

**MINUTES**  
**CITY OF IMPERIAL BEACH**  
**CITY COUNCIL**  
**PLANNING COMMISSION**  
**PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY**  
**HOUSING AUTHORITY**  
**IMPERIAL BEACH REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY**

**OCTOBER 21, 2015**

**Council Chambers**  
**825 Imperial Beach Boulevard**  
**Imperial Beach, CA 91932**

**CLOSED SESSION MEETING – NOT HELD**  
**REGULAR MEETING – 6:00 P.M.**

**REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Dedina called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK**

Councilmembers present: Patton, Bragg, Spriggs  
Councilmembers absent: None  
Mayor Present: Dedina  
Mayor Pro Tem absent: Bilbray  
Staff Present: City Manager Hall, City Attorney Lyon, City Clerk Hald, Fire Chief French, Assistant City Manager Dush, Environmental Program Manager Helmer, Public Works Director Levien

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Nicole Guardian from Central School.

**AGENDA CHANGES**

City Attorney Lyon announced the Closed Session item was removed and the meeting was not held.

Consensus of City Council to take Item No. 2.5 before Item No. 4.1.

**MAYOR/COUNCIL REIMBURSEMENT DISCLOSURE/COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS/REPORTS ON ASSIGNMENTS AND COMMITTEES**

Councilmember Patton reported on his attendance at the South County Economic Development Council's Elected Officials Reception, Imperial Beach Library's Centennial Celebration along with Mayor Dedina and Councilmember Bragg, and he announced the Fire Station Open House will be held this weekend.

Councilmember Bragg reported on her attendance at the Symphony by the Sea event, the MTS Executive Committee meeting and the SANDAG Transportation Committee meeting. She announced Sheriff's Lieutenant Brown will be the speaker at the next Chamber of Commerce Networking Breakfast, the Eagle Scout Bayshore project will be held this weekend, and the Senior Center Halloween Party and Potluck on October 30.

Councilmember Spriggs reported on his attendance at the Metro Wastewater Commission meeting and his appointment to represent the Commission on the San Diego Independent Rates Oversight Committee. He also reported on his attendance at the South County Economic Development Council's Elected Officials Reception. He spoke about his participation in the Black American Political Association of California (BAPAC) Convention where he served as an Education panelist and was able to emphasize the need for BAPAC to make representations to the State to increase funding for K-12 schools especially in the low income areas of San Diego County.

Mayor Dedina thanked City staff for their efforts on the Symphony by the Sea event. He

announced Military Appreciation Day is on Sunday, November 8 and he thanked the Navy for allowing the 32<sup>nd</sup> Street Brass Band to perform. He thanked City staff for working with the owner of a vacant lot to clean it up and to remove the razor wire and chain link. He spoke about working with City of San Diego Councilmember David Alvarez on cleaning up a property in San Diego. He announced an El Niño Workshop will be held on November 17 and he spoke about the issue of wastewater and trash in the Tijuana River Valley.

### **COMMUNICATIONS FROM CITY STAFF**

Management Analyst Vea announced the availability of a Parks and Recreation Needs Assessment Survey at [www.ImperialBeachCA.gov/parksandrec](http://www.ImperialBeachCA.gov/parksandrec) to determine interest levels in various recreation programs.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Crystal Lujan, representing South Bay Youth 4 Change, spoke about the #ItsTooEasy youth campaign informing the dangers of underage drinking.

Marios Ballesteros, representing South Bay Youth 4 Change, invited City Council to the launch of the #ItsTooEasy youth campaign event at Pier Plaza on October 29.

Cheryl Quinones, representing Safe Food for IB Super Pac, asked City Council to put forth a resolution supporting healthy and safe food practices in Imperial Beach. She also asked City Council to instruct staff to draw up licenses, regulations and reviews for safe food in IB. She complained about business practices at Wally's Supermarket (additional speaking time donated by Linda Heath and Ernie Galindo).

Roger Benham, representing Pond20forus.com, expressed concern about Pond 20 being given away as mitigation and noted unease about not having adequate public input on the matter.

### **PRESENTATIONS (1.1-1.4)**

#### **1.1 PRESENTATION ON SDG&E VEHICLE GRID INTEGRATION PROGRAM. (0820-90)**

Kevin O'Beirne, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the item and spoke about the desire to place charging stations at Imperial Beach businesses and multi-unit buildings. He also spoke about the various payment options for charging stations such as using a credit card, subscription service or hosted sites for employees.

