

**THE HEFFERNAN MEMORIAL HEALTHCARE DISTRICT MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 15<sup>th</sup> OF AUGUST 2018 AT THE 601 HEBER AVE. CALEXICO, CA. THE DATE, HOUR AND PLACE DULY ESTABLISHED OR THE HOLDING OF SAID MEETING.**

**TO CALL ORDER:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:30p.m. by Hector Martinez and led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

**ROLL CALL-DETERMINATION OF QUARUM:**

Chairperson	Hector Martinez
Vice Chairperson	Gloria G. Romo
Secretary	Sylvia Bernal
Chief Financial	Norma M. Apodaca
Trustee	Rodolfo Valdez

**GUESTS:**

Eduardo Rivera- Attorney  
Brenda Ryan-Board Clerk

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

Board Member Martinez requested to move up items 11 for discussion/action items because he has to be somewhere else.

Motion was made by Board Member Bernal and second by Board Member Apodaca to approve moving items 11 for discussion/action items to the top and to approve the agenda for August 18, 2018. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Martinez, Romo, Bernal, Apodaca, Valdez  
NOES: None

**DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:**

1. Discussion and/or action on revised Hosanna Foundation proposal.

In Board Member Romo's opinion with the information sent to LAFCO by Dr. Reyes the questions of LAFCO are answered.

Board Member Valdez believes this is the second option and that is the corrected date and the new starting date.

Motion was made by Board Member Apodaca and second by Board Member Bernal to approve the Hosanna Foundation Contract as it is subject to LAFCO's approval. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Martinez, Romo, Bernal, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

2. Discussion and/or action on Easy Access Medical Center proposal for \$402,095.00.

Dr. Vo and Ralph Cordova gave a presentation and went over the proposal.

Board Member Romo asked Dr. Vo if the organization is a non-profit and his response was it is a profit.

Board Member Apodaca asked if he already had his licenses for the clinic and Dr. Vo's response was yes he does.

Mr. Rivera informed the board that there regulations call for non-profit eligibility for grants. That is what your regulations say there are two projects that have been brought to you several times and the board has discussed them in the past and those are Dr. Vo's and Dr. Kelada and both applications are not non-profit but since the board had already discussed them and have had several meetings concerning those Brenda Ryan asked me specifically whether or not they should be placed on the agenda since they were not non-profit. I advised her to have the board make a decision in regards to the applications because number one they are not non-profit number two whether or not you wanted to transmit them over to LAFCO with a stipulation that they are not non-profits and our regulations call for non-profit and see what LAFCO might decide. The last point is there is very great likelihood that there will be an appointment of the district manager today and one of the alternatives is that the board differ any action until your district manager gets on board and have your district manager get a chance to review the request and then discuss it with the board but right now your regulations very clearly state that your grant funds are designated for non-profit organizations. The board needs to make some type of decision in regards to what it wishes to do. You can acknowledge the receive without approval and submit it to LAFCO and also submit a statement saying pursuant to the regulations they are not a non-profit and let LAFCO review it and send it back and by that time you will have your district manager here or you can do the opposite and just table the matter and take action on your district manager who the applicant is a very very experienced individual and obtain his opinion on the proposal. It's up to the board but the very simple answer is no. The regulations call for a non-profit and Dr. Vo application submittal does not qualify under the non-profit but since the board has addressed this issue several times and that is why it is before them.

Board Member Bernal feels that since we are going to be hiring our district manager pretty soon she would like for him to look over this and once he makes his final decision then send it to LAFCO and see what can be done.

Board Member Romo would like to know how else we could help them.

Mr. Rivera would like to further say something that, that the board has not addressed this for the longest time and now that your prospective manager might be on board pretty soon. Under the health and safety code you have chosen to place a non-profit status on your regulation for funding. Under the state health and safety code which enables you to function various tasks one of the tasks the state allows you to do is to partner up with medical offices. You have not addressed that because you have not gotten to this point in a very long time. There was always a requirement that the entity be a non-profit of the individual be a non-profit and so forth but now with the new manager on board maybe all of you can address that issue at a future meeting.

Motion was made by Board Member Romo and second by Board Member Apodaca to table this item. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Martinez, Romo, Bernal, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

3. Discussion and/or action on attending the Amigos del Alejandro 9th Annual Gold Ribbon Dinner Dance (benefits children with cancer).

