

The City Council of the City of Inglewood, California held a regular meeting on Tuesday, February 28, 2023, in the Council Chambers in City Hall of said City.

Mayor Butts called the City Council into Closed Session at the hour of 1:02 p.m.

The City Clerk announced the presence of a quorum as follows:

Present: Mayor Butts, Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk;  
and  
Absent: None.

City officials and personnel present for closed session were as follows:

Aisha L. Thompson	City Clerk
Artie Fields	City Manager
Ken Campos	City Attorney
Angela Allen	Deputy City Clerk

**PUBLIC COMMENTS REGARDING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS.** Mayor Butts inquired if there were any persons present who wished to address the City Council on the Closed Session Item Nos. CS-1 and CS-2.

There was no response.

Mayor Butts recessed the City Council at the hour of 1:04 p.m. for Closed Session Item Nos. CS-1 and CS-2.

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Following the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag of our Country, Mayor Butts called the City Council into joint session with the Successor Agency, Housing Authority, and Parking Authority at the hour of 2:00 p.m.

The City Clerk/Successor Agency Secretary/Housing Authority Secretary/Parking Authority Secretary announced the presence of a quorum as follows:

Present: Mayor/Successor Agency Chairman/Housing Authority Chairman/Parking Authority Chairman Butts, Council Members/Successor Agency Members/Housing Authority Members/Parking Authority Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, and Faulk; and  
Absent: None.

City/Successor Agency/Housing Authority/Parking Authority officials and personnel present were as follows:

Aisha L. Thompson	City Clerk/Secretary*
Artie Fields	City Manager/ Executive Director*
Ken Campos	City Attorney/General Counsel*
Louis Atwell	Assistant City Manager/Public Works Director
Angela Allen	Deputy City Clerk
Christine Padilla	Staff Assistant

\* Serves as indicated for the Successor Agency, Housing Authority, and Parking Authority.

**PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MARCH AS AMERICAN RED CROSS MONTH.** Mayor Butts read the proclamation recognizing March as American Red Cross Month.

Representatives from the American Red Cross expressed their gratitude to the City Council and accepted the proclamation.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS – AGENDA ITEMS.** Mayor/Successor Agency Chairman/Housing Authority Chairman/Parking Authority Chairman Butts inquired if there were any persons present who wished to address the City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority/Parking Authority on any item on the Agendas other than the public hearings.

Marvin McCoy commented on the Warrants and Bills.

142.9 **PAYMENT OF WARRANTS AND BILLS.** It was moved by Council Member /Successor Agency Member / Housing Authority Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member/Successor Agency Member/Housing Authority Member Faulk that the demands presented to the City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority dated February 24, 2023, in the amount of \$7,667,621.64, dated February 16, 2023, in the amount of \$4,781,647.48 are hereby allowed, and the City Clerk/Successor Agency Secretary/Housing Authority Secretary is hereby authorized to certify upon said registers that said demands are so approved. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members/ Successor Agency Members/ Housing Authority Members  
Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor/ Successor Agency Chairman /  
Housing Authority Chairman Butts; and  
Noes: None.

301 **PUBLIC HEARING CONTINUED – 2021-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT.** Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented to consider adoption of a resolution approving the 2021-2029 Housing Element (General Plan Amendment 2023-001).

Mayor Butts ordered the public hearing to be continued to the Council Meeting of March 21, 2023, at the hour of 2:00 p.m.

178 **PUBLIC HEARING HELD – INGLEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT POLICY 709 APPROVED; ORDINANCE NO 23-08 ADOPTED – ADDING SECTION 2-168.1 TO CHAPTER OF THE INGLEWOOD MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING MILITARY EQUIPMENT USE POLICY.** The City Clerk announced that the next scheduled matter was a public hearing pursuant to Assembly Bill 481, to consider approval of Inglewood Police Department Policy 709 (Military Equipment) to provide guidelines for the approval, acquisition, and reporting requirement of military equipment, and that notices were given in the time, form and manner as required by law, an affidavit was on file, and no communications were received.

Artie Fields, City Manager presented the Staff Report dated February 28, 2023.

Cardell Hurt, Acting Police Chief presented a brief overview.

Mayor Butts inquired if there were any persons present that wished to address the City Council on this matter.

Caller (Name Unknown) spoke concerning Agenda Item No. PH-1, which was continued to March 21, 2023. The caller was advised to call on the public hearing date.