Councilmember Spriggs spoke about an article that appeared in the Los Angeles Times regarding the struggle for electric vehicle owners in California to locate charging stations. He encouraged SDG&E to get vendors to subsidize or have businesses provide charging for free for a limited time period to get people to switch to electric vehicles.

Mayor Dedina encouraged SDG&E to work with City Staff on identifying locations where charging stations can be installed, including affordable housing projects.

#### **1.2 NAVAL BASE CORONADO COASTAL CAMPUS CONSTRUCTION UPDATE BY NAVY CAPT. STEPHEN D. BARNETT. (0620-80)**

Captain Stephen D. Barnett gave a PowerPoint presentation on the item.

Councilmember Patton expressed concern about the traffic impacts to the Silver Strand. He encouraged the Navy to have minimal use of Silver Strand Blvd. because it is a residential area, to continue to listen to the public, and to keep the project dynamic.

Captain Barnett stated that he will discuss commuting and the behavior of commuters at his tenant leadership meetings.

Councilmember Spriggs noted the traffic issue is a significant change and a community concern. He suggested solutions such as staggering working hours and widening SR 75. He also expressed concern with the increase of traffic around the Silver Strand entry point, the

possibility for hearing gunfire from the indoor shooting range, and he cautioned against impacts to the IB community.

Captain Barnett stated he will provide the City with information on the shooting range. He also stated that he and his staff aim for transparency and they will continue to communicate with the City.

Councilmember Bragg suggested to Captain Barnett to ride the MTS 901 bus starting at Florida Street and Imperial Beach Blvd. to Coronado so he can have an understanding of the Navy's impacts to traffic in Coronado. She also encouraged him to inform his sailors to use public transportation.

Captain Barnett spoke about encouraging his staff to use non-traditional transportation.

Mayor Dedina announced the Military Appreciation Day is a great time to show the Navy, other military branches and veterans that they are appreciated. He also spoke about the importance of the Federal government to encourage agencies to improve water quality in the Tijuana River so Navy personnel can train 24 hours a day and not get sick from water pollution.

### **1.3 PRESENTATION OF PROCLAMATION IN RECOGNITION OF MOVEMBER 2015. (0410-30)**

Mayor Dedina read a proclamation in recognition of Movember 2015 and presented it to Assistant City Manager Dush.

### **1.4 EL NIÑO REPORT. (0210-90)**

Fire Chief French gave a presentation on the item. In response to questions of Councilmember Patton, he stated that staff has been in discussions with the City of San Diego, County of San Diego and the Navy for their assistance in the event of a local disaster. With regard to public safety, the City has automatic and mutual aid resources from outside the City.

Councilmember Bragg encouraged staff to inform the community about the November 17<sup>th</sup> workshop so the public will know what to do in case of a disaster and that staff identify community partners.

Councilmember Spriggs suggested that there be a network of volunteers to assist in the event of an emergency to help with sandbagging, etc. He spoke about the importance of notifying people through the use of cell phone numbers due to the decline in use of landlines. He also stressed the benefits of early notification and warning.

Fire Chief French concluded with a review of City Council's role during an emergency as not to interfere with emergency operations. He noted that all communications to and from City Council will go through the City Manager.

Mayor Dedina suggested City Staff have king tide maps available, he encouraged the Navy to clean out their storm drains to avoid flooding during a rain event, and that City Council be notified immediately of an emergency.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR (2.1-2.4 & 2.6)**

**MOTION BY BRAGG, SECOND BY SPRIGGS, TO APPROVE CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 2.1 THROUGH 2.4 AND 2.6. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: PATTON, BRAGG, SPRIGGS, DEDINA**

**NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE**

**ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: BILBRAY**

**2.1 RATIFICATION OF WARRANT REGISTER. (0300-25)**

Ratified the following registers: Accounts Payable Numbers 87431 through 87501 and EFT #'s 82-89 for a subtotal amount of \$832,218.09, and Payroll Checks/Direct Deposits 46736 through 46777 for a subtotal amount of \$345,536.14 for a total amount of \$1,177,754.23.

**2.2 RECEIVE TREASURER'S REPORT. (0300-90)**

City Council received the monthly treasurer's report.

**2.3 RESOLUTION NO. 2015-7637 APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE CITY'S SALARY & COMPENSATION PLAN FOR FY 2015-2017. (0520-75)**

Adopted resolution.

