

THE HEFFERNAN MEMORIAL HEALTHCARE DISTRICT MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON THE 11th OF SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 608 HEBER AVE. CALEXICO, CA. CITY OF CALEXICO ON THE DATE, HOUR AND PLACE DULY ESTABLISHED OR THE HOLDING OF SAID MEETING.

TO CALL ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:01p.m. by Gloria Romo led those present in the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL-DETERMINATION OF QUARUM:

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

GUESTS:

Tomas Virgen-Executive District Manager
Eduardo Rivera- Attorney
Brenda Ryan-Board Clerk
Tony Pimentel-Public Relations

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion was made by Board Member Martinez and second by Board Member Valdez to approve the agenda for September 11, 2019. Motion passed by the following vote wit:

AYES: Romo, Valdez, Apodaca, Grijalva, Martinez

NOES: None

PRESENTATION BY HEFFERNAN MEMORIAL HEALTHCARE DISTRICT IN MEMORIAM OF ALL THE FIREFIGHTERS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS WHO SACRIFICED THEIR LIVES ON 9/11/01.

In honor of 9/11 we had a moment of silence. The board of director presented a certificate to the fire fighter and law enforcement for their outstanding service in our community. The board also presented a certificate of recognition to Vice President Mr. Valdez for retired fire fighter captain and US navy veteran.

PUBLIC COMMENT TIME:

None

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

Board Member Grijalva reported that she attended a meeting with the assistant city manager last week regarding our Wellness Parks and how the city has not done any maintenance on them and have not touched them in like 8-10 years. She has been getting reports from our citizens that some of the equipment is not working properly. Mrs. Grijalva was told that the city will start checking in on it but she does not know whether they have or not. She also reported that she was told by Stella Jimenez the rep for Assemblyman Eduardo Garcia that there was still grant available but Heffernan cannot apply for them by themselves but the city would have to do it themselves and we could ask them to do it that way we could be covered for the shades for the Wellness Parks. They said they were working on it but also does not know if they are or not. She also reported that the Congressman Vargas press release regarding a \$5 million grant that he wants to have passed just Imperial County regarding asthma and all long diseases. This hasn't passed by he has proposed it.

Board Member Romo reported the same events as Mrs. Grijalva.

REPORTS BY ALL HMHD COMMITTEES

Mr. Virgen reported that the planning committee has a lot of work ahead of them and one of them is we are going to talk on the RFI. We do have a dash board that we created that for all the projects that we are doing and now that we have a working RFI we are going to start moving forward with the attorney on the architect selection on 400 Mary Ave. First we have to screen them and figure out who are the top 3 we are going to go with. Once we get to the RFI Mr. Virgen will talk about that but as far as the goals we are doing now we are trying to stay on track on the projects we have, which is on the budget and is on the strategic plan.

COMMENTS BY TONY PIMENTEL

Mr. Pimentel reported he attended the press conference with some of the directors. He reported that we have a press conference here on September 25 at 11:00 am in the mooring to let press know the trip the board is doing and also whatever happens today on the agenda for all the projects of the district.

COMMENTS BY EXECUTIVE DISTRICT MANAGER:

None

COMMENTS BY GENERAL COUNSEL:

Mr. Rivera reported that in the future he will be providing some information concerning a bill that currently has been passed by the senate concerning independent contractors. The assembly has already passed the bill but it's a little bit different so they have to get into committee and conference to resolve the issue. Our governor this past Sunday wrote an opinion pieces in one of the major state newspapers supporting the bill and obviously we need to analyze that. The bill does not go into effect until 2020 but he will provide information on it so the board can start reading in on it and maybe we can have a discussion on it because it appears the horizon for this type of issue might have an impact on Heffernan. He wants to get that information to the board as soon as possible so the board has plenty of time to discuss it, analyze it and make appropriate decisions if need be.

INFORMATION ITEMS:

1. ACHD Annual Conference on October 9-11, 2019.

Mr. Virgen reported that they are all registered and hotel is all set. You all have confirmations in your emails.

DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS:

1. Discussion and/or action on MOU with Calexico Unified School District regarding dissemination of healthcare information by HMHD to students and parents of Calexico Unified School District.

Mr. Virgen reported that is something that was drafted as a conversation that we had with the Calexico Unified School District last year and it is finally here so we can get our information out there and it's a big win for marketing purposes.

