



## Imperial City Council

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

# AGENDA

## Regular Meeting of the Imperial City Council

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

**January 3, 2024**

**Closed Session at 06:00 pm**

**Open Session at 07:00 pm**

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

#### **CALL TO ORDER:**

**PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY:** The City Council welcomes public input. Members of the public may address the City Council on Closed Session items by contacting the City Clerk's Office at 760-355-3334. Pursuant to State Law, the City Council may not discuss or take action on issues not on the meeting agenda (Government Code Section 54954.2). If you are compensated to communicate with City officials, you may be required to register and/or make certain disclosures as a lobbyist. Please see the City Clerk for additional information. There is a time limit of three (3) minutes for anyone wishing to address the City Council on these matters.

**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.

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

Title of Position: City Manager

**B. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Gov. Code section 54957.6.)**

Agency Designated Representatives: Dennis H. Morita, City Manager  
Kristen Smith, Human Resources Manager

Employee Organizations: Teamsters Local Union No. 542  
Imperial Police Officers Association

**CITY COUNCIL CONVENES TO REGULAR MEETING**

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

**CALL TO ORDER:**

**ROLL CALL:**

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:** The City Council will discuss the order of the agenda, may amend the order, add urgency items, note abstentions or “no” votes on consent calendar items and request consent calendar items be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. The City Council may also remove items from the consent calendar prior to that portion of the agenda. For purposes of the official city record, the City Council may take care of these issues by entertaining a formal motion.

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** There is a time limit of three (3) minutes for anyone wishing to address the City Council on these matters.

**Matters not appearing on the agenda:** If you wish to address the City Council concerning any item within the City Council’s jurisdiction, please raise your hand and be acknowledged by the Mayor. At that time, state your name and address for the record. The Mayor reserves the right to place a time limit of three (3) minutes on each person’s presentation. It is requested that longer presentations be submitted to the City Clerk’s Office in writing 48 hours before the meeting.

**A. CONSENT AGENDA:**

All items appearing under “Consent Agenda” will be acted upon by the City Council with one motion without discussion. Should any Council member or other person request that any item be considered separately, that item will then be taken up at the time as determined by the Mayor.

**A-1.** Approval of Claims and Warrants Report

**A-2.** Continuation of Emergency at Aten Road and Highway 86 Intersection

**A-3.** Approval of Regular City Council Meeting Minutes November 1, 2023 and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes December 6, 2023

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

- B-1.** Approval to Submit Grant Applications to the Imperial County Community Benefit Program

**Staff Report:** Dennis H. Morita, City Manager

**Recommended Action:** Approval to submit grant applications to the Imperial County Community Benefit Program

- B-2.** Approval of Community Facilities District (CFD) Partial Disbursement of Funds for Request No. 1-2018 from Monterrey CFD 2006-1

**Staff Report:** Victor Manriquez, Administrative Services Director

**Recommended Action:** Approve 8<sup>th</sup> payment in the amount of \$70,000 to Jupiter Ventures, LP.

- B-3.** Approval of Community Facilities District (CFD) Partial Disbursement of Funds for Request No. 1-2018 from Bratton CFD 2004-3

**Staff Report:** Victor Manriquez, Administrative Services Director

**Recommended Action:** Approve 4<sup>th</sup> payment in the amount of \$40,000 to Imperial Bratton, LP.

- B-4.** Declaration of Emergency of Variable Frequency Drive at the Water Treatment Plant

**Staff Report:** Robert Emmett, Water Plant Chief Operator

**Recommended Action:** Approve Resolution No. 2024-01, A RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO TAKE SUCH ACTION AS MAY BE NECESSARY IN RESPONSE THERETO AND RATIFYING ACTION TAKEN TO DATE

- B-5.** Authorization to Purchase Decorative Gravel for Sunset Park Improvements

**Staff Report:** Tony Lopez, Parks and Recreation Director

**Recommended Action:** Authorize American Rescue Plan Act ARPA funding to purchase decorative gravel for Sunset Park improvements in the amount not to exceed \$120,000.00

- B-6.** Authorization to Remove Crosswalk on North Imperial Avenue

**Staff Report:** Othon Mora, Community Development Director

**Recommended Action:** Authorize removal of the crosswalk on N. Imperial Avenue between Barioni Boulevard and 9<sup>th</sup> Street

- B-7.** Rejection of Bids for the Highway 86 Fence Replacement Project and Adopt Resolution No. 2024-02 Authorizing the City Manager to Proceed with Day Labor

**Staff Report:** Othon Mora, Community Development Director

**Recommended Action:** Reject all bids for the Highway 86 Fence Replacement Project and adopt Resolution No. 2024-02, A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING CITY MANAGER TO PROCEED BY DAY LABOR WITH CONSIDERATION IN REDUCTION IN SCOPE FOR HWY 86 FENCE REPLACEMENT PROJECT FROM 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET TO MARSHALL AVENUE BID NO. P2023-04

- B-8.** Approval to Purchase In-Field Narcotics Analyzer for the Police Department

**Staff Report:** Michael Crankshaw, Interim Police Chief

**Recommended Action:** Approve the purchase of one (1) TruNarc Handheld Narcotic Analyzer T-12 with a five-year warranty and one (1) 100pk Solution Kit in the amount not to exceed \$38,400.00

### **C. REPORTS:**

- C-1.** Department Reports
- C-2.** City Manager Report
- C-3.** Mayor and Councilmember Reports

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

**Adjournment of this regular meeting of the City Council until the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held on Wednesday, January 17, at 7:00 p.m.**

## AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING

I, KRISTINA M. SHIELDS, City Clerk for the City of Imperial, California, DO HEREBY CERTIFY under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing revised notice was posted at the City of Imperial City Hall bulletin board at 420 S. Imperial Avenue, Imperial, CA and on the City of Imperial's website not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting, per Government Code 54954.2.

**Dated:** December 29, 2023

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KRISTINA M. SHIELDS  
City Clerk