

City of Garden Grove
WEEKLY CITY MANAGER'S MEMO
July 9, 2026

TO: Honorable Mayor and City
Council Members

FROM: Matt West
Assistant City Manager

I. DEPARTMENT ITEMS

A. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND HOUSING

A memo is attached to provide information regarding a new Financial Literacy and Workforce Development Program

B. CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

List of Records Requests for June 2026

C. ZONING ADMINISTRATOR PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE

An affidavit of publication is attached for items to be heard at the July 23 Zoning Administrator meeting.

• **OTHER ITEMS**

– SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS AND NEWSPAPER ARTICLES

Copies of the week's social media posts and local newspaper articles are attached for your information.

– MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Items of interest are included.



Matt West
Assistant City Manager

City of Garden Grove

INTER-DEPARTMENT MEMORANDUM

To: Lisa L. Kim
Dept: City Manager
Subject: FREE ENTREPRENEURIAL &
WORKFORCE READINESS
WORKSHOP SERIES

From: Ursula Luna-Reynosa
Dept: Economic Development
and Housing
Date: July 9, 2026

OBJECTIVE

The purpose of this memorandum is to provide information regarding a new Financial Literacy and Workforce Development Program that will be offered this summer for young adults from economically challenged households in Garden Grove and neighboring communities.

DISCUSSION

The Economic Development and Housing Department has partnered with Golden West College, Orange County Supervisor Janet Nguyen, the Cities of Huntington Beach, Fountain Valley, and Westminster, and several nonprofit and business organizations to offer a free Financial Literacy and Workforce Development Program for individuals ages 18 to 28. The program is designed to equip participants with practical financial knowledge and workforce readiness skills that support long-term economic mobility and career success.

The program will take place at Golden West College from July 27 through August 14, 2026, with sessions held every Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. Lunch will be provided during each session.

The curriculum includes financial literacy topics such as banking fundamentals, budgeting, credit, and investing, as well as workforce development instruction focused on professional skills, career planning, and employment opportunities. Participants will also hear from local business, nonprofit, and government professionals who will share their experiences and provide insight into career pathways, internships, and workforce expectations.

Individuals who complete the program will be eligible to receive cash awards, educational scholarships to support continued learning, and professional clothing provided through community partners to assist with future job interviews.

Registration is currently open and will remain available through July 20, 2026.

This program represents a collaborative regional effort to expand access to financial education and workforce development opportunities for young adults. Key partners include Golden West College, Youth Investor Corps, United Way, Junior Achievement, Working Wardrobes, and the Huntington Beach Chamber of Commerce. Their combined support has made it possible to provide this program at no cost to participants while connecting them with valuable educational and employment resources.

For additional information and registration details, please visit bit.ly/workforce-readiness-2026