**2.4 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NUMBERS 2015-7634 AND 2015-7635 APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2016 SCOPE OF WORK FOR THE SAN DIEGO BAY WATERSHED AND TIJUANA RIVER WATERSEHD WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLANS. (0770-87)**

1. Adopted Resolution 2015-7634 approving the FY 2016 scope of work for URS Corporation Americas to implement the Tijuana River watershed WQIP and
2. Adopted Resolution 2015-7635 approving the FY 2016 scope of work for AMEC Foster Wheeler to implement the San Diego Bay watershed WQIP.

**2.6 RESOLUTION NO. 2015-7641 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH THE SAN DIEGO UNIFIED PORT DISTRICT FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AND OTHER MATTERS ASSOCIATED WITH THE IMPERIAL BEACH CULTURAL SERIES. (0150-70).**

Adopted resolution.

**ORDINANCES – INTRODUCTION/FIRST READING (3)**

None.

**CONSENT CALENDAR (2.5)**

**2.5. BREAKWATER FINAL MAP BY SUDBERRY AT 9TH STREET AND PALM AVENUE. MF 1062. (0600-20)**

Assistant City Manager Dush explained the need for approval of the final map noting that the property will be legally subdivided so the construction of the development can begin. It is also part of the performance agreement required of the applicant in order for the development to occur.

Councilmember Spriggs noted the community's concern for a quality grocer and he urged the developer to disclose the tenants as soon as possible at a future City Council meeting.

Estean Lenyon, representing the Sudberry Properties, reported that construction should begin within 90 days.

**MOTION BY SPRIGGS, SECOND BY BRAGG, TO APPROVE THE FINAL MAP FOR THE BREAKWATER PROJECT (MF 1062) PROPOSED BY SUDBERRY PROPERTIES. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: PATTON, BRAGG, SPRIGGS, DEDINA**

**NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE**

**ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: BILBRAY**

#### **PUBLIC HEARINGS (4.1)**

##### **4.1 RESOLUTION NO. 2015-7640 APPROVING THE USE OF CDBG FUNDS FOR THE SENIOR CENTER. (0650-34 & 0930-20)**

Mayor Dedina declared the public hearing open.

Assistant City Manager Dush gave a PowerPoint presentation on the item. He reviewed the cost for a remodel versus a complete reconstruction. He noted regardless of the approach to remodel or reconstruct the building, the project will be phased with the first phase consisting of planning and design (with a two year funding request) followed by the second phase of construction (identifying other funding streams to realize the project). He also announced a revised staff report and resolution were submitted as last minute agenda information.

City Clerk Hald announced no speaker slips were submitted.

In response to Councilmember Spriggs' question, Assistant City Manager Dush clarified staff is seeking direction on whether to do new construction or a remodel. If, however, there is direction to evaluate planning and design for both scenarios, City funds must be used. One of the options must be selected in order to use CDBG funds.

Councilmember Bragg spoke in support for a new construction and for the staff's recommendation for the two year funding option.

Councilmember Patton spoke in support for a new and efficient building and supported staff's recommendation.

Mayor Dedina spoke about the success with tearing down the old life guard building and constructing the state of the art Dempsey Center, the difficulties that can arise from remodeling old buildings, and he spoke in favor of building a new Senior Center.

Councilmember Spriggs spoke in support for moving ahead with a new construction.

**MOTION BY SPRIGGS, SECOND BY BRAGG, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2015-7640 AND DIRECT THE CITY MANAGER TO PREPARE THE CDBG APPLICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE POLICY DIRECTION TO MOVE FORWARD WITH NEW CONSTRUCTION. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: PATTON, BRAGG, SPRIGGS, DEDINA**

**NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE**

**ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: BILBRAY**

Without dissentation from the City Council Mayor Dedina closed the public hearing.

#### **REPORTS (5.1-5.4)**

##### **5.1 ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NUMBER 2015-7636 APPROVING THE IMPERIAL BEACH BMP DESIGN MANUAL FOR PERMANENT SITE DESIGN, STORM WATER TREATMENT AND HYDROMODIFICATION MANAGEMENT AND AUTHORIZING MINOR CHANGES TO THE IMPERIAL BEACH DESIGN MANUAL AS MAY BE DIRECTED BY THE SAN DIEGO REGIONAL WATER CONTROL BOARD. (0770-95)**

Environmental Program Manager Helmer gave a PowerPoint presentation on the item. In response to Councilmember Spriggs, he stated that staff is working towards having the Bernardo Shores project fall under the old storm water requirements. With regard to the new hotel, he stated that it may fall under the new requirements which he briefly reviewed.

Councilmember Patton left Council Chambers at 7:52 p.m. and returned at 7:55 p.m.

City Clerk Hald announced no speaker slips were submitted.

