



City Council

Ida Obeso-Martinez - Mayor
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AGENDA

Regular Meeting of the Imperial City Council

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

September 16, 2026
Closed Session at 06:00 pm
Open Session at 07:00 pm

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6:00 P.M. CLOSED SESSION

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY: At this time, members of the public may address the City Council on Closed Session items. Pursuant to State Law, the City Council may not discuss or take action on issues not on the meeting agenda (Government Code Section 54954.2). If you are compensated to communicate with City officials, you may be required to register and/or make certain disclosures as a lobbyist. There is a time limit of three (3) minutes for anyone wishing to address the City Council on these matters.

CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNS INTO CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL: The City Council finds, based on advice from the City Attorney, that discussion in open session of the following described matter(s) will prejudice the position of the City in existing and anticipated litigation.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Significant exposure to litigation - G.C §54956.9 (d)(2) Number of Cases: 1

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION Initiation of Litigation pursuant to California Government Code section 54956.9(c) Number of Cases: 1

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (Gov. Code §54956.9(d)(1).) City of Imperial vs. County of Imperial, et. al. Case No ECU004457

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION § GC 54954.5(e) Title: City Manager

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS G.C. §54957.6 Agency Representatives: Dennis H. Morita, City Manager; Employee Organizations: Imperial Police Officers Association, Teamsters Local 542, Management Supervisory Professional Confidential and Police Captain/Unrepresented

7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ADJUSTMENTS TO THE AGENDA: The City Council may amend the order, add urgency items, note abstentions or “no” votes on consent calendar items, and request consent calendar items be removed from the consent calendar for discussion. The City Council may also remove items from the consent calendar before that portion of the agenda. The City Council may address these issues by entertaining a formal motion.

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

PUBLIC COMMENT: If you wish to address the City Council concerning any item within the City Council’s jurisdiction, please raise your hand and be acknowledged by the mayor. At that time, state your name and address for the record. The mayor reserves the right to place a time limit of three (3) minutes on each person’s presentation.

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 Warrants Report.
- A.2.** Approve City Council Minutes for the Special and Regular Meetings of July 15, 2026.
- A.3.** Ratification of Sponsor Letter regarding SB 675 (Padilla) to Governor Gavin Newsom
- A.4.** Ratification of Support Letter for SB 886 to Governor Gavin Newsom: Ratepayer and Technological Innovation Protection Act
- A.5.** Ratification of Support Letter for SB 887 to Governor Gavin Newsom: Good Neighbor Data Centers Leadership Project
- A.6.** Authorization to destroy accounts payable records, accounts receivable records, utility billing daily transactions, and payroll reports from July 1, 2015, to June 30, 2022, in compliance with the City's current records retention sections FIN-013, FIN-014, FIN-036, and FIN-038.
- A.7.** Approve Fourth Amendment to Agreement with Allied Waste Transportation, Inc., dba Republic Services for Street Sweeping Services
- A.8.** Adopt Resolution No. 2026-54, amending the City of Imperial's Conflict of Interest Code and the list of designated employees.
- A.9.** Add one (1.0 FTE) Full-Time Police Officer as an Elementary School Resource Officer (SRO) funded by the BSCC Proposition 64 Grant (Agreement No. BSCC 1445-26).
- A.10.** Approve a contract renewal with Urban SDK for a three-year term.
- A.11.** Approval of Purchase for Axon DroneSense Program
- A.12.** Donation of Movie Screen to Ben Hulse PTO
- A.13.** Approval to purchase Stalker Radar Message Trailer
- A.14.** Approval of purchase of Sotoxa Oral Fluid Mobile Analyzer

B. PUBLIC HEARING (DISCUSSION/ACTION):

- B.1.** Conduct a public hearing to adopt Resolution No. 2026-61, approving the issuance of bonds by the California Municipal Finance Authority for the benefit of borrower CRP Wall LP to provide for the financing of the Wall Apartment Project.

Presenter: Othon Mora, Community Development Director

Recommended Action:

- 1) Conduct the public hearing under the requirements of TEFRA and the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the "Code").
- 2) Adopt Resolution 2026-61 approving the issuance of the Bonds by the California Municipal Finance Authority for the benefit of CRP Wall LP (the "Borrower"), to provide for the financing of the Wall Apartment Project, such adoption is solely for the purposes of satisfying the requirements of TEFRA, the Code, and the California Government Code Section 6500 (and following).

C. ACTION ITEMS (DISCUSSION/ACTION):

- C.1.** Adopt Resolution No. 2026-62 Authorizing a Special Certification Stipend for Qualified Employees Holding an International Code Council Certified Building Official Credential and Authorizing the City Manager to Designate Qualified Personnel.

Presenter: Kristen Smith, Human Resources Director

Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution No. 2026-62, authorizing a special certification stipend of \$500.00 per month for a qualified City employee holding an active International Code Council Certified Building Official credential, and authorizing the City Manager to designate qualified personnel to perform statutory and regulatory Building Official duties in conjunction with their regular responsibilities.

- C.2.** Approve a renewal agreement between the County of Imperial and the City of Imperial for Fire Services.

Presenter: Thomas Garcia, Assistant to the City Manager

Recommended Action: Approve the renewal of the agreement with the County of Imperial for Fire Services.

- C.3.** Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No.836, Establishing a Prima Facie speed limit in school zones pursuant to California Vehicle Code Section 22352.5.

Presenter: Aaron Reel, Police Chief

Recommended Action: Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No.836, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A PRIMA FACIE SPEED LIMIT OF 20 MILE PER HOUR (MPH) IN SCHOOL ZONES PURSUANT TO CALIFORNIA VEHICLE CODE SECTION 22352.5.; Waive full reading and Read by Title Only and direct staff to place the ordinance on the next regular meeting agenda for second reading and adoption.

- C.4.** Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No. 837, Establishing Local Regulations on Drones.

Presenter: Aaron Reel, Police Chief

Recommended Action: Introduction and First Reading of Ordinance No.837, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF IMPERIAL ADDING CHAPTER ___ TO THE IMPERIAL MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO THE SAFE OPERATION OF UNMANNED AIRCRAFT SYSTEMS ("DRONES"); Waive full reading and Read by Title Only and direct staff to place the ordinance on the next regular meeting agenda for second reading and adoption.

D. REPORTS:

- Department Reports
- City Manager Report
- Mayor and Councilmember Reports

ADJOURNMENT: The next regular meeting of the Imperial City Council will be held on October 7, 2026.