

The Board met in a Regular Meeting at the Santa Cruz County Complex, 2150 N. Congress Drive, Room #120, Nogales, AZ. Present: Manny Ruiz, Chairman; Bruce Bracker, Vice-Chairman; Rudy Molera, Member; Jennifer St. John, County Manager; Kim Hunley, Chief Civil Deputy County Attorney; Laura Roubicek, Deputy County Attorney; and Alma Schultz, Clerk of the Board.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Ruiz called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Dr. Marcelino Varona.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Supervisor Molera made a motion to adopt the Agenda removing Action item G6 for staff review and deviate from the Agenda sequence as necessary; seconded by Vice-Chairman Bracker; motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

ACTION ITEMS

1. APPROVE THE RE-APPOINTMENT OF BRIAN VANDERVOET TO THE NOGALES/SANTA CRUZ COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD FOR DISTRICT NO. 3

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

CURRENT EVENTS

1. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS:

VICE-CHAIRMAN BRACKER provided insight on the recognition of the AZ19 2021 Most Influential People event held by the Nogales International and Wick Newspapers. Congratulated several individuals and one business recognized from Santa Cruz County while encouraging others with free time to volunteer and serve the community that will make a big difference.

SUPERVISOR MOLERA attended a caucus of small counties that related to many counties throughout the state having census discrepancies due to the COVID19 pandemic, resulting in counties now asking for a more accurate count. Congratulated and thanked Finance Director Mauricio Chavez for the findings on the determination of bonds to continue as non-taxable and Juan Balderas for continued efforts with broadband. Expressed continued hopes for the Fisher Sand and Gravel asphalt plant to be done soon and end nuisance for the neighborhood.

CHAIRMAN RUIZ met with consultants, former Graham County Manager Terry Cooper, and Graham County Supervisor Jim Palmer to address the broadband project and ways for funding the service. Advised of future attendance to the upcoming County Supervisors Association (CSA) Summit in Prescott to discuss and vote on the legislative agenda and asked constituents to stay engaged.

2. MANAGER:

JENNIFER ST. JOHN, COUNTY MANAGER, continues regular meetings with ADQ and ADOT with Supervisor Molera and reaching out to state legislators for relief on Fisher activity and I19 paving.

Attended a monthly meeting with the Town of Patagonia, a county manager's meeting, a quarterly health insurance pool meeting with Human Resources Director Sonia Jones, and met with broadband consultants with I.T. Director Juan Balderas. Met and exchanged ideas with the Interim Director of the University of Arizona Cooperative Extension in Santa Cruz County, Ethan Orr. Honored to speak to the Citizen's County

regarding the county's plan on the booster vaccine.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

1. FINANCE: CASH & INVESTMENT, EXPENDITURES & REVENUE REPORTS

Administrative Services Department Director, Mauricio Chavez reported \$12,377,203.19 in the General Fund, of which \$10,286,129.59 is invested; \$2,031,933.56 in the Road Fund, of which \$815,240.28 is invested; \$2,115,039.31 in the Flood Control District Fund, of which \$1,862,176.44 is invested; \$2,227,539.50 in the Jail District Fund, of which \$1,001,830.46 is invested; \$35,957,771.55 total for all funds, of which \$15,779,793.22 is invested; \$9,728,427.13 estimated end of month balance.

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

JAIL DISTRICT

1. AUTHORIZATION TO FILL: *a) Detention Sergeant position, b) Five (5) Detention Officer positions & c) Two (2) Detention Booking Clerk positions:*

Supervisor Molera made a motion to approve 1a through 1c, seconded by Vice-Chairman Bracker; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

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

CONT. ACTION ITEMS

2. APPROVE PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE FRIENDS OF THE TUBAC PRESIDIO AND MUSEUM TO MAINTAIN AND OPERATE THE TUBAC PRESIDIO STATE HISTORIC PARK

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

3. APPROVE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENTS FOR THE COLLEGE - CAREER READINESS AND EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES (C-CREO) PROJECT EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2022 WITH: *a) Santa Cruz Valley Unified School District #35 in the amount of \$200,643, b) Nogales Unified School District #1 in the amount of \$197,877, & c) Santa Cruz County Provisional Community College District in the amount of \$25,900*

Chairman Ruiz stated he is also a Nogales Unified School District Governing Board member with no gain or interest from his action today.

Supervisor Molera made a motion to approve 3a through 3c; seconded by Vice-Chairman Bracker; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

4. APPROVE AN AMENDMENT TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH MARIPOSA COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT PARTICIPATION IN HRSA RCORP-I GRANT PROGRAM OVERCOMING SUBSTANCE ABUSE CONSORTIUM

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

5. APPROVE THE CITY OF TUCSON HIGH INTENSITY DRUG TRAFFICKING AREA (HIDTA) PROGRAM GRANT AGREEMENT, COT GRANT NUMBER: HT-21-2054 FROM JANUARY 1, 2021 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$181,715

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

6. APPROVE PROPOSAL WITH PUEBLO MECHANICAL & CONTROL INC. VIA THE STATEWIDE MEP JOC BY ADOA TO REPLACE THE COOLING TOWER AT 2150 N. CONGRESS DRIVE BUILDING

Removed from Agenda.

7. APPROVE AUCTION OF OBSOLETE COUNTY VEHICLES AND FURNITURE/EQUIPMENT

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

Vice-Chairman Bracker thanked everyone involved with the county for cleaning many of the spaces within the county and continued efforts.

8. APPROVE PROCLAMATIONS: *a) designating September 27th through October 3rd, 2021 as Diaper Need Awareness Week & b) designating October, 2021 as Domestic Violence Awareness month*

Supervisor Molera made a motion to approve 8a and 8b; seconded by Vice-Chairman Bracker; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

9. APPROVE CONTRACT WITH THE ARIZONA STATE BOARD OF EQUALIZATION FOR HEARING OFFICER SERVICES

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

10. RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL/DISAPPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE FOR THE ANZA TRAIL COALITION OF ARIZONA ON NOVEMBER 26TH THROUGH NOVEMBER 28TH, 2021, TUBAC

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

11. APPROVE BOND FOR DUPLICATE WARRANT #2-100046 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,250.00 DATED 07/20/2021 PAYABLE TO SAFARI ELECTRIC INC

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

12. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 09/07/2021 were approved as submitted. (Motion: Vice-Chairman Bracker; second: Supervisor Molera; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

13. MONTHLY REPORTS were accepted as submitted. (Motion: Vice-Chairman Bracker; second: Supervisor Molera; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

14. DEMANDS were approved in the total amount of \$1,142,239.86, of which \$424,277.30 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: Supervisor Molera; second: Vice-Chairman Bracker; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 09:52 a.m. (motion: Vice-Chairman Bracker; second: Supervisor Molera; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)