

The Board met in a Regular Meeting at the Santa Cruz County Complex, 2150 N. Congress Drive, Room #120, Nogales, AZ. Present: Bruce Bracker, Chairman; Manuel Ruiz, Vice-Chairman; Rudy Molera, Member (present via Zoom); Jennifer St. John, County Manager; Kim Hunley, Chief Deputy County Attorney; William Moran, Civil Deputy County Attorney III; Robert May, Civil Bureau Chief; and Alma Schultz, Clerk of the Board.

**CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Chairman Bracker called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Ray Sayre, former Emergency Management Director.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to adopt the Agenda as presented and to deviate from the Agenda sequence as necessary; seconded by Supervisor Molera, the motion was carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**CALL TO THE PUBLIC:**

Jesus Jerez, a county resident, spoke of the joy of working with the Elections Department during the election season, the need for pothole repair during the election season, and the importance of addressing the sheriff's radio communication.

**CURRENT EVENTS**

**1. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

**SUPERVISOR MOLERA:** attended a meeting via Zoom with Senator Mark Kelly; met with the City of Nogales, Mayor Maldonado, and Unisource Director Roberto Guevara; and participated in an LPC (legislative policy committee) meeting.

**VICE-CHAIRMAN RUIZ:** spoke of his father's 97th birthday; attended the Governor's State of the State, and asked Sheriff Hathaway for an update report on the radio system.

**CHAIRMAN BRACKER:** took part in a meeting with the Arizona Border Counties Coalition and Governor Hobbs; thanked County Manager St. John and Deputy County Manager Valdez for the meeting with the community of West Gate in the county for a land donation; met with Chief Executive Officer, Steve Farley of Humane Society of Southern Arizona, on building a shelter in the county; attended a Rio Rico Thespians Play, and thanked the US Forest Service for their service.

**2. MANAGER**

**JENNIFER ST. JOHN, COUNTY MANAGER,** spoke of the progress in the Compensation Study with Public Sector Personnel Consultants to provide new job descriptions to match what employees are doing, recommend any changes, and provide an improved salary structure; continue to work on the personal policy with the goal of providing it to the departments in the summer; took part in succession planning for the Executive Director of the Arizona Counties Insurance Pool; attended two meetings on software implementation of NextRequest for public records and ExecuTime for time & attendance and participated in County Supervisor Association meetings.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORTS AND ACTIVITIES**

### **1. FINANCE: CASH & INVESTMENTS, EXPENDITURES & REVENUE REPORTS**

Mauricio Chavez, Administrative Services Director, reported \$18,944,893.45 in the General Fund, of which \$14,561,710.77 is invested; \$1,156,927.32 in the Road Fund, of which \$7,144.60 is invested; \$1,100,012.60 in the Flood Control District Fund, of which \$270,717.66 is invested; \$4,280,631.08 in the Jail District Fund, of which \$1,026,609.41 is invested; \$49,450,182.52 total for all funds, of which \$17,725,720.91 is invested; \$13,780,956.60 estimated end of month balance, compared to \$12,907,083.24 cash at April 2022, a difference of \$873,873.36.

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to convene the Flood Control District and recess the Regular Meeting seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

### **FLOOD CONTROL**

#### **1. DIRECTOR'S/PROJECT REPORT**

Presented by Angie Pimienta, Public Works

#### **2. MONTHLY REPORT FROM CITY OF NOGALES**

Presented by Juan Guerra, City of Nogales

#### **3. MONTHLY REPORT FROM THE TOWN OF PATAGONIA**

A written report was provided by the Town of Patagonia.

#### **4. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ray Sayre, former Emergency Management Director, provided a suggestion to include a number on the concrete panels for reliable locators. Supervisor Molera thanked Public Works for all their hard work.

The Board adjourned as the Flood Control District Board and convened into the Regular Meeting. (Motion: Vice-Chairman Ruiz; second: Supervisor Molera; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

### **ACTION ITEMS**

#### **1. PRESENTATION ON COMMUNITY CLEANUPS BY JESSY ZAMORANO, PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, AND RAY SAYRE, CHAIRPERSON OF THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY SHINING AZ**

Presented by Jessy Zamorano, President and Executive Director, and Ray Sayre, Chairperson of the Santa Cruz County Shining AZ

Vice-Chairman Ruiz thanked Santa Cruz County Shining AZ and asked for areas within the border to be identified to continue with the project.