Speaker (Name Unknown) spoke about George Floyd and his concerns about the Inglewood Police Department acquiring weapons-grade materials. He stated he understood the reality of mass shootings and the ability of law enforcement agencies to protect lives. However, there needs to be a partnership. Finally, the speaker discussed the Police Commission not meeting, broken trust, and the murder of two people sleeping at a light in their car.

Mayor Butts closed the public comment portion at the hour of 2:14 p.m.

It was moved by Mayor Butts, and seconded Council Member Morales that further reading be waived. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Mayor Butts that the City Council does hereby: 1) Approve Inglewood Police Department Policy 709 (Military Equipment); and

Thereupon, Ordinance No. 23-08 entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD  
ADDING SECTION 2-168.1 TO CHAPTER 2 OF THE INGLEWOOD  
MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING MILITARY EQUIPMENT USE POLICY

which was introduced at the meeting held on February 14, 2023, be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

132.6 **CLAIMS DENIED.** Letters from the Office of the City Attorney recommending the following:

**A. Reject Claims filed pursuant to Government Code Section 913:**

- 1) Nicolas Davenport for alleged personal injury; dangerous condition – SoFi Stadium on August 4, 2022.
- 2) Kulsum Farooqui for alleged vehicle damage; pothole on January 7, 2023.
- 3) Gena Hodge for alleged personal injury; dangerous condition – SoFi Stadium on July 23, 2022.
- 4) Mona Ibrahim for alleged tire damage; pothole on January 11, 2023.
- 5) Alex Larios for alleged personal injury; raised walkway on August 23, 2022.
- 6) Luvia Lopez for alleged wrongful death; dangerous road condition – outside City’s boundary on June 18, 2022.
- 7) Roberto Lopez for alleged wrongful death; dangerous road condition – outside City’s boundary on June 18, 2022.
- 8) Erika Torres for alleged tire damage; pothole on January 11, 2023.
- 9) Kathy Williams for alleged tire damage; pothole on January 26, 2023.

**B. Reject Insufficient Claim filed pursuant to Government Code Section 913:**

- 1) Joni Turquand for alleged vehicle damage; pothole on November 11, 2022.

**C. Reject Amended Claim filed pursuant to Government Code Section 913:**

- 1) Evy Trezvant for alleged vehicle damage; fallen tree on January 14, 2023.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member Faulk that the City Council does hereby: 1) Reject claims listed as A-1 through A-9; 2) Reject claim listed as B-1; and 3) Reject claim listed as C-1. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

101 **RESOLUTION NO. 23-62 ADOPTED – ACCEPTANCE AND FILING THE COMPLETION OF THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER RENOVATION PROJECT WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER AND AUTHORIZING THE RELEASE OF RETENTION PURSUANT TO LAW; PAYMENT AUTHORIZED – MONET CONSTRUCTION, INC.** Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented recommending that the Mayor and Council Members adopt a resolution 1) accepting the Emergency Operations Center Renovation Project as complete; 2) authorizing staff to prepare and file a Notice of Completion with the Los Angeles County Recorder; and 3) authorizing the release of retention pursuant to law.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member Faulk that the City Council does hereby: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23-62 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA (1) ACCEPTING THE EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER RENOVATION PROJECT AS COMPLETE, (2) AUTHORIZING STAFF TO PREPARE AND FILE NOTICE OF COMPLETION WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY RECORDER, AND (3) AUTHORIZE THE RELEASE OF RETENTION PURSUANT TO LAW

and; 2) Authorize payment of outstanding invoices submitted by Monet Construction, Inc., for construction services for the Emergency Operation Center (EOC), in the total amount of \$156,258. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

- 173 **PAYMENT AUTHORIZED – MONJARAS & WISMEYER GROUP, INC. DBA RETURN TO WORK PARTNERS (R2WP).** Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented recommending the Mayor and Council Members authorize payment of an invoice submitted to Monjaras & Wismeyer Group, Inc. dba Return to Work Partners (R2WP), for facilitating Interactive Process Accommodation Meetings for City employees.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member Faulk that the City Council does hereby authorize payment in the amount of

\$2,100. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

- 171 **COOPERATIVE PURCHASE AGREEMENT NO. 23-139 APPROVED – NEW TANGRAM, L.L.C. (TANGRAM).** Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented recommending the Mayor and Council Members approve a one-year Cooperative Purchase Agreement with New Tangram, L.L.C. (Tangram), for the purchase and installation of furniture for the Crenshaw Library.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member Faulk that the City Council does hereby approve Cooperative Purchase Agreement No. 23-139, in an amount not to exceed \$75,000. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

