#### **Imperial City Council**



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

# **MINUTES**

## Regular Meeting of the Imperial City Council

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

March 19, 2025 Closed Session at 06:00 pm Open Session at 07:00 pm

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

**ROLL CALL:** 

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** 

Council Members Amparano, Burnworth, City Manager Morita, Assistant to

the City Manager Garcia, and City Attorney Turner.

Council Member Mendoza arrived at 6:45 p.m.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY: None

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

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Section 54956.9)

Claim Number: #CJP-3053047

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Significant Exposure of Litigation - G.C §54956.9 (d)(2)

Number of Potential Cases: 1

### CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Property:

063-054-038 In the vicinity of the northwest corner of Highway 86 and Belford

Agency Negotiator:

City Manager and Development Management Group, Inc. (Michael Bracken)

Negotiating Parties:

Dr. Mervat Kelada

Under negotiation:

Price and terms of payment

Property:

063-121-004 northeast corner of 12th and N streets

Agency Negotiator:

City Manager and Development Management Group, Inc. (Michael Bracken)

Negotiating Parties:

Josh Quintero and Bojorquez

Under negotiation:

Price and terms of payment

### **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS - G.C. 54957.6**

Agency Representatives: City Manager

Employee Organization: Imperial Police Officers Association, Teamsters Local 542

& Employee Organization Management Supervisory,

Professional, Confidential, and Police Captain/Unrepresented

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

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Council Members Amparano, Burnworth, Mendoza, Mayor Pro Tem Obeso-

Martinez, and Mayor Tucker.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Katie Burnworth.

<u>ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:</u> Council Member Amparano moved action item C-4 to the consent agenda.

<u>CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION:</u> City Attorney Turner stated that direction was given for two items of Property Negotiations: one item of Existing Litigation, Anticipated Litigation, and Labor Negotiators.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

#### A. PRESENTATIONS:

**A-1.** World Water Day Proclamation

A-2. Friends of Imperial Parks Presentation by Tony Lopez, Parks and Recreation Director.

#### **B. CONSENT AGENDA:**

**B-1.** Approval of Warrants Report.

**B-2.** Ratification of Support Letter regarding SB 461 State Surplus Property.

**B-3.** Approval of City Council Minutes for the Regular Meeting of March 5, 2025.

Council Member Amparano moved action item C-4 to the Consent Agenda.

Moved by Amparano, seconded by Mendoza to approve Consent Agenda including action item C-4.

AYES: Amparano, Burnworth, Mendoza, and Tucker

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** Obeso-Martinez

ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIES: 4-0-1** 

### C. ACTION ITEMS (DISCUSSION/ACTION):

C-1. Approval and adoption of a City of Imperial Lactation Policy.

Presenter: Kristen Smith, Human Resources Manager

Recommendation: Approval and adoption of a Lactation Accommodation Policy.

Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Obeso-Martinez to approve and adopt a Lactation Accommodation

Policy.

**AYES:** 

Amparano, Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez and Tucker

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0** 

Approve a one-year contract extension with Moss, Levy and Hartzheim, LLP for professional C-2. auditing services for fiscal year 2024.

Presenter: Victor Manriquez

**Recommendation:** Approve a one-year contract extension with Moss, Levy and Hartzheim, LLP.

for professional auditing services for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Mendoza to approve a one-year contract extension with Moss, Levy and Hartzheim, LLP. for professional auditing services for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2024.

**AYES:** 

Amparano, Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez and Tucker

NOES:

None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0** 

Adopt plans and specifications and authorize public bidding for the Manhole and Lift Station C-3. Rehabilitation and New Manhole Installation Project; Bid 2025-01.

Presenter: David Dale, Public Services Director

Recommendation: Adopt plans and specifications and authorize public bidding for the Manhole and Lift Station Rehabilitation and New Manhole Installation Project; Bid 2025-01.

Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Amparano to approve adopt plans and specifications and authorize public bidding for the Manhole and Lift Station Rehabilitation and New Manhole Installation Project; Bid 2025-01.

**AYES:** 

Amparano, Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez and Tucker

**NOES:** ABSTAIN: None

None

ABSENT:

None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0** 

**C-4.** Authorize the Parks and Recreation Department to surplus and dispose of two (2) non-operational fleet vehicles.

Presenter: Tony Lopez, Parks and Recreation Director

Recommendation: Authorize the Parks and Recreation Department to surplus and dispose of two

(2) non-operational fleet vehicles.

#### Council Member Amparano moved action item C-4 to the Consent Agenda.

C-5. Approve Change Order No. 2 for the 7<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> St. Rehabilitation Project Bid No. 2024-01.

Presenter: Othon Mora, Community Development Director

Recommendation: Approve Change Order No. 2 for the 7<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> St. Rehabilitation Project

Bid No. 2024-01.

Moved by Amparano, seconded by Obeso-Martinez to approve Change Order No. 2 for the 7<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> St. Rehabilitation Project Bid No. 2024-01.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Burnworth and Mendoza

ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIES: 3-0-2** 

**C-6.** Authorize the installation of a loading zone for paratransit services at the Imperial Village Apartments on 11<sup>th</sup> Street.

Presenter: Othon Mora, Community Development Director

Recommendation: Authorize the installation of a loading zone for paratransit services at the

Imperial Village Apartments on 11th Street.

Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Obeso-Martinez to approve and authorize the installation of a loading zone for paratransit services at the Imperial Village Apartments on 11<sup>th</sup> Street.

**AYES:** Amparano, Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez and Tucker NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0** 

#### D. REPORTS:

- **D-1.** Departments reported on their activities since the last city council meeting.
- **D-2.** City Manager Report: None
- **D-3.** The mayor and council members have reported on their activities since the last city council meeting and upcoming events.

# ADJOURNMENT:

Seeing no further business before the Council, Mayor Tucker ended this meeting at 7:57 p.m. and adjourned until the next council meeting on April 2, 2025, 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 April 2025.

KRISTINA SHIELDS

City Clerk