



CITY OF CHINO

MONTHLY AGENCY REPORTS

JUNE 16, 2026 - Covering meetings from April 1 – April 30, 2026

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

No meeting during this reporting period.

Next anticipated meeting date: May 27, 2026

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: June 16, 2026

CHINO VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

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

City Council members and staff attended various business events:

- On Wednesday, April 1, Council Members Karen Comstock, Christopher Flores, and Marc Lucio attended the **Northgate Gonzalez** grand opening alongside staff members Rhonesia Perry and Jackie Melendez. The business is located at 12855 Mountain Ave.
- On Thursday, April 2, Council Member Christopher Flores and staff members Denise Pohl and Deven Reyes attended the grand opening of **Rustic Chic Café**. Council Member Flores presented the business with a certificate of congratulations and welcomed them to the community. The business is located at 14582 Pipeline Ave.
- On Friday, April 17, Council Member Christopher Flores and staff member Denise Pohl attended the **Carbon Remodeling** ribbon cutting. Council Member Flores presented the business with a certificate of congratulations and welcomed them to the community. The business is located at 15342 El Prado Rd.
- On Saturday, April 25, Council Member Christopher Flores and staff member Denise Pohl attended the **M&W Aesthetics and Wellness**. Council Member Flores presented the business with a certificate of congratulations and welcomed them to the community. The business is located at 5624 Philadelphia St., Suite 201.

Next anticipated meeting date: May 19, 2026

CHINO BASIN DESALTER AUTHORITY

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

Meeting Date: April 28, 2026

The Chino Basin Desalter Authority (CDA) reported that 458.182 acre-feet of water was delivered to the City of Chino in March.

The CDA Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) recommended the following, all of which were approved:

- Approval of the Chino Basin Desalter Authority's Reserve Policy as submitted; and Adopt Resolution 2026-01 approving the CDA's Revised Reserve Policy. The current Reserve Policy was adopted by the Board on September 4, 2025 and requires staff to conduct a periodic review of each reserve component to assess whether any updates or adjustments are warranted. Maintaining adequate reserves ensures the availability of financial resources to address unforeseen events and operational needs, serving as a financial safeguard for the Authority. There is no impact on the current fiscal year budget.
- Approval of a purchase order with DWS Advantage for \$385,980 for the purchase and delivery of resin for the Chino I and Chino II facilities. The Chino I and Chino II Ion Exchange (IX) Treatment Systems require the purchase of replacement resin to maintain treatment performance, restore manufacturer-recommended operating levels, and return one vessel to service. Following the rejection of all bids received under the initial RFQ due to deviations from the specifications, a second RFQ was advertised through PlanetBids, resulting in five bids, including one non-responsive bid submitted by Brenntag Pacific LLC, which did not meet the RFQ requirements. DWS Advantage was determined to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. Funding for this purchase will be drawn from the Chino Basin Desalter Authority's Resin Reserve, which has a current balance of \$500,000.
- Approval of a purchase order to FilmTec Corporation (DuPont) for \$543,312 for the procurement of reverse osmosis membrane elements. The Chino Basin Desalter Authority (CDA) requires the periodic replacement of reverse osmosis (RO) membrane elements and related components at the Chino I and Chino II Desalter facilities to maintain treatment performance, water quality, and operational reliability. Funding for this procurement will be provided from CDA's Membrane Reserve, which currently has an available balance of \$600,000, sufficient to cover the cost of this purchase.
- Approval of the continued use of SRK Engineering, Ferreira Coastal Construction Company, TE Roberts, Metro Builders and Engineers Group, and Schuler Constructors, which were originally approved on January 13, 2022 to provide on-call general contractor services supporting capital improvement and emergency construction projects. These contractors have successfully completed multiple CDA projects and repairs, including the Chino I RO Train Upgrades, chlorine tank replacements, ion-exchange piping replacements, vessel manway improvements, and the expansion of the Chino II-1 Well Site. Based on their continued strong performance, staff recommends extending the use of these contractors for ongoing on-call services, as reviewed and approved by the Technical Advisory Committee and Finance Committee in April 2026. Projects awarded under this on-call contract will be funded by the approved FY CIP budget or by Capital Replacement/Emergency Reserve funds.
- Approval of a professional services agreement with Cannon for engineering design and construction phase services in an amount not-to-exceed \$770,000. This contract provides for the engineering design of the Well II-13 equipping project, including well pump, wellhead piping and equipment, site

