



Imperial City Council

*Robert Amparano – Mayor  
James Tucker – Mayor Pro-Tem  
Ida Obeso-Martinez – Council Member  
Stacy Mendoza – Council Member  
Katherine Burnworth – Council Member*

## MINUTES

### Regular Meeting of the Imperial City Council

City Council Chambers  
220 West 9th Street  
Imperial, CA 92251-1637

**September 18, 2024**

**Closed Session at 06:00 pm**

**Open Session at 07:00 pm**

#### **6:00 P.M. CLOSED SESSION**

**CALLED TO ORDER:** Mayor Amparano called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Council Members Burnworth, Obeso-Martinez, Mayor Pro-Tem Tucker, Mayor Amparano, City Attorney Turner and City Manager Morita. Council Member Mendoza arrived at 6:05 p.m.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY:**

Public comment by Flavio Grijalva regarding Teamsters 542.

#### **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL:**

#### **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION – G.C § 54956.7 (b)(1)**

Title of Position: City Attorney

#### **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

**Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9**

Number of Potential Cases: 2

#### **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS – G.C.5957.6**

Agency Designated Representatives: City Manager

Employee Organization: Imperial Police Officers Association, Teamsters Local No. 542 and Employee Organization Management, Supervisory, Professional, Confidential, and Police Captain/Unrepresented

**CITY COUNCIL CONVENES TO OPEN SESSION**

**7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING**

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Amparano called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Council Members Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez, Mayor Pro-Tem Tucker and Mayor Amparano

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Stacy Mendoza.

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:** None

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS:**

City Attorney Turner Stated that Direction was given to council on two items for existing and anticipated litigation. Direction was also given to council for labor negotiations.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Public comment by Jaysel Mendoza regarding Cambria Hotel.

**A. PRESENTATIONS:**

- A-1. The Mayor presented a Proclamation to the IT Department for National IT Professionals Day.
- A-2. The Mayor presented a Proclamation to the HR Department for Presentation for National HR Professionals Day.
- A-3. The Mayor presented a Proclamation to the Public Library for Presentation for Library Card Sign Up Month.

**B. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- B-1. Approval of Claims and Warrants Report
- B-2. Approval of City Council minutes for the Regular Meeting of September 4, 2024.
- B-3. Approve the award of five (5) contracts for On-Call Civil Engineering Services.
- B-4. Approve the award of two (2) contracts for On-Call Land Surveying Services.
- B-5. Receive the 2024 Conflict of Interest Code Biennial Update Notice and authorize staff to update the City of Imperial's Conflict of Interest Code.

- B-6.** Approval of Community Facilities District (CFD) partial disbursement of funds for request No. 1-2018 from Monterrey CFD 2006-1 and approve 9<sup>th</sup> payment in the amount of \$81,000 to Jupiter Ventures, L.P.
- B-7.** Approval of Community Facilities District (CFD) partial disbursement of funds for request No. 1-2018 from Bratton CFD 2004-3 and approve 5<sup>th</sup> payment in the amount of \$50,000 to Imperial Bratton, L.P.
- B-8.** Authorize rejection of claim CW File Number CJP-3052350, W. Gerhart III as recommended by Carl Warren and Company.
- B-9.** 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 829, ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING FOOD AND FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS AND TEMPORARY USES FOR MOBILE FOOD FACILITIES, waive reading and adopt by title only.

**Moved by Mendoza, seconded by Obeso-Martinez to approve the consent agenda.**

**AYES:** Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez, Tucker and Amparano

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

**C. ACTION ITEMS (DISCUSSION/ACTION- APPROVE-DISAPPROVE):**

- C-1.** Contract renewal with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for an additional five (5) years for body worn cameras and tasers and Imperial Police personnel.

**Presenter:** Aaron Reel, Chief of Police

**Recommended Action:** Approve a five (5) year contract renewal with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for Police body worn cameras and tasers.

**Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Tucker to approve a five (5) year contract renewal with Axon Enterprise, Inc. for Police body worn cameras and tasers.**

**AYES:** Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez, Tucker and Amparano

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

- C-2.** Award a contract for the Highway 86 Beautification Phase 1 project Bid No. 2024-07.

**Presenter:** Othon Mora, Community Development Director

**Recommended Action:** Award a construction contract to Rove Engineering Inc. for the Highway 86 Beautification project in the amount of \$6,611,467.84 with a 10% contingency.

**Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Tucker** to approve and award a construction contract to Rove Engineering Inc. for the Highway 86 Beautification project in the amount of \$6,611,467.84 with a 10% contingency.

**AYES:** Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez, Tucker and Amparano

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

**C-3.** Parking modifications in front of City Hall on South Imperial Avenue between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Presenter:** David Dale, Public Services Director

**Recommended Action:** Approve the proposed parking modifications in front of City Hall on South Imperial Avenue between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

**Moved by Tucker, seconded by Burnworth** to approve the proposed parking modifications in front of City Hall on South Imperial Avenue between 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Street.

**AYES:** Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez, Tucker and Amparano

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

**C-4.** Modify traffic signal at intersection of Highway 86 and 15<sup>th</sup> Street to a split phase system and remove unmarked pedestrian crossing as recommended by the Traffic Commission.

**Presenter:** David Dale, Public Services Director

**Recommended Action:** Approve the traffic signal modification at Highway 86 and 15<sup>th</sup> Street from Permissive Phasing to a Split Phase System and remove unmarked pedestrian crossing on the south side crossing of Highway 86.

**Moved by Mendoza, seconded by Tucker** to approve the traffic signal modification at Highway 86 and 15<sup>th</sup> Street from Permissive Phasing to a Split Phase System and remove unmarked pedestrian crossing on the south side crossing of Highway 86.

**AYES:** Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez, Tucker and Amparano

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

**C-5.** Award a contract for Janitorial and Cleaning Services RFP No. 2024-07.

**Presenter:** David Dale, Public Services Director

**Recommended Action:** Award RFP No. 2024-07 for Janitorial and Cleaning Services to Base Hill, Inc.

**Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Obeso-Martinez** to approve RFP No. 2024-07.

**AYES:** Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez, Tucker and Amparano

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

- C-6.** Award a contract for the Rehabilitation of Various Roads in the City of Imperial project Bid. No. 2024-08.

**Presenter:** David Dale, Public Services Director

**Recommended Action:** Award a contract for project Bid. No 2024-08 Rehabilitation of Various Roads in the City of Imperial to Rove Engineering in the amount of \$3,999,999.00 inclusive of additive bid items.

The Public Services Director, David Dale, clarified that there was an error in the staff report cover sheet for this item. Mr. Dale explained that the correct amount for the award is \$3,399,999.00. This total amount includes both the base bid and additive bid items.

**Moved by Mendoza, seconded by Burnworth** to award Project Bid. No. 2024-08 to Rove Engineering in the amount of \$3,399,999.00.

**AYES:** Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez, Tucker and Amparano

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**


#### **D. REPORTS:**

- D-1.** Departments reported on their activities since last city council meeting.
- D-2.** City Manager Report: None
- D-3.** Mayor and Councilmembers reported on their activities since last city council meeting and upcoming events.

#### **ADJOURNMENT:**

Seeing no further business before the Council, Mayor Amparano ended this meeting at 8:09 p.m. and adjourned until the next council meeting on October 2, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the city of Imperial, California, this 2nd day of October, 2024.

  
KRISTINA SHIELDS  
City Clerk