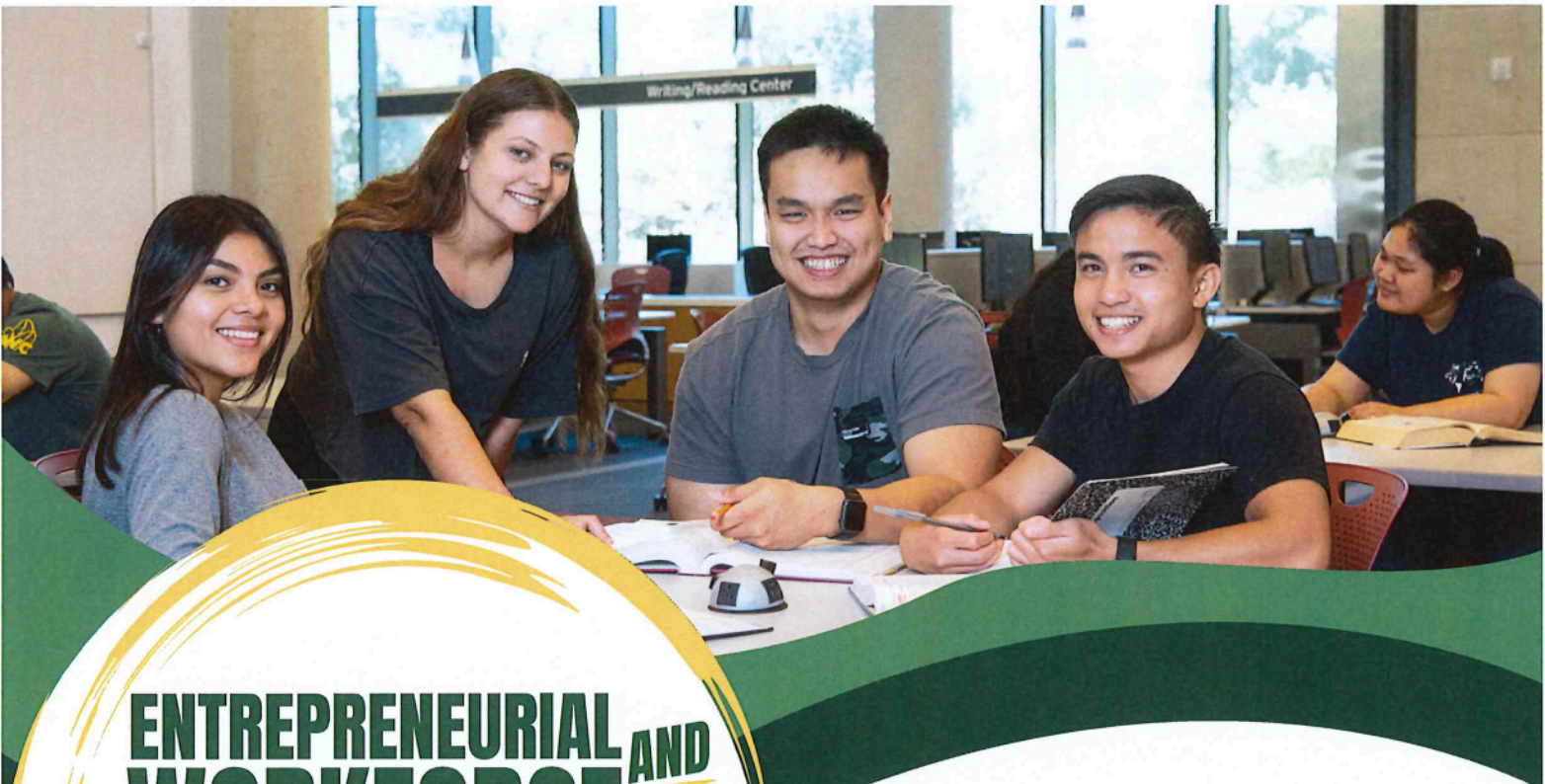


Ursula Luna-Reynosa
Economic Development and Housing Department Director



By: Monica Covarrubias, Sr. Project Manager

Attachment: Program Flyer



ENTREPRENEURIAL AND WORKFORCE READINESS WORKSHOPS

- ✓ LEARN TO MANAGE YOUR FINANCES
- ✓ MEET REAL WORLD EXPERTS
- ✓ MAKE CONNECTIONS
- ✓ EXPLORE CAREERS
- ✓ SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



**REGISTRATION
DEADLINE
JULY 20**



Lunch will be provided.

FREE TO ATTEND!



*Space is limited!
Register ASAP to
secure your spot.*

PROGRAM INFO
MON, WEDS, THURS
12 - 1:30 PM
JULY 27 - AUGUST 13



**HUNTINGTON BEACH
Chamber of Commerce**



**SUPERVISOR
JANET NGUYEN**
ORANGE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



Montly Requests Log

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
11196	05/31/26	To: Fire Department Please see the attached for a full description of the records and information we are looking to obtain. Thank you!		06/11/26	06/01/26
11197	05/31/26	To: Planning and Zoning Department Please see the attached for a full description of the records and information we are looking to obtain. Thank you!	Community Development	06/11/26	06/01/26
11199	06/01/26	SmartProcure is submitting a public records request to the City of Garden Grove for any and all purchasing records from 3/10/2026 to current. The request is limited to readily available records without physically copying, scanning, or printing pap...	Finance	06/11/26	06/08/26
11200	06/01/26	RevSpring, Inc. recently participated in the City's RFP for print & mail services. RevSpring was notified that it was not chosen. I am hoping to receive some feedback on the reasons we were not selected, as it would be extremely valuable as we c...	Finance	06/11/26	06/02/26
11201	06/01/26	I would like to request a listing of new businesses in Garden Grove City for May 2026. All information about the businesses that you are able to provide, such as business name, business address, formation date, phone number etc. would be greatly a...		06/11/26	06/01/26
11202	06/01/26	Pursuant to the California Public Records Act, please provide a copy of the complete bid package submitted by the apparent low bidder, Van Engineering, for IFB No. S-1389, Concrete Repairs and Related Services. This request includes all documen...	Finance	06/11/26	06/10/26
11203	06/01/26	The City of Garden Grove is currently soliciting proposals under RFP No. S-1394 for On-Call Printing, Translation, and Mailing Services. To better understand the City's historical utilization and contracting approach for these services, we respect...	Finance	06/15/26	06/15/26

