

**MEETING MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AND PLANNING
COMMISSION
BOARDS OF THE CITY OF WESTMORLAND
October 19, 2022
6:00 PM**

The City Council of the City of Westmorland met in City Hall Council Chambers on Wednesday, October 5, 2022 at 6:00 PM. Council Woman Justina Cruz, called the meeting in order at 6:00 PM and Treasurer Teri Nava led the invocation during meeting.

Present at time of Roll Call: Mayor Pro-Tem Ana Beltran Councilwoman Justina Cruz, and Councilwoman Judy Rivera and City Attorney Mitch Driskill.

Absent: Mayor Xavier Mendez and Councilman Ray Gutierrez.

Oral Communication:

- Matt Gray – CR&R Representative. Mr. Gray discussed to council about the rates and what they provide to the city. **Council requested for it to be placed on next agenda November 2nd.**
- City Residence at 246 W 2nd Street- Mrs. Garcia stated to council she lived at her address for the past 30 years. She confessed to council that she dose as well have a dog that does get out occasionally. But she can no longer hold her back her complaints about her neighbor Mrs. De Luna down the street. She stated to council she and others feel threatened by her. Mrs. De Lunas home has much fire hazardous trash outside as well from the trash causes bugs and mice to be entering the neighbors homes. Along with her dogs that get out and attach the local people on the street. She then proceeded to show council a video of the dogs chasing a bystander down the street. Chief Monita stated that he did receive a copy of the Animal ordnance and state that she was over the dog limit in the City of Westmorland and he has been trying to get into contact with Mrs. De Luna.

Public Comments:

1. Presentation on Imperial Valley College Comprehensive Master Plan. By Britt. Mr. Britt came and presented the IVC Measure B. he as well stated the college recently just became 60 years old. He continued his prestation on the new updates of the college such as new majors, building and projects to come the communities in the imperial valley.

Council, Staff & Consultants – Discussion/Action:

1. Discussion & Action: Requesting to change name on CDBG Account from “Chirp CDBG Account” to “CDBG Account”. By Ana Beltran Mayor Pro-Tem. Mrs. Beltran explained to council we currently have three(3) accounts under the name “Chirp” and requested to council to have less confusion within the banks is to remove the “Chirp” from the “Chirp CDBG Account” to be just “ CDBG Account”. Mrs. Nava stated to council we could not

remove “chirp” from one of the Bank Accounts. The council requested to receive the account numbers and names to be made on a sheet to be reviewed. **Council Tabled the item.**

2. Discussion & Action: Requesting to close the Union Bank Account and move it to the Mechanic Bank. By, Ana Beltran Mayor Pro-Tem. Mrs. Beltran suggested to council to move our Union Bank closer and transfer it to the Mechanic Bank in Brawley. Council motioned to pass the transferring of the Union Bank to the Mechanic Bank. **Motioned by Mrs. Cruz second by Mrs. Rivera. 3-0 Approved.**
3. Discussion & Action: Requesting Approval on Proclamation Declaring November 2022 as Family Court Awareness Month. By, Christine Pisch City Clerk. Mrs. Pisch Presented the proclamation declaring Family Court Awareness Month November 2022. She continued to explain that this proclamation expresses the support of children being placed in the correct homes. Council motioned to pass the Proclamation Declaring November 2022 as Family Court Awareness Month. **Motion by Mrs. Cruz second by Mrs. Rivera. 3-0 Approved.**
4. Discussion & Action: Requesting approval to Purchase of 4 and 1 meter for Public and Fire Fighter safety. By Sergio Cruz Fire Chief. Chief Cruz presented to council to purchase Meters for the safety of the citizens in Westmorland and for the Westmorland Fire Department. Motion was passed to purchase of 4 and 1 meters out of the Chirp Account. **Motioned by Mrs. Beltran second by Mrs. Rivera. 3-0 Approval.**
5. Discussion & Action: Discussion on Campesinos Unidos, Inc. to dedicate (donate) Assessor’s Parcel Number 035-221-013-000 to the City of Westmorland for Street right of way Purposes. Christine Pisch City Clerk. Mrs. Pisch Brought a proposal to council. She’s currently been in contact with the Attorney that Campesinos Unidos Inc. they no longer want to be in position of the parcel : 035-221-013-000. They have mentioned based off Mr. Joel Hamby’s suggestion to dedicate and or donate to the City of Westmorland. City Attorney Mr. Driskill suggested to council to motion to accept the proposal of dedicating this Parcel to the City of Westmorland. the city council motioned to approve the proposal of dedicating this parcel number: 035-221-013-000 from Campesinos Unidos, Inc to the City of Westmorland. **Motioned by Mrs. Cruz second Mrs. Rivera. 3-0 Approval.**

Staff Reports Non-Action Items:

- **Police Department Perry Monita Police Chief** – Chief Monita reported to Council that in the near future he will be creating an ordinance for AB4 & AB1 from the State for Military Equipment for all Police Departments in California.
- **Fire Department Sergio Cruz Fire Chief** – Nothing to report.
- **Public Works Ramiro Barajas** – Nothing to report.
- **City Hall Supervisor Tami Castro** – Nothing to report.
- **City Treasurer Terri Nava** – Nothing to report.

- **City Clerk Christine Pisch** - Nothing to report.

Closed Session: Public Employee Compensation (*Government Code 54957.6*) - Public Service Employees Job descriptions and salary scales, as well as Appointment, Employment, or evaluation and possible management position (*Gov't. Code §54957(b)(1).*)

- City Council

Nothing to be reported back.

Consent Agenda:

- Approval/Action: Approval of October 5, 2022 Meeting Minutes, and City Warrants.
Motion to Approve by Mrs. Rivera second by Mrs. Cruz. 3-0 Approval

Adjournment:

Adjourned Meeting Motioned by Council man Mrs. Rivera second by Mrs. Cruz. 3-0 Approved.
Time ending at 7:33PM.

Next Regular Meeting: November 2, 2022 at 6:00 PM.

/s/ Christine Pisch

Christine C. Pisch

Christine Pisch, City Clerk

/s/ Xavier Mendez

Xavier Mendez

Xavier Mendez, Mayor

Submitted for Approval: October 11, 2022.

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