The City Council of the City of Brawley, California met in regular session at 6:00 PM, City Council Chambers, 383 Main, Brawley, California, the date, time and place duly established for the holding of said meeting. The City Clerk attests to the posting of the agenda pursuant to G.C. §54954.2.

Mayor Kastner-Jauregui called meeting to order @ 6:00 PM

PRESENT: Couchman, Hamby, Kastner-Jauregui, Nava, Wharton
ABSENT: None

INVOCATION Pastor Mike Necuik, El Redentor Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE CM Wharton

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The agenda was approved as submitted. m/s/c Wharton/Hamby 5-0

2. PUBLIC APPEARANCES/COMMENTS (Not to exceed 4 minutes) this is the time for the public to address the Council on any item not appearing on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. The Mayor will recognize you and when you come to the microphone, please state your name for the record. You are not allowed to make personal attacks on individuals or make comments which are slanderous or which may invade an individual’s personal privacy. Please direct your questions and comments to the City Council.

a. Howard Sullivan, Brawley resident, referred to a letter he sent to the City Council regarding a property on Best Road and right of way for B Street. He requested a response, including the legal authority for the City to take property.

b. Lori Lyons, Brawley resident, spoke on behalf of the Adult Softball League and inquired about where Utility User Tax revenues going when they are supposed to be for Parks and Recreation, Police and Fire Departments.

c. Vicky Hernandez, Brawley resident, commented on the increase of adult softball registration fees. She expressed an interest in meeting further to discuss alternatives.


Rosanna Bayon Moore, City Manager introduced Interim Police Chief Scott Shepard.

b. Introduction of Management Analyst Silvia Luna by Finance Director Tyler Salcido.

Tyler Salcido, Finance Director introduced Management Analyst Sylvia Luna.

c. Update on the Census 2020 Complete Count Effort by Comite Civico del Valle

Miguel Hernandez, Comite Civico del Valle updated the City Council on current efforts, including knocking on doors on weekdays during regular business hours and on weekends. Inserts in the water bills have reached local residents. The content is an overview of what the census is, what it represents and the importance of a complete and accurate count. Census Day will be observed on April 1st at the Kiwanis Kiosks from 3-5pm. It an event that’s
happening throughout the nation This will be a celebration for community members with games, activities and entertainment that are Census centered.

3. **CONSENT AGENDA** Items are approved by one motion. Council Members or members of the public may request consent items be considered separately at a time determined by the Mayor.

The consent agenda was **approved** as submitted. *m/s/c Nava/Couchman 5-0*

- **AYES:** Couchman, Hamby, Kastner-Jauregui, Nava, Wharton
- **NAYES:** None
- **ABSENT:** None
- **ABSTAIN:** None

a. **Approved** Accounts Payable: February 6, 2020 and February 13, 2020

b. **Approved** City Council Minutes: January 21, 2020 and February 4, 2020

c. **Approved** Final Parcel Map (PM19-02) – 1634 A Street

d. **Rejected** Claim as recommended by Carl Warren & Company Claims Management Adjusters for Claimant: Michael Loyd.

e. **Adopted** Resolution No. 2020-13: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Amending the Fiscal Year 2019/2020 City of Brawley Budget for the Fire Department in the Amount of $15,639.15.

4. **REGULAR BUSINESS**

a. Discussion and Potential Action to Authorize the Consulate of Mexico to Offer Mobile Consulate Services at the Main Branch Library Located at 400 Main Street on Saturday, February 22, 2020 and Saturday, October 24, 2020 from 9AM to 4PM.

The City Council **approved** to Authorize the Consulate of Mexico to Offer Mobile Consulate Services of the Main Branch Library located at 400 Main Street on Saturday, February 22, 2020 and Saturday, October 24, 2020 from 9am to 4pm. *m/s/c Couchman/Wharton 5-0*

b. Discussion and Potential Action to Approve the Sale and Consumption of Alcohol on Public Property Generally Described as North Plaza Park on Saturday, April 4, 2020 from 5-9PM as Requested by the Brawley Chamber of Commerce.

The City Council **approved** the Sale and Consumption of Alcohol on Public Property Generally Described as North Plaza Park on Saturday, April 4, 2020 from 5-9PM as Requested by the Brawley Chamber of Commerce. *m/s/c Couchman/Nava 4-1 Hamby naye*

c. Discussion and Potential Action to Authorize Professional Engineering Services with Lee & Ro Engineering, Inc. to Prepare Design of Emergency Generator Power at Wastewater Treatment Plant Headwork’s System in the Amount Not to Exceed $59,657.00.

The City Council **approved** to Authorize Professional Engineering Services with Lee & Ro Engineering, Inc. to Prepare Design of Emergency Generator Power at Wastewater Treatment Plant Headwork’s System in the Amount Not to Exceed $59,657.00. *m/s/c Couchman/Hamby 5-0*
d. Discussion and Potential Action to Adopt Resolution No. 2020-: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Authorizing the Purchase of Nighthawk Handheld Backscatter Device with Onsite Training in the Amount of $47,948.75, 100% Reimbursable through Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) SLOT funds.

