

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL  
SEPTEMBER 2, 2015**

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

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: CITY MANAGER BEST, POLICE CHIEF COLÓN, FINANCE DIRECTOR GUTIERREZ, PUBLIC SERVICES DIRECTOR LOPER, RECREATION SERVICES MANAGER HALLER, FIRE CHIEF ROUHOTAS, CITY ATTORNEY MORITA, AND CITY CLERK JACKSON.**

**MAYOR GRAN** called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and the Pledge of Allegiance was led by City Clerk Jackson.

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:** The following items were tabled and will be brought back at a future meeting:

Treasurers' Report for June 2015  
Minutes of August 5, 2015  
Item C-2-Victoria Ranch

**A. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:**

None.

**B. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- B-1.** Approval of claims/warrants report.
- B-2.** Approval of Treasurers' Report for the Month of June 2015.
- B-3.** Approval of minutes of Regular Meetings of July 15, 2015 and August 5, 2015.

Motion by COX, second by SAMPSON to approve the claims/warrants report and the minutes of July 15, 2015 Council meeting.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0 (AYES: COX, DALE, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN)

**C. NEW BUSINESS:**

**C-1. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: APPLICATION FOR ELGIBILITY FOR STATE AND FEDERAL SURPLUS PROPERTY PROGRAM.**

1. APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2015-53, ELGIBILITY APPLICATION FOR STATE AND FEDERAL SURPLUS PROPERTY PROGRAM.

Motion by COX, second by DALE to approve Resolution No. 2015-53.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0 (AYES: COX, DALE, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN)

**C-2. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: VICTORIA RANCH – TUSCANY HOMES**

1. APPROVE SUBORDINATION AGREEMENT (PHASE 6)
2. APPROVE PARTIAL RECONVEYANCES FOR 9 HOMES (PHASE 4)

ITEM TABLED

**C-3. SUBJECT: DISICUSSION/ACTION: PARKS AND RECREATION COMMITTEE.**

1. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY MEMBERS TO THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMITTEE.

Information only. No action taken at this time.

**C-4. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: RESOLUTIONS PRESENTED FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE MEMBERSHIP AT THE LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE.**

1. TAKE NECESSARY ACTION/GIVE DIRECTION TO VOTING DELEGATE REGARDING THE CITY'S POSITION ON THE PROPOSED 2015 LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES ANNUAL CONFERENCE RESOLUTIONS.

Motion by COX, second by DALE to instruct the voting delegate to vote accordingly upon final resolutions language presented at the Conference.

MOTION CARRIED 5-0 (AYES: COX, DALE, SAMPSON, TUCKER, AND GRAN)

**D. REPORTS:**

**D-1. SUBJECT: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS.**

COX inquired from staff the status of the house on North "F" Street that recently burned. City Attorney responded that the property is subject to litigation and the owner is deceased. COX also inquired as to when the road improvements in the vicinity of Rodeo and 15<sup>th</sup> St. will be completed.

SAMPSON reported on receiving phone calls regarding the cell tower on Aten Road.

DALE thanked staff for checking on the pan-handling situation recently.

GRAN reported on the ACCAP conference he recently attended. He is meeting with various representatives in San Diego County to encourage other agencies to join ACCAP so that there will be more representation from southern California.

**D-2. SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER REPORT.**

Reported on several meetings she has attended or will be attending the following week; IVTA and OES meetings on September 3<sup>rd</sup> and the PIO meeting earlier today.

**D-3. SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT HEAD AND STAFF REPORTS.**

HALLER reported that she along with Public Services Director Loper and Parks & Recreation Crew Leader Sanchez will all attend the National Parks and Recreation conference in two weeks. Also reported that the Cancer Society has scheduled a "Bark for Lift" event to be held at the dog park.

FIRE CHIEF ROUHOTAS gave an update on two fires in the city this past weekend; one is the house on North "F" Street and another at Tucker Auto Body.

