



AGENDA
CITY OF EL CENTRO
CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2025

City Hall

Regular Meeting

3:30 PM

CITY HALL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1275 MAIN STREET
EL CENTRO, CA 92243

The public may attend in person. Any member of the public attending in person and wishing to make a comment is asked to complete a speaker slip and follow the instructions below regarding "Notice to the Public". Any member of the public is invited to submit public comments in advance of the meeting to be answered at the meeting. Please email your questions to CityClerk@cityofelcentro.org or call 760-337-4515 by November 18, 2025.

COUNCIL MEMBERS, STAFF AND THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND VIA ZOOM.

To participate and make a public comment in person, via Zoom or telephone, please raise your hand, speak up and introduce yourself.

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The Mayor and Council Members may be reached at (760) 336-8989

Mayor: Sonia Carter
Mayor Pro-Tem: Marty Ellett
Council Members: Sylvia Marroquin
Claudia Camarena
Michael Crankshaw

City Manager: Robert Sawyer
City Attorney: Elizabeth Martyn Evans
City Clerk: Norma Wyles

3:30 PM CLOSED SESSION - CONFERENCE ROOM "A":

ROLL CALL:

CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC COMMENT:

Any member of the public wishing to address the City Council on any matter appearing in the closed session may do so at this time. Unless the Mayor extends the time limit, remarks shall be limited to three (3) minutes. Additional opportunities for Public Comment will be given during and at the end of the meeting.

CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNS INTO CLOSED SESSION:

CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION:

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL PURSUANT TO GOVT. CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(2):

Anticipated Litigation - 2 Cases

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - POSSIBLE LITIGATION BY THE CITY PURSUANT TO GOVT. CODE SECTION 54956.9(d)(4) - 2 cases

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC

This is a public meeting. If there is an item on the agenda on which you wish to be heard, you are asked to complete a blue speaker slip and submit it to the City Clerk prior to the start of the meeting. **Persons wishing to address the Council are not required to identify themselves (Gov't Code § 54953.3); however, this information assists the Mayor by ensuring that all persons wishing to address the Council are recognized and also assists the City Clerk in preparing the City Council meeting minutes.** When the item is announced and your name is called by the Mayor, please step to the podium and state your name for the record. Unless the Mayor extends the time, there is a three (3) minute time limit for each public presentation. If you wish to address the Council concerning any other matter not appearing on the agenda, you may do so during the public comment portion of the agenda. **However, you may not show a visual presentation without review of that material. If you do so, you will be considered out of order.**

* Any information provided on the "Speaker Slip" is voluntary and will be public record

6:00 OPEN SESSION

ALL TIMES ARE APPROXIMATE AND MAY VARY:

CALL TO ORDER:

ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

INVOCATION:

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION:

(TIME MAY VARY) PUBLIC COMMENTS:

The City Council welcomes your input. At this time, members of the public may address the City Council on any matter not listed on the posted agenda. Pursuant to the Brown Act, no action will be taken on any issue brought forth under Public Comments. We ask that you please complete a "Speaker Slip" and submit it to the City Clerk prior to the start of the meeting. Although you are not required to identify yourself (Gov't Code §54953.3); this information on the "Speaker Slip" assists the Mayor that all persons wishing to address the Council are recognized and also assists the City Clerk in preparing the City Council meeting minutes. Unless the Mayor extends the time, there is a three (3) minute time limit for each public presentation. * Any information provided on the "Speaker Slip" is voluntary and will be public record.

CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS 1-8):

1. Approve Warrant Registers for the Month of October 2025
2. Approve Payroll Registers for the Month of October 2025.

3. Approval of the Treasurer's Report for the Month of October 2025.
4. Approval of City Council Minutes of November 4, 2025.
5. 2nd Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 25-08, ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO ADDING CITY CODE SECTION 19-42.1 TO THE EL CENTRO MUNICIPAL CODE PROHIBITING THE OPERATION OF ELECTRIC BICYCLES IN CITY-OWNED PARKS, waive reading and adopt by title only.
6. Accept the resignation of Mr. Michael Minnix from the Personnel Appeals Board be accepted, effective immediately, with regrets; and that the City Clerk be authorized to advertise the unscheduled vacancy.
7. Adopt Resolution No. 25- , RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO APPROVING A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EL CENTRO FIRE DEPARTMENT AND THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION – CENTINELA STATE PRISON.
8. Authorization to go out to bid for Routine Janitorial Maintenance for El Centro Public Facilities: Police Station, Library and Library Branch, Community Center, Adult Center, Old Post Office Pavilion, Martin Luther King Jr. Sports Pavilion, Conrad Harrison Youth Center

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

9. Discussion and any necessary action regarding setting findings for required amendments to the 2025 California Building Code to local climatic, geographic, or topographic conditions.