Motion was made by Board Member Apodaca and second by Board Member Martinez to approve the MOU with the Calexico Unified School District. Motion passed by the following wit:

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

2. Discussion and/or action of request for interest for the architectural services for 400 Mary Ave.

Mr. Virgen presented a drafted RFI. This is going to be sent multiple architectural firms. Once we get to review them and get a back word on projects they have done we are going to select whatever number the committee decides and once we do that then we decided if it's ready to start for 400 Mary site remodel.

Motion was made by Board Member Valdez and second by Board Member Martinez to approve the request for interest for the architectural services for 400 Mary Ave. Motion passed by the following wit:

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

3. Discussion and/or action of visit to RHC's and FQHC's in the San Diego, Yuma and Imperial Valley area and approval of cost.

Motion was made by Board Member Martinez and second by Board Member Valdez to approve the visits to RHC's and FQHC's in the San Diego, Yuma Imperial Valley areas. Motion passed by the following wit:

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

4. Discussion and/or action on status of Heffernan Memorial Healthcare District Wellness Park and future expansion or modification.

Mr. Virgen wanted to tell the board that he knows in the past he has been very open that it is a city business and not our business however it is, it is a health business. The prices have dropped dramatically. You could get a circuit in the new park for under 10 grand with a shade already included. If that was something that you did there is buffering in the budget and he could tell us that we always leave a little fan in the budget for the same reasons because we don't know what

is going to happen. So if that is something the board will like to do as far as getting that park. It does fit our motto. In the strategic plan there was some language to promote health into the community to talk about how to get people out there. He has no problem putting it out there. He's biggest concern is how to get people to use it.

Board Member Valdez would like to comment on the city fixing or taking care of the equipment. Is there any way we can handle that or take care of that. Mr. Virgen informed him that we have an agreement with them on that. Mr. Valdez feels that we have to enforce it because they are not doing anything.

Mr. Rivera recommends a presentation to the city council which may be embarrassing to the administrators but something has to be done to rectify the lack of inspection, the lack of maintenance, the lack of record keeping determining how often the equipment is reviewed. Mr. Rivera can assure them that the equipment has not been reviewed since it was installed. He thinks the district is in a bind. You have your partner who isn't complaint. He thinks that number one you will have to step up on some administrative toes to get to the policy maker to the elective officials. The second alternative is that you propose to the city that they go through an employment service and hire somebody for maintenance only. That way you don't have to worry about employees from parks of recreation. You just hire somebody with experience to go in there and it might be for a short period of time. It might just be for a week and then you would hire them again in 2 months or something like that but he thinks the district should push this issue. He thinks it's embarrassing to have equipment doesn't work. It looks bad on the city and looks bad on Heffernan. Mr. Rivera recommends for the board to request to be placed on the city council agenda.

Motion was made by Board Member Martinez and second by Board Member Valdez to approve directing Mr. Virgen and Mr. Rivera to request that Heffernan Memorial be placed on the Calexico City Council agenda regarding the parks and to instruct the planning committee to come up with a presentation for the city council. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Romo, Valdez, Apodaca, Grijalva, Martinez

NOES: None

5. Discussion and/or action on changing the October 9, 2019 regular meeting to October 16, 2019 and cancellation of the October 23, 2019 regular meeting.

Motion was made by Board Member Martinez and second by Board Member Valdez to approve changing the October 9th regular meeting to October 16th and cancelling the October 23rd meeting. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Romo, Valdez, Apodaca, Grijalva, Martinez

NOES: None

6. Discussion and/or action on rescheduling the November 27, 2019 regular meeting to November 26, 2019.

Motion was made by Board Member Martinez and second by Board Member Apodaca to approve rescheduling the November 27th meeting to November 26th. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Romo, Valdez, Apodaca, Grijalva, Martinez

NOES: None

7. Discussion and/or action on cancellation of the 2nd regular meeting of December 25, 2019.

Motion was made by Board Member Martinez and second by Board Member Apodaca to approve canceling the 2nd regular meeting of December 25th, 2019. Motion passed by the following wit:

AYES: Romo, Valdez, Apodaca, Grijalva, Martinez

NOES: None

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA:

The chief of police request of defibrillators

Reports on negotiation of grants

CLOSED SESSION:

No action was taken in closed session.

ADJOURNMENT:

With no future business to discuss Board Member Martinez made motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 p.m. Second by Board Member Apodaca. All in favor.