



CITY OF CHINO

MONTHLY AGENCY REPORTS

NOVEMBER 19, 2024 - Covering meetings from September 1 through September 30

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.

CHAFFEY COLLEGE CHINO COMMUNITY CENTER OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

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

Meeting Date: September 17, 2024

- 2024-2025 Budget was approved.
- 2024-2025 Meetings will be held quarterly on the third Tuesday of the month at 2:00 p.m. (12/17/2024, 3/18/2025, 6/17/2025)
- The committee discussed rates and comparison rates of nearby venues. The event Coordinator will conduct a survey, share findings, and make recommendations at the next meeting.
- A request was made to review the audio system to determine if upgrades are warranted.

Next anticipated meeting date: December 17, 2024

Chino Valley Chamber of Commerce

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

Meeting Date: September 16, 2024

On Thursday, September 19, Ellyse Martinez and Denise Pohl attended the Chamber - Youth Museum Mixer. Staff met with and networked with local businesses, while also supporting the Youth Museum.

Next anticipated meeting date: October 21, 2024

CHINO BASIN DESALTER AUTHORITY

Council Representative: Eunice Ulloa | Staff Report By: Natalie Ávila

No meeting during this reporting period.

Next anticipated meeting date: October 3, 2024

CHINO BASIN WATERMASTER

Council Representative: Eunice Ulloa | Staff Report By: Natalie Ávila

Meeting Date: September 26, 2024

Consent Calendar

The Watermaster Board approved the Consent Calendar that included receipt of routine financial information reports, the adoption of a Semi-Annual OBMP Status Report, a few water transactions between various stakeholders, and the adoption of a Resolution recognizing Water Professional's Appreciation Week during October 5th-13th.

Business Items

Emerging Contaminants Monitoring Plan (ECMP) was presented. As part of the Optimum Basin Management Plan, ECMP contemplates ways to develop and implement cooperative programs during fiscal year 2024/2025 with the Regional Water Quality Control Board and other agencies to improve Basin management.

Reports / Updates

The Board received Watermaster staff verbal reports from the Legal Counsel, Engineer, and General Manager. A report by the Legal Counsel on litigation matters indicated to the Board that there have been no substantial changes. Additionally, the Engineer reported an upcoming Ground-Level Monitoring Program meeting scheduled for October 3rd to discuss the anticipated report to be filed with the Court in November with findings of a notable decrease in subsidence and ongoing efforts on the Safe Yield Recalculation.

Lastly, the General Manager introduced a new staff member. He reported that the State celebrated 10 years of the Groundwater Sustainability Act, during which Watermaster implemented several programs to implement Chino Basin health, including the recharge of about 150,000 acre-feet during that period. Future collaboration with the Chino Desalter Authority about future capital cost, Storage and Recovery Program will be discussed regarding a near sunset of the current program, and the changes related to the College Heights Basin use and operation will be evaluated based on the proposed development in the Claremont area.

Information

Recharge Investigations and Projects Committee reported that the continued construction status of the Wineville/Jurupa/RP3 Basin Improvement project is 85% complete. Several other projects to clean basins to increase infiltration rates are ongoing. A summary of the recharged water from last fiscal year estimated that nearly 75,000 acre-feet in total infiltrated back into the groundwater.

Next anticipated meeting date: October 24, 2024

CHINO VALLEY INDEPENDENT FIRE DISTRICT Liaison to Board of Directors
Council Representative: Karen Comstock | Staff Report By: Linda Reich

Meeting Date: September 18, 2024 Special Board Meeting

MOU Between the Chino Valley Professional Firefighters, Local 3522 Safety Unit and the CVIFD – On September 18, the CVIFD Board approved on a 3-0-1-1 voice vote to approve and ratify the MOU and amended Salary Schedule, with Board Members Luth, Ramos-Evinger, and Haughey voting Aye; DeMonaco abstaining; and Kreeger absent.