**D-4. SUBJECT: CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.**

CEO BLAKEMORE informed that the Chamber has adopted their budget for this fiscal year; 4 new members have joined the Chamber this month and the Joint Chambers mixer will take place October 22<sup>nd</sup> at Hart Insurance in Brawley.

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:35 PM UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.**

**MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
CITY COUNCIL  
AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE  
FORMER REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY  
CITY OF IMPERIAL  
SEPTEMBER 16, 2015**

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

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: DALE AND GRAN (BOTH EXCUSED)**

**OTHER OFFICIALS PRESENT: CITY MANAGER BEST, POLICE CHIEF COLÓN, FINANCE DIRECTOR GUTIERREZ, LIBRARY ADMINISTRATOR CARTER, HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGER GADDIS, CITY ATTORNEY MORITA, AND CITY CLERK JACKSON**

**MAYOR PRO-TEM COX** called the meeting to order at 7:05 pm and led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ADJUSTMENT TO THE AGENDA:**  
The July Treasurers' Report was tabled.

**A. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:**

MARK GADDIS, IMPERIAL RESIDENT spoke regarding the city's watering policy and recent event where city employee did not show proper ID when he asked the employee for it and why a photograph was being taken of family member who was watering trees.

PAM BUTCHER, IMPERIAL RESIDENT spoke about watering restrictions and of the trees that are dying as they are not being watered more than twice a week. She questioned if the city was going to pay homeowners to have the dead trees removed. In additions, she inquired about clean-up of the burned house on North "F Street and the damage to neighboring fences. She also addressed Council about the departure of former city employee Stan Armstrong.

**B. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- B-1.** Approval of claims/warrants report.
- B-2.** Approval of Treasurers' Report for the Months of June 2015 and July 2015.
- B-3.** Approval of minutes of Regular Meetings of August 5, 2015 and August 19, 2015.
- B-4.** Approval of correction to the Sky Ranch Unit 3 Bond Release.

Motion by SAMPSON, second by TUCKER to approve the Consent Agenda withholding the Treasurers' Report.  
MOTION CARRIED 3-0 (AYES: COX, SAMPSON, AND TUCKER)

**C. PUBLIC HEARING:**

**C-1. SUBJECT: PUBLIC HEARING/DISCUSSION/ACTION: SERVICE AREA PLAN UPDATE.**

*The Public Hearing was opened at 7:21 PM*

JUSTINA ARCE, HOLT GROUP presented the Service Area Plan and highlighted various elements of it. There were no comments received from members of the audience.

The Public Hearing was closed at 7:27 PM

1. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2015-54, ADOPTING THE 2015 CITY OF IMPERIAL SERVICE AREA PLAN.

Motion by SAMPSON, second by TUCKER to approve Resolution No. 2015-54, Adopting the 2015 City of Imperial Service Area Plan.

AYES: COX, SAMPSON, AND TUCKER  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: DALE AND GRAN MOTION CARRIED 3-0

**D. NEW BUSINESS:**

**D-1. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: ATEN BLVD. PHASE III REHABILITATION AND RECONSTRUCTION FROM CROSS AVENUE TO DOGWOOD ROAD**

1. AWARD OF BID TO AGGREGATE PRODUCTS, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$763,491.40 FOR CONSTRUCTION SERVICES.

Motion by TUCKER, second by SAMPSON to award bid to Aggregate Products, Inc. (API).

AYES: COX, SAMPSON, AND TUCKER  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: DALE AND GRAN MOTION CARRIED 3-0

2. AWARD OF CONTRACT TO SIERRA MATERIAL TESTING & INSPECTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,926.00 FOR GEOTECHNICAL QUALITY CONTROL SERVICES.

Motion by TUCKER, second by SAMPSON to award the contract to Sierra Material Testing & Inspection.

AYES: COX, SAMPSON, AND TUCKER  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: DALE AND GRAN MOTION CARRIED 3-0

**D-2. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT HEADWORKS UPGRADE PROJECT – BID NO. 2015-08.**

1. AWARD OF BID TO PACIFIC HYDROTECH CORP.

Motion by TUCKER, second by SAMPSON to award the bid Pacific Hydrotech in the amount of \$1,301,000.00 (base bid and alternate bid items B and C).

