



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

MINUTES

Regular Meeting of the Imperial City Council

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

July 2, 2025

Closed Session at 06:00 pm

Open Session at 07:00 pm

6:00 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

CALL TO ORDER: The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL: Council Members Amparano, Burnworth, Mendoza, Mayor Pro Tem Obeso-Martinez, Mayor Tucker, City Manager Morita, Assistant to the City Manager Garcia, and Attorney Turner.

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY: None

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL:

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

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

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

7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order at 7:08 p.m.

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Peter Martinez.

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:

City Manager Dennis H. Morita requested that Item C-1, Library Board of Trustees vacancies, be tabled for a future date and also asked that the Item C-3 Special Event Series schedule be pulled to have a stand-alone meeting with the council.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION: The City Attorney, Turner, stated that direction was given to Labor Negotiators and to the City Council for Anticipated Litigation.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Public Comment received by Peter Martinez on Community College Building Partnership.

A. PRESENTATIONS:

- A-1. Proclamation presentation for Park and Recreation Month. The Parks and Recreation staff were present to receive the proclamation.
- A-2. Permitium Software presentation by Sergeant Schaffer.

B. CONSENT AGENDA:

- B-1. Approval of Warrants Report.
- B-2. Approval of City Council Special Meeting minutes for June 9, 2025, and Regular Meeting minutes for June 18, 2025.
- B-3. Ratify the approval of the IID Green Lighting for Outdoor Wellness (GLOW) grant funding agreement.
- B-4. Authorize Letter of Support for the Imperial County Transportation Committee’s application to the 2025 Low or No Emission Grant Program.

Moved by Amparano, seconded by Burnworth, to approve the Consent Agenda.

AYES: Amparano, Burnworth, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez, and Tucker
 NOES: None
 ABSTAIN: None
 ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIES: 5-0

C. ACTION ITEMS (DISCUSSION/ACTION):

- *C-1. **Tabled to a future City Council meeting** - Mayor appointments to the Library Board of Trustees to fill two (2) scheduled vacancies.
- C-2. Authorize Change Order No. 1 for the AHSC-ARPA Highway 86 Beautification Ph. 1 Project, Bid 2024-07.

Presenter: Othon Mora, Community Development Director
Recommendation: Authorize Change Order No. 1 for the AHSC-ARPA Highway 86 Beautification Ph 1 Project, Bid 2024-07.

Moved by Obeso-Martinez, seconded by Amparano, to approve and authorize Change Order No. 1 for the AHSC-ARPA Highway 86 Beautification Ph 1 Project, Bid 2024-07.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIES: 5-0

***C-3. Pulled for a stand-alone meeting with Council** -Approve the proposed Special Event Series schedule for the 2025-2026 season.

C-4. Approve the Department of Innovation and Technology’s budget outline of projects and recurring fees for fiscal year 2025-2026.

Presenter: R. Alejandro Estrada, DoIT Director

Recommendation: Accept and approve Department of Innovation and Technology’s budget outline of projects and recurring fees for fiscal year 2025-2026.

Moved by Burnworth, seconded by Amparano, to approve the Department of Innovation and Technology’s budget outline of projects and recurring fees for fiscal year 2025-2026.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIES: 5-0

C-5. Accept and approve updates to the Imperial Police Department Policy Manual through Lexipol.

Presenter: Aaron Reel, Police Chief

Recommendation: Accept and approve the updates to the Imperial Police Department Policy Manual through Lexipol.

Moved by Obeso-Martinez, seconded by Mendoza, to approve and accept the updates to the Imperial Police Department Policy Manual through Lexipol.

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

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION CARRIES: 5-0

D. REPORTS:

D-1. Departments reported on their activities since the last city council meeting.

D-2. City Manager Report: None

D-3. The mayor and council members have reported on their activities since the last city council meeting and upcoming events.

ADJOURNMENT:

Seeing no further business before the Council, Mayor Tucker ended this meeting at 8:20 p.m. and adjourned until the next council meeting on July 16, 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 16th day of July 2025.

KRISTINA SHIELDS
City Clerk