Provisions of the MOU include:

- **Term** is retroactive from July 1, 2024, through June 30, 2027.
- **Salary Increases** - Provides Firefighters/Paramedics, Engineers, and Captains
 - 5% salary retroactive increase effective July 1, 2024.
 - 5% salary increase effective the first pay period of July 2025.
 - 3% salary increase effective the first pay period of July 2026.
- **Education pay** - Retroactively, effective July 1, 2024, increases the education pay

- by \$50 per month for employees possessing an Associate's or a Bachelor's degree in a job-related field, to \$150 and \$250 per month, respectively
- by \$50 per month, to \$275 per month, for investigators who have completed all facets of the District Shift Investigator program
- by \$50 per month, to \$275 per month, for active members of Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) program
- by \$150 per month, to \$375 per month, for Paramedics
- by \$150 per month, to \$300 per month, for Emergency Medical Technicians
- by \$100 per month, to \$275 per month, for members of the Hazardous Materials Team.
- **Post-Employment Health Plan** - The District and union agreed to continue negotiations regarding modifications to the post-employment defined-contribution health reimbursement arrangement.
- **Leave Cash-Outs** - Changes the timeline to request various leave cash-outs and directions to 457(b) plan.
- **Jury Duty Pay** - Changes jury duty pay from base pay to regular rate of pay.
- **Health Benefit Cafeteria** – Increased the maximum monthly contribution provided by \$350 per month, to \$1,815 effective July 1, 2024; by an additional \$135 to \$1,950 effective the first pay period in July 2025; and by \$250 to \$2,200 effective the first pay period in July 2026.
- **Staffing** – Increases the minimum staffing as follows:
 - On-duty shift personnel, from 33 to 35.
 - Beginning October 1, 2024 or upon implementation of the CONFIRE JPA Ambulance program, raises the minimum staffing level to 38 on-duty shift personnel, composed as specified.
 - Allows the composition of Strike Team responses to be modified from the specified based on the nature of the incident and the needs of the district.

The budget impacts of the MOU were not provided.

Chino Valley Independent Fire District And Chino Valley Professional Firefighters, Local 3522 Drug and Alcohol Policy – The CVFD and CVPF agreed to continue to discuss the policy for drug testing options for marijuana and testing for steroids. The only change made to the policy is to specify that the testing to take place during the months of February, March, or April each year is for alcohol and all drugs except for marijuana.

Meeting Date: September 25, 2024 Special Board Meeting

The new CVFD Chaplain, Yan Ling Wong, was introduced.

The Board adopted the Consent Calendar (4-0, with DeMonaco absent), which included an informational item containing a letter from the CVFD to Governor Newsom supporting the City of Chino's sponsored legislation, SB 536 (Rubio).

Fire Chief Report

- CVFD staff participated in numerous public events, including the City of Chino Emergency Preparedness Fair and the City of Chino Inclusion Community Celebration.
- Regarding the CONFIRE ambulance contract, the court granted the motion for a preliminary injunction on behalf of AMR .

Next anticipated meeting date: October 9, 2024

CHINO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

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

Meeting Date: September 5, 2024

This was the CVUSD Board’s first meeting in its new Board room at the new headquarters on Ramona Avenue.

Resolution 2024/2025-19, Opposing the Role of School Districts as Land Developers and Landlords – The item resolves that CVUSD formally opposes any initiative or legislation that mandates or encourages school districts to engage in land development or act as landlords and that CVUSD will not participate in ventures or activities that divert attention from the district’s educational mission. Moved (Na), seconded (Cruz), motion carried (4-1, Bridge voted no) to adopt Resolution 2024/2025-19.

Resolution 2024/2025-20, Opposing the Community Schools Initiative and Declaring Non-Participation - Passed on a 4-1 vote, with Na, Monroe, Shaw, and Cruz voting yes, Bridge voting no, to adopt Resolution 2024/2025-20, as recommended by Board President Sonja Shaw. It resolves that the Board opposes the implementation of the Community Schools Initiative within the District, rejects partnerships with organizations like Planned Parenthood and any other similar entities, maintains that the primary focus of schools must be on education, and other provisions.