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
11204	06/02/26	SmartProcure is submitting a public records request to the City of Garden Grove for all current employee/staff contact information. The request is limited to readily available records without physically copying, scanning, or printing paper documen...	Human Resources	06/15/26	06/11/26
11205	06/02/26	I am inquiring about a property in Garden Grove in the interest of buying the property. 9811 Lampson Avenue However it appears the owner have passed and I like to know if there are any unpermitted areas in the house. Please let me know i...		06/15/26	06/02/26
11208	06/03/26	Dear Records Officer, Pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code §6250 et seq.), I am submitting a commercial request for access to public records. I respectfully request electronic copies (Excel, CSV, or PDF) of the foll...	Finance	06/15/26	06/11/26
11209	06/04/26	Pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code § 7920 et seq.), Interpreters Unlimited respectfully requests records related to the City of Garden Grove's current or most recent contracts for printing, translation, and mailing se...		06/14/26	06/04/26
11210	06/04/26	Hi, I would like to request a list of all building permit records from June 1st 2024 to 2026, including permits of all statuses (pending, in-progress, approved, voided) along with any publicly available details such as the full property address...		06/15/26	06/04/26
11211	06/04/26	Hello, I am requesting the current contract for the Park Restroom Cleaning and Grounds Maintenance for City of Garden Grove. Thank you!		06/15/26	06/05/26

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
11212	06/04/26	CPRA Request (URGENT/EXPEDITED) GKN Aerospace Cleanup Public Notification Pursuant to the California Public Records Act, I request copies of the following records related to cleanup operations at the GKN Aerospace facility in Garden Grove, CA, ...	Information Technology City Manager	06/29/26	06/25/26
11213	06/05/26	Hi I went through the city portal and I could not locate the maps or as-builts for the areas highlighted on the map attached. Southern California Edison requires us to exhaust every mean to locate the maps or request for confirmation from the age...	Public Works Economic Development	06/15/26	06/09/26
11214	06/05/26	Pursuant to the applicable public records law, we respectfully request all your records of uncashed/unclaimed checks/assets, funds owed, and performance bonds, from oldest possessed until three months from today. If some of this request is exempt ...	Finance	06/15/26	06/11/26
11216	06/05/26	Records requested: Please send the final and compiled bid tabulation (bid tally), including all quantities and unit pricing for each bidder, for 'PFAS Water Treatment Plants Project' that was submitted on 06/02/2026. We specifically request the...		06/15/26	06/05/26
11217	06/05/26	I have searched the building permit archives but unable to find any permit issued for my house. For this reason I'm writing to request for a copies of all the permit issued for my house locate at 11900 Egham circle, garden grove ca 92840. I would ...	Community Development	06/18/26	06/08/26
11218	06/05/26	I have searched the building permit archives but unable to find any permit issued for my house. For this reason I'm writing to request for a copies of all the permit issued for my house locate at 11900 Egham circle, garden grove ca 92840. I would ...		06/18/26	06/08/26