Presentation: Angel Hernandez, Community Development Director

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 25- , A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA SETTING FORTH FINDINGS FOR REQUIRED AMENDMENTS TO THE 2025 CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE, THE 2025 CALIFORNIA RESIDENTIAL CODE, THE 2025 CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE, THE 2025 CALIFORNIA GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS, AND THE 2025 UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, RELATIVE TO LOCAL CLIMATIC GEOGRAPHIC, OR TOPOGRAPHIC CONDITIONS.

10. Public hearing for the purposes of adoption of the 2025 California Building Code.

Presentation: Angel Hernandez, Community Development Director

Recommendation:

Introduction and approval of Ordinance No. 25- , AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO REPEALING CHAPTER 7, ARTICLES I THROUGH XVIII OF THE CITY CODE IN THEIR ENTIRETY AND READOPTING CHAPTER 7, ARTICLES I THROUGH XVIII BY REFERENCE TO THE UPDATED OF MOST RECENT CALIFORNIA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, BUILDING CODE, RESIDENTIAL CODE, ELECTRICAL CODE, MECHANICAL CODE, PLUMBING CODE, ENERGY CODE, HISTORICAL BUILDING CODE, EXISTING BUILDING CODE, GREEN BUILDING CODE, UNIFORM ADMINISTRATIVE CODE, WILDLAND-URBAN

INTERFACE CODE, UNIFORM HOUSING CODE, AND INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, AND UNIFORM CODE FOR THE ABATEMENT OF DANGEROUS BUILDINGS, PROVIDING FOR PAYMENT OF FEES AND CERTAIN MOBILE HOME REQUIREMENTS AS WELL AS SEISMIC STRENGTHENING FOR UNREINFORCED MASONRY WALLS, waive reading and approve as first reading and authorize City Clerk to place on the next agenda for second reading and adoption.

11. Discussion and any necessary action regarding a resolution of the City Council setting findings for the required amendments to the 2025 California Fire Code relative to local climatic, geographic, or topographic conditions.

Presentation: Angel Hernandez, Community Development Director

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 25- , A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA SETTING FORTH FINDINGS FOR REQUIRED AMENDMENTS TO THE 2025 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE, RELATIVE TO LOCAL CLIMATIC GEOGRAPHIC, OR TOPOGRAPHIC CONDITIONS.

12. Public Hearing for the purposes of adoption of the 2025 Fire Code.

Presentation: Angel Hernandez, Community Development Director

Recommendation:

Introduction and approval of Ordinance No. 25- , AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO REPEALING IN ITS ENTIRETY AND READOPTING CHAPTER 10, ARTICLE III, SECTION 10-41 ADOPTING THE 2025 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE WITH AMENDMENTS AND ARTICLE VI TO ADOPT THE CALIFORNIA 2025 WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE CODE, waive reading and approve as first reading and authorize City Clerk to place on the next agenda for second reading and adoption.

NEW BUSINESS:

13. Establishing Priorities for 2026-2027 Community Development Block Grant Funding (CDBG) Cycle.

Presentation: Adriana Nava, Community Services Director

Recommendation:

Provide direction and/or recommendation as to what City Council's funding priorities will be for the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Year 2026/2027.

14. Authorization to go out for bid for the Embellece (Beautify) El Centro Downtown Beautification Project, funded by California Department of Transportation (Caltrans).
15. Bus Shelter Visual Language Direction Request.

Presentation: Abraham Campos, Public Works Director/City Engineer

Recommendation:

Provide direction to staff.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION:

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

16. 3rd and Ross Sewer Lift Station Local Emergency Project Update.

TASK FORCE AND MAYOR /CONFERENCE REPORTS - COUNCIL MEMBER REPORTS:

CITY MANAGER REPORT:

ADJOURNMENT:

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