New Board Policy Philosophy, Goals, Objectives & Comprehensive Plans 0100.1—No Deception - The Board received for information a new policy submitted by Board President Shaw. The policy states:

“Chino Valley Unified School District (CVUSD) is committed to maintaining its historical culture of transparency and trust between itself, employees, and the families it serves. To uphold these values, CVUSD and its employees shall at all times be truthful and honest and not misrepresent, either directly or by omission, to any parent or guardian any school-related undertakings and information that affects their child’s education and well-being.

The Chino Valley Unified School District is committed to:

- full transparency: all communications with parents and guardians will be truthful, accurate, and complete. Staff shall provide all relevant information, even if not directly requested by the parent or guardian, when it pertains to the health, safety, and education of their child.
- no omission: withholding information or providing partial information that may mislead or create a false understanding is strictly prohibited.”

Meeting Date: September 19, 2024

Public Comments - Chino Council Member Curtis Burton provided information on upcoming City of Chino

events, including the Healthy Chino 20th anniversary celebration, the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer event, and the Chino Community Art Box program, which is accepting submissions.

New Board Policy Philosophy, Goals, Objectives & Comprehensive Plans 0100.1—No Deception – The Board received as an informational item a revised version of the “No Deception” policy that was introduced on September 5. There were substantial public and Board comments on this item.

Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6158 Instruction – Independent Study – The Board received information on the update to Board Policy and Administrative Regulation 6158, which reflects changes included in Senate Bill 153, as follows: repeals the three-day minimum duration for school districts and county offices of education to claim independent study average daily attendance; allows written agreements for short-term independent student to be signed at any point during the school year; and defines long-term independent study as 16 days or longer, previously 15 days.

Board Comments - Board Member Monroe discussed meeting with the City of Chino regarding various programs, as well as increasing and bolstering relationships with law enforcement officers and District security officers.

Next anticipated meeting date: October 3, 2024

CHINO VALLEY UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT – Measure G Oversight Committee
Council Representative: Karen Comstock | Staff Report By: Silvia Avalos

Meeting Date: September 4, 2024

Chino High School Aquatic Center received new equipment and utility upgrades, concrete grandstands and lighting, and a replastering of the pool, while the original gymnasium was outfitted with new lighting, HVAC upgrades, and a critical new storm drain system. The original boy’s locker room was fully renovated and turned into band and athletics storage and team room.

Legacy Academy opened its doors on July 8, 2024. Work on the interior of the campus has been completed, but contractors continue to work on the site’s field turf area.

Borba, Marshall, and Walnut Elementary Schools: All three sites opened their new Administration offices to staff, students, and the community just in time for the 2024-2025 school year.

Don Lugo High School – Construction broke ground over the summer for their new Administration Building, Kitchen, and Pool Renovations:

Next anticipated meeting date: October 30, 2024

CITIZEN’S COMMITTEE FOR CIM & CIW
Council Representative: Marc Lucio | Staff Report By: Ted Olden

No meeting during this reporting period.

Next anticipated meeting date: October 8, 2024

INLAND EMPIRE UTILITIES AGENCY

Council Representative: Eunice Ulloa | Staff Report by: Hye Jin Lee

No meeting during this reporting period.

Next anticipated meeting date: October 3, 2024

LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES – Inland Empire Division

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report by: Jackie Melendez

Meeting Date: September 17, 2024

City staff from the Administration Department attended the IE Division meeting held at the ESRI campus in Redland. ESRI is a geographic information system (GIS) software company best known for its ArcGIS products. It is one of the largest suppliers of GIS software, web GIS, and geodatabase management applications in the world. During the meeting, ESRI staff presented the various GIS applications and data layers available to local governments.

Since the meeting, the Assistant City Manager and Deputy City Manager met with ESRI representatives to discuss an executive briefing of Chino staff on available GIS tools and resources.