improvements, and approximately 4,500 linear feet of raw water transmission pipeline to deliver groundwater supply to the Chino II Desalter. The item was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Technical Advisory Committee and Finance Committee in April 2026. Funding for this project will be funded from the Specific/Identified Capital Reserve for the New Chino II Well, which currently has an available balance of approximately \$12 million.

- Approval to award a contract to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Best Drilling and Pump, Inc., for the Drilling, Construction, Development, and Testing of CDA Well II-13 in the not-to-exceed amount of \$1,700,000. This contract provides for the drilling, construction, development, and testing of Extraction Well II-13, which will supply groundwater to the Chino II Desalter. This recommendation was reviewed by the TAC on April 28, 2026, and the Finance Committee on April 30, 2026. Funding to cover the contract amount has been budgeted in the Capital Improvement Program.

Next anticipated meeting date: May 21, 2026

CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER

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

Meeting Date: April 23, 2026

Business Item A – Review and Discussion of Watermaster Rules and Regulations – Section 2.10

The Board continued discussion regarding Watermaster Rule 2.10 and the recommendation to form an ad hoc committee to further review the policy. Discussion centered on conflict-of-interest provisions, Board member participation in confidential sessions, and whether revisions or additional clarification to the current Rules and Regulations may be appropriate.

Discussion focused on transparency, disclosure requirements, perceived versus actual conflicts of interest, and how Board members often represent agencies or stakeholder interests while serving on Watermaster. Several members also raised concerns regarding the balance between maintaining stakeholder representation and preserving Watermaster's role as a neutral arm of the Court. Ontario's prior correspondence requesting additional conflict-of-interest safeguards and recusal requirements for Board members involved in litigation-related matters was also referenced during the discussion.

The Board discussed the recommendation previously supported by the Appropriative Pool, Overlying Non-Agricultural Pool, and Advisory Committee to establish an ad hoc committee consisting of representatives from the various Pools and interested stakeholders. The committee would review the existing Rule 2.10 language, evaluate potential revisions or clarifications, and return recommendations through the Watermaster committee process for future Board consideration.

This item was for discussion only. No formal action was taken.

Engineer Report Item 1 – 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation

Watermaster's Engineer provided an update regarding the ongoing 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation process. The update included discussion of technical evaluations and continued refinement of groundwater basin modeling for the Safe Yield reevaluation effort.

The Engineer reported that additional technical review and model refinement work remain ongoing as part of the reevaluation process. Discussion included coordination on groundwater modeling assumptions, basin conditions, and the continued review of technical information supporting the development of the updated Safe Yield analysis.

The Board was also informed of upcoming workshops and ongoing stakeholder discussions related to the 2025 Safe Yield Reevaluation process. Staff noted that additional technical information and revised draft materials are expected to be presented at future workshops and committee meetings as the reevaluation effort progresses.

Next anticipated meeting date: May 28, 2026

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

Meeting Date: April 13, 2026

New Business

Resolution No. 2026-05 Approving Mid-Year Budget Adjustments as Budget Amendment Number 5 for Fiscal Year 2025-26 – The Board adopted Resolution No. 2026-05, approving Budget Amendment Number 5 for FY26 to reflect projected year-end financial results. It results in a net favorable adjustment due to additional revenues. Key adjustments include increased mutual aid revenue and related coverage costs, additional grant revenues with corresponding expenditures, and a \$500,000 increase in interest revenue due to favorable market conditions and increased investment activity.

Resolution No. 2026-06 Allocating Surplus Funds to Reduce Pension Liabilities Through Budget Amendment 6 for Fiscal Year 2025-26 – The Board approved Resolution No. 2026-06, allocating FY25 budget surplus funds toward the reduction of the pension liabilities as Budget Amendment No. 6.