- 160 **AGREEMENT NO. 23-140 APPROVED – PEPSICO, INC.** Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented recommending that the Mayor and Council Members approve an agreement between the City of Inglewood and PepsiCo, Inc. for the installation of basketball court improvements at Vincent Park.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member Faulk that the City Council does hereby approve Agreement No. 23-140. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

- 160&183 **BID NO. CB 23-03 REJECTED – DARBY PARK WALKING TRACK PROJECT.** Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented recommending that the Mayor and Council Members reject all bids received on January 25, 2023, for the Darby Park Walking Track Project: CB-23-03, and authorize the rebid of the project.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member Faulk that the City Council does hereby reject all bids and authorize the rebid of the project. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

160&183 **RESOLUTION NO. 23-63 ADOPTED – VOID AND/OR TERMINATE AGREEMENT NO. 22-307 WITH DOJA, INC.; NEW AGREEMENT NO. 23-141 APPROVED – DOJA, INC.** Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented recommending that the Mayor and Council Members adopt a resolution voiding and/or terminating the September 13, 2022 Agreement (Agreement No. 22-307) with Doja, Inc., for the Darby Park Restroom Project, to correct the amount noted for liquidated damages.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member Faulk that the City Council does hereby: 1) Adopt Resolution No. 23-63 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, VOIDING AND/OR TERMINATING THE SEPTEMBER 13, 2022, AGREEMENT NO. 22-307 WITH DOJA, INC., FOR THE DARBY PARK RESTROOM PROJECT

and; 2) Approve New Agreement No. 23-141, in a total amount not to exceed \$693,000 (includes a City controlled contingency in an amount not to exceed \$63,000), for the Darby Park Restroom Project Phase 1, per Bid No. CB 22-03. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

178 **PAYMENT AUTHORIZED – WPU INC.** Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented recommending that the Mayor and Council Members authorize payment of an invoice submitted by WPU Inc., for transcription services.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member Faulk that the City Council does hereby authorize payment in the amount of \$1,681.50. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

183 **CONTRACT AWARDED AND AGREEMENT NO. 23-142 APPROVED – AC PROS, INC.; RESOLUTION NO. 23-64 ADOPTED – AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 BUDGET.** Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented recommending that the Mayor and Council Members award a contract and approve an agreement with AC Pros, Inc., for the Los Angeles County Fire Station No. 171 HVAC Upgrade Project, FY 2022-2023, per Bid No. CB-22-18.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member Faulk that the City Council does hereby; 1) Award contract and approve Agreement No. 23-142 in a total amount not to exceed \$404,160 (includes a City controlled and directed twenty percent (20%) contingency in an amount not to exceed \$67,360); and 2) Adopt Resolution No. 23-64 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY INGLEWOOD, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 BUDGET TO FUND THE FIRE STATION HEATING, VENTILATION, AND AIR CONDITIONING UPGRADE PROJECT

The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

183 **PAYMENT AUTHORIZED – KOA CORPORATION.** Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented recommending that the Mayor and Council Members authorize payments of invoices submitted by KOA Corporation (Consultant) for construction management services in support of the Centinela Avenue Improvements Project.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member Faulk that the City Council does hereby authorize payment in a total amount of \$132,847.50. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

- 103.3 **AGREEMENT NO. 23-143 APPROVED – THE JONES PAYNE GROUP, INC. (JONES PAYNE); RESOLUTION NO. 23-65 ADOPTED – AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 ANNUAL BUDGET.** Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented recommending that the Mayor and Council Members approve an agreement with The Jones Payne Group, Inc. (Jones Payne), to provide management services to the City’s Residential Sound Insulation Program.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member Faulk that the City Council does hereby; 1) Approve Agreement No. 23-143 in a total amount not to exceed \$250,000; and 2) Adopt Resolution No. 23-65 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD,  
CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE 2022/2023 ANNUAL BUDGET

The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

- 142 **PRESENTATION OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 FIRST-QUARTER BUDGET REVIEW REPORT RECEIVED AND FILED; RESOLUTION NO. 23-66 ADOPTED – AMENDING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET.** Staff report dated February 28, 2023, presenting the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 First-Quarter Budget Review Report.

Artie Fields, City Manager presented the staff report dated February 28, 2023.

Keauonna Stovall-Buckhanon, Budget Manager, presented the First-Quarter Budget Review Report for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

Council Member Morales left the dais at the hour of 2:23 p.m.