Next anticipated meeting date: November 22, 2024

LEAGUE OF CALIFORNIA CITIES – Legislative Task Force

Council Representative: Karen Comstock | Staff Report by: Vivian Castro

No meeting during this reporting period.

Next anticipated meeting date: None. The IE Legislative Task Force is no longer in existence.

League of California Cities Annual Conference, October 16-18, 2024

Several Council Members and City staff attended the League of California Cities Annual Conference in Long Beach. The conference consisted of numerous meetings of various issues and regional committees of the membership, as well as workshops and keynote speaker presentations. Mayor Pro Tem Karen Comstock was elected as Vice President of the Inland Empire Division during the conference.

A meeting of the League's Generally Assembly was scheduled to vote on Friday, October 18, but could not do so due to a lack of a quorum.

OMNITRANS BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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

Meeting Date: September 4, 2024

The Board received an update on Key Performance Indicators. Systemwide ridership is up almost 13% over the same quarter last year, on-time performance for the Fixed Route service is at 79.8% while OmniAccess is at 94.3%, and ride satisfaction rating is 89.7% positive.

The Board also received a report on the systemwide cost per passenger, which is estimated to be \$13.21. Fixed route service operates at the lowest cost per passenger (\$9-\$15), while services like OmniRide (\$74.41) and OmniAccess (\$78.84) operate at higher costs per passenger.

Next anticipated meeting date: October 2, 2024

**ONTARIO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AUTHORITY (OIAA) INTER-AGENCY COLLABORATIVE
(ROUNDTABLE)**

Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report by: Jackie Melendez

No meeting during this reporting period.

Next anticipated meeting date: TBD

SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY SOLID WASTE ADVISORY TASK FORCE

Council Representative: Karen Comstock | Staff Report by: Xochitl Huerta

No meeting during this reporting period.

Next anticipated meeting date: October 23, 2024

SBCTA – San Bernardino Co. Transportation Authority Board of Directors

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

Meeting Date: September 4, 2024

The Board approved an update on the Measure I Valley Freeway Interchange Phasing Project. This long-term 2016 initiative identified several freeway interchanges in the County and dedicated Measure I funding to these potential freeway interchange projects on a first-come, first-serve basis. This project helped fund the recently completed SR-60 / Central Avenue Bridge project in Chino. SBCTA had reached out to its member agencies to help identify remaining projects on the previously approved list that are likely to be built within the current Measure I timeframe, which is set to expire in 2040. No other interchanges were allowed to be added to the previously approved list. Other interchanges in the Chino area currently approved for this funding include:

- SR-60 / Ramona Avenue (Chino)
- SR-60 / Mountain Avenue (Chino/Ontario)
- SR-60 / Euclid Avenue (Ontario)

Chino staff is not aware of any other freeway interchange projects in the works that are also on this list. After consultation with the member agencies, SBCTA identified the following interchanges as likely projects to be built, allocating the remaining funding to these projects:

- I-10 / Wildwood Canyon (Yucaipa)
- SR-210 / Waterman Avenue (City of San Bernardino)
- SR-210 / 5th Street (Highland)
- SR-60 / Euclid Avenue (Ontario)

With these identified projects, the SBCTA Board approved allocating \$23M in Measure I funding to the projects listed above for this project.

Next anticipated meeting date: October 2, 2024

SBCTA – City Selection Committee

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

No meeting during this reporting period.

Next anticipated meeting date: TBD

SCAG – General Assembly

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

No meeting during this reporting period.

Next anticipated meeting date: May 1-2, 2025

SANTA ANA WATERSHED ADVISORY COUNCIL

Council Representative: Chris Flores | Staff Report by: Natalie Ávila

No meeting during this reporting period.

Next anticipated meeting date: TBD

WATER FACILITIES AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Council Representative: Eunice Ulloa | Staff Report by: Natalie Ávila

Meeting Date: September 19, 2024

Consent Calendar

The Board of Directors approved the Consent Calendar on a 4-0 vote that included receipt of routine financial information reports and the authorization for an agreement with Guardian to provide long-term disability insurance for Authority staff. One item was pulled from the consent for discussion regarding the authorization for discretionary payment against the CalPERS's unfunded accrued liability which passed on a vote.