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
11219	06/07/26	CPRA request re GKN Aerospace, 12122 Western Ave., Garden Grove, MMA/chemical tank/HazMat incident. Please produce City records from 5/1/26-present re incident response, EOC, evacuation/shelter/reentry, road/access closures, public alerts, police/...	Police City Manager Information Technology Economic Development Community Development Public Works Utilities Community Services Finance	07/16/26	
11220	06/08/26	Requesting soil or geotechnical records for 089-461-17 (7375 Chapman Ave Garden Grove) If there is none available, please let me know.	Public Works Utilities	06/18/26	06/09/26
11221	06/08/26	Do you have any soil / geotechnical reports, structural foundation, pad compaction, grading plans, etc. for the commercial building at 7375 Chapman Ave APN #089-461-17 ?	Public Works Utilities City Manager Public Works Community Development	06/18/26	06/17/26
11226	06/08/26	Please give me a record of pass water bill for the years 2020 to 2025. Thank you 9436 W Garden Grove Blvd, Garden Grove, CA 92844	Finance	06/18/26	06/15/26
11227	06/08/26	Hi, I want to ask if there is any existing / as-built structural drawings which show the roof framing, etc., for the building located at 12827 Harbor Blvd, Suite G-1, Garden Grove. Thank you!		06/18/26	06/08/26
11228	06/08/26	On behalf of ABC News and in the public interest, we are seeking records related to past incidents pertaining to, or reported at, GKN Aerospace in Garden Grove at 12122 Western Ave, Garden Grove, CA 92841, ranging from 2004 to 2026. We make th...	Police	07/16/26	

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
11229	06/08/26	May I please request all building records and/or plans for: 14172 Buena St, Garden Grove, CA 92843. Thank you!	Community Development	06/19/26	06/15/26
11230	06/08/26	Record of the installation of the chemical storage tank at the GKN facility located at 12122 Western Ave, Garden Grove, CA 92841. Records of City Council meetings discussing the proposal of the GKN facility as well.	City Manager Community Development	06/19/26	06/17/26
11231	06/09/26	Records related to business licensing and the permitting, entitlement, and regulatory approval process for the development and operation of outdoor advertising billboards, including applications, approvals, supporting materials, inspections, and r...	Community Development City Manager	06/22/26	06/15/26
11232	06/09/26	All building permits for 11852 Easy Way Garden Grove CA. Closed patio permit		06/19/26	06/09/26
11234	06/09/26	Good Afternoon, May I please request all permit records for my home at 10352 McDaniel Drive, Garden Grove, CA 92840 Thank you so much for all your help! Lalaine		06/19/26	06/09/26
11236	06/09/26	Trileaf is conducting a Phase I Environmental assessment in Garden Grove, California. We would like to submit a FOIA request for the following information (if available): • Installation, inspection, and removal of underground and abovegrou...	Public Works Public Works Utilities	06/19/26	06/15/26
11237	06/10/26	We request all records, including executed contracts, purchase orders, invoices, and solicitation/RFP documents for products or services purchased from Locality Media, MomentumIoT, Troon Golf LLC, Royal Truck, and Brandon Industries, covering the ...	City Manager Finance	06/22/26	06/15/26
11238	06/11/26	I would like to request the complete bid packet for the low bidder, who they listed as subcontractors, and what their trades are for the job 2026 Residential Streets Rehabilitation Project which bid on 6/2/26	Public Works	06/22/26	06/15/26

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
11239	06/11/26	I had plans to travel to Garden Grove April 25 - 30. Evacuation orders were in place during that time so I opted not to travel. I am now putting in a travel insurance claim for the flight and the insurance company is requesting a document of the ...		06/22/26	06/11/26
11240	06/11/26	Subject: California Public Records Act Request - Well No. 18 PFAS Project Construction & NPDES Permits To Whom It May Concern / City Clerk's Office, Pursuant to the California Public Records Act (Government Code Section 6250 et seq.), I am formally ...	Public Works Utilities	06/25/26	06/19/26
11242	06/12/26	We represent Ms. Michelle Tucker regarding a motor vehicle accident that occurred on March 2, 2026, at or near 9013 Hazard Ave, Westminster, CA 92683. The associated police report number is 26-01629. Our client was operating a scooter at the ti...		06/25/26	06/15/26
11243	06/12/26	Re: California Public Records Act Request - Canine Use-of-Force Records, 2022-Present To the Records Custodian: Pursuant to the California Public Records Act, Gov. Code §7920.000 et seq., I request copies of the following records: 1. For ...		06/25/26	06/15/26
11244	06/12/26	Please reference ID number 20-2500538770 "Shelley Kensington Park Trail Concrete Installation GT1408000" The Center for Contract Compliance is a nonprofit Labor-Management Committee that specializes in monitoring public works projects. Please c...	Economic Development	06/25/26	06/24/26
11245	06/15/26	Dear City Clerk and Business License Team, I am submitting a California Public Records Act request for an electronic export of the same legally disclosable business-license fields available through Garden Grove's public Business License Looku...	Finance	06/25/26	06/17/26

