

**Minutes**  
**REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**CITY OF IMPERIAL**  
**200 WEST 9<sup>TH</sup> STREET**  
**IMPERIAL, CA 92251-1637**  
**MAY 4, 2022**

**A. CITY COUNCIL CONVENES TO CLOSED SESSION AT 6:30 PM.**

MAYOR DALE convened closed session at 06:30pm.

CITY COUNCIL PARTICIPATION:

PHYSICAL ATTENDANCE: AMPARANO, BURNWORTH, TUCKER, DALE AND EUGENIO

CITY STAFF PARTICIPATION:

PHYSICAL ATTENDANCE: MORITA, BROWN, AND TURNER

**A-1. SUBJECT: EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (54957).**

Title: City Manager

**A-2. SUBJECT: CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS**

Property: APN(S) 064-051-001 and 064-051-004

Agency Negotiator: City Manager

Negotiating Parties: U.S. CTR Companies

Under Negotiation: Lease Price & Terms

**B. CITY COUNCIL RE-CONVENES TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:00 P.M.**

**MAYOR DALE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:06 PM.**

CITY COUNCIL ATTENDANCE: AMPARANO, BURNWORTH, TUCKER, DALE AND EUGENIO

CITY STAFF ATTENDANCE: PHYSICAL ATTENDANCE: MORITA, BROWN, TURNER, GUTTERIEZ, HALLER, SELF, A. ESTRADA, VILLEGAS, BARRA, ESTRADA, JR., AND LOPEZ

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY JAMES TUCKER**

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THIS AGENDA**

BROWN ADVISED ITEM E-1 WILL BE PULLED FROM THE AGENDA. AMPARANO REQUESTED TO MOVE ITEMS E-7, E-8, AND E-9 TO THE CONSENT AGENDA.

**ACTION:**

AMPARANO MOTIONED TO MOVE ITEMS E-7, E-8, AND E-9 TO THE CONSENT AGENDA. TUCKER SECONDED THE MOTION.

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION**  
TURNER, two items were discussed no reportable actions.

**C. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:**

**C-1.** Matters not appearing on the agenda.

ALAN PHILLIPS – IV FAIRGROUNDS, ADDRESSED THE CITY COUNCIL AND THANKED THEM FOR THE IMPROVEMENTS MADE TO 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET AND THE USE OF THEIR WATER BARRIERS DURING THE FAIR.

MAYOR DALE PROCLAIMED MAY 15-21, 2022 AS NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK AND NATIONAL POLICE WEEK IN; AND FURTHER PROCLAIMED MAY 15 2022 AS PEACE OFFICERS MEMORIAL DAY AND ORDERED THE AMERICAN FLAG BE FLOWN AT HALF-STAFF AT ALL CITY FACILITIES.

**C-2.** Matters appearing on the agenda.

BROWN READ A PUBLIC COMMENT SUBMITTED TO THE CITY MANAGERS OFFICE ON 5/3/2022 RELATED TO ITEM E-5.

**D. CONSENT AGENDA:**

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- D-1.** Approval of Minutes from Regular Meetings April 4<sup>th</sup> and April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022
- D-2.** Approval of Claims & Warrants Report
- D-3.** Authorization to Seek Bids for the Construction of the La Brucherie Widening Project
- D-4.** Ratification of Letter In Support of San Diego State University – Imperial Valley Campus Expansion Plan for Innovation District and Stem Programs
- E-7.** Award Shop Tank Recoating Project Bid No. 2022-03 To Simpson Sandblasting & Special Coatings, Inc. In the Amount Of \$695,060.00
- E-8.** Award of RFP 2022-03 To Labor Compliance Consultants of Southern California For Labor Compliance Services Related to The Shop Tank Recoating Project in The Amount Of \$6,000.00.
- E-9.** Cancellation of May 18, 2022 Regular Meeting of The Imperial City Council.

**ACTION:**

BURNWORTH MOTIONED TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA AS AMENDED. TUCKER SECONDED THE MOTION.

