MINUTES FOR A
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF IMPERIAL
MARCH 4, 2015

A. CITY COUNCIL CONVENED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:30 PM

A-1. SUBJECT: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Section: 54956.8)

Property:	APN No. 064-352-008 and 044-220-049
Agency Negotiator:	CITY MANAGER MARLENE BEST, PLANNING DIRECTOR JEORGE GALVAN
Negotiating Parties:	TOM TOPUZES
Under Negotiation:	INSTRUCTIONS TO NEGOTIATOR CONCERNING PRICE AND TERMS

CITY COUNCIL RE-CONVENED TO OPEN SESSION

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: DALE

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: CITY MANAGER BEST, POLICE CHIEF COLÓN, FINANCE DIRECTOR GUTIERREZ, PLANNING DIRECTOR GALVAN, PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR LOPER, HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER GADDIS, PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR ARMSTRONG, FIRE CHIEF ROUHOTAS, CITY ATTORNEY MORITA, AND CITY CLERK JACKSON

Mayor Gran called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and Council member Sampson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION:

There was no action taken.

B. SPECIAL PRESENTATION

B-1. PARKS & RECREATION DEPARTMENT PRESENTATION OF THE ANNUAL TRI-TIP COOK-OFF

Ember Haller, Parks & Recreation Program Coordinator, presented the highlights of the Annual Tri-tip Cook Off.

C. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

None.

D CONSENT AGENDA:

D-1. Approval of claims/warrants report

Motion by COX, seconded by SAMPSON to approve the Consent Agenda as presented.
MOTION CARRIED 4-0 (AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN)

E. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

E-1. SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING-DISCUSSION/ACTION: ABANDONMENT AND VACATION OF H STREET BETWEEN BARIONI BOULEVARD AND NINTH STREET.

STAFF REPORT: Jorge Galvan, Planning Director updated the Council on the re-design of the project with changes from 4-story with podium parking to 3-story with street parking for tenants.

PUBLIC HEARING was opened at 7:20 PM in order to receive testimony either for or against the proposed street vacation.

RICK BRELAND, Imperial resident spoke against vacating the street for parking purposes. He addressed concerns with number of parking spaces allotted to the number of units in the project and other concerns.

LORENA ROMERO, owner of apartment complex at 105 N. "H" Street, addressed Council with her concerns of the potential impacts the project may have to her property if the street were closed. Some concerns are with ingress/egress to parking on north side of apartments and the need to change their address from "H" Street to Barioni Boulevard.

COUNCIL MEMBERS discussed their concerns with the number of parking spaces vs number of units and parking for other businesses.

It was determined at 7:48 to continue the hearing to March 18, 2015.

Motion by COX, seconded by TUCKER to approve Resolution No. 2015-07, A Resolution Continuing Hearing on Vacation of City Street and Confirming Intent to Abandon.
MOTION CARRIED 4-0 (AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN)

F. NEW BUSINESS:

F-1. SUBEJCT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: VICTORIA RANCH UNIT 3B (2) FINAL MAP.

1. APPROVE VICTORIA RANCH UNIT 3B (2) FINAL MAP
2. AUTHORIZE CITY CLERK TO RECORD FINAL MAP AND RELATED DOCUMENTS.

Motion by COX, seconded by TUCKER to approve the Final Map for Victoria Ranch Unit 3B and authorize City Clerk to record such map and related documents.
MOTION CARRIED 4-0 (AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER AND GRAN)

F-2. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: SUPPORT FOR SUNRUNNERS CAR CLUB.

1. APPROVAL TO PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR THE SUNRUNNERS CAR CLUB.

Motion by COX, seconded by SAMPSON to approve support in the amount of $100.00
AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: DALE MOTION CARRIED 4-0

F-3. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: PUBLIC LIBRARY EXPANSION ENGINEERING SERVICES.