The City Council approved Resolution No. 2020-14: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Authorizing the Purchase of Nighthawk Handheld Backscatter Device with Onsite Training in the Amount of $47,948.75, 100% Reimbursable through Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) SLOT funds. m/s/c Nava/Hamby 5-0

e. Discussion and Potential Action to Adopt Resolution No. 2020-: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Authorizing the Purchase of Eight Flock Safety License Plate Recognition Cameras and a 24-Month Software Support for the Brawley Police Department at a Total Cost of $32,000.00, 100% Reimbursable through Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) SLOT Funds and Federal Asset Forfeiture Funds.

The City Council approved Resolution No. 2020-15: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Authorizing the Purchase of Eight Flock Safety License Plate Recognition Cameras and a 24-Month Software Support for the Brawley Police Department at a Total Cost of $32,000.00, 100% Reimbursable through Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) SLOT Funds and Federal Asset Forfeiture Funds. m/s/c Nava/Wharton 5-0

f. Discussion and Potential Action to Adopt Resolution No. 2020-: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Authorizing the Purchase of the RU2 Systems Message / Speed Trailer Equipped with Advanced License Plate Reader (ALPR) Cameras from Vigilant Solutions in the Amount of $52,414.32, 100% Reimbursable through Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) SLOT Funds.

Scott Sheppard, Interim Police, advised the City Council that the speed trailer can be placed in any corner. It is to slow traffic down, announce Amber Alerts or any message for public to be aware of.

The City Council approved Resolution No. 2020-16: Resolution of the City Council of the City of Brawley, California Authorizing the Purchase of the RU2 Systems Message / Speed Trailer Equipped with Advanced License Plate Reader (ALPR) Cameras from Vigilant Solutions for $52,414.32, 100% Reimbursable through Organized Crime Drug Enforcement Task Forces (OCDETF) SLOT Funds. m/s/c Couchman/Nava 5-0

g. Discussion and Potential Action to Approve Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Budget Calendar.

1) Strategic Planning Meeting, to be held at the EOC on March 17, 2020 starting @4pm followed by the regular City Council Meeting to be at Council Chambers starting @6pm.
2) General Fund Workshop No. 1, to be held at Council Chambers on April 27, 2020 starting @6pm.
3) Enterprise and Special Funds Workshop No. 2 to be held at Council Chambers on May 19, 2020 starting @5pm.
4) Overall Budget Adoption, to be held at Council Chambers on June 16, 2020 starting @6pm.

5. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

a. Update by Public Works Director Guillermo Sillas, PE

i) Emergency Construction at the Brawley Water Treatment Plant to Replace Components of Two Sedimentation Basins
1) The emergency continues. Last week the contractor started to install anchors and components in the Sedimentation Basin. This week they continue to do so and are proceeding quickly.

6. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS


7. CITY TREASURER REPORT None to report

8. CITY COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS

Couchman: Attended the Elks Drawdown Dinner, Kitchen Fundraiser at PMH Auditorium, met with the Auditors and attended several funerals.

Nava: Attended the State of the County Address, Mary Miller’s 80th Birthday Party, dedication ceremony at Spreckles Sugar for a historical event, met with Imperial County Association of Realtors at Stockmen’s Club, welcomed Interim Police Chief Sheppard to the City of Brawley and looks forward to working with him. Thanked everybody for their hard work and support.

Wharton: Attended an annual Get Together Social Event with the National Navion Association that make great use of our airport and have been traveling out of town.

Hamby: Attended the Boys and Girls Club Mixer, Library Board meeting, Parks & Recreation Meeting, State of the County Address, going-away luncheon for Chief Sawyer and met new interim Police Chief Sheppard, participated and hosted with Interim Fire Chief York an alley cleanup close to our neighborhood and appreciate Republic Services for dropping off a 40 yard roll-off bin, thanked staff and City Manager for stepping up in Shirley’s absence.

Kastner-Jauregui: Attended State of the County Address, City of Imperial’s State of the City Address, funerals on behalf of the City, including former City of Brawley Firefighter Oscar Jauregui and long-time resident Dale Griggs. Met with San Diego State University President, Staff and other Community Reps regarding a private public partnership extending the North End SDSU campus to a four-year University but before that happens they were planning on putting a shuttle service for classes that are not available in Brawley before the actual University expansion. Attended the going away luncheon for Chief Sawyer, looking forward to working with Interim Police Chief Sheppard. Looking forward to the State of the City Address tentatively scheduled for March 19th.

9. CITY MANAGER REPORT None to report

10. CITY ATTORNEY REPORT None to report

11. CITY CLERK REPORT None to report

12. CLOSED SESSION
EXISTING LITIGATION (California Government Code §54956.9)

a. Conference with Legal Counsel – One (1) Case

   i. Frankie Rodriguez, Pablo C. Lopez, Marco A. Garcia, Omar Balderas, Gerardo Vindiola, David Villalobos, Julian Jimenez, Ricardo Rosales, Daniel Atondo, David Siquieroz, Jonathan Gutierrez, Anthony Padilla, Julio Velasquez, Roberto Orozco, Mariano C. Valenzuela, Jr., Raul Bernal, Ralph Walker, Jose Limon and Pete Guzman, on behalf of themselves and all other employees similarly situated vs. City of Brawley.

POTENTIAL LITIGATION (California Government Code §54956.9)

a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Three (3) Cases

PERSONNEL MATTERS (Government Code §54957)

a. Public Employee Appointment to the Position of Police Chief

13. ADJOURNMENT @ 7:25PM

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Alma Benavides, City Clerk