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 DATE ACTION REQUIRED 7/15/25 \_\_\_\_\_

COUNCIL ACTION (x)  
 PUBLIC HEARING REQUIRED ( )  
 RESOLUTION (x)  
 ORDINANCE 1<sup>ST</sup> READING ( )  
 ORDINANCE 2<sup>ND</sup> READING ( )  
 CITY CLERK'S INITIALS ( )

**IMPERIAL CITY COUNCIL  
 AGENDA ITEM**

SUBJECT: DISCUSSION/ACTION:  
**APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION DESIGNATING TWO (2) PARCELS/AREA OF  
 LAND AS SURPLUS LAND**

DEPARTMENT INVOLVED: City Manager / Community Development / Economic Development

BACKGROUND/SUMMARY:

The City of Imperial has been approached about the potential purchase of two (2) parcels/areas of land by two (2) different potential buyers. California State Law includes the Surplus Land Act that dictates a process for which a local agency can sell/dispose of parcels. While ultimately these two (2) potential transactions are exempt from the State of California Surplus Land Act, notice and designation as surplus is transparent and is best practice for local government.

1. (Exhibit A) .21 acre (approximately 9,147 square feet) unnumbered parcel of vacant land located nearer O Street and 13<sup>th</sup> Street. This piece of land is nearer land that was recently approved for vacation by the City of Imperial City Council. The City has been contacted by a neighboring property owner to purchase this piece of land from the City to adjoin with land already owned.
2. (Exhibit B) .43 acre (approximately 18,730 square feet) unnumbered parcel of vacant land located East of South Imperial Avenue, West of Highway 86 and South of West 1<sup>st</sup> Street (a triangular shaped piece of land). The land was deeded to the City by the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) at such time as the City of Imperial was deeded the portion of Highway 86 within the City limits). The City has been contacted by a neighboring property owner to purchase this piece of land from the City to adjoin with land already owned.

The attached Resolution is the first step in this process. Note that taking the recommended action does not bind or commit the City Council to disposing of the subject parcels, only that they would now be designated as excess and authorize City staff to negotiate with the parties requesting to purchase and bring forward a proposal for disposition at a later date.

No action for these parcels to actually be sold or title transferred will occur without the express consent of the City of Imperial City Council.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no direct fiscal impact to this action. There are some minimal costs in terms of staff time to notice the appropriate agencies (local and state) that these parcels have been deemed excess.

ADMIN SERVICES SIGN INITIALS JMS

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the attached Resolution designating the two (2) subject parcels as "excess" land and directing the City Manager (Dennis Morita) to work with staff to follow State Law relative to the Surplus Land Act and municipal code.