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

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

**E-1. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: IMPERIAL COUNTY LITHIUM VALLEY ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY INVESTMENT PLAN**

~~1. SUPPORT IMPERIAL COUNTY'S LITHIUM VALLEY ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY INVESTMENT PLAN~~

*E-1 PULLED FROM AGENDA*

**E-2. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT MEASURE A**

**DISCUSSION:**

Imperial School District Assistant-Superintendent RUVALCABA and Architect SANDERS made a presentation to the City Council regarding Measure A. AMPERANO, commented taxes just went up in the city, now this would raise taxes again for residents. Imperial school district Architect advised this is an investment in the community for the taxpayer. BURNWORTH, why is cross elementary the only one mentioned at the end. SANDERS, our focus was on the joint use facilities and the city. BURNWORTH, there was just an expansion on a school would this require a new SRO? RUVALCABA, confirmed, yes, the measure would fund a second SRO. BURNWORTH, what safety measures are going to take place. Imperial school district Architect, better fencing security entry and more staffing. DALE, this everything you will need to support growth. No further discussion was held by the City Council.

**ACTION:**

TUCKER MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2022-23 IN SUPPORT OF IMPERIAL UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT'S BOND MEASURE A. BURNWORTH SECOND THE MOTION

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**E-3. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (STBG) PROGRAM**

**DICSUSSION:**

VILLEGAS presented the staff report. AMPERANO wanted to know what is the rehabilitation of the asphalt? VILLEGAS explained the process that will improve and add longevity of the asphalt. AMPERANO wanted to clarify item E-4 was part of this project. VILLEGAS, yes. DALE this is with a grant. VILLEGAS, yes. NO further discussion was held by the City Council.

**ACTION:**

BURNWORTH MOTIONED TO APPROVE RESOLUTION 2022-21 AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION SUBMITTAL UNDER THE SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BLOCK GRANT (STBG) PROGRAM FOR THE REHABILITATION OF ATEN BLVD BETWEEN VILORE WAY AND SR 86 TO BE PROGRAMMED IN THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS 2022-2023 THROUGH 2024-2025. BURNWORTH SECOND THE MOTION.

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**E-4. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) PROGRAM**

**DISCUSSION:**

VILLEGAS presented the staff report. No further discussion was held by the City Council.

**ACTION:**

BURNWORTH MOTIONED TO APPROVE OF RESOLUTION 2022-22 AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION SUBMITTAL UNDER THE CONGESTION MITIGATION AND AIR QUALITY (CMAQ) PROGRAM FOR THE INSTALLATION OF THE ATEN BLVD CLASS II BIKE LANE FROM VILORE WAY TO AUSTIN ROAD TO BE PROGRAMMED IN THE FEDERAL FISCAL YEARS OF 22-23 THROUGH 2024-2025. TUCKER SECOND THE MOTION.

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**E-5. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING THE REGULATION OF CAMPING AND STORAGE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY IN PUBLIC AREAS.**

**DISCUSSION:**

BROWN provided an overview of the Ordinance to the City Council. No discussion was held by the City Council.

**ACTION #1:**

AMPARANO MOTIONED TO APPROVE ORDINANCE 820 OF THE IMPERIAL CITY COUNCIL AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING THE REGULATION OF CAMPING AND STORAGE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY IN PUBLIC AREAS. EUGENIO SECOND THE MOTION.

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**ACTION #2:**  
AMPARANO MOTION TO PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF TO PREPARE A SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 820 FOR PUBLICATION PURPOSES. BURNWORTH SECOND THE MOTION.

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**E-6. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES REGARDING PARKING OF MOBILE BILLBOARD ADVERTISING DISPLAYS**

**DISCUSSION:**  
BROWN provided an overview of the Ordinance to the City Council. No discussion was held by the City Council.