#### **2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE RE-APPOINTMENTS TO SERVE AS JUDGE PRO TEMPORE IN THE SUPERIOR COURT FROM JULY 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2024: (REQ: SUPERIOR COURT)**

**A VANESSA CARTWRIGHT AS FULL-TIME**

**B SHEILA DAGUCON AS TEMPORARY PART-TIME**

**C DEE-DEE SAMET AS VOLUNTEER**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion

carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**3. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE COOPERATIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT AGREEMENT WITH THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL (USDA), FOREST SERVICE FOR THE USE OF NATIONAL FOREST SYSTEM LANDS (NFS LANDS) EFFECTIVE UNTIL DECEMBER 31, 2027 (REQ: SHERIFF)**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**4. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. 2023-04 TO ADOPT A FAIR HOUSING POLICY TO AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHER FAIR HOUSING (REQ: SPECIAL PROJECTS)**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**5. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE CITY OF TUCSON HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA (HIDTA) PROGRAM GRANT AGREEMENT COT GRANT NUMBER: HT-23-2951 FROM JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2024, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$490,533 (REQ: COUNTY ATTORNEY)**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**6. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO RATIFY THE AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE IN THE TEVA, ALLERGAN, CVS, AND WALMART NATIONAL OPIOID SETTLEMENT APPROVED ON 02/21/2023 (REQ: COUNTY ATTORNEY)**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

Kim Hunley, Deputy County Attorney, advised the board that she needed to sign the agreement electronically and needed ratification for her authority to sign on their behalf.

**7. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE GENERAL CONSULTING CONTRACT WITH MYC LLC FOR PROJECT MANAGEMENT CONSULTING ON PARKS, PUBLIC WORKS AND AUCTIONS NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000 FROM SEPTEMBER 19, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023 (REQ: PUBLIC WORKS)**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**8. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE CHIP SEALING FOR UPPER ELGIN ROAD, ELGIN CANELO ROAD, PENDLETON DRIVE, CALLE CIPRES, AND MARTAN ROAD (REQ: PUBLIC WORKS)**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

Supervisor Molera thanked Public Works and Vice-Chairman Ruiz directed Jesus Valdez, Deputy County Manager/Public Works Director, to review other roads such as Agua Salada that was brought to the Board's attention by a constituent during Call to the Public.

**9. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE GENERAL CONSULTING CONTRACT WITH PR3 PROJECT MANAGEMENT SERVICES FOR HUMAN RESOURCE AND POLICY AND PROCEDURE CONSULTING FROM JANUARY 1, 2023 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023 IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$60,000 (REQ: COUNTY MANAGER)**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**10. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PROCLAMATIONS DESIGNATING:**

**A APRIL 2022 AS NATIONAL COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH (REQ: COUNTY MANAGER)**

Chairman Bracker read the proclamation.

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**B APRIL 9-15, 2023 AS ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL APPRECIATION WEEK (REQ: ANIMAL CARE & CONTROL)**

Chairman Bracker read the proclamation.

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

Chairman Bracker thanked animal control for their great job and service.

**C APRIL 9-15, 2023 AS PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK (REQ: SHERIFF)**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz read the proclamation.

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**D APRIL 16-22, 2023 AS NATIONAL VOLUNTEER WEEK (REQ: SHERIFF)**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz read the proclamation.

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**11. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE BONDS FOR DUPLICATE WARRANTS: (REQ: CLERK)**

**A #2-107856 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$18,634.20 DATED 10/04/2022 PAYABLE TO CENTURY LINK BUSINESS SERVICES**

**B #2-110085 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$170.00 DATED 01/17/2023 PAYABLE TO SAFARI ELECTRIC INC.**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**12. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL FOR THE BINGO LICENSE APPLICATION FOR SANTA CRUZ COUNTY MUSTANG 4-H CLUB - LEADER LEIGH A. CHEATHAM IN SONOITA (REQ: CLERK)**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**13. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE APPLICATION FOR FIREWORKS DISPLAY AT THE RIO RICO HIGH SCHOOL ON: (REQ: CLERK)**

**A MAY 11, 2023 FOR SENIOR NIGHT PARADE**

**B MAY 18, 2023 FOR THE GRADUATION**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**14. TAX VALUATION ADJUSTMENT: (REQ: ASSESSOR)**

**116-12-260-A - MICHAEL J. WISE & JANE LATZKA WISE, RESOLUTION NO. 56614**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**15. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 03/21/2023**

Vice-Chairman Ruiz made a motion to approve, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion

carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

**16. DEMANDS** were approved in the total amount of \$920,905.65, of which \$508,791.53 is from the General Fund. Details of these expenditures are available for inspection during working hours and are to be considered as part of these minutes. (motion: Vice-Chairman Ruiz; second: Supervisor Molera; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 10:34 a.m. (motion: Chairman Bracker; second: Vice-Chairman Ruiz and Supervisor Molera; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)