DEPT. INITIALS JM

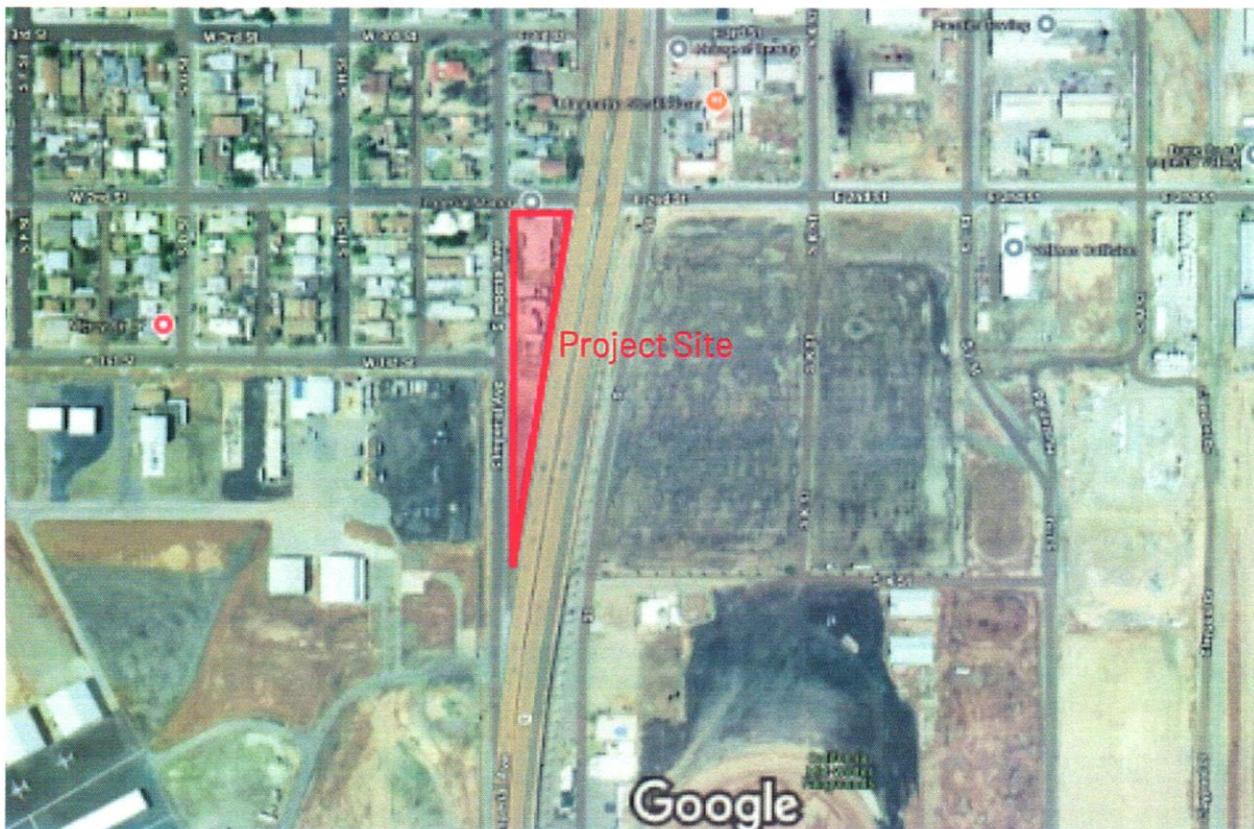




## Exhibit B Proposed Surplus Parcel

### (South Imperial Avenue S/O West 1<sup>st</sup> Street East of Highway 86)

Description: A unnumbered parcel of land that was deeded to the City of Imperial from the State of California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) generally defined as a triangular shaped parcel located East of South Imperial Avenue, West of Highway 86 and South of West 1<sup>st</sup> Street. Parcel is the most southern tip of the “red” area shown and is approximately .43 of an acre (18,730 square feet). Note: the “red” portion outlines two (2) parcels north of the subject land as well as the subject land itself. The subject land generally runs south of West 1<sup>st</sup> Street.



**RESOLUTION 2025-42**

**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR THE CITY OF IMPERIAL  
DECLARING CERTAIN PROPERTY AS SURPLUS LAND UNDER THE  
SURPLUS LAND ACT**

**WHEREAS**, the Surplus Land Act (“Act”), codified in California Government Code Section 54220 *et seq.*, defines “surplus land” as land owned in fee by any local agency for which the local agency’s governing body takes formal action in a regular public meeting declaring that the land is surplus and is not necessary for the agency’s use; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Imperial (“Council”) has determined that land generally described as a .21 acre (9,147 square feet) located nearer the western corner of O Street and 13<sup>th</sup> Street in the City of Imperial (Subject Property A is not being utilized currently for any public purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, the City Council of the City of Imperial (“Council”) has determined that land generally described as a .43 acre (18,130 square feet) located on South Imperial Avenue (East of South Imperial Avenue, West of Highway 86 and South of West 1<sup>st</sup> Street) in the City of Imperial (Subject Property B), is not being utilized currently for any public purpose; and

**WHEREAS**, City staff has evaluated the issues, benefits, and risks associated with considering the disposal of the Property in accordance with the Surplus Land Act, and has determined that the disposal of said parcels (Subject Property A and Subject Property B) are exempt from the Surplus Land Act under Section 103 (c) (3) (A) that reads, “ Small Surplus Land Parcels”... Less than one-half acre in (21,780 square feet) and is not contiguous to land owned by a state of local agency that is used for open-space or low-and moderate-income housing purposes” exempt from further administrative consideration/action under the State Surplus Land Act; and

**WHEREAS**, this declaration of Property does not obligate the City to subsequently dispose of the Property and the City may in the future determine that the Property is necessary for City use and not move forward with any disposition of the Property; and,

**WHEREAS**, the Council has reviewed this Resolution and now desires to declare the Property as exempt surplus land under the Act, based on the findings and justifications contained in this Resolution.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** by the City Council of the City of Imperial as follows:

1. The City Council of the City of Imperial hereby declares that the Property is Surplus Land and is exempt from further administrative processing under the Surplus Land Act and instructs/authorizes the City Manager and/or his designee to comply with all applicable portions of the City of Imperial Municipal Code to consider the potential sales of Subject Property A and Subject Property B.

2. The Council authorizes and directs the City Manager and legal counsel to take such other actions as necessary or appropriate to comply with the Act (as applicable) and the City of Imperial Municipal Code.

**APPROVED, PASSED AND ADOPTED** at a Regular Meeting of the City Council held on the 15 day of July, 2025.

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James Tucker, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Kristina Shields, City Clerk