

The Board met in a Regular Meeting at the Santa Cruz County Complex, 2150 N. Congress Drive, Room #120, Nogales, AZ. Present: Rudy Molera, Chairman; John Fanning, Vice-Chairman; Luis Carlos Davis, Member; Jesus Valdez, County Manager; Mauricio Chavez, Deputy County Manager; Christopher Young, Deputy County Manager; Robert May, Civil Bureau Chief; Alma Schultz, Clerk of the Board.

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Molera called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Supervisor Davis made a motion to adopt the agenda by tabling Study Session item 1F, moving Consent Agenda item 3 to Action Items, and allowing deviation from the agenda sequence as necessary; the motion was seconded by Vice-Chairman Fanning and carried unanimously. (Ayes: Davis, Fanning, Molera)

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Robert Paulsen, a resident of Nogales, expressed concerns about the Hermosa Mine project.

Lorrie Paulsen, also a resident of Nogales, emphasized the importance of water in relation to the Hermosa Mine project.

Rebecca "Becky" Ball, a resident of Patagonia, voiced concerns about the Hermosa Mine project and stressed the importance of protecting water resources.

Joni Steller, a resident of Patagonia, representing the Patagonia Area Resource Alliance (PARA), discussed the need to protect community resources, specifically regarding the Community Protections and Benefits Agreement with South 32, and provided a handout for the Supervisors with additional information from PARA.

John Nordstrom, a county resident, addressed concerns related to the Hermosa Mine project, focusing on Harshaw Road, potable water, and water discharge.

John Ball, a resident of Patagonia, spoke about the importance of water and raised concerns regarding the Hermosa Mine project.

CURRENT EVENTS

1. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

VICE-CHAIRMAN FANNING: attended the Arizona Department of Transportation Santa Cruz County Roundtable; participated in the NACo Conference, which was very informative and engaging; met with representatives from the Santa Cruz Valley National Heritage Area and requested a presentation from them; took part in a coaches meeting; and sent kudos to the Santa Cruz County Little League.

SUPERVISOR DAVIS: attended a Western Region Little League baseball tournament and congratulated the Nogales team for their victory; participated in the NACo Conference, where he met with an El Paso supervisor and plans to meet with him in the near future to discuss their binational agreement with Mexico, with the goal of developing similar agreements for our community.

CHAIRMAN MOLERA: He congratulated Kerri Muniz on the successful completion of the Leaders in Training program. He took part in the NACo Conference, where he represented Arizona on the Executive Board. During the conference, discussions were held about the "Big Beautiful Bill," focusing on concerns related to healthcare coverage and the potential need to adjust for possible reductions in grant funding due to the bill. He also participated in the Jump Back to School and Back

to School Blitz events. Additionally, he thanked Mayor Maldonado for bringing tournaments to Nogales, which benefit the community. He met with Chief Justice Timmer, Superior Court Judge Fink, and Justice of the Peace Olaiz. Lastly, he sent condolences to the Munguia family during their time of loss; and thanked the Elections and Recorder's office for a successful election after the Manager.

2. MANAGER

JESUS VALDEZ, COUNTY MANAGER, provided recognition to Alma Schultz, Elections Director, Board of Supervisor's staff and County Recorder Anita Moreno and staff for a successful election and spoke about the recent open house. He mentioned that information will continue to be available until the budget is formally adopted.

Chairman Molera made introductions of the County Supervisor Association Staff and continued with the meeting.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

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

Mauricio Chavez, Deputy County Manager, reported \$22,344,751.86 in the General Fund, of which \$16,324,922.57 is invested; \$6,284,609.68 in the Road Fund, of which \$5,048,991.60 is invested; \$2,861,335.10 in the Flood Control District Fund, of which \$304,289.07 is invested; \$5,299,241.73 in the Jail District Fund, of which \$4,336,886.43 is invested; \$60,471,379.22 total for all funds, of which \$28,105,572.14 is invested; \$9,803,590.45 estimated end of month balance, compared to \$15,730,399.30 cash at July 2024, a difference of \$(5,926,808.85).

Year-End Report: The 60-day accrual period remains pending; however, the major revenue sources have been reported. Property tax collections have reached 94%, totaling \$60,273,247. Vehicle license tax collections exceed 138%, amounting to \$2.4 million. Additionally, half-cent tax revenue has increased to \$4.3 million, while state sales tax shared revenue stands at \$6.8 million.

