

Board of Supervisors
July 18, 2024
9:30 AM

CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman Ruiz called the meeting to order, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited, led by Vice-Chairman Bruce Bracker.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

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

County Manager Valdez requested that consent agenda item J.18 be moved to action items I.18.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC:

Joe Verdugo, a resident of Nogales, AZ, stated that he is running for Supervisor District 1 and mentioned that he received a ballot that was issued to his deceased aunt. He expressed concern and would like that issue to be fixed. Chairman Ruiz directed him to take the ballot to the Recorder's Office.

Gregg Gorton, a resident of Cross Creek Road in Patagonia, expressed concern regarding the Emily Lane evacuation and exit route. He stated that it is now blocked and that the residents have not been informed that the evacuation route has been eliminated. He hopes that there will soon be a permanent evacuation route for the residents and businesses in the area. Chairman Ruiz directed that County manager Valdez coordinate with Public Works Director Mr. Leonard Fontes to address this issue. Vice-Chairman Bracker stated that they have been working very hard regarding this issue and are close to a solution.

CURRENT EVENTS

1. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS

VICE-CHAIRMAN BRUCE BRACKER: Spoke about the Port Authority Survey that the County and the City of Nogales have contracted the greater Nogales Port Authority to work on the EPA funded downtown vitality plan. Vice-Chairman Bracker mentioned that the survey is available on the Santa Cruz County web page. In addition, he stated that he went on a mine tour with South32, the Secretary of State Adrian Fontes, and other members of the community. He stated he had an opportunity to attend the Rio Rico Historical Society petrified rock exhibit in Santa Cruz County. He also participated in a candidates' forum for Supervisor, District 3 and thanked Patagonia Regional Times (PRT) and We Love Nogales for livestreaming.

SUPERVISOR MOLERA: Stated that he along with his colleague Chairman Ruiz and County Manager Valdez were in Tampa, FL to represent our State Association at an Executive Board Meeting. He mentioned that a keynote speaker from the White House Office of International Affairs, Daniel Coe, spoke about the key elements and issues that the White House is focusing on. One being broadband. He mentioned that mental health is also being looked at along with other elements. In addition, he, along with County Manager Jesus Valdez and Deputy County Manager Mauricio Chavez met with State Representative Consuelo Hernandez and stated that the reason they met with her was because she

solidified \$500,000 for a non-profit which works with developmental disabilities. Lastly, he stated he'd been in contact with Adriana Romero from Boarder Eco and Boys and Girls Club and was asked by Ms. Romero to take part in a group that is looking into bringing in a Boys and Girls Club in Rio Rico and are currently looking at sites.

CHAIRMAN RUIZ: Stated he wants to condemn the events that took place last Friday during the assassination attempt of former President Trump. He stated that there is no place for violence in our elections and prayed for the well-being of former President Trump. In addition, he stated he had the opportunity to attend a U.S. Mexico Broder Counties Forum with the incoming chair of the immigration task force, who is Commissioner Nora Vargas from San Diego County, and spoke about all issues regarding the border.

2. MANAGER

COUNTY MANAGER JESUS VALDEZ: None.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS AND ACTIVITIES

1. FINANCE: CASH & EXPENDITURES & REVENUE REPORTS

Mauricio Chavez, Deputy County Manager, reported \$20,891,636.06 in the General Fund, of which \$15,586,541.50 is invested; \$5,566,566.89 in the Road Fund, of which \$7,684.12 is invested; \$2,198,502.30 in the Flood Control District Fund, of which \$290,391.30 is invested; \$4,389,372.25 in the Jail District Fund, of which \$3,169,619.65 is invested; \$66,764,561.39 total for all funds, of which \$21,049,744.34 is invested; \$15,730,399.30 estimated end of month balance, compared to \$15,644,572.67 cash at July 2024, a difference of \$85,826.63.

2. DEPARTMENT(S) UPDATE

None.

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

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)

Presented by Josh Rubin, Chairman of the Greater Nogales Port Authority. Greater Nogales Port Authority Monthly reports are available on their website. The Board thanked Mr. Rubin for the presentation.

2. UPDATE BY THE PATAGONIA AREA RESOURCE ALLIANCE (PARA) BY CAROLYN SHAFFER, PARA CO-CHAIR ON VARIOUS ACTIVITIES THE ORGANIZATION HAS TAKEN PART IN (REQ: VICE-CHAIRMAN BRACKER)

Presented by Carolyn Shaffer, Patagonia Area Resource Alliance (PARA) Co-Chair. The Board thanked Ms. Carolyn Shaffer for the presentation.

