



AGENDA
CITY OF EL CENTRO
CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, AUGUST 18, 2026

City Hall

Regular Meeting

2:30 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 August 18, 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.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/4180375132?pwd=Rmo5UjZ1cWdyV1VoWUhSZWp6R0tVZz09&omn=89887954211>

Optional dial-in number: (669) 444-9171
Meeting ID: 418 037 5132 Passcode: 5iHJYM

Public comments via Zoom are subject to the same time limits as those in person.

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

2:30 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 agenda may do so at this time. Unless the Mayor extends the time limit, remarks shall be limited to three (3) minutes. Additional opportunities will be given at the end of this meeting.

CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNS INTO CLOSED SESSION:

CITY COUNCIL CLOSED SESSION:

CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

Property:

Properties within El Centro, CA 92243 at the following addresses:

El Centro Regional Medical Center, 1415 Ross Ave.

ECRMC Medical Office Building, 1271 Ross Ave.

El Centro Outpatient Clinic, 385 W. Main St.

1204 Poplar Dr.

1258 Poplar Dr.

1295 Poplar Dr.

1455 Pepper Dr.

1215 Ross Ave.

1225 Ross Ave.

1243 Ross Ave.

1251 Ross Ave.

1271 Ross Ave.

135 South 4th St.

Agency Negotiators: Sheppard Mullin (Eric Newsom, Megan Rooney, Christina Nguyen)

Negotiating Parties: Imperial Valley Healthcare District (IVHD)

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Title: City Clerk

PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

Title: City Attorney

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:

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.

PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS BY MAYOR:

1. Presentation by San Diego Regional Center, by Joab Gonzalez and Bernice Guzman.
2. Presentation by Imperial Irrigation District (IID), Stella Jimenez, regarding an overview of IID's Customer Programs.

CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS 3-6):

3. Approve Warrant Registers for the Month of July 2026
4. Approve Payroll Registers for the month of July
5. Approval of Treasurer's Report for the month of July 2026
6. Approval of the City Council meeting minutes for the meetings of August 4, 2026, and Special Meeting, August 4, 2026.

NEW BUSINESS:

7. Appointment of the City of El Centro Deputy Police Chief.

Presentation: Dulce Bedolla, Human Resource Director

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 26- , RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE POSITION OF DEPUTY CHIEF OF POLICE JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2028.

8. Establishing terms and conditions of employment for the Assistant Director of Community Development

Presentation: Dulce Bedolla, Human Resource Director

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 26- , RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE POSITION OF ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT JANUARY 1, 2026, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2028

9. Approval of the Unrepresented Management Employees Unit Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

Presentation: Dulce Bedolla, Human Resource Director

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 26- , RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR UNREPRESENTED MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES FOR JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2028.

10. Approval of the Supervisory, Professional, and Technical Employees Unit Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

Presentation: Dulce Bedolla, Human Resource Director

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 26- , RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN CITY OF EL CENTRO AND SUPERVISOR, PROFESSIONAL, AND TECHNICAL EMPLOYEES UNIT FOR JANUARY 1, 2026, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2028.

11. Establishing terms and conditions of employment for the Finance Director.

Presentation: Dulce Bedolla, Human Resource Director

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 26- , RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE POSITION OF FINANCE DIRECTOR JANUARY 1, 2026, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2028.

12. Discussion and any necessary action regarding the appointments to the Library and Community Services Board, **voting members**, to fill two scheduled vacancies.

Presentation: Michael Crankshaw, Mayor

Recommendation:

Mayor's Recommendation: Appointment of the Library & Community Services Board, voting members, to fill two scheduled vacancies for terms ending June 30, 2029.

13. Discussion and any necessary action regarding the appointments to the Library and Community Services Board, **non-voting** member to fill the scheduled vacancy.

Presentation: Michael Crankshaw, Mayor

Recommendation:

Mayor's Recommendation: Appointment of the Library and Community Services Board,

non-voting member, to fill one scheduled vacancy with a term ending June 30, 2028.

14. Discussion and any necessary action regarding the appointment to the Friends of El Centro Community Services Foundation Board to fill one scheduled vacancy.

Presentation: Michael Crankshaw, Mayor

Recommendation:

Mayor's Recommendation: Appointment to the Friends of El Centro Community Services Foundation Board to fill one scheduled vacancy with a term ending June 30, 2028.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION:

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:

15. Received and referred to Community Development Department, Application for Alcoholic Beverage License Patriot Gas Main Street Inc. 475 E Main St., El Centro, CA 92243-3006
16. Update Emergency Declaration - WWTP Bar Screen Failure

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

CITY MANAGER REPORT:

ADJOURNMENT:

Materials related to an item on this Agenda submitted to the City Council after distribution of the agenda packet will be available for public inspection at the Office of the City Clerk, 1275 Main Street, El Centro, California 92243, Monday-Friday during normal business hours.

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