Board Member Bernal added this item to the agenda because she thinks that it is a well-deserved organization. They work with children that have cancer and provide transportation. She thinks that we should buy a table even if some of us can't go the idea is to donate and support this organization.

Motion was made by Board Member Apodaca and second by Board Member Valdez to approve purchasing a table for the Amigos del Alejandro 9th Annual Gold Ribbon Dinner Dance. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Martinez, Romo, Bernal, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

4. Discussion and/or action on attending the National Association of Parks and Recreation Conference 2018 on September 25-September 27, 2018 at Indianapolis, IN. for the amount of \$715.00 per person.

Motion was made by Board Member Bernal and second by Board Member Romo to approve attending this event. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Martinez, Romo, Bernal, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

Mr. Martinez will not be able to attend this event.

5. Discussion and/or action on the Treasurer Report.

Motion was made by Board Member Bernal and second by Board Member Romo to approve the treasurer report. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Martinez, Romo, Bernal, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

Mr. Martinez stepped out and handed over the meeting to Mrs. Romo.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT TIME:**

Blanca Morales from the Calxico Wellness Center informed the board that she gave Brenda the information on equipment quotes that need to be purchased for her to add to the agenda for the next meeting.

### **CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Motion was made by Board Member Bernal and seconded by Board Member Valdez to approve the minutes for July 11, 2018 and July 18, 2018. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Romo, Bernal, Apodaca Valdez

NOES: None

**REPORTS ON MEETING AND EVENTS ATTENDED BY DIRECTORS AND AUTHORIZATION FOR DIRECTOR ATTENDANCE AT UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS/DIRECTORS COMMENTS**

Board Member Bernal reported that last night they met with Mr. Pimentel at Heber Park. He did some videotaping on the equipment we have there. She thanked Mrs. Estrada for taking her people to videotape them using the equipment to promote.

Board Member Romo also attended the event at Heber Park and congratulated Mrs. Estrada for her support.

**COMMENTS BY TONY PIMENTEL**

Mr. Pimentel reported that they are ready to start with the TV advertising with Univision and KYMA starting in September. Yesterday he recorded the video than you to the Calexico Parent Association for the participation. We had about 15 people yesterday at Heber Park from 6pm-7pm regarding the video that will advertise in those channels promoting the Wellness Parks. Tomorrow from 5pm-8pm we are going to be at the swimming pool with the directors and giving the plastic bottles to promote the money that Heffernan gave to the School District to keep the pool open for the community.

**COMMENTS BY GENERAL COUNSEL:**

None.

**INFORMATION ITEMS:**

1. Case Study and evidence base medicine for evaluation and limited progression of diabetic kidney disease presentation.

Dr. Kelada gave a brief presentation on this study and informed the board that this study will be done by her son.

Dr. Kelada will be submitting the application as a non-profit.

2. I.V. Cancer Support report.

Mrs. Chin gave a report on the I.V. Cancer Support program.

3. Heffernan Wellness for Kids report.

Patty did not attend the meeting. Item will be tabled for the next meeting.

4. Proactive Health Program update.

Mr. Ramirez gave a brief update on the Proactive Health Program.

5. Asthma Care Program update.

The Director gave a brief update on the Asthma Care Program.

6. Wellness Park sign update.

Mr. Pimentel informed the board that at the last meeting they had requested to get more information about the three Wellness Parks, Crummett Park, Nosotros Park and Cordova Park. There is a 9 by 5 feet that has a 5 year warranty for \$350.00 for each one. It is aluminum with plastic. This is provided at the sign shop in El Centro on Main Street.

This item will be placed on the next agenda.

**CLOSED SESSION:**

Mr. Rivera reported that the board of trustees of Heffernan Memorial to action in executive session. The board of trustees approved the employment contract as an independent contractor for Rosario Viscara as the district bookkeeper. The board took action and approved a written contract as an independent contractor for the board secretary Brenda Ryan. The board of trustee in open session is announcing the independent contractor Tony Pimentel as the district publicist. The board also approved as district manager Tomas Virgen as an independent contractor under the following terms: Part-time, for \$60 thousand dollars a year, includes the meetings for the district.

Motion was made by Board Member Bernal and second by Board Member Apodaca to approve each independent contractor. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Romo, Bernal, Apodaca, Valdez

NOES: None

**ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS:**

Wellness Park Signs

**ADJOURNMENT:**

With no future business to discuss Board Member Bernal made motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:45pm. Second by Board Member Apodaca. All in favor.