



# CITY OF CHINO

## MONTHLY AGENCY REPORTS

SEPTEMBER 16, 2025 - Covering meetings from July 1 – July 31, 2025

Members of the Chino City Council are assigned to represent the City on several external agencies, committees, boards, and task forces. This report summarizes the actions and discussions of those entities as they may impact or be of interest to the City of Chino, its businesses, and its residents.

### ANIMAL RESOURCE CENTER OF THE INLAND EMPIRE JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report by: Rogelio Huerta

#### Meeting Date: July 1, 2025

The Board of Directors approved the minutes of the June 3, 2025, meeting.

**Lease Agreement** - A key action taken by the Board was to authorize the Executive Director, or a designated representative, to negotiate and execute a lease agreement for the property located at 2304 S. Baker Avenue, Ontario, CA. This agreement, with Geraldine C. Myers, is intended for a thirty-nine-month term and includes the flexibility to extend for up to two additional one-year terms, in a form that is substantially consistent with the provided lease terms. This property is intended to serve as both office space for staff and a storage facility for the animal services fleet.

#### Meeting Date: July 21, 2025 (Special Meeting)

The Animal Resource Center of the Inland Empire's Board of Directors held a special meeting on July 21, 2025. The primary focus of the meeting centered on receiving staff presentations and providing strategic direction on two critical areas. The Board received a presentation on the ARC Purpose Statement and Animal Welfare Strategies and Designation, followed by a dedicated discussion on Trap-Neuter-Release (TNR) Programs and Strategies. The Board instructed staff to create a strategic plan and a TNR plan for formal adoption.

#### Next anticipated meeting date: August 5, 2025

### CHAFFEY COLLEGE CHINO COMMUNITY CENTER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Council Representative: Marc Lucio | Staff Report By: Silvia Avalos

No meeting during this reporting period.

#### Next anticipated meeting date: September 16, 2025

**CHINO VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE**

Council Representative: Christopher Flores | Staff Report By: Ellyse Martinez

**Meeting Date: July 15, 2025**

- On Wednesday, July 9, Mayor Pro Tem Curtis Burton and staff member Linda Hinojos attended the Costco Wholesale Grand Opening in Chino Hills.
- On Wednesday, July 9, and Thursday, July 10, City Staff worked in partnership with the Chino Valley Chamber of Commerce and local nonprofit Music Changing Lives to host the State of the Youth Conference at the Chaffey College Chino Community Center. Eighty youths learned how to get involved in their communities, adopt inclusive economics, and develop healthy habits. On July 9, Council Member Flores spoke to the youth about his journey to local government and encouraged them to become involved.
- On Thursday, July 31, Mayor Ulloa, Mayor Pro Tem Burton, Council Member Flores, City Manager Linda Reich, and staff attended the Chino Valley Chamber Business Awards and Recognition Dinner. The Chino Youth Museum was nominated for Nonprofit of the Year; however, the award was given to the Chino Community Theater. The Chino Business of the Year award went to Vertical IT.

**Next anticipated meeting date: August 19, 2025.****CHINO BASIN DESALTER AUTHORITY**

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report By: Pete Vicario

**Meeting Date: July 22, 2025** (cancelled)

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: August 26, 2025****CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER**

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report By: Benjamin Orosco

**Meeting Date: July 24, 2025****Business Items****Budget Amendment A-25-07-01 – Optimum Basin Management Program Economic Analysis Scope of Work -**

The Board adopted a budget amendment in the amount of \$92,000 and authorized the Watermaster General Manager to enter into a contract to conduct an Economic Analysis study in accordance with the Scope of Work.

Watermaster contacted four qualified bidders, comprising both academic and consulting firms, from whom to solicit proposals. Three consultants submitted proposals, which Watermaster staff are currently evaluating. On July 10, 2025, at the Pool Committee meeting, the Watermaster received feedback from the three Pools and revised the scope of work based on the comments received. The analysis aims to utilize real data to verify projections and support informed decision-making. The Appropriate Pool provided direction for Watermaster

staff to engage a consultant and commence work as soon as possible. As discussed during the Pool Committee meeting, the budget amendment provided is a sound estimate; however, the final cost may change as the work gets underway, and other scope requests are added or removed. The Watermaster board unanimously approved the motion to proceed with the budget amendment.

**Peer Review of the Draft 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation Final Report (Information only)** - The information focused on the scope of work for the 2025 Safe Yield reevaluation and the peer review process. Watermaster General Manager Todd Corbin presented the scope, which includes five tasks: reviewing materials and the draft administrative report, evaluating the 2022 approved methodology, reviewing elements of the net recharge calculation, assessing model calibrations, and addressing other relevant issues. The board aims to ensure consistency with court orders and the reliability of the model for decision-making. The peer review is expected to be completed by September, with initial results presented in October. The board filed an extension with the court to allow time for peer review. Four pre-qualified firms will be invited to bid on the engagement. The Watermaster board unanimously approved the motion to proceed with the scope of work.

