



*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

April 2, 2025

Closed Session at 06:00 pm

Open Session at 07:00 pm

6:00 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.

ROLL CALL: Council Members Amparano, Burnworth, Mendoza, Mayor Pro Tem Obeso-Martinez, Mayor Tucker, City Manager Morita, Assistant to the City Manager Garcia, and Attorney Turner.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY: None

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL: The City Council finds, based on advice from the City Attorney, that discussion in open session of the following described matter(s) will prejudice the position of the City in existing and anticipated litigation.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

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

Number of Potential Cases: 1

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

Title of Position: City Attorney

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 7:13 pm.

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 Mayor James Tucker.

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA: None

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION: City Attorney Turner stated that direction was given for Anticipated Litigation and Conference with Labor Negotiators. No report on Public Employee Performance Evaluation.

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

A. PRESENTATIONS:

- A-1. James Gonzalez, Autism Support of Imperial County, received the proclamation presentation for Autism Acceptance Month.
- A-2. Ember Haller, Library Service Administrator, received the proclamation presentation for National Library Week.

B. CONSENT AGENDA:

- B-1. Approval of Warrants Report.
- B-2. Approval of City Council Minutes for the Regular Meeting of March 19, 2025.
- B-3. Approval of Claim Rejection No. CJP-3053766 as recommended by Carl Warren and Company.
- B-4. Approval to declare various DoIT servers, switches and firewalls as surplus.

Moved by **Burnworth**, seconded by **Obeso-Martinez** to approve the Consent Agenda.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIES: 5-0

C. ACTION ITEMS (DISCUSSION/ACTION):

- C-1. Appointment of a non-voting primary and alternate council member to the Friends of Imperial Parks committee for the 2025 calendar year.

Presenter: Dennis H. Morita, City Manager

Recommendation: Appoint a non-voting primary and alternate council member to the Friends of Imperial Parks committee for the 2025 calendar year.

Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Mendoza to approve Ida Obeso-Martinez as a non-voting primary and Katie Burnworth as an Alternate council member to the Friends of Imperial Parks committee for the 2025 calendar year.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIES: 5-0

C-2. Adopt the plans and specifications and authorize public bidding for the Shop Tank & Aten Tank Modifications and New Ventilation System Installation project, Bid No. 2025-03.

Presenter: David Dale, Public Services Director

Recommendation: Adopt the plans and specifications and authorize public bidding for the Shop Tank & Aten Tank Modifications and New Ventilation System Installation project, Bid No. 2025-03.

Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Amparano, to approve and adopt the plans and specifications and authorize public bidding for the Shop Tank & Aten Tank Modifications and New Ventilation System Installation project, Bid No. 2025-03.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIES: 5-0

C-3. Approve the reimbursement of development park impact fees for the Monterrey Subdivision Park.

Presenter: Othon Mora, Community Development Director

Recommendation: Approve reimbursement of development park impact fees for the Monterrey Subdivision Park.

Moved by Mendoza, seconded by Obeso-Martinez, to approve reimbursement of development park impact fees for the Monterrey Subdivision Park.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIES: 5-0

C-4. Approval and adoption of the Body Worn Cameras Policy.

Presenter: Kristen Smith, Human Resources Manager

Recommendation: Approval and adoption of the Body Worn Cameras Policy for the Community Development staff.

Moved by Obeso-Martinez, seconded by Mendoza, to approve the adoption of the Body Worn Cameras Policy for the Community Development staff.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIES: 5-0

C-5. Approve a third amendment to the Imperial Police Officer's Association Memorandum of Understanding (IPOA MOU).

Presenter: Kristen Smith, Human Resources Manager

Recommendation: Approve a third amendment to the IPOA MOU.

Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Obeso-Martinez, to approve a third amendment to the IPOA MOU.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIES: 5-0

C-6. Approval and adoption of the Sidewalk Inspection and Maintenance Program.

Presenter: Kristen Smith, Human Resources Manager

Recommendation: Approval and adoption of the Sidewalk Inspection and Maintenance Program.

Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Obeso-Martinez, to approve the adoption of the Sidewalk Inspection and Maintenance Program.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIES: 5-0

C-7. Approval and adoption of the Outside Employment Policy.

Presenter: Kristen Smith, Human Resources Manager

Recommendation: Approval and adoption of the Outside Employment Policy.

Moved by Obeso-Martinez, seconded by Burnworth, to approve the adoption of the Outside Employment Policy.

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 Dennis H. Morita thanked the City for all their hard work.
- 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 8:24 p.m. and adjourned until the next council meeting on April 16, 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 16th day of April 2025.

KRISTINA SHIELDS
City Clerk