AYES: COX, SAMPSON, AND TUCKER  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: DALE AND GRAN MOTION CARRIED 3-0

**D-3. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: AGREEMENT WITH IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER.**

1. APPROVAL OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO) AGREEMENT BETWEEN CITY OF IMPERIAL AND IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR 2015-2016 SCHOOL YEAR.

Motion by SAMPSON, second by TUCKER to approve the School Resource Agreement.

AYES: COX, SAMPSON, AND TUCKER

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: DALE AND GRAN

MOTION CARRIED 3-0

**D-4. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: RECREATIONAL TRAILS PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION.**

1. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 2015-55, APPROVING THE SUBMITTAL OF A GRANT APPLICATION.

Motion by SAMPSON, second by TUCKER to approve Resolution No. 2015-55.

MOTION CARRIED 3-0

(AYES: COX, SAMPSON, AND TUCKER)

**D-5. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: CONVERSION OF VAN CHASSIS FOR THE HOUSING AND OPERATION OF CAMERA SYSTEM (CCTV) FOR THE VIDEO AND RECORDING OF SEWER AND STORM WATER COLLECTION SYSTEMS.**

1. APPROVAL OF QUOTE FROM HAAKER EQUIPMENT COMPANY IN THE AMOUNT OF \$24,948.00

Motion by TUCKER, second by SAMPSON to approve the quote from Haaker Equipment Company.

AYES: COX, SAMPSON, AND TUCKER

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: DALE AND GRAN

MOTION CARRIED 3-0

**D-6. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: IMPLEMENTATION OF CREDIT CARD PROCESSING FEES.**

1. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2015-56, AMENDING RESOLUION 2014-48 TO INCLUDE A PROCESSING FEE FOR CREDIT CARD TRANSACTIONS.

Discussion only. Council directed that the item be brought back for discussion/action at the October 7, 2015 meeting.

**E. SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY:**

**E-1. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: REVIEW OF ROPS (RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE) FOR JANUARY – JUNE, 2016.**

1. APPROVAL OF ROPS FOR JANUARY 2016 – JUNE 2016 TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE OVERSIGHT BOARD.

Motion by SAMPSON, second by TUCKER to approve the ROPS for January 2016 – June 2016.

MOTION CARRIED 3-0

(AYES: COX, SAMPSON, AND TUCKER)

**F. REPORTS:**

**F-1. SUBJECT: MAYOR AND COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS.**

COX commented on seeing activity at the Shell Station and inquired as to the re-opening of the business. He also inquired about the activity taking place at the former La Hacienda Restaurant building.

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

Reported that she, Jorge Galvan and Mayor Gran will be attending the ICSC conference on Thursday and Friday; all registrations and reservations have been made for those attending the LCC Conference; notification from the State Department of Housing and Community Development that the city has been awarded a CDBG grant in the amount of 1.8 million to be used for sidewalks and Financial Assistance and Activity Delivery to For-Profits.

**F-3. SUBJECT: DEPARTMENT HEAD AND STAFF REPORTS.**

**CHIEF COLÓN** reported on a meeting that he and HR Manager Gaddis had attended with the JPIA regarding Police department activities/work. Also reported that Senator Hueso and Assemblyman Garcia will be making a presentation to the City on Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup> recognizing the city as being the 2<sup>nd</sup> safest city in the state.

**GADDIS** announced positions that the city is currently recruiting for.

**CARTER** reported on library activities: craft day and movie day and that the State Librarian will be in the valley the following week to visit various libraries.

**F-4. SUBJECT: CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.**

**CEO BLAKEMORE** announced that the Chamber has renewed the lease for their offices and that applications are now being accepted for Parade participants and Christmas In a Small Town vendors.

**CITY COUNCIL MEETING ADJOURNED AT 8:10 PM UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 7, 2015 AT 7:00 P.M.**