2. DEPARTMENT(S) UPDATE

Alejandro Paz, County Treasurer, provided an update on the lockbox procedure for sending checks to PNZ Bank for processing and deposit into our system, assuring that the transactions will be accurately reflected. He also mentioned the option of sending checks directly to the Treasurer's office.

3. AWARDS, RECOGNITIONS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

A MARIELVIRA CORONADO, SOPHOMORE AT RIO RICO HIGH SCHOOL

Recognition was given to Marielvira Coronado by the Board. Ms. Coronado delivered a speech expressing her gratitude.

STUDY SESSION

1. UPDATE BY THE GREATER NOGALES SANTA CRUZ COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY BY JOSH RUBIN, CHAIRMAN OF THE GREATER NOGALES SANTA CRUZ COUNTY PORT AUTHORITY (REQ: COUNTY MANAGER)

Tabled for a future agenda.

2. COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION REPORT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (BY CRAIG SULLIVAN, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, COUNTY SUPERVISORS ASSOCIATION OF ARIZONA)

Craig Sullivan, Executive Director of the County Supervisors Association of Arizona, delivered a presentation and presented recognition to Rosanna Galbadon.

ACTION ITEMS

1. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AND CERTIFY THE CANVASS OF JULY 15, 2025, SPECIAL PRIMARY ELECTION FOR CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT 7 OFFICIAL RESULTS (REQ: ELECTIONS)

Supervisor Davis made a motion to approve, seconded by Vice-Chairman Fanning; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Davis, Fanning, Molera) The Board thanked all those involved in the election for making it successful.

2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPOINT AN INDIVIDUAL TO THE SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT POSITION, EFFECTIVE JULY 28, 2025, DUE TO THE RETIREMENT OF THE ELECTED SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT, ALFREDO VELÁSQUEZ (REQ: COUNTY MANAGER)

Vice-Chairman Fanning made a motion to appoint Maya Donnelly as the County School Superintendent, seconded by Supervisor Davis; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Davis, Fanning, Molera) The Board thanked all three who applied for the position.

3. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S OFFICE POLICIES AND GUIDEBOOKS: (REQ: TREASURER)

Alejandro Paz, County Treasurer, spoke of the item to the Board. Vice-Chairman Fanning made a motion to approve 3a-d, seconded by Supervisor Davis; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Davis, Fanning, Molera)

A TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT OVERVIEW

B INVESTMENT POLICY

C RECONCILING POLICY

D CREDIT CARD RECONCILING GUIDEBOOK

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

JAIL DISTRICT

1. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO FILL VACANT DETENTION CORPORAL POSITION (REQ: SHERIFF)

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

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

CONSENT AGENDA

Vice-Chairman Fanning made a motion to approve Consent Agenda as provided, seconded by Supervisor Davis; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Davis, Fanning, Molera)

1. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO FILL VACANT:

A COURT CLERK, SENIOR POSITION (REQ: CLERK OF SUPERIOR COURT)

B MAINTENANCE WORKER (REQ: FACILITIES MAINTENANCE)

2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO RECLASSIFY AND FILL THE ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT SENIOR POSITION TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE SUPERVISOR POSITION IN THE TREASURER'S OFFICE (REQ: HUMAN RESOURCES)

4. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE BUSINESS MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS TO THE LOCAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD, PER SECTION 107 (B)(2)(A) & BYLAWS ARTICLE VI, SECTION 1(F)(1)(2)(3)(4) (REQ: WIOA)

5. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO STANDARD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT FOR PROVISION OF INDIGENT OR MANDATED REPRESENTATION (REQ: SUPERIOR COURT)

6. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE COOPERATIVE PURCHASE AGREEMENT WITH DAVIDSON & BELLUSO, INC. FOR THE PURCHASE OF MARKETING SERVICES, CONSISTENT WITH THEIR STATE PROPOSAL, SOLICITATION NO. BPM003518 AND STATE CONTRACT NO. CTR056850 IN THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF \$30,120 (REQ: COUNTY MANAGER)

7. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH JUST APPRAISED, INC. FOR ONE OR MORE SOFTWARE AS SERVICE APPLICATIONS DESIGNED TO FACILITATE DOCUMENT PROCESSING AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR AN INITIAL THREE ANNUAL TERMS IN THE ANNUAL AMOUNT OF \$32,500 (REQ: ASSESSOR)

8. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT NO. KR21-0029 WITH CONSTRUCTING CIRCLES OF PEACE, INC., EXTENDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FROM JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 (REQ: SUPERIOR COURT)

9. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH CLOUDPERMIT, INC. FOR SOFTWARE SERVICES DESIGNED TO STREAMLINE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROCESSES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$49,500 FOR YEAR ONE, \$38,500 FOR YEAR TWO AND \$41,343 FOR YEAR THREE (REQ: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT)

10. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH CASEGUARD, INC. FOR AI REDACTION AND TRANSCRIPTION SOFTWARE FOR A TERM OF 1 YEAR IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,130 (REQ: COUNTY ATTORNEY)

11. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE VICTIM ASSISTANCE GRANT NO. VA-26-019 WITH THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION (ACJC) EFFECTIVE FROM JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$42,113.19 AND AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY OR DESIGNEE (REQ: COUNTY ATTORNEY)

12. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE VICTIM COMPENSATION GRANT NO. VC-26-013 WITH THE ARIZONA CRIMINAL JUSTICE COMMISSION (ACJC) EFFECTIVE FROM JULY 1, 2025 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$82,772 AND AUTHORIZE ACCEPTANCE BY THE COUNTY ATTORNEY OR DESIGNEE (REQ: COUNTY ATTORNEY)

13. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE GRANT SOLICITATION NO. RFGA-PC-GOYFF-070125-00 WITH THE STATE OF ARIZONA'S GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF YOUTH, FAITH, AND FAMILY FOR SFY 2026 ARIZONA PARENTS COMMISSION ON DRUG EDUCATION AND PREVENTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$193,753 (REQ: SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT)

14. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE GRANT CONTRACT NO. CTR077322 WITH THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION FOR SFY26 PROJECT FELT-FAMILY ENGAGEMENT LITERACY HUBS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$185,694 (REQ: SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT)

15. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT NO. 2025-SEDC-002 WITH THE GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF HIGHWAY SAFETY FOR STATE ELECTRONIC DATA COLLECTION (SEDC) GRANT PROGRAM EFFECTIVE THROUGH JANUARY 31, 2026 WITH AN ESTIMATED COST OF \$73,361.60 (REQ: SHERIFF)

16. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE QUOTE GSA CONTRACT NO. GS-07F-0362T WITH METAL SHARK FOR THE PURCHASE AND OUTFITTING OF A FULLY EQUIPPED LAW ENFORCEMENT BOAT/TRAILER FOR DAILY PATROL USE AND AS A PRIMARY CRAFT IN RESCUE AND EMERGENCY OPERATIONS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$228,134.96 (REQ: SHERIFF)

17. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL FOR SPECIAL EVENT LICENSE APPLICATION FOR SANTA CRUZ HUMANE SOCIETY ON 10/11/2025 IN TUMACACORI (REQ: CLERK)

18. APPROVAL OF TAX VALUATION ADJUSTMENTS: (REQ: ASSESSOR)

A 114-03-336 - RACHEL MICHELLE JONTOW, RESOLUTION NO. 57188

B 114-03-336 - RACHEL MICHELLE JONTOW, RESOLUTION NO. 57195

C 101-50-037A - PARTS UNLIMITED LLC, RESOLUTION NO.57203

19. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 07/02/2025 AND 07/08/2025 SPECIAL MEETING

20. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS

21. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS were approved in the total amount of \$1,103,720.32, of which \$639,460.09 is from the General Fund for FY26 and a total amount of \$3,298,854.78, of which \$1,096,297.10 is from the General Fund for FY2025. The total for all funds is \$4,402,575.10, of which \$1735,757.19 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.

Vice-Chairman Fanning made a motion to recess the Regular Meeting to convene into Executive Session seconded by Supervisor Davis; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Davis, Fanning, Molera)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3) & (4), DISCUSSION AND CONSULTATION FOR LEGAL ADVICE AND/OR DIRECTION REGARDING SOUTH32/HERMOSA PROJECT COMMUNITY PROTECTION AGREEMENT (REQ: COUNTY MANAGER)

The Board adjourned the Executive Session and reconvened into the Regular Meeting. (Motion: Supervisor Davis; second: Vice-Chairman Fanning; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Davis, Fanning, Molera)

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 12:27 p.m. (motion: Supervisor Davis; second: Vice-Chairman Fanning; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Davis, Fanning, Molera)