



AGENDA
CITY OF EL CENTRO
CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 2026

City Hall

Regular Meeting

3:30 PM

CITY HALL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1275 W 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 March 17, 2026.

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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Optional dial-in number:

Meeting ID: 418 037 5132 Passcode: 5iHJYM

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

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

City Manager: Robert Sawyer
City Attorney: Joanna Hoff
City Clerk: Norma Wyles

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

ROLL CALL:

CLOSED SESSION PUBLIC MEETING:

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 at the end of the meeting.

CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNS INTO CLOSED SESSION:

CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION:

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

Agency Designated Representative: Patrick Clark

Employee Organizations: Firefighters Association, General Employees Unit and Supervisor, Professional, and Technical Employees Unit

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Agency Designated Representative: Robert Sawyer

Unrepresented Employees: Human Resources Staff Assistant
Management Assistant

Human Resources Analyst (2)

City Clerk Staff Assistant

Staff Assistant

Human Resources Analyst II

Public Information Officer

Multimedia Content Creator

Battalion Chief (3)

Police Lieutenant (3)

Police Commander I

Economic Development Manager

Project Manager Civil

Principal Engineer

Information Technology Administrator

City Clerk

Chief of Fire

Director of Public Works

Assistant Director of Community Development

Director of Finance

Director of Human Resources

Director of Community Services

Director of Community Development

Chief of Police

Director of Library

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* 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:

INVOCATION:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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.

PRESENTATION:

1. Proclamation — Autism Acceptance Month April 2026, World Autism Acceptance Day April 2, 2026.

CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS 2-7):

2. Approve Warrant Registers for the Month of February 2026
3. Approval of Payroll Registers for the month of February 2026.
4. Approval Treasurer's Report for the month of February 2026
5. Approval of City Council Minutes of March 3, 2026.
6. Adopt Resolution No. 26- , RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO APPROVING A DESIGN PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH TYP SA, INC. FOR ON-CALL CIVIL ENGINEERING GENERAL SERVICES
7. Proposal for Outreach & Communications Support Services with Tripepi Smith & Associates, Inc.

PUBLIC HEARING:

8. Public hearing to consider the recommendation of the Planning Commission regarding an update to the multi-family residential zone permitted uses.

Presentation: Angel Hernandez, Community Development Director

Recommendation:

Open the public hearing and move to continue this item to the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting taking place on April 7, 2026.

NEW BUSINESS:

9. Fiscal Year 2026 Mid-Year Budget Review.

Presentation: Andy Heath

Recommendation:

For discussion.

10. Authorization to Initiate Proposition 218 Proceedings for Proposed Adjustments to Water and Wastewater Rates.

Presentation: Abraham Campos, Public Works Director/City Engineer

Recommendation:

1. Authorize staff to initiate the Proposition 218 process for proposed adjustments to the City's water and wastewater service rates.
2. Direct staff to prepare and mail the required Proposition 218 public hearing notices to affected property owners and customers.
3. Schedule a public protest hearing to consider proposed water and wastewater rate adjustments in accordance with California Constitution Article XIII D (Proposition 218).

11. Discussion and any Necessary Action Regarding the Acceptance of the 2025 General Plan Annual Report.

Presentation: Angel Hernandez, Community Development Director

Recommendation:

Accept the City's General Plan Annual Progress Report and direct that it be submitted to the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation and the California Department of Housing and Community Development.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION:

INFORMATIONAL ITEM:

12. Update Emergency Declaration - WWTP Bar Screen Failure

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

CITY MANAGER REPORT:

ADJOURNMENT:

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