**Next anticipated meeting date: August 28, 2025**

**CHINO VALLEY INDEPENDENT FIRE DISTRICT - LIAISON TO BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
Council Representative: Karen Comstock | Staff Report By: Linda Reich

**Meeting Date: July 9, 2025**

**Public Hearing**

**California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CALFIRE) Local Responsibility Area Fire Hazard Severity Zones** – A hearing and second reading of Ordinance No. 2025-01, adopting the designated fire hazard severity zones and maps as released by CAL FIRE, without amendment. The map for the City of Chino was previously provided and can be accessed at <https://chinovallefire.org/280/Fire-Hazard-Severity-Zone-Map>. PDFs are available on the CVFD agenda site at [https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/3437982/FHSZ\\_Chino\\_and\\_Chino\\_Hills\\_2025\\_Map.pdf](https://legistarweb-production.s3.amazonaws.com/uploads/attachment/pdf/3437982/FHSZ_Chino_and_Chino_Hills_2025_Map.pdf).

**Liaison Reports to the Fire District**

City of Chino Council Member Karen Comstock reported on upcoming community events, including the Summer Concert series on July 10 at 7:00 p.m., Movies in the Park on July 11 at 6:30 p.m., Seniors at the Square, and the Family Campout on July 12 at Ayala Park. She also thanked CVIFD for its support of Chino on July 4<sup>th</sup>.

**New Business**

**Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting** - The Board unanimously adopted Resolution No. 2025-14, authorizing the CVIFD to become subject to the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Procedures (UPCCAP), which will streamline and provide CVIFD flexibility in procurement by allowing it to proceed by alternative or informal bidding procedures when its public projects are within a certain cost range, with public projects of \$75,000 or less authorized by negotiated contract; public projects of \$220,000 or less let by specified informal procedures; and public projects of more than \$220,000 let by formal bidding procedures.

**Next anticipated meeting date: August 13, 2025**

**CHINO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report By: Vivian Castro

**Meeting Date: July 17, 2025**

**Consent Calendar** (Approved unanimously 5-0)

**Resolution 2025/2026-06, Law Enforcement Access to District Security Surveillance System and Approval of the Accompanying Agreement Between the Chino Valley Unified School District and the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department** – The Board approved an agreement between the Chino Valley Unified School District and the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department providing access to the District's security camera systems, including live streaming video from the surveillance with first responders.

**Pulled Items** - Two items on the Consent Calendar, Revision of Administrative Regulation 5010: Students-Notification, and Revision of Administrative Regulation 6115: Instruction-Ceremonies and Observances, were administratively pulled from the agenda.

**Discussion**

**Right of Parents to Opt Out of Curriculum for Religious Reasons** –The Board discussed the implications of Mahmoud v. Taylor as it relates to the right of parents to opt out of curriculum for religious reasons. No action was taken.

**Board and Superintendent Comments**

**Chino PD School Resource Officer (SRO) Incident** - Board Member and Superintendent Comments

- John Cervantes addressed the active investigation involving a Chino PD SRO, noting his support for the decision to refer the matter to the Sheriff's Department to ensure an independent investigation. He responded to community questions about the hiring and oversight of SROs, acknowledged the seriousness of the situation and its impact on the District and law enforcement, and confirmed that Chino PD is actively reviewing procedures to improve future practices with the goal of always hiring qualified and trustworthy personnel.
- Jonathan Monroe stated that there are existing safeguards and hiring policies in place within both the District and the police department, noting that, despite the best efforts, human error and misconduct can still occur. He expressed support for the statements by Superintendent Dr. Enfield and Police Chief Mensen, commending their responses as appropriate and compassionate.
- Sonja Shaw also addressed the issue, stating deep concern considering the trust placed in law enforcement and those working with children. She commended Superintendent Dr. Enfield and Police Chief Mensen for their timely and transparent communication, as well as their support of the affected students and families, and reaffirmed a zero-tolerance policy for those who harm or exploit children, pledging to continue efforts to ensure student safety and strengthen preventive measures.

- Andrew Cruz praised the Board members, Superintendent Enfield, and the Chino Police Department for their handling of the situation.
- Superintendent Enfield noted that while he understands the criticism regarding the timing of the District's response, it was necessary to allow law enforcement to complete its initial investigation before issuing a public statement. He expressed appreciation to Board members with law enforcement backgrounds for providing helpful context and confirmed that he has been in communication with Chief Mensen, noting the police department is currently reviewing and improving its SRO protocols and that District leadership meets regularly with law enforcement agencies

**Next anticipated meeting date: August 21, 2025**

**CHINO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT – MEASURE G OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

Council Representative: Karen Comstock | Staff Report By: Silvia Avalos

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: September 3, 2025**

**CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE FOR CIM & CIW**

Council Representative: Marc Lucio | Staff Report By: Aaron Kelliher

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: August 12, 2025**

**INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY (IEUA) REGIONAL SEWERAGE COMMITTEE**

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report by: Benjamin Orosco

**Meeting Date: July 3, 2025 (Cancelled)**

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: August 7, 2025**

**LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES – INLAND EMPIRE DIVISION**

Council Representative: Marc Lucio | Staff Report by: Jackie Melendez

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: October 8, 2025**

**OMNITRANS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Council Representative: Eunice Ulloa | Staff Report by: Dennis Ralls

**Meeting Date: July 2, 2025**

**Board By-Laws** - The Board approved minor clarifying language revisions to their Bylaws and formally included a legislative committee within the Executive Board's responsibilities.