**ACTION #1:**  
AMPARANO MOTION TO APPROVE INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING BY TITLE ONLY OF ORDINANCE 821 THE CODIFIED ORDINANCE RELATED TO THE PARKING OF MOBILE BILLBOARD ADVERTISING DISPLAYS, EITHER STANDING ALONE OR ATTACHED TO MOTOR VEHICLES ON PUBLIC STREETS OR ANY PUBLIC LANDS IN THE CITY AND TO REGULATE THE SIZE, WIDTH, AND HEIGHT OR ADVERTISEMENTS ATTACHED TO MOTOR VEHICLES. TUCKER SECOND THE MOTION.

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**ACTION #2:**  
AMPARANO MOTIONED TO PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF TO PREPARE A SUMMARY OF ORDINANCE NO. 821 FOR PUBLICATION PURPOSES. TUCKER SECOND THE MOTION.

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**MAYOR DALE ADJOURNED THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 08:15PM UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2022, AT 7:00 P.M.**

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JUNE 1, 2022  
OPEN SESSION 7:00 PM**

**A. CITY COUNCIL CONVENES TO OPEN SESSION AT 7:00 P.M.**

**MAYOR DALE CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 07:06PM**

COUNCIL PRESENT: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, AND DALE

STAFF PRESENT: MORITA, BROWN, TURNER, VILLEGAS, LOPEZ, SELF, HALLER, CHIEF BARRA, ESTRADA, CHIEF ESTRADA, QUERO, AND ANGUIANO

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE LED BY TONEY LOPEZ**

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THIS AGENDA**

NONE

**B. PUBLIC APPEARANCES:**

**B-1.** Matters not appearing on the agenda.  
NONE

**B-2.** Matters appearing on the agenda.  
NONE

**C. CONSENT AGENDA:**

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- C-1.** 2<sup>ND</sup> Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 820 Amending the Codified Ordinances of the City of Imperial Regarding Camping and the Storage of Public Property.
- C-2.** 2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Adoption of Ordinance 821 Amending the Codified Ordinances of the City of Imperial Regarding Mobile Billboard Signs.
- C-3.** Resolution 2022-25 To Clarify and Confirm Council Action Taken on July 15, 2020, Authorizing Staff to Submit Applications for Per Capita Projects in Imperial Parks.
- C-4.** Authorize the Department of Public Services to Purchase Crack Seal for Regular Street Maintenance in the Amount of \$33,571.00.
- C-5.** Authorize the Department of Public Services to Purchase Materials for the Maintenance of Wastewater Lift Stations Not to Exceed \$40,000.

**ACTION:**

BROWN stated she will read consent agenda items C-1 Ordinance 820 and C-2 Ordinance 821 as the second reading. BROWN stated the amendment shall reflect the storage of personal property is 30days not 90days, Ordinance 821 is amending and codifying mobile billboard signs.

TUCKER MOTIONED TO APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS AS PRESENTED.  
AMPARANO SECOND THE MOTION.

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE  
NOES: NONE  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**D. PUBLIC HEARING: (DISCUSSION/ACTION-APPROVE-DISAPPROVE)**

**D-1. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION- PUBLIC HEARING OF THE CITY COUNCIL REGARDING ORDINANCE 815 TO AMEND THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL REGARDING MEDICAL AND ADULT USE CANNABIS.**

PUBLIC HEARING OPEN AT **07:09 PM**

**DISCUSSION**

BROWN presented the amendment for ordinance 815. EUGENIO, is this for extraction or retail? BROWN, this is for manufacturing and cultivation. TUCKER, no extraction. BROWN, yes, the extraction is one thing under manufacturing. EUGENIO, there will still only be one retail. BROWN, yes. TUCKER, you say 600ft. What about businesses like starts at Aten it farther back north or east. BROWN showed a map with zones indicating allowed zones and non-allowed EUGENIO, not being a retailer will they be allowed later to be retail? BROWN, only by action of the governing bodies. BURNWORTH, if the current holder wants to sell their permit, can they? BROWN, they would need to go through the same process again.

