



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

August 6, 2025

Closed Session at 06:00 pm

Open Session at 07:00 pm

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

**CALLED TO ORDER:** The meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m.

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

Council Member Amparano arrived at 6:09 p.m.

**ABSENT:** Council Member Burnworth

**PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY:** Andrew Rauch was present to make a public comment regarding property during a closed session.

### CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL:

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

Significant exposure to litigation - G.C §54956.9 (d)(2)

Number of Cases: 2

#### **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:** Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

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

**ABSENT:** Mayor Pro Tem Obeso-Martinez

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Obeso-Martinez.

**ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA:** None

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

Daniel Schleyer, Police Officer, was present to let the public know about the Summer Bash.

**A. PRESENTATION:**

- A-1. Recognition for outgoing Planning Commission board member Rebecca Terrazas-Baxter.
- A-2. Imperial Police Department Cadet Program presentation by Officer Carmen Fierro.
- A-3. Imperial Valley Transit Ride Modifications presentation by ICTC Executive Director David Aguirre.

**B. INFORMATIONAL (NO ACTION)**

- B-1. Planning Commission Appointment by Mayor Pro-Tem Obeso-Martinez.

**Viridiana Rosales-Trujillo was appointed to the Planning Commission.**

**C. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- C-1. Approval of Warrants Report.
- C-2. Approval of City Council Regular Meeting minutes for July 16, 2025.
- C-3. Award RFP 2025-11 to Southstar Engineering & Consulting Inc. for labor compliance services for the Aten Blvd Sidewalk Installation project between Progress Trail and Old SR-86.
- C-4. Approve a professional services agreement with 2K Tower Services, LLC for an additional one-year term.
- C-5. Approve a professional services agreement with Code Exxperts for an additional one-year term.
- C-6. Approve Community Facilities District partial fund disbursement Request No. 1-2018 from Bratton CFD 2004-3.
- C-7. Approve Community Facilities District partial fund disbursement Request No. 1-2018 from Monterrey Park CFD 2006-1.
- C-8. Authorization to reject claim CW File No. CJP-3054536 J. Velazco as recommended by Carl Warren.

**Moved by Amparano, seconded by Mendoza, to approve the Consent Agenda.**

AYES: Amparano, Mendoza, and Tucker

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: Obeso-Martinez

ABSENT: Burnworth

**MOTION CARRIES: 3-0-1**

**D. ACTION ITEMS (DISCUSSION/ACTION):**

**D-1.** Adopt Resolution No. 2025-46, approving the purchase of a 2024 Pierce Enforcer Fire Engine.

**Presenter:** Victor Manriquez, Administrative Services Director

**Recommendation:** Approve the purchase of a fire engine and adopt Resolution No. 2025-46, A RESOLUTION APPROVING THE FINANCING FOR A NEW FIRE ENGINE DURING FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 2026.

**Moved by Amparano, seconded by Obeso-Martinez, to approve Resolution No. 2025-46.**

AYES: Amparano, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez and Tucker

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burnworth

**MOTION CARRIES: 4-0**

**D-2.** Approve expenditure plan and resolutions accepting the 2023-2024 State Citizen's Option for Public Safety (COPS) allocation funding.

**Presenter:** Aaron Reel, Police Chief

**Recommendation:**

1. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-43, APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF STATE CITIZENS OPTIONS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY (COPS) PROGRAM FUNDING FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024.
2. Adopt Resolution No. 2025-44, APPROVING THE ACCEPTANCE OF STATE CITIZENS OPTIONS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY (COPS) PROGRAM FUNDING FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 (GROWTH)

**Moved by Mendoza, seconded by Amparano, to approve Resolution No. 2025-43 and Resolution No. 2025-44.**

AYES: Amparano, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez and Tucker

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burnworth

**MOTION CARRIES: 4-0**

**D-3.** Approve and adopt the revised job description for Building and Code Enforcement Supervisor and replace the current job description.

**Presenter:** Kristen Smith, Human Resources Manager

**Recommendation:** Approve and adopt the revised job description for Building and Code Enforcement Supervisor and replace the current job description.

**Moved by Obeso-Martinez, seconded by Mendoza,** to approve and adopt the revised job description for Building and Code Enforcement Supervisor and replace the current job description.

AYES: Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez and Tucker

NOES: Amparano

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burnworth

**MOTION CARRIES: 3-1**

**D-4.** Approve and adopt the revised job description for Fleet and Facilities Supervisor and replace the current job description.

**Presenter:** Kristen Smith, Human Resources Manager

**Recommendation:** Approve and adopt the revised job description for Fleet and Facilities Supervisor and replace the current job description.

**Moved by Mendoza, seconded by Obeso-Martinez,** to approve and adopt the revised job description for Fleet and Facilities Supervisor and replace the current job description.

AYES: Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez and Tucker

NOES: Amparano

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burnworth

**MOTION CARRIES: 3-1**

**D-5.** Authorization to delete one (1) vacant full-time allocation and job classification for Project Manager and approve a budget amendment to add and fund one (1) full-time Community Development Project Manager.

**Presenter:** Kristen Smith, Human Resources Manager

**Recommendation:**

1. Authorization to delete one (1) vacant full-time allocation and job classification for Project Manager
2. Approve and adopt the job description for Community Development Project Manager.
3. Approve a budget amendment to add and fund one (1) full-time allocation for Community Development Project Manager.

**Moved by Obeso-Martinez, seconded by Mendoza,** to approve and authorize to delete one (1) vacant full-time allocation and job classification for Project Manager. Approve and adopt the job description for Community Development Project Manager. Approve a budget amendment to add and fund one (1) full-time allocation for Community Development Project Manager.

AYES: Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez and Tucker

NOES: Amparano

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burnworth

**MOTION CARRIES: 3-1**

**D-6.** Authorization to delete one (1) vacant full-time allocation for Police Services Officer I and approve a budget amendment to add and fund one (1) full-time allocation of Animal Control Officer.

**Presenter:** Kristen Smith, Human Resources Manager

**Recommendation:**

1. Authorization to delete one (1) vacant full-time allocation for Police Services Officer I.
2. Approve and adopt the job description for Animal Control Coordinator.
3. Approve a budget amendment to add and fund one (1) full-time allocation for Animal Control Officer.

**Moved by Obeso-Martinez, seconded by Mendoza,** to approve and authorize to delete one (1) vacant full-time allocation for Police Services Officer I. Approve and adopt the job description for Animal Control Coordinator. Approve a budget amendment to add and fund one (1) full-time allocation for Animal Control Officer.

AYES: Amparano, Mendoza, Obeso-Martinez and Tucker

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Burnworth

**MOTION CARRIES: 4-0**

**E. REPORTS:**

- E-1.** Departments reported on their activities since the last city council meeting.
- E-2.** City Manager Report: None
- E-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 8:35 p.m. and adjourned until the next council meeting on August 20, 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 20th day of August 2025.

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KRISTINA SHIELDS  
City Clerk