Consent Calendar

The Board received and filed the following reports:

- Operations and Community Risk Reduction Monthly Report for March 2026
- Chino Valley Fire District Monthly Financial Report for February 2026
- Chino Valley Fire District Monthly Treasurer's Report for February 2026

Next anticipated meeting date: May 13, 2026

CHINO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report By: Vivian Castro

Meeting Date: April 16, 2026

Recognitions – Soccer athletes from the girls' soccer teams at Ayala, Chino, Chino Hills, and Don Lugo High Schools were presented with certificates of recognition from their respective cities, including the City of Chino, and state legislative representatives.

Action – The Board on numerous collective bargaining agreements, personnel contracts, and Board compensation.

Public Hearing and Ratification of the Tentative Agreement Between the Chino Valley Unified School District and the Associated Chino Teachers (A.C.T.) – Voted unanimously (5-0) to ratify the tentative agreement between the Chino Valley Unified School District and the Associated Chino Teachers (A.C.T.) for the Collective Bargaining Agreement reopener effective July 1, 2026.

Public Hearing and Ratification of the Tentative Agreement Between the Chino Valley Unified School District and the California School Employees Association (CSEA) - Voted unanimously (5-0) to ratify the tentative agreement between the Chino Valley Unified School District and the California School Employees Association and its Chino Chapter 102 for a Collective Bargaining Agreement reopener, effective July 1, 2026.

Approval of an Increase to Salary and Health & Welfare Annual Contributions for the Certificated and Classified Management Employees - Voted unanimously (5-0) to approve the increase to salary and health & welfare annual contributions for the certificated and classified management employees, effective July 1, 2026.

Approval of an Increase to Salary and Health & Welfare Annual Contributions for the Classified Confidential Employees - Voted unanimously (5-0) to approve the increase to salary and health & welfare annual contributions for the classified confidential employees, effective July 1, 2026.

Addendum to the Employment Contracts for the Deputy Superintendent; Associate Superintendent-Business Services; Assistant Superintendents: Curriculum, Instruction, Innovation, and Support; and Facilities, Planning, and Operations - Voted unanimously (5-0) to approve the addendum to the employment contracts for the Deputy Superintendent; Associate Superintendent-Business Services; Assistant Superintendents: Curriculum, Instruction, Innovation, and Support; and Facilities, Planning, and Operations, effective July 1, 2026.

Compensation Increase for the Board of Education - Moved by Cervantes and seconded by Smith, this item failed 2-3, with Na, Smith, and Shaw voting No, to approve a 2.25% compensation increase or the cost-of-living adjustment (COLA), whichever is greater, for the Board of Education effective July 1, 2026, for the 2026/2027 school year.

Next anticipated meeting date: May 7, 2026

CHINO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT – MEASURE G OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE
Council Representative: Karen Comstock | Staff Report By: Silvia Avalos

Meeting Date: April 29, 2026

Don Lugo High School – Pool and Gymnasium Renovations -Construction of the gymnasium foyer, new ticket booth, and restrooms continues to progress. Roofing has been completed. Insulation, drywall, and fire taping are complete, and sanding is progressing. Concrete on-grade work continues in the courtyard area.

Ayala High School Performing Arts Center - Bids are being reviewed, and Board approval is scheduled for May. Construction is anticipated to begin in May 2026, with completion in spring 2028.

Don Lugo High School Multi-Purpose Room Refresh - Bids are reviewed, and Board approval is scheduled for May. Construction is scheduled to begin in June 2026 and is expected to be completed prior to the start of the 2026-27 school year.

Cortez Elementary School Water Line Replacement -Bids are currently under review, with anticipated Board approval in May. Construction at the school site is scheduled to begin in late May 2026 and is anticipated to be completed prior to the start of the 2026-27 school year.

New Classroom Furniture - Phases 2, 3, and 4 of new classroom furniture at Don Lugo High School will take place over the summer.