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
11246	06/15/26	I am requesting copies of any available building plans, construction drawings, or structural plans, truss or framing plans, and archived construction documents for the property located at 6711 Anthony Ave. Garden Grove, Ca. I would like to remode...		06/25/26	06/15/26
11247	06/15/26	List of reports and dates of traffic collisions taking place on Buaro St. between Lampson and Harbor Blvd. Please include the number of injuries that were reported as a result of these traffic collisions.		06/25/26	06/15/26
11248	06/15/26	Please reference ID number 20-2500538770 "Item: Shelley Kensington Park Trail Concrete Installation GT1408000" The Center for Contract Compliance is a nonprofit Labor-Management Committee that specializes in monitoring public works projects. ...	Economic Development	06/25/26	06/24/26
11249	06/15/26	I would like to request a copy of the Electrical plan/blue print of my house. 12901 Glendon Pl., Garden Grove, CA 92843		06/29/26	06/16/26
11250	06/16/26	Requesting documentation related to the City of Garden Grove Request for Proposals No. S-1357 for Investment Management and Portfolio Services dated March 31, 2025. I would like to receive electronic copies of all proposals and presentation materi...	City Manager	06/29/26	06/17/26
11252	06/16/26	Dear Gentlepersons: I am requesting to inspect certain writings available as public records under the California Public Records Act (California Government Code, § 6250, et seq.) regarding the matters set forth below. For the purpose of this re...		06/29/26	06/16/26
11253	06/16/26	Request updated phone directory with code enforcements all email address	Information Technology	06/29/26	06/17/26
11254	06/16/26	Requesting all building permit records for: 7260 Acacia Avenue, Garden Grove CA 92841 and 12711-12733 Western Avenue, Garden Grove CA 92841		06/29/26	06/16/26

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
11255	06/16/26	I need any building / structural plans for the property located on 12842 Palm St. If you do not have any plans available, if you know who the architect or engineer that prepared the plans?		06/29/26	06/16/26
11256	06/16/26	City of Garden Grove - RFP CDD-005 Good Afternoon, I hope you are doing well. Interwest Consulting Group recently participated in the proposal process for the City of Garden Grove. While we appreciate the opportunity to submit a proposal,...	Community Development	06/29/26	06/29/26
11257	06/16/26	Via your state's public records laws, I request the following information: * The number of people (union members) who are having dues withdrawn from their paycheck. * The total number of people covered by collective bargaining agreem...	Finance	07/13/26	07/06/26
11259	06/17/26	Hello, Deloitte Tax LLP respectfully requests copies of records pertaining to all uncashed checks, refunds, overpayments, and duplicate payments that remain owed to non-individuals (e.g., businesses) and are currently held in accounts managed b...	Finance	06/29/26	06/29/26
11260	06/17/26	Hello, I am working on behalf of Southern California Gas Company to obtain a copy of the certificate of liability insurance for the contractor Garcia Home Remodeling & Construction that covers the 9/12/2024 date. Thank You	Finance	06/29/26	06/17/26
11261	06/17/26	For the Hyatt Regency Hotel (11999 Harbor Blvd + additional addresses, see attached parcel map to see the exact property lines), please provide records of the following: -Any Variances, Conditional/Special Use Permits, Zoning/Rezoning/Planning ...	Community Development	06/29/26	06/29/26