1. AWARD OF CONTRACT TO PROVIDE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR THE CONSTRUCTION/RENOVATION OF THE PUBLIC LIBRARY.

Motion by COX, seconded by SAMPSON to award contract to Vexar in the amount of $23,715.00.
AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: DALE MOTION CARRIED 4-0

F-4. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATED TO ANNEXATION ACTIVITIES.

1. APPROVE CONTRACT WITH THE HOLT GROUP, INC. FOR THE UPDATE OF THE CITY'S SERVICE AREA PLAN IN THE AMOUNT OF $26,000.00

Motion by COX, seconded by TUCKER to award contract to Holt group in the amount of $26,000.00
AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: DALE MOTION CARRIED 4-0

2. APPROVE CONTRACT WITH ERICSSON-GRANT, INC. FOR THE UPDATE OF THE ENCANTO ESTATES ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT IN THE AMOUNT OF $104,350.00

Motion by COX, seconded by TUCKER to award contract to Ericsson-Grant, Inc. in the amount of $104,350.00.
AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: DALE MOTION CARRIED 4-0

F-5. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: SUPPORT FOR IMPERIAL VALLEY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION.

1. APPROVAL TO PROVIDE SUPPORT FOR THE IMPERIAL VALLEY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION 3RD ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT.

Motion by COX, seconded by TUCKER to approve support in the amount of $750.00.
AYES: COX, TUCKER, AND GRAN
NOES: SAMPSON
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: DALE MOTION CARRIED 3-1

F-6. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: IMPERIAL COUNTY GANG INTELLIGENCE COALITION (ICGIC) GANG CONFERENCE SPONSORSHIP.

1. APPROVAL TO SPONSOR THE 2015 ICGIC GANG CONFERENCE AND LEVEL OF SPONSORSHIP.

Item tabled until March 18, 2015 at the request of staff.

G. REPORTS:

G-1. SUBJECT: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS.

MAYOR GRAN thanked staff for all their hard work in putting together the State of the City Address and reported on TV interview by KCBS station out of Los Angeles on the topic of Essential Air Service at the local airport.

G-2. SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER REPORT.

Reported that Library Administrator CARTER was attending a conference this week; Mayor Gran did a great job presenting the State of the City address; and reported that Mayor Gran, Council member Dale and herself attended the City of Brawley's State of the City address the previous Friday.

G-3. SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT HEAD AND STAFF REPORTS.

Chief Colón reported on attending CALEA process meeting.

Galvan informed all that the Aten/Dogwood construction is slated to begin on March 9, 2015 and roads will be closed for 30 days for the work.

Armstrong received notice that the city is to be recognized for its Woof Town Dog Park by the California Parks and Recreation Society.

G-4. SUBJECT: IMPERIAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.

Not present.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:20 PM UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.

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CITY OF IMPERIAL
MARCH 18 2015

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: **COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN**

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: **DALE**

OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: **CITY MANAGER BEST, FINANCE DIRECTOR GUTIERREZ, PLANNING DIRECTOR GALVAN, PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR LOPER, PARKS & RECREATION DIRECTOR ARMSTRONG, CITY ATTORNEY MORITA, CITY CLERK JACKSON, AND FIRE CHIEF ROUHOTAS**

MAYOR GRAN called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by Jeorge Galvan

A. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:

None.

B CONSENT AGENDA:

B-1. Approval of claims/warrants report
B-2. Approval of Treasurers' report for February 2015
B-3. Approval of minutes for Special Meetings of January 29, 2015 and February 26, 2015 and Regular meetings of February 4, 2015 and February 18, 2015.

Motion by COX, seconded by SAMPSON to approve the Consent Agenda withholding warrant number 63919 for separate action.
MOTION CARRIED 4-0 (AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN)

Motion by TUCKER, seconded by SAMPSON to approve warrant number 63919 payable to Mark Gran.
MOTION CARRIED 3-0 (AYES: COX, SAMPSON, AND TUCKER)

C. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

C-1. SUBJECT: CONTINUED PUBLIC HEARING-DISCUSSION/ACTION: ABANDONMENT AND VACATION OF H STREET BETWEEN BARIONI BOULEVARD AND NINTH STREET.

