



AGENDA
CITY OF EL CENTRO
CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

City Hall

Regular Meeting

3:00 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 September 1, 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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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

3:00 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 on 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

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4): one case

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 Peter Martinez, Women in Law Enforcement.

CONSENT AGENDA (ITEMS 2-11):

2. Approval of the City Council meeting minutes for the meeting of August 18, 2026.
3. Police Station Project Budget Update — Change Order Nos. 23 and 24 and Continued Utilization of Approved Project Budget.
4. Authorization to go out to bid for Routine Security Guard Services for El Centro Public Facilities, as follows: El Centro Transfer Terminal, City Hall, Aquatic Center, Brett Driscoll Sidewinder Skate Park, Old Post Office Pavilion, Bucklin Park.

Presentation: Adriana Nava, Community Services Director

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the City Council approve the Request For Proposals and authorize the Community Services Department to proceed with the bidding process.

5. Establishing terms and conditions of employment for the Human Resources Director.

Presentation: Robert Sawyer, City Manager

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 HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR JANUARY 1, 2026, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2028.

6. Establishing terms and conditions of employment for the Chief of Fire.

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 CHIEF OF FIRE/DIRECTOR SERVICES JANUARY 1, 2026, THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2028.

7. Establishing terms and conditions of employment for the Chief of Police.

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 CHIEF OF POLICE JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2028

8. Approval of the Unrepresented Fire 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 FIRE MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES FOR JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027.

9. Establishing terms and conditions of employment for the Community Services 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 COMMUNITY SERVICES DIRECTOR JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2028

10. Approval of the Unrepresented Police Lieutenant 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 POLICE LIEUTENANT MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES FOR JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2028.

11. Approval of the Unrepresented Police Commander 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 POLICE COMMANDER MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES FOR JANUARY 1, 2026 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2028.

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

12. Public hearing to consider the recommendation of the Planning Commission regarding a time extension of the Lotus Ranch Tentative Subdivision Map.

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 September 15, 2026.

13. Public Hearing to Approve the Draft 2025-2026 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER), and Authorization for Staff to Submit CAPER to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

Presentation: Adriana Nava, Community Services Director

Recommendation:

1. Open the public hearing, and receive public comments regarding the Draft 2025-2026 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER).

2. Adopt Resolution No. 26- , RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO APPROVING THE CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT 2025-2026 AS PART OF THE END OF THE YEAR REQUIREMENT REPORT PROVIDED TO THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT UNDER THE ENTITLEMENT GRANTEE PROGRAM.

3. Authorize staff to submit the approved 2025-2026 CAPER to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

14. Public Hearing to Consider Approval of the Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) 2023 Applications, Amendments to the PLHA Five-Year Plans, Revised Program Income Reuse Plan, and Resolutions Authorizing the Applications and Amendments.

Presentation: Adriana Nava, Community Services Director

Recommendation:

1. Conduct a public hearing to receive comments regarding the proposed PLHA Plan amendments and related actions.

2. Adoption of Resolution No. 26- , CITY OF EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA - AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO,

CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND AMENDING THE PLHA PLAN FOR THE PERMANENT LOCAL HOUSING ALLOCATION PROGRAM

3. Adoption of Resolution No. 26- , CITY OF EL CENTRO COLONIAS, CALIFORNIA - AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION OF CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE APPLICATION AND AMENDING THE PLHA PLAN FOR THE PERMANENT LOCAL HOUSING ALLOCATION PROGRAM

4. Approve and adopt the revised PLHA Program Income Reuse Plan, dated August 2026, establishing the City's framework for the reuse of PLHA program income for eligible activities under Section 301 of the PLHA Program Guidelines.

15. Public Hearing to consider the adoption of the 2025 Urban Water Management Plan.

Presentation: Abraham Campos, Public Works Director/City Engineer

Recommendation:

1. Open the public hearing, receive the staff presentation, and take public testimony on the draft 2025 Urban Water Management Plan (UWMP) and 2025 Water Shortage Contingency Plan (WSCP)

2. Close the public hearing;

3. Adopt Resolution No. 26- , RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL CENTRO APPROVING AND ADOPTING THE 2025 URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT PLAN AND WATER SHORTAGE CONTINGENCY PLAN; and

4. Authorize the Public Works Director/City Engineer, or designee, to submit the adopted 2025 UWMP and WSCP to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) via the WUEdata Portal and to make any non-substantive technical corrections necessary to finalize the document for submittal.

NEW BUSINESS:

16. Approval of Call for Graphic Artists "Love Your Community" Public Art Project Guidelines.

Presentation: Adriana Nava, Community Services Director

Recommendation:

Approval of the Call for Graphic Artists Guidelines for the "Love Your Community" Public Art Project and authorize staff to proceed with the artist solicitation and selection process.

17. Approve ATP Cycle VI Plans and Specifications and authorize for public bidding.

Presentation: Abraham Campos, Public Works Director/City Engineer

Recommendation:

Approve ATP Cycle VI Plans and Specifications and authorize public bidding.

18. Southern Pump Station Project — Construction Completion and Final Change Order No. 8.

Presentation: Abraham Campos, Public Works Director/City Engineer

Recommendation:

Staff recommends that the City Council:

- (1) Receive and file this report on the completed Southern Pump Station Project; and
- (2) Ratify and approve Change Order No. 8 to the construction contract with Rove Engineering, decreasing the contract price by \$542,993.40 and establishing a final, closed-out construction contract price of \$16,599,502.00. Change Order No. 8 is executed by the Contractor and recommended by the Public Works Director; Finance Director and City Manager execution are contingent on Council authorization.

19. Discussion and Related Action Regarding the Working Hands Workforce Development Program.

Presentation: Adriana Nava, Community Services Director

Recommendation:

Provide direction regarding whether to continue or discontinue the Working Hands Workforce Development Program following an update on the program's current status and discussion regarding its future.

LEGISLATIVE ACTION:**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

- 20. Update Emergency Declaration - WWTP Bar Screen Failure.
- 21. Received and referred to Community Development Department, Application for Alcoholic Beverage License — Patriot Gas Adams Avenue Inc. 815 Adams Ave El Centro, CA 92243-2003.
- 22. Received and referred to Community Development Department, Application for Alcoholic Beverage License — Fujisan LLC Fujisan Sushi 1560 Ocotillo Dr. Ste O El Centro, CA 92243-4237.

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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