AMPARANO** ASKED IT THIS WAS A TWO-YEAR CONTRACT AND IF WE CAN MODIFY THE CONTRACT IF ITS NOT WORKING OUT. **MORA** BELIEVES WE HAVE 30 DAYS TO TERMINATE THE CONTRACT IF THE CITY IS NOT HAPPY WITH THEM.

**BURNWORTH** ASKED IF THERE WAS A REASON WHY THEY ONLY CHOOSE TWO COMPANIES INSTEAD OF THREE. MORA EXPLAINED IT CAN GET CONFUSING THE MORE COMPANIES YOU HAVE AND THAT THEY ARE USED TO WORKING WITH ONLY TWO.

**ACTION:**

MOTIONED BY AMPARANO AND SECONDED BY MENDOZA TO APPROVE BPR CONSULTANT GROUP AND INNER WEST.

**MOTION CARRIED: 4-0**

**E-3.    SUBJECT:    37TH ANNUAL CARNE ASADA RUN.**

**DISCUSSION:**

**TONY:** THE IMPERIAL VALLEY SUNRUNNERS CAR CLUB SUBMITTED AN APPLICATION TO HOST THEIR 37TH ANNUAL CARNE ASADA RUN AT EAGER PARK ON MARCH 18, 2023. THE CAR CLUB IS ASKING FOR THE CITY TO APPROVE PARTIAL STREET CLOSURE SURROUNDING EAGER PARK AND PROVIDE THEM THE USE OF A-FRAME BARRICADES AND STEEL PLATE DURING THE EVENT.

**ACTION:**

MOTIONED BY MENDOZA AND SECONDED BY AMPARANO TO APPROVE REQUEST.

**MOTION CARRIED: 4-0**

## **F. REPORTS:**

### **F-1. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**POLICE DEPARTMENT:** WE HAVE RECEIVED OUR 2023 DOG LICENSES AND WOULD LIKE TO MAKE THE PUBLIC AWARE. PUBLIC CAN STOP BY THE DEPARTMENT BETWEEN 8AM AND 4PM TO PICK THEM UP. RABIES VACCINATION FROM THE US NEEDS TO BE VERIFIED AND THE COST IS \$10.00 FOR SPAYED OR NEUTERED OR \$50.00 IF THEY ARE NOT.

### **F-2. CITY MANAGER REPORT:**

**MORITA:** NONE

**BROWN:** NONE

### **F-3. MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:**

**OBESO-MARTINEZ:** I WILL BE MEETING WITH CITY PARKS MR. TONY AND MS. BROWN ON THE 26TH.

**MENDOZA:** I HAVE HAD MY FIRST MEETING WITH THE IMPERIAL VALLEY REGIONAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. I WOULD LIKE THE PUBLIC TO KNOW THEY WILL BE HAVING THEIR RIBBON CUTTING TOMORROW IN OCOTILLO AT THE MUSEUM ALSO THE BLUE ANGELS GALA IS COMING UP IN FEBRUARY AND TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE. THE REGIONAL CHAMBER ALSO HAS BUSINESS TRAININGS COMING UP ABOUT LABOR LAWS AND BUSINESS IMPROVEMENTS. FOR MORE INFORMATION I ENCOURAGE EVERYBODY TO GO TO THEIR WEBSITE. MENDOZA ALSO WOULD LIKE TO MENTION THAT ON JANUARY 27TH THE IMPERIAL COUNTY PEOPLE WILL BE SEEN IN SMALL GROUPS GOING AROUND PARTICIPATING IN THEIR ANNUAL POINT IN TIME COUNT ON THAT DAY. VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED AND YOU CAN CONTACT JACOB BERMUDEZ AT (760) 337-782.

**AMPARANO:** NEXT WEDNESDAY THE COUNCIL HAS ICTC TRAINING AND LOOKING FORWARD TO IT. THE SUNSET PARK TREE PLANNING WAS A SUCCESS AND THERE WAS A LOT OF DIGGING AND PLANTING OF TREES. I HOPE THE TREES SURVIVE AND I ASK THE COMMUNITY TO HELP US OUT IF THEY START TO SEE ANY WITH THE TREES THEY REACH OUT OT OUR PARKS DEPARTMENT. THE DESERT REVIEW DID A NICE ARTICLE ON OUR EVENT. I APPRECIATE ALL THE HARD WORK FROM THE STAFF AND THANK YOU GUYS FOR EVERYTHING.

**G. ADJOURNMENT:**

**G-1. SUBJECT: ADJOURNMENT OF THIS REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL.**

**DISCUSSION:**

**ADJOURNED MEETING UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2023 AT 7:00 PM.**

**THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:29 PM. NO REPROABLE ACTION.**