1. APPROVE RESOLUTION ABANDONING AND VACATING THAT PORTION OF H STREET BETWEEN BARIONI BOULEVARD AND NINTH STREET.

PLANNING DIRECTOR GALVAN gave a brief overview of the project and informed Council that the street vacation will be taken to Planning Commission for consideration of conformance with the City's General Plan.

The Public Hearing was continued from March 4, 2015 and at 7:25 pm; members of the audience were given the opportunity to present their comments in regards to the vacation of the street.

KATHY SEEGER, Imperial resident, spoke against vacating the street for parking purposes for the project. Feels that tenants of most units will have more than one vehicle and that the proposed number of parking spaces is not enough.

CHARLES LUCAS, Imperial resident, addressed the change in plans from podium parking to the plans to take over street for private parking, Opposed to it as one block of street not acceptable for the size of the project. Feels that City is setting precedence for future projects.

KAROL MCNEER, Imperial resident spoke in opposition to vacating street for parking. Questioned what the city is going to get in return for vacating the street. Closure of street will limit access to the library and Eager Park.

ROBERT AMPARANO, Imperial resident also spoke in opposition to giving up street for this purpose. He questioned recent attempts at angle parking on East Barioni across from IID that did not work out. He also spoke about the reduction in the number of parking spaces with the library expansion as a portion of the existing parking lot will be used for the expansion.

BILL WENDELL, Imperial resident, addressed Council with his opposition of vacating street for parking lot purposes.

It was determined at 8:05 pm to continue the Public Hearing to April 1, 2015.

D. NEW BUSINESS:

D-1. SUBEJCT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: ENGINEERING SERVICES WITH WEBB ASSOCIATES FOR PROJECTS RELATED TO WATER AND WASTEWATER IMPROVEMENTS – TOTAL AMOUNT OF $250,816.00

1. APPROVE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR CLAYPOOL FORCE MAIN
2. APPROVE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR NECKEL ROAD WATERLINE, HWY 86 CROSSING
3. APPROVE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR NECKEL ROAD SEWER FORCE MAIN, HWY 86 CROSSING
4. APPROVE ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR WATER SYSTEM HYDRAULIC ANALYSIS (MONTEREY PARK AREA)

Motion by COX, seconded by TUCKER to approve engineering services with Webb Associates for the four projects as listed.

AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: DALE MOTION CARRIED 4-0

D-2. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: PURCHASE OF TELEMETRY EQUIPMENT FOR VICTORIA WASTEWATER PUMP STATION.

1. APPROVE PURHCASE OF TELEMETRY EQUIPMENT FROM ESG IN THE AMOUNT OF $16,650.00

Motion by COX, seconded by TUCKER to approve the purchase of the equipment.

AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: DALE MOTION CARRIED 4-0

D-3. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: PREPPING AND APPLICATION OF PROTECTIVE COATINGS TO CITY ADMINISTRATION BUILDINGS.

1. AWARD OF BID TO FIX PAINTING CO. FOR THE PREPPING AND APPLICATION OF PROTECTIVE COATINGS TO THE FIRE BARN AND CITY HALL BUILDING.

Motion by COX, seconded by TUCKER to award bid to FIX Painting for the painting of City Hall and the Fire Barn in the amount of $50,000.

AYES: COX, TUCKER, AND GRAN
NOES: SAMPSON
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: DALE MOTION CARRIED 3-1

D-4. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: IMPERIAL COUNTY GANG INTELLIGENCE COALITION (ICGIC) GANG CONFERENCE SPONSORSHIP.
(Barra)

1. APPROVAL TO SPONSOR THE 2015 ICGIC GANG CONFERENCE AND LEVEL OF SPONSORSHIP.

Motion by COX, seconded by TUCKER to approve a sponsorship of $3,000 to the ICGIC Gang Conference.

AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: DALE MOTION CARRIED 4-0

E. REPORTS:

E-1. SUBJECT: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS.

TUCKER reported that he attended the Blue Angels Air Show and attended the opening of the Swap Meet at the Motor-Vu Drive-in property.

GRAN reported that the operators of the swap meet are offering reduced fees for entrance and space rentals.

E-2. SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER REPORT.

Reported the Blue Angels Air Show was a great event and is working to schedule a meeting with various agency officials on the potential re-design of Aten and Brewer intersection.

E-3. SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT HEAD AND STAFF REPORTS.

Chief Colon informed Council that the Rotary Club will hold their Rotarians at Work Day on April, 25 and they are looking for projects.

Galvan reported that representative from the State Parks and Recreation will be here to visit the site of the event center on March 25th. The City recently submitted a grant for funding. He also reported that it is anticipated that Aten/Dogwood will close on March 30th for construction of the traffic signal.

Armstrong gave an update on the construction of Aviation Park.

E-4. SUBJECT: IMPERIAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.

Reported that Julissa Ayala has been hired as the Administrative Assistant for the Chamber.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:40 PM UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.

MINUTES FOR A
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
AND
THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
CITY OF IMPERIAL
MARCH 18, 2015

THIS SPECIAL MEETING RAN CONCURRENT WITH REGULAR MEETING

CITY COUNCIL:

PRESENTATION/PROCLAMATION:

ITEM 1: ***PROCLAMATION*** - LIONS CLUBS INTERNATIONAL – LIONS EYES ACROSS CALIFORNIA DAY – MARCH 28, 2015.

LARRY HUDSON, IMPERIAL LIONS CLUB PRESIDENT was present to receive the Proclamation.

NEW BUSINESS:

ITEM 1: **DISCUSSION/ACTION: QUITCLAIM DEED – EAST-WEST ALLEY OF BLOCK 74, TOWNSITE OF IMPERIAL.**

A. APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY OF IMPERIAL TO REMISE, RELEASE AND FOREVER QUITCLAIM THE EAST-WEST ALLEY OF BLOCK 75, TOWNSITE OF IMPERIAL TO RD BROWN CO. INC.

Motion by COX, seconded by SAMPSON to approve and authorize the remise, release and quitclaim of the east-west alley of Block 74 in Townsite of Imperial.
MOTION CARRIED 4-0 (AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN)

ITEM 2: **DISCUSSION/ACTION: IMPERIAL COUNTY VETERANS MEMORIAL (EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT DEVELOPED BY JOAQUIN VILLEGAS)**

A. APPROVE AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF IMPERIAL AND COUNTY OF IMPERIAL TO PROVIDE MAINTENANCE OF THE VETERAN'S MEMORIAL TO BE LOCATED NEAR THE COUNTY OF IMPERIAL AIRPORT

Motion by COX, seconded by TUCKER to approve the agreement between the City of Imperial and County of Imperial.
MOTION CARRIED 4-0 (AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN)

SUCCESSOR AGENCY:

ITEM 1: **DISCUSSION/ACTION: ACCEPTANCE OF PROPERTY TRANSFER FROM FORMER REDEVELOPMENT TO HOUSING SUCCESSOR AGENCY.**

A. AUTHORIZE AGENCY CLERK TO EXECUTE ACCEPTANCE OF PROPERTY TRANSFER FROM CITY OF IMPERIAL REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY TO CITY OF IMPERIAL HOUSING SUCCESSOR AGENCY.

Motion by COX, seconded by SAMPSON to approve the execution of Acceptance of Property Transfer as requested.
MOTION CARRIED 4-0 (AYES: COX, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN)

MEETING CONTINUED WITH REMAINDER OF REGULAR CITY COUNCIL AGENDA.