Next anticipated meeting date: September 2, 2026

CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE FOR CIM & CIW

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

Meeting Date: April 14, 2026

CIM

- CIM reported a current population of 2,283. Of that number, 43 are condemned inmates.
- CIM has finally begun installing video surveillance systems in the facilities.
- The 50-bed mental health facility is nearing completion with a tentative opening date in August.
- The D Yard, where the mental health facility is contained, is being partially reactivated to deal with the closure of CRC Norco. This will add capacity of 900 additional beds. Contrary to the CDCR press release, there is no electric fence around the D Yard. The D Yard was the facility that housed the last escapee and is also where the dive training program is.
- Acting Warden Mejia has been confirmed as the permanent warden, which will help stabilize leadership at the facility.

CIW

- CIW reported a total of 1,118 inmates.
- Due to the closure of CRC Norco, they are receiving additional staff.
- CIW is starting an equine therapy program with "Rebel Ranch".
- There are currently three educational pathways, including Cal State LA, Chaffey College, and El Prado Adult School.
- CIW staff will be participating in the Special Olympics Law Enforcement Torch Run on June 1.
- Warden Parker announced his retirement in May. There is no word on an acting warden.

Next anticipated meeting date: June 9, 2026

INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY (IEUA) REGIONAL SEWERAGE COMMITTEE

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

Meeting Date: April 2, 2026**Information Item 3A – Fiscal Year 2026-27 Regional Wastewater Program Proposed Budget Amendment**

The Sewer Policy Committee received an informational presentation regarding the proposed Fiscal Year 2026-27 Regional Wastewater Program Budget Amendment. IEUA staff discussed updated funding assumptions, including a proposed reduction of approximately \$76.4 million in planned debt issuance and an increase in the use of Capital Capacity Reimbursement Account funding for capital projects. IEUA also noted there are currently no proposed changes to adopted wastewater rates and fees for Fiscal Year 2026-27. The item was informational only; no formal action was taken.

Information Item 3B – Ten-Year Sewer Capital Forecast Fiscal Year 2026-27 through Fiscal Year 2035-36

The Sewer Policy Committee received an informational overview of IEUA's proposed Ten-Year Sewer Capital Forecast for Fiscal Year 2026-27 through Fiscal Year 2035-36, totaling approximately \$1.02 billion across 91 projects. IEUA stated the forecast is intended to support long-term regional wastewater reliability, regulatory compliance, rehabilitation of aging infrastructure, and future service demands. Major projects identified include the Regional Water Recycling Plant No. 5 Expansion Project, Regional Water Recycling Plant No. 1 Thickening Building and Acid Phase Digesters Project, Advanced Water Purification Facility, and regional sewer rehabilitation improvements. IEUA noted that this item will be returned at a future meeting for formal recommendation and consideration.

Next anticipated meeting date: May 7, 2026**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: May 20, 2026**OMNITRANS BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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

Meeting Date: April 1, 2026

No current items to report.

Next anticipated meeting date: May 6, 2026

**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

Meeting Date: April 7, 2026

At the April 7, 2026 meeting, the San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors took action on two items with direct application to the City of Chino.

- Item 21, the Board approved Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 24-979 with Rasmussen Brothers Construction, Inc. for the Prado Tent Campground Restroom Addition Project in Chino, increasing the contract amount by \$127,902 (from \$715,000 to \$842,902) and extending the completion date by 91 days to April 10, 2026.
- Item 29, the Board adopted a resolution approving the Measure I Expenditure Plan for revenues from the proposed continuation of the Measure I transactions and use tax, which is scheduled for the November 3, 2026 ballot.

The meeting was adjourned in memory of Chino residents Jaruwach Gaudart, Denise Hobbensiefken, and Thelma Geraldine Van Spanje.

Next anticipated meeting date: April 21, 2026

Meeting Date: April 21, 2026

Under Item 23, the Board approved a grant application to the United States Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance, for the 2025 Edward Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program, securing \$823,030 in regional public safety funding for the period of October 1, 2024, through September 30, 2028. To satisfy federal requirements for overlapping jurisdictions, the Board also approved a mandatory Interlocal Agreement between the County and 18 local municipalities, including the City of Chino, to establish the administrative framework for sharing and distributing the funds to support local law enforcement, prosecution, and crime prevention initiatives.