Council Member Morales returned to the dais at the hour of 2:26 p.m.

Mayor Butts order the First-Quarter Budget Review Report for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 received and filed.

It was moved by Council Member Morales, and seconded by Council Member Faulk that Resolution No. 23-66 entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF INGLEWOOD,  
CALIFORNIA, AMENDING THE AUTHORIZED POSITIONS FOR THE FISCAL  
YEAR 2022-2023 BUDGET

be adopted. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor Butts; and  
Noes: None.

125 **AMENDMENT ONE TO AGREEMENT NO. 22-263 APPROVED – KANE, BALLMER & BERKMAN, LC (“SPECIAL COUNSEL”)**. Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented recommending that the Mayor/Chairman and Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority/Parking Authority Members approve Amendment One to Agreement No. 22-263 with Kane, Ballmer & Berkman. LC (“Special Counsel”) for legal services, increasing Special Counsel’s hourly rates and increasing the compensation by an additional amount of \$1,050,000 (bringing the total contract compensation to \$1,500,000).

It was moved by Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority/Parking Authority Member Morales, and seconded by Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority/Parking Authority Member Padilla that the City Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority/Parking Authority does hereby approve Amendment One to Agreement No. 22-263. The motion was carried by the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Council/Successor Agency/Housing Authority/Parking Authority Members Dotson, Padilla, Morales, Faulk, and Mayor/Successor Agency/Housing Authority/Parking Authority Chairman Butts; and

Noes: None.

131.8 **PUBLIC HEARING SET – AMENDMENT TO THE FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN FOR THE ALLOCATION OF HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM-AMERICAN RESCUE PLAN (HOME-ARP)**. Staff report dated February 28, 2023, was presented requesting that the Mayor and Council Members set a public hearing to consider the adoption of a resolution adopting a substantial amendment to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Annual Action Plan for the allocation of HOME Investment Partnerships Program-American Rescue Plan (HOME-ARP) funding from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Mayor Butts set the public hearing for March 21, 2023, at the hour of 2:00 p.m.

132.9 **CLOSED SESSION – PENDING LITIGATION – TONY MAIDEN V. CITY OF INGLEWOOD, ET AL.** Closed Session – Confidential – Attorney/Client Privileged; City Council Conference with Legal Counsel regarding pending litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1); Tony Maiden v. City of Inglewood, et al.; LASC Case No.: 19STCV20008.

Status Provided; No Action Taken.

132.9 **CLOSED SESSION – PENDING LITIGATION – THOMAS B. LOVE VS. CITY OF INGLEWOOD.** Closed Session – Confidential – Attorney/Client Privileged; City Council Conference with Legal Counsel regarding pending litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1); Thomas B. Love vs. City of Inglewood; USDC Case No.: 2:22-cv-08336 RGK (JPRx).

Status Provided; No Action Taken.

**REPORTS – CITY CLERK.** The City Clerk, Aisha L. Thompson, notified District 1 residents about early voting at Center of Hope and provided the address and operating hours. She also notified residents about the District 1 Runoff Election. Finally, she wrapped up Black History Month with an Yvette Clarke quote.

**PUBLIC REMARKS.** Mayor Butts inquired if there were any persons present who wished to address the City Council on any matter connected with City business not elsewhere considered on the Agenda.

Speaker (Name Unknown) requested information from the Mayor on how to contact the Gardena Mayor. She commended the Mayor on his admirable work for the City of Inglewood. Finally, she stated that the Mayor was doing excellent work by providing jobs for the community.

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Speaker (Name Unknown) commented on Agenda Item No. DR-1, and stated that the rise of property taxes is only beneficial if you sell your property. He also discussed the Transient Occupancy Taxes and the Fiscal Emergency that the Mayor declared still existed.

Morris Griffin spoke about Black History Month. In addition, he discussed the fair market value of his apartment complex, which has twelve units, two of which are bachelor units and the remainder are one-bedrooms. Mr. Morris questioned the ten percent (10%) he felt was unfairly charged due to only 10 of the 12 units being one-bedroom apartments. Finally, he stated that his apartment complex lacked sound insulation.

There being no further business to be presented, Mayor Butts declared the meeting adjourned in memory of Leonca Cahee, Assistant Human Resource Director and Shirley Pierre at the hour of 2:25 p.m.

Approved this 9<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2023.

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Aisha L. Thompson, City Clerk

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James Butts, Jr., Mayor