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
11262	06/18/26	This request is in regard to an Environmental Assessment that we are conducting for: 13071-13081 Coast Street, Garden Grove, CA 92844 Please check your Fire Department's records to see if there are files regarding Hazardous Chemical inventory,...	Public Works Utilities Public Works	06/29/26	06/19/26
11263	06/18/26	Please see attached document for full Public Records Act Request.	Community Development	06/29/26	06/19/26
11264	06/18/26	We request all records, including executed contracts, purchase orders, invoices, and solicitation/RFP documents for products or services purchased from Foundant, Submittable, Wizehive, Neighbourly Software, AccuFund, and Opengov, covering the past...	Finance	06/29/26	06/18/26
11265	06/18/26	All permits issued to GKN Aerospace.		06/29/26	06/18/26
11266	06/22/26	Dear Public Records Officer, This is a request under the California Public Records Act, Government Code section 7920.000 et seq. I request electronic records sufficient to show all parking citations issued, processed, reviewed, adjudicated...		07/02/26	06/22/26
11267	06/22/26	Form 460 for all city council and mayoral elections from 2005 to 2020.	City Manager	07/02/26	06/30/26
11269	06/22/26	Traffic studies on Buaro St between Lampson Ave and Harbor Blvd from 2010 to present.	Public Works	07/03/26	06/30/26
11270	06/23/26	I would like to see how I could get access of all the public emails that were sent in reference to Tuesday, 6/9/2026. Special and general meeting please.	Information Technology	07/03/26	06/29/26
11271	06/23/26	Requesting fire prevention records regarding: CUPA, hazmat, hazwaste, and underground storage tanks for 7260 Acacia Avenue, Garden Grove CA 92841.	Public Works Utilities Public Works	07/03/26	06/24/26

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
11272	06/23/26	To assist in locating responsive records, please search for records indexed by Andrew Goodman and AGE Advertising LLC, including where any is listed as an applicant, permittee, property owner, contractor, sign operator, lessee, or project sponsor,...	Community Development Finance	07/03/26	06/23/26
11274	06/23/26	As a tenant at 12202 Canter St, I request electronic copies of all records relating to: Property Address: 12202 Canter Street Code Enforcement Case No.: CE-198014 Permit No.: 2026-02139 Project No.: A-325700 This request includes, w...	Community Development	07/03/26	06/30/26
11275	06/23/26	Buisness licence for HQ Travel & Service at 13130 Brookhurst ST. Trying to see who the owner is.	Finance	07/03/26	06/24/26
11276	06/24/26	Pursuant to the California Public Records Act, I request all purchase orders and/or payment records for non-person/vendor such as companies, organizations, and contractors from 01/01/2022 to the present date. Examples of relevant reports/record...	Finance	07/06/26	06/24/26
11277	06/24/26	Verizon has requested that our team to research the entitlement history of their existing wireless facility (water tank site) to verify the Conditional Use Permit (CUP) expiration date, determine the applicable renewal or extension process, and ob...	Community Development	07/06/26	06/25/26
11278	06/24/26	We are doing an environmental site assessment on the property and would like to know if there are any records in regards to underground/aboveground storage tanks, hazardous materials, hazardous waste, septic tanks, and/or any clarifiers on the pro...	Public Works Public Works Utilities	07/06/26	07/03/26
11279	06/25/26	Trying to obtain the name of the CEO or Main individual in charge of Inge Realty Co.Garden Grove Ca 92840. Looking for Buisness License.	Finance	07/20/26	07/09/26
11280	06/25/26	My name is Nicolas Burlinson, and I am a research Intern at the Public Policy Institute of California researching housing developers within California. I understand that you are incredibly busy, but I would greatly appreciate it if you could assis...	Community Development	07/06/26	07/03/26

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
11282	06/25/26	I am Glor Tuando, I am working with " Video Voice Data Communications Company" as an Engineering Drafter & We have a project in city of GARDEN GROVE. Can you please provide me an updated Substructure Map, an As-Built Plan Drawing and Street Improv...		07/09/26	06/29/26
11283	06/26/26	Verizon has asked my company to audit their existing WTFs in the City of Garden Grove, to specifically check when the Conditional Use Permit expires, and the process to renew or extend the permit. Site Name: LOARA CUP: UNKNOWN, Need to know CU...	Community Development	07/09/26	07/06/26
11285	06/28/26	Please email as PDF: New Business License Listings June 2026 (06/01 - 06/30) Bus. name, phone number, owner's name, & any home based, where possible	Finance	07/09/26	
11286	06/29/26	We request all records, including executed contracts, purchase orders, invoices, and solicitation/RFP documents for products or services purchased from ESS/ESI, Kokua Education, Scoot Education, Zed Educate, and BuildEd, covering the past three ye...	Finance	07/09/26	06/29/26
11287	06/29/26	To the City Clerk and Custodian of Records for Garden Grove, Pursuant to the California Public Records Act, I am requesting the complete audio recordings and digital CAD (Computer-Aided Dispatch) logs for a call placed from my phone number to ...		07/09/26	06/29/26
11288	06/29/26	Dear City Clerk: Pursuant to the California Public Records Act, Government Code section 7920.000 et seq., I request copies of the following records. This request is submitted by email pursuant to Government Code section 7922.530, which does not...	Information Technology City Manager	07/23/26	
11289	06/29/26	Dear City Clerk's Office, Under the California Public Records Act, please provide electronic copies of existing City of Garden Grove records from June 2025 to the present concerning interpretation, translation, American Sign Language, CART, ...	Finance City Manager	07/09/26	07/07/26

