



Imperial City Council

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

AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Imperial City Council

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

January 21, 2026

Closed Session at 06:00 pm

Open Session at 07:00 pm

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6:00 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY: At this time, members of the public may address the City Council on Closed Session items. 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.

CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNS INTO CLOSED SESSION

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 COUNCIL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of Litigation pursuant to California Government Code §54956.9(c)

Potential Cases: 1 item.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNCIL – EXISTING LITIGATION G.C §54956.9(d)(1)

- i. Novalk, LLC v. City of Imperial et. al, United States District Court for the Southern District of California, 25CV2307 BAS DDL
- ii. City of Imperial vs. Imperial Valley Computer Manufacturing LLC, et al, Imperial County Superior Court Case No ECU004457
- iii. Imperial Valley Manufacturing, LLC vs. City of Imperial, United States District Court for the Southern District of California Case No 26CV128 JLS BJW.

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS- G.C.§ 54956.8

Property Address: 063-054-038 Agency Negotiator: City Manager

Negotiating Parties: entity controlled by Minerva Kelada, Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

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

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA: The City Council 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 before that portion of the agenda. The City Council may address these issues by entertaining a formal motion.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENT: 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.

A. PRESENTATIONS

A-1. Q1 Budget Presentation by Finance Director Victor Manriquez.

B. CONSENT AGENDA: All items appearing under the “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.

B-1. Approval of Warrants Report.

B-2. Approve City Council Minutes for the regular meeting of December 17, 2025.

B-3. Receive and file the attached Fiscal Year 2024 Independent Audit Report.

B-4. Acceptance of an 80-ft reservation of portion of Belford Rd and SR-86, APN 063-054-038.

C. ACTION ITEMS (DISCUSSION/ACTION):

C-1. City Council Committee Appointments for the 2026 calendar year.

Presenter: Mayor Obeso-Martinez

Recommendation: Consider and approve the appointments as recommended by Mayor Obeso-Martinez for the 2026 calendar year.

C-2. Reject all bids for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Demolition Project and authorize re-bidding.

Presenter: Jenell Guerrero, Public Services Manager

Recommendation: Reject all bids for the Wastewater Treatment Plant Demolition Bid 2025-19, CIP 849, and authorize staff to re-bid the project.

D. REPORTS:

D-1. Department Reports

D-2. City Manager Report

D-3. Mayor and Councilmember Reports

ADJOURNMENT: The next regular meeting of the Imperial City Council will be held on Wednesday, February 4, 2026.