Next anticipated meeting date: May 5, 2026

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY TASK FORCE

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

Meeting Date: April 15, 2026

Public Works staff attended the Solid Waste Advisory Task Force (SWAT) meeting in April, which included updates on legislation, SWAT formation, and the Circular Action Alliance.

The legislative update covered several Assembly and Senate bills, including AB 762, AB 1153, AB 2076, AB 2100, AB 2245, AB 2253, AB 2462, AB 2559, and SB 758, SB 922, SB 936, SB 1230, and SB 1371. These bills primarily relate to solid waste, recycling program requirements, and potential operational and funding impacts to local jurisdictions, and will continue to be monitored.

The SWAT formation discussion provided background on the group's purpose, citing Public Resources Code Section 70950(c), which supports coordination among jurisdictions and regional agencies for the implementation of solid waste and recycling programs. The group aims to improve collaboration, consistency, and information sharing among agencies.

The Circular Action Alliance, the Producer Responsibility Organization under SB 54, provided updates on program development. This initiative is expected to shift certain recycling program costs from local jurisdictions to producers and may provide future funding opportunities for cities. Additional details and timelines are still being finalized.

Next anticipated meeting date: TBD, October 2026

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY (SBCTA) BOARD OF DIRECTORS
Council Representative: Eunice Ulloa | Staff Report By: Dennis Ralls

Meeting Date: April 1, 2026

The Board received a staff report considering adopting a position opposing AB 1678 by Assemblymember John Harabedian. AB 1678 would establish the Claremontclair Authority with the intent of constructing the LA County Metro A Line from the City of Claremont in LA County to the City of Montclair in San Bernardino County. SBCTA had previously withdrawn from the Gold Line Construction Authority due to concerns about open-ended financial obligations to LA Metro that lacked sufficient SBCTA Board authority. This resulted in the remaining improvements of the Metrolink Gold Line from LA County to the City of Montclair being unable to be completed. SBCTA instead directed the allocated funding toward other methods to increase mass transit options between Montclair and LA County. The Board approved opposing AB 1678.

Next anticipated meeting date: May 6, 2026

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: May 7, 2026

SANTA ANA WATERSHED Project Authority (SAWPA) ADVISORY COUNCIL

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

Meeting Date: April 7, 2026

Business Item 6A – Inland Empire Brine Line Reach IV-D City of Chino Euclid Bridge Project - The Project Agreement 24 Committee reviewed and approved a Memorandum of Understanding between SAWPA and the City of Chino associated with the relocation of Brine Line Reach IV-D as part of the City of Chino's Euclid Bridge Project. The Euclid Bridge Project is intended to provide elevated roadway access through the Prado inundation area to maintain access during flood events.

SAWPA staff explained that the existing brine line alignment conflicts with proposed bridge improvements, including bridge pilings, retaining walls, and roadway fill areas. Multiple protection and relocation alternatives were evaluated, with full relocation of the brine line identified as the preferred option to improve long-term operational reliability, maintenance access, and future infrastructure capacity.

Under the proposed agreement, the City of Chino will serve as the lead agency for CEQA compliance, environmental review, right-of-way acquisition, and project coordination, while SAWPA will retain ownership and operational responsibility for the relocated brine line facilities. Estimated construction costs for the relocation project are currently approximately \$5.6 million, with construction anticipated between mid-2028 and late-2030.

Next anticipated meeting date: May 5, 2026

WATER FACILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

No meeting during this reporting period.

Next anticipated meeting date: May 21, 2026

WEST VALLEY MOSQUITO AND VECTOR CONTROL DISTRICT

Council Representative: Christopher Flores | Staff Report By: Vivian Castro

Meeting Date: April 28, 2026

The Board approved the following Personnel Committee items:

- Increase to the District's Contribution to the Deferred Compensation Program for the Operations Director, Scientific Director, and Community Outreach Coordinator
- Second Amendment to the District Manager's Employment Agreement

The Board received the following staff reports:

- February 2026 and March 2026 Field Operations, Vector Disease and Surveillance, and IT/Community Outreach Activities Reports
- February 2026 Administrative Report
- Correspondence from February 16-April 15, 2026

Next anticipated meeting date: May 26, 2026