



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

## MINUTES

### Regular Meeting of the Imperial City Council/ Successor Agency to the Redevelopment Agency

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

**December 18, 2024**  
**Closed Session at 06:00 pm**  
**Open Session at 07:00 pm**

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

**CALLED TO ORDER:** Mayor Amparano called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Council Member Burnworth, Obeso -Martinez, Mayor Pro-Tem Tucker, Mayor Amparano, City Manager Morita and City Attorney Turner.

Council Member Mendoza arrived at 6:11 p.m.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY:**

None

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

##### **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION GC 54956.9(d)(1)**

Name of Case: Mehdipour v. City of Imperial, Imperial County Superior Court ECU003274

Name of Case: Worker's Compensation ADJ17592070

##### **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**

Significant exposure to litigation - G.C §54956.9 (d)(2) Number of Cases: 1

Initiation of Litigation G.C. §54956.9(d)(4)

##### **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION - G.C § 54956.7 (b)(l)**

Title of Position: City Manager

#### **CITY COUNCIL CONVENES TO OPEN SESSION**

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

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Amparano called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:** Council Members Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez, Mayor Pro-Tem Tucker and Mayor Amparano.

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

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:**  
None

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION ACTIONS:**  
City Attorney Turner stated that the Council was given directions on one count of Existing Litigation and Anticipated Litigation.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**  
Public Comment received by Peter Martinez, a new board member at IVC.

**A. 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.

- A-1. Approval of Claims and Warrants Report.
- A-2. Approval of City Council meeting minutes for the Regular Meeting of November 6, 2024 and November 20, 2024.
- A-3. Approve Resolution No. 2024-63 amending the Municipal Budget for the First Quarter Q1 Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2025.
- A-4. Accept the Sunset Park Playground Shade Project (Bid No. 2024-05) as complete and authorize staff to file the Notice of Completion with the County Recorder.
- A-5. Award RFP No. 2024-12 for labor compliance consulting services for the AHSC-ARPA/HWY 86 Beautification Phase 1 project to Labor Compliance Consultants of Southern California.
- A-6. Award RFP No. 2024-10 for labor compliance consulting services for the Aten Boulevard Rehabilitation Project between Vilore Way and Old SR-86 STGBL-5134(027) to Southstar DCCM.
- A-7. Authorize the rejection of claim CW File No. CJP-3052982 LSV as recommended by Carl Warren and Company.
- A-8. Approve Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Imperial and Options for All, Inc.

**Moved by Mendoza, seconded by Tucker** to approve the Consent Agenda withholding warrant #12733 for Ida Obeso-Martinez.

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

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** Burnworth

**ABSENT:** None

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

**Moved by Mendoza, seconded by Tucker** to approve warrant #12733 for Ida Obeso-Martinez.

**AYES:** Burnworth, Mendoza, Tucker and Amparano

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** Obeso-Martinez

**ABSENT:** None

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

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

- B-1.** Conduct a public hearing and a landowner Special Election to establish the Community Facilities District 2024-01 for the Morningside Subdivision.

The public hearing was opened at 7:12 p.m.

The staff report was presented by Othon Mora, Community Development Director

The public hearing was closed at 7:14 p.m.

**Recommended Action #1:** Adopt Resolution No. 2024-55, ESTABLISHING THE CITY OF IMPERIAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2024-01, COUNTY OF IMPERIAL, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AND THE BOUNDARIES THEREOF FOR MORNINGSIDE SUBDIVISION

**Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Tucker** to approve Resolution No. 2024-55.

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

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

**Recommended Action #2:** Adopt Resolution No. 2024-56, CALLING A SPECIAL ELECTION AND SUBMITTING TO THE VOTERS OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2024-01 A PROPOSITION WITH RESPECT TO THE ANNUAL LEVY OF SPECIAL TAXES WITHIN SAID COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT TO PAY THE COSTS OF CERTAIN SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT AND A PROPOSITION WITH RESPECT TO ESTABLISHING AN APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR SAID COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT



**Moved by Mendoza, seconded by Tucker** to approve Resolution No. 2024-56.

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

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

**Recommended Action #3:** Adopt Resolution No. 2024-57, DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE SPECIAL ELECTION FOR THE CITY OF IMPERIAL COMMUNITY FACILITIES DISTRICT NO. 2024-1, COUNTY OF IMPERIAL, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, ON THE PROPOSITIONS WITH RESPECT TO (I) THE ANNUAL LEVY OF SPECIAL TAXES TO PAY THE COSTS OF CERTAIN SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED BY THE CFD AND (II) ESTABLISHING AN APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT

**Moved by Obeso-Martinez, seconded by Burnworth** to approve Resolution No. 2024-55.

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

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

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

- C-1.** Award RFP No. 2024-09 for labor compliance consulting services for the Aten Blvd Class II Bike Lane from Vilore Way to Austin Road CMAQ/CML-5134(026).

**Presenter:** Othon Mora, Community Development

**Recommended Action:** Award RFP No. 2024-09 for labor compliance services to Southstar DCCM.

**Moved by Tucker, seconded by Obeso-Martinez** to approve RFP No. 2024-09 for labor compliance services to Southstar DCCM.

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

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

- C-2.** Award RFP No. 2024-11 for labor compliance consulting services for the 7<sup>th</sup> St. Rehabilitation & Pedestrian Improvements from South D Street to South E Street LPP-SB1 5134(029).

**Presenter:** Othon Mora, Community Development

**Recommended Action:** Award RFP No. 2024-11 for labor compliance services to Labor Compliance Consultants of Southern California LLC.

**Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Tucker** to approve RFP No. 2024-11 for labor compliance services to Labor Compliance Consultants of Southern California LLC.

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

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** None

**MOTION CARRIES: 5-0**

#### **D. CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION**

**D-1. Presentations**

- a. Presentations to outgoing Mayor Robert Amparano
- b. Mayor's Plaque presentation by Mayor Pro Tem Tucker
- c. Remarks by outgoing Mayor

**D-2. The City Clerk administers the Oath of Office to newly Appointed Officials Robert Amparano and Katie Burnworth.**

- a. Remarks by newly appointed officials

The City Clerk Kristina Shields administers the Oath of Office to newly Appointed Officials for the next four years.

**D-3. Selection of Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem for the 2024-2025 City Council of the City of Imperial and Successor Agency to the former Imperial Redevelopment Agency**

- a. City Clerk opens nominations for Mayor

**Moved by Amparano, seconded by Mendoza** to approve Mayor Pro-Tem Tucker as Mayor.

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

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** Tucker

**ABSENT:** None

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

- b. Newly elected Mayor assumes chair and opens nominations for Mayor Pro Tem

**Moved by Mendoza, seconded by Burnworth** to approve Council Member Obeso-Martinez as Mayor Pro-Tem.

**AYES:** Burnworth, Mendoza, Tucker and Amparano

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** Obeso-Martinez

**ABSENT:** None

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

- c. Closing remarks by the newly elected Mayor

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Seeing no further business before the Council, Mayor Tucker ended this meeting at 8:07 p.m. and adjourned until the next council meeting on February 5, 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 5<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2025.

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KRISTINA SHIELDS  
City Clerk