MAYOR DALE CLOSED THE PUBLIC HEARING AT **07:17 PM**

**ACTION:**

BURNWORTH MOTIONED TO ADOPT ORDINANCE 815 AMENDING THE CODIFIED ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL REGARDING MEDICAL AND ADULT USE CANNABIS SUBJECT TO THE INCORPORATION OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS SET FORTH BY THE IMPERIAL PLANNING COMMISSION. SECONDED BY TUCKER.

AYES: EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE  
NOES: AMPERANO  
ABSTAIN: NONE  
ABSENT: NONE  
**MOTION CARRIED 4-1**

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

**E-1. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: SB-1 ROAD REPAIR PROJECT LIST FY 22-23**

**DISCUSSION:**

VILLEGAS from community development presented the staff report on SB-1 road repair project list for fiscal year 2022-2023. AMPERANO, we have a little more money. We get \$23 per resident, what is our estimated time to build and finish. VILLEGAS we are looking at 6.5 months 3 months just construction

and the remainder of time is other parts that need to be completed. BROWN, on May 5<sup>th</sup> it was approved by council to allow invitations to bidders. So, the process has been started. AMPERANO, so we are looking at the end of the year, and is the encroachment permit still good. VILLEGAS, yes, we should be done mid-December and permit is still good. AMPERANO asked Jesus to re-read the areas supplying funds for the project.

**ACTION:**

AMPARANO MOTIONED TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2022-24 TO APPROVE PROJECT LIST SUBMITTED UNDER SB-1 ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 22-23. SECONDED BY EUGENIO

AYES: AMPARANO EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**E-2. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: PASEO DEL SOL WORKOUT FEATURE**

**DISCUSSION:**

LOPEZ presented the staff report along with photos of the work from start to finish. EUGENIO, where are the solar panels located at and what was the cost of the shade. LOPEZ, the solar panels are on the top of the poles the shade alone was 60-70 thousand dollars. The poles and solar light are both about 10 thousand dollars. AMPERANO, there was talk about an asphalt sidewalk for this park did it get built? LOPEZ, that was submitted and application to the country grant projects and we are still waiting to hear back on that matter to include parking on 14<sup>th</sup> street.

**ACTION:**

EUGENIO MOTIONED TO ACCEPT THE PASEO DEL SOL WORKOUT FEATURE PROJECT AS COMPLETE AND AUTHORIZE FILING OF NOTICE OF COMPLETION. SECONDED BY BURNWORTH.

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: AMPARANO

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**E-3. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT AND MATERIALS FOR THE IMPERIAL POLICE DEPARTMENT**

**DISCUSSION:**

BARRA, presented the staff report. AMPERANO, is this a buy back is that why we are paying what we are paying. BARRA stated the weapons are between ten and twelve years old.

**ACTION:**

AMPARANO MOTIONED TO AUTHORIZE THE IMPERIAL POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PURCHASE THIRTY (30) GLOCK 9MM HANDGUNS AND SUPPORT AMENITIES SUCH AS

HOLSTERS AND FLASHLIGHTS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,981.00. SECONDED BY BURNWORTH.

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**E-4. SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES CONTRACT AWARD.**

**DISCUSSION:**

SELF presented the item to the City Council on behalf of the Public Services Department. No discussion was held by the City Council.

**ACTION:**

AMPARANO MOTIONED TO AWARD THE CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT AND INSPECTION SERVICES CONTRACT TO ALBERT WEBB AND ASSOCIATES/CSI SERVICES, INC. FOR SHOP TANK RECOATING PROJECT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$54,580.00.

AYES: AMPARANO, EUGENIO, TUCKER, BURNWORTH, DALE

NOES: NONE

ABSTAIN: NONE

ABSENT: NONE

**MOTION CARRIED 5-0**

**MAYOR DALE ADJOURNED THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL AT 07:31 PM UNTIL THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15<sup>TH</sup> 2022, AT 7:00 P.M.**