3. DRAFT BOUNDARY RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE REVISED NATIONAL AMBIENT AIR QUALITY STANDARDS FOR FINE PARTICULATE MATTER (PM-2.5) BY THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, ELIAS TOON, ZACHARY DORN, ELIZABETH STERNER, AND ALLISON PRICE.

Presented by Zachary Dorn and Allison Price, Arizona Department of Environmental Quality (ADEQ).
Chairman Ruiz provided a few questions and comments.
The Board thanked Zachary Dorn and Allison Price, ADEQ for the presentation.

The Board adjourned Study Session and convened into the Jail District. (Motion: Vice-Chairman Bracker ; second: Supervisor Molera; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. PURSUANT TO A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), DISCUSSION AND CONSULTATION FOR LEGAL ADVICE REGARDING LITIGATION AND CASE STATUS IN THE SANTA CRUZ COUNTY V. AUDIT USA MATTER (REQ: COUNTY ATTORNEY)

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

JAIL DISTRICT

1. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO FILL VACANT TWO (2) DETENTION OFFICER POSITIONS (REQ: SHERIFF)

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

2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO AWARD CONTRACT TO ADVANCED CORRECTIONAL HEALTHCARE PURSUANT TO RFP # B-03-24-CO30, AND ENTER INTO AGREEMENT FOR JAIL MEDICAL SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$841,654.55 ANNUALLY PLUS INFLATION ADJUSTER EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024 TO JUNE 30, 2027 PLUS UP TO THREE (3) ONE-YEAR RENEWALS (REQ: SHERIFF)

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

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

ACTION ITEMS

Vice-Chairman Bracker made a motion to approve Application for Sampling Privilege for Pigeon's Liquor Store in Rio Rico with the condition that they abide by all requirements by the Health Department and Community Development, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

CONSENT AGENDA

Vice-Chairman Bracker made a motion to approve to exclude item J.18 which will be discussed under action items, seconded by Supervisor Molera; the motion carried unanimously. (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)

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

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

A PAYROLL & ACCOUNTS PAYABLE SPECIALIST POSITION (REQ: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES)

B C-CREO GEAR UP SUCCESS COACH POSITION (REQ: SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT)

C COURT INTERPRETER (UNCERTIFIED) POSITION (REQ: SUPERIOR COURT)

D COURT CLERK POSITION (REQ: JUSTICE OF THE PEACE)

2. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO CREATE AND FILL C-CREO GEAR UP SUCCESS COACH POSITION (REQ: SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT)

3. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS PREPAREDNESS GRANT PROGRAM (HMEP) ACTIVITY REQUEST AWARD GRANT NO. 693JK32240018HMEP WITH THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (ADEQ) FOR FY 2023-2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000 (REQ: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)

4. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS PREPAREDNESS GRANT PROGRAM (HMEP) ACTIVITY REQUEST AWARD GRANT NO. 693JK32240018HMEP WITH THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (ADEQ) FOR FY 2023-2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$9,735.00 (REQ: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)

5. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT WITH THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE MANAGEMENT FOR THE PROTECTION OF FORESTS AND WILDLANDS, AND ASSISTANCE WITH FIRE AND NON-FIRE EFFECTIVE FOR A PERIOD OF (10) TEN-YEARS (REQ: EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT)

6. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 4 TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT CONTRACT NO. CTR055219 WITH THE ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES FOR PUBLIC HEALTH EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM FROM JULY 1, 2020 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$201,438.00 (REQ: HEALTH SERVICES)

7. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AGREEMENT TO SUBLEASE SPACE FROM CONSTRUCTING CIRCLES OF PEACE FOR THE PURPOSE OF THE HEALTH DEPARTMENT CONDUCTING CLINICAL SERVICES EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2024 THROUGH JULY 31, 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$523.00 PER MONTH (REQ: HEALTH)

SERVICES)

8. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 5 TO THE INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT WITH ARIZONA COUNTIES INSURANCE POOL (ACIP) (REQ: COUNTY MANAGER)

9. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE GOLD EXTENDED WARRANTY PLAN (EWP) QUOTE WITH GOSERCO INC. FOR MAINTENANCE & SUPPORT EFFECTIVE AUGUST 1, 2024 THROUGH JULY 31, 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$12,608.55 (REQ: SHERIFF)

10. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE AZTEC FIELD TRAINER GRANT APPLICATION FOR FY 2025, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2024 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$25,000 (REQ: CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT)

11. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PROPOSAL FROM SOUTHWEST EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING ASSOCIATES, INC. (SWECA) VIA MOHAVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT 17M-SWECA-1215 FOR THE PROVISION OF GRANT WRITING SERVICES FROM JULY 1, 2024 TO JUNE 30, 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$26,000 PLUS COMMISSION ON AWARDED GRANTS (REQ: SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT)

12. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PROPOSAL FROM SOUTHWEST EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING ASSOCIATES, INC. (SWECA) VIA MOHAVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT 22J-SWECA-1216 FOR GRANT COMPLIANCE AND SERVICES RELATED TO THE C-CREO PROJECT FROM JULY 1, 2024 TO JUNE 30, 2025, WITH UP TO FOUR GRANT CONTINGENT ANNUAL RENEWALS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$70,000 (REQ: SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT)

13. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PROPOSAL FROM SOUTHWEST EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING ASSOCIATES, INC. (SWECA) VIA MOHAVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT 22J-SWECA-1216 FOR GRANT COMPLIANCE AND TECHNICAL SERVICES RELATED TO THE ESSER III INVEST IN OUR YOUTH PROJECT FROM JULY 1, 2024 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$13,579 (REQ: SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT)

14. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PROPOSAL FROM SOUTHWEST EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING ASSOCIATES, INC. (SWECA) VIA MOHAVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT 22J-SWECA-1216 FOR PLANNING AND COMPLIANCE SERVICES RELATED TO THE LOS PADRES SON LOS PRIMEROS PROFESORES PROJECT FROM JULY 1, 2024 TO JUNE 30, 2025 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$8,800 (REQ: SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT)

15. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE PROPOSAL FROM

SOUTHWEST EDUCATIONAL CONSULTING ASSOCIATES, INC. (SWECA) VIA MOHAVE EDUCATIONAL SERVICES CONTRACT 22J-SWECA-1216 FOR PLAN EVALUATION AND DATA COLLECTION RELATED TO THE PROMOTING HEALTH STUDENTS INITIATIVE FROM JULY 1, 2024 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2024 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$5,500 (REQ: SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENT)

16. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO ACCEPT A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT AGREEMENT FROM JEFFREY S. BUCHANAN AND LAURA R. BUCHANAN FOR ACCESS AND MAINTENANCE OF A CONCRETE BANK PROTECTION AND CUT-OFF WALL, RIP RAP BANK PROTECTION AND DRAINAGE AND NEW GUARDRAIL (REQ: PUBLIC WORKS)

17. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF THE ELECTION BOARDS FOR THE JULY 30, 2024, PRIMARY ELECTION AND ALLOW THE ELECTIONS DEPARTMENT TO FILL VACANCIES AS NEEDED (REQ: ELECTIONS)

18. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE RECOMMENDATION OF APPROVAL OF APPLICATION FOR SAMPLING PRIVILEGE FOR PIGEON'S LIQUOR STORE, RIO RICO (REQ: CLERK)

19. DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE BOND FOR DUPLICATE WARRANT #4-047643 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$488.70 DATED 06/07/2024 PAYABLE TO BASKETS TO GO & MORE (REQ: CLERK)

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

A 101-45-091-A - TRANSTELCO, INC., RESOLUTION NO. 56896

B 101-45-091-A - TRANSTELCO, INC., RESOLUTION NO. 56897

C 101-45-091-A - TRANSTELCO, INC., RESOLUTION NO. 56895

21. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: 07/02/2024, 07/11/2024 SPECIAL MEETING

22. APPROVAL OF MONTHLY REPORTS

23. APPROVAL OF DEMANDS

were approved in the total amount of \$987,734.42, of which \$275,741.56 is from the General Fund for FY2024 and total amount of \$1,011,793.43, of which \$575,269.75 is from the General Fund for FY2025. Total for all funds \$1,999,527.85 of which \$851,011.31 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.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:04 a.m. (motion: Supervisor Molera; second: Vice-Chairman Bracker; motion carried unanimously) (Ayes: Bracker, Molera, Ruiz)