**MOTION BY SPRIGGS, SECOND BY PATTON, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2015-7636 APPROVING THE IMPERIAL BEACH BMP DESIGN MANUAL WITH AN EFFECTIVE DATE AS SET BY THE MUNICIPAL STORM WATER PERMIT ORDER NO. 2013-0001 OR AS AMENDED BY THE SAN DIEGO REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD AND AUTHORIZING MINOR AMENDMENTS (WITHOUT FURTHER CITY COUNCIL APPROVAL) TO THE IMPERIAL BEACH BMP DESIGN MANUAL AS MAY BE DIRECTED BY THE SAN DIEGO REGIONAL WATER QUALITY CONTROL BOARD OR AS NECESSARY TO SUPPORT CONSISTENT IMPLEMENTATION OF THE BMP DESIGN MANUAL ACROSS JURISDICTIONS WITHIN THE SAN DIEGO REGION. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: PATTON, BRAGG, SPRIGGS, DEDINA**

**NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE**

**ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: BILBRAY**

**5.2 RESOLUTION NO. 2105-7639 AWARDDING THE 13TH STREET CLASS 2 BIKEWAY CONSTRUCTION ELEMENT OF THE BIKEWAY VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT S15-702 TO PAL GENERAL ENGINEERING, INC. AND APPROPRIATING AN ADDITIONAL \$55,000 FROM THE 2010 BOND FUND. (0680-20)**

Public Works Director Levien reported on the item.

City Clerk Hald announced no speaker slips were submitted.

Councilmember Spriggs encouraged City staff to take all reasonable measures to notify the public about the change to the road prior to the construction of the project.

Wes Bomyea, Community Plans and Liaison for Navy Base Coronado, stated the only concern is the flow of traffic as the single lane approaches the entrance of the base. He also stated the addition of a turn lane on the right hand side of the entrance to the base could alleviate the traffic.

**MOTION BY BRAGG, SECOND BY SPRIGGS, TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2105-7639 AWARDDING THE 13TH STREET CLASS 2 BIKEWAY CONSTRUCTION ELEMENT OF THE BIKEWAY VILLAGE DEVELOPMENT PROJECT S15-702 TO PAL GENERAL ENGINEERING, INC. AND APPROPRIATING AN ADDITIONAL \$55,000 FROM THE 2010 BOND FUND. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: PATTON, BRAGG, SPRIGGS, DEDINA**

**NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE**

**ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: BILBRAY**

**5.3 FORMATION OF 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE. (0100-20)**

City Manager Hall recommended the formation of a City Council Ad Hoc Committee to work with the community on the City's 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

City Clerk Hald announced no speaker slips were submitted.

Both Councilmember Bragg and Mayor Dedina offered to be on the Ad Hoc Committee.

**MOTION BY BRAGG, SECOND BY SPRIGGS, TO FORM A 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY AD HOC COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF MAYOR DEDINA AND COUNCILMEMBER BRAGG. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: PATTON, BRAGG, SPRIGGS, DEDINA**

**NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE**

**ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: BILBRAY**

**5.4 DISCUSSION AND REQUEST FOR DIRECTION REGARDING THE LIVE BROADCAST OF CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS ON COX CABLE. (0160-23 & 0800-10)**

City Manager Hall reported on the item.

Councilmember Spriggs stated that he was dismayed by the action of Cox Communications to charge Imperial Beach and other cities. He encouraged City staff to do public outreach to inform the public of the alternative ways to follow the City Council.

Councilmember Bragg encouraged City staff to tell the public the other options for viewing City Council meetings.

Councilmember Patton spoke in support for looking at other options and to negotiate with Cox Communications.

Mayor Dedina suggested City staff look into improved cameras.

Councilmember Spriggs raised concern regarding members of the public not having access to the Internet.

**MOTION BY PATTON, SECOND BY SPRIGGS, TO HAVE CITY MANAGER HALL NEGOTIATE A ZERO COST WITH COX COMMUNICATIONS, IF NOT THE CITY WILL GO WITH AT&T AND YOUTUBE FOR BROADCASTING CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS. MOTION CARRIED BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**AYES: COUNCILMEMBERS: PATTON, BRAGG, SPRIGGS, DEDINA**

**NOES: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE**

**ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: BILBRAY**

**I.B. REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY SUCCESSOR AGENCY REPORTS (6)**

None.

**ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT CALENDAR**

None.

**ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING**

Mayor Dedina adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:27 p.m.

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/s/  
Serge Dedina, Mayor

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/s/  
Jacqueline M. Hald, MMC  
City Clerk