

DATE SUBMITTED 6/18/25
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 DATE ACTION REQUIRED 6/18/25

COUNCIL ACTION
 PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED ()
 RESOLUTION ()
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**IMPERIAL CITY COUNCIL
 AGENDA ITEM**

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION: 1. Approve resolution declaring an emergency, and ratifying action taken to address the emergency	
DEPARTMENT INVOLVED: Public Services	
BACKGROUND/SUMMARY: On or about June 16, 2025, the delivery of raw water from the Imperial Irrigation District (IID) Dahlia Canal became unavailable due to regular maintenance. When the raw water delivery was switched to the city's second source (Newside Canal), the 24-inch diameter influent pipeline became clogged with obstructions. The water level in the raw water ponds started dropping and came close to the levels that would trigger a low water level alarm. Operators responded by bringing in pumps and found the suspected area of the clog. A contractor was contacted to determine if they had the time and resources to assist the city on an emergency basis. On June 18, 2025, the contractor cut the 24-inch asbestos cement pipe, found and removed the obstructions. The specialized fittings were not immediately available to replace the pipe, but they were ordered. The estimated lead time for the fittings is two weeks, so it is anticipated that the 24-inch pipe will be replaced at that time. In the meantime, the exposed and cut pipeline is conveying water adequately to the raw water ponds.	
FISCAL IMPACT: NOT TO EXCEED Funds to cover associated costs will be expended from water enterprise funds. The total cost is unknown at this time; it will be paid on a time and material basis.	FINANCE INITIALS _____
STAFF RECOMMENDATION: approve request	DEPT. INITIALS _____
MANAGER'S RECOMMENDATION: <i>Approve emergency resolution</i>	CITY MANAGER'S INITIALS <u><i>JH</i></u>
MOTION:	
SECONDED: AYES: NAYES: ABSENT:	APPROVED () REJECTED () DISAPPROVED () DEFERRED () REFERRED TO:

Added Item
6/18/25

RESOLUTION NO. 2025-41

**RESOLUTION DECLARING AN EMERGENCY, AND
RATIFYNG ACTION TAKEN TO ADDRESS THE
EMERGENCY**

WHEREAS, the city operates and maintains a water treatment facility (“Plant”) which results in the delivery of potable water; and

WHEREAS, the Plant is designed to receive untreated raw water from Imperial Irrigation District by way of two sources: the Dahlia and Newside canals; and

WHEREAS, on or about June 16, 2025, delivery of raw water from the Dahlia canal was unavailable; and

WHEREAS, when the Plant attempted to obtain raw water by way of the Newside canal, it was discovered that the 24-inch diameter delivery pipe to the plant was obstructed; and

WHEREAS, the 24-inch diameter raw water inlet pipe is at least 50 years old and is composed of an asbestos-cement material that has been discontinued from use in the United States since the 1970s;

WHEREAS, without delivery of raw water, the Plant’s ability to produce a continuous supply of potable water is compromised; and

WHEREAS, the above-described conditions constitute an emergency under applicable law, and while the City has storage of raw water and potable water, such emergency would not reasonably permit delays associated with a competitive solicitation for bids, and the actions taken herein were necessary to respond to the emergency; and

WHEREAS, in order to safeguard the public health and safety, it was necessary to take immediate action to clear the obstruction from the 24-inch diameter delivery pipe; and

WHEREAS, the City Council wishes to ratify the action taken by staff and the City Manager to address the pipe obstruction to allow the delivery of raw water to the plant.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED AS FOLLOWS:

1. The above-referenced recitals are true and correct and are incorporated herein.

2. The City Council declares that the public interest and necessity demands the immediate expenditure of public money to safeguard life, health or property, and hereby ratifies action taken by staff and the City Manager to clear the obstruction from the Newside canal delivery pipe on an emergency basis to safeguard life, health or property in accordance

with Public Contracts Code Sections 20168 and 22050 and without otherwise complying with bid requirements required by law.

APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED, at the regular meeting of the City Council this 18th day of June, 2025.

JAMES TUCKER,
Mayor

ATTEST:

KRISTINA SHIELDS,
City Clerk

I, Kristina Shields, City Clerk of the City of Imperial, California, hereby certify that the foregoing Resolution No. 2025-41 was duly adopted at a meeting of the Imperial City Council at its meeting held on the 18th day of June, 2025, by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSENT:

ABSTAIN:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the official seal of the City of Imperial, California, on June 18, 2025.

KRISTINA SHIELDS,
City Clerk