**Short-Range Transit Plan** - The Board approved initiating outreach for the Fiscal Year 2027-2032 Short-Range Transit Plan (SRTP). The SRTP is a 5–7-year business plan that establishes planned service levels, fare policy, and service standards. Included in the outreach are 16 planned public meetings to solicit feedback. Most outreach efforts will occur at transit centers and major bus stops. Participants will have multiple ways to submit feedback, which include online, email, phone, written, and other verbal communication methods. The outreach effort is expected to conclude in late September 2025. A comprehensive review of the comments will be prepared for inclusion in the draft SRTP for discussion.

**Next anticipated meeting date: September 3, 2025** (Dark in August)**ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY (OIAA)  
INTER-AGENCY COLLABORATIVE (ROUNDTABLE)**

Council Representative: Christopher Flores | Staff Report by: Jackie Melendez

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: TBD****SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Staff Report By: Rogelio Huerta

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: August 8, 2025****SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY TASK FORCE**

Council Representative: Christopher Flores | Staff Report by: Xochitl Huerta

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: October 15, 2025**

**SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (SBCTA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Council Representative: Eunice Ulloa | Staff Report by: Dennis Ralls

**Meeting Date: July 2, 2025**

**Toll System** - The Board approved a sole-source contract with Kapsch TrafficCom USA to provide professional services for modifying the Riverside County Toll System, integrating both the RCTC and the SBCVTA toll systems into one system with minimal disruption. The contract amount of \$3,030,690.42 is funded by Measure I Valley Freeway Program.

**Metro Foothill Gold Line Montclair Project** - The Board received an update on the Metro Foothill Gold Line Montclair Project, which will build light-rail from Glendora to Montclair. SBCTA is involved with the eastern phase, which connects the Claremont and Montclair Metrolink stations. However, several concerns have arisen that jeopardize SBCTA's portion of the project. Current cost estimates have increased significantly beyond the budget allocated by SBCTA. Additionally, the questionable method of project delivery, known as Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR), is proposed for use. CMAR is a project delivery method in which the owner hires a construction manager to oversee a project from design to construction close-out, with a guaranteed maximum price. The construction manager would be responsible for any costs exceeding the guaranteed price, necessitating close management of the project. With these concerns, the Board appointed two members of the SBCTA Board to an ad hoc committee of the Gold Line Foothill Extension Construction Authority, which oversees the project. The ad-hoc committee will review the current project status and determine whether continuing to progress the project remains sensible, bringing that information back to the SBCTA Board for consideration.

**Next anticipated meeting date: September 3, 2025** (Dark in August)

**SBCTA – CITY SELECTION COMMITTEE**

Council Representative: Eunice Ulloa | Staff Report by: Jackie Melendez

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: TBD**

**SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS (SCAG) – GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Council Representative: Marc Lucio | Staff Report by: Jackie Melendez

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: TBD**

**SANTA ANA WATERSHED ADVISORY COUNCIL**

Council Representative: Karen Comstock | Staff Report by: Benjamin Orosco

**Meeting Date: July 1, 2025**

No current items to report.

**Next anticipated meeting date: August 5, 2025****WATER FACILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report by: Benjamin Orosco

**Meeting Date: July 17, 2025****Presentation on the Chino Basin Program by Inland Empire Utilities Agency (IEUA) Staff**

IEUA provided a detailed presentation on the Chino Basin Program, which aims to enhance local water supply reliability through wastewater treatment improvements, expanded recycled water, and potential storage agreements with the state. The presentation highlighted the need for advanced water treatment to address salinity and emerging contaminants, the potential for increased use of recycled water, and the complexities of cost allocation among stakeholders. The Water Facilities Authority (WFA) general manager raised concerns about potential water quality impacts from a tie-in to the Rialto Feeder pipeline.

The Rialto Feeder is a major Metropolitan Water District (MWD) transmission pipeline that delivers imported water (Colorado River Aqueduct and State Water Project supplies) into San Bernardino County. If IEUA connects the Chino Basin Program to the Rialto Feeder, it could introduce advanced purified water into a pipeline that currently delivers raw water from MWD to WFA for treatment. Any new tie-ins or operational changes could require adjustments to chemical dosing, treatment times, and overall plant operations to maintain consistent water quality. The board overall had concerns with the financial viability of the program. The board emphasized the importance of external funding and ongoing stakeholder engagement.

**Next anticipated meeting date: September 18, 2025****WEST VALLEY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT**

Council Representative: Chris Flores | Staff Report by: Vivian Castro

No meeting during this reporting period.

**Next anticipated meeting date: August 26, 2025**