Discussion / Possible Action

Moss, Levy, & Hartzheim, LLP presented the Annual Financial (Audit) Report for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2024, and reported minor discrepancies. The item was passed with one abstention to authorize staff to distribute copies to member agency financial managers. The Board also adopted a Resolution amending the Conflict-of-Interest Code.

Reports / Updates

The General Manager and Legal Counsel reported that the Authority is in negotiation for audit/treasurer professional services. Additionally, the General Manager reported that the WFA sufficiently imported water from MWD to fulfill delivery obligations to the WFA member agencies.

Next anticipated meeting date: November 21, 2024

West Valley Mosquito and Vector Control District
Council Representative: Chris Flores | Staff Report by: Vivian Castro

Meeting Date: September 24, 2024

The Consent Calendar was approved unanimously.

West Valley MVCD reported on the following:

On September 28, the monthly meeting of West Valley MVCD with the City of Ontario regarding the **Mill Creek Wetlands** was held. The Wetlands naturally treat runoff from a 77-square mile drainage area that includes the Cities of Ontario, Chino, Rancho Cucamonga, and Upland. In addition to water quality, the natural wetland system provides recreation trails and habitat restoration. It is in the Prado Basin in Chino. The project is the result of a multi-agency partnership and is operated by the City of Ontario. The group discussed the ongoing annual vegetation removal and vector access paths.

The WVMVCD met with the US Army Corps on September 6 regarding the **Yorba-Slaughter Adobe House basin** in the City of Chino. The basin access paths for mosquito inspections and treatments were reviewed. The Army Corps agreed to continue using the aerial overview map provided as a goal for regular access. San Bernardino County Regional Parks will schedule work crews to begin access paths as soon as possible.

During August 2024, West Valley MVCD reported 31 (26.5%) service calls attributable to Chino, 380 (26.5%) vector inspections, and 361 (23.4%) treatments. 46% of the mosquitos collected were from Chino.

The West Valley MVCD did not participate in City of Chino events or activities during the reporting period.

Next anticipated meeting date: October 22, 2024

West End Animal Services Agency - JPA
Council Representative: Curtis Burton | Staff Report by: Rogelio Huerta

Meeting Date: August 22, 2024

The City of Chino and the City of Ontario joined forces in July 2024 to establish the West End Animal Services Agency Joint Powers Authority (JPA). This collaborative effort aims to provide comprehensive animal services to both cities. To oversee this new agency, Council Member Burton from Chino was selected to represent Chino on the JPA Board of Directors. Mayor Paul Leon and Mayor Pro Tem Debra Porada from the City of Ontario were chosen to represent Ontario. Jordan Villwock, Management Services Director of Ontario, was appointed as the Interim Executive Director of the JPA.

The West End Animal Services Agency Board of Directors held a special meeting on August 22, 2024, to address key organizational matters. The Board elected JPA Director and Ontario Mayor Paul Leon as Chair and Director Curtis Burton as Vice Chair. The Board authorized the Interim Administrator to negotiate and execute a 22-month contract with the City of Ontario for administrative services not to exceed \$220,000. Additionally, the Board authorized the Interim Administrator to execute a one-year legal services agreement with Best Best & Krieger LLP for up to \$180,000. The Board adopted a resolution approving the Agency's administrative policies and procedures, including board compensation, staff, operations, claims, real property procedures, and incorporation of existing City of Ontario policies. The first Thursday of every month at 9:00 AM was established as the regular meeting cadence for the Agency. The Board appointed the Interim Administrator,

Treasurer/Controller, and Secretary. Lastly, the Board authorized the Interim Administrator to negotiate a lease agreement for a temporary shelter facility at 1630 Shearwater Street, Ontario, for a 36-month term with optional two-year extensions.

Next anticipated meeting date: October 3, 2024