#	Submitted	Request	Department	Due	Closed
11290	06/29/26	See attached Records Request related to GKN Aerospace.		07/09/26	06/29/26
11291	06/29/26	See attached Records Request related to GKN Aerospace.	City Manager Police	07/23/26	
11294	06/30/26	To Whom it May Concern Under the federal Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (Clery Act), postsecondary schools are required to disclose statistics for certain crimes that occurred on campus and on ...		07/13/26	06/30/26
11295	06/30/26	When replying, please refer to case #20-2500455916 "Lampson and Trask Reservoirs Rehabilitation" The Center for Contract Compliance is a nonprofit Labor-Management Committee that specializes in monitoring public works projects. Please consid...	Public Works Utilities	07/13/26	
11296	06/30/26	I am requesting a copy of the City of Garden Grove Business Tax Certificate Application for License #329195 in reference to Scott Harrison Plumbing and Heating. This is in relation to Fullerton PD DR #25-14382 and citation #FL1065600.	Finance	07/13/26	07/02/26

Affidavit of Publication

STATE OF CALIFORNIA }
COUNTY OF ORANGE } SS

LEGAL NOTICE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

I am a citizen of the United States; I am over the age of eighteen years, and not a party to or interested in the above-entitled matter. I am the principle clerk of the printer of ORANGE COUNTY NEWS, a newspaper of general circulation, published ONCE WEEKLY in the city of GARDEN GROVE, County of ORANGE, which newspaper has been adjudged a newspaper of general circulation by the Superior Court of the County of ORANGE, State of California under the date of March 20, 1964, Case Number A-31502; that the notice, of which the annexed is a printed copy (set in type not smaller than nonpareil), has been published in each regular and entire issue of said newspaper and not in any supplement thereof on the following dates, to-wit:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE ZONING ADMINISTRATOR OF THE CITY OF GARDEN GROVE WILL HOLD A PUBLIC HEARING IN THE COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER, 11300 STANFORD AVENUE, GARDEN GROVE, CALIFORNIA, ON THE DATE * INDICATED BELOW TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER ALL EVIDENCE AND REPORTS RELATIVE TO THE APPLICATION(S) DESCRIBED BELOW:

- THURSDAY, 9:00 A.M., JULY 23, 2026

The City of Garden Grove Zoning Administrator will hold a Public Hearing in the Community Meeting Center, to consider the request listed below. Members of the public who wish to comment on matters before the Zoning Administrator, in lieu of doing so in person, may submit comments by emailing public-comment@ggcity.org no later than 3:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting. The comments will be provided to the Zoning Administrator as part of the meeting record.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-184-2020 (REV. 2026)
A request to modify the Conditions of Approval for Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-184-2020 to extend the hours of operation for an existing gas station convenience store. The site is located at 10602 Westminster Avenue, in the C-1 (Neighborhood Commercial) zone. In conjunction with the request, the Zoning Administrator will also consider a determination that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

July 08, 2026

ALL INTERESTED PARTIES are invited to attend said hearing and express opinions or submit evidence for or against the proposal as outlined above, on July 23, 2026. If you challenge the application in Court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the Zoning Administrator at, or prior to, the public hearing. Further information on the above may be obtained at the Planning Services Division, City Hall, 11222 Acacia Parkway, or by telephone at (714) 741 5312.

That said newspaper was regularly issued and circulated on those dates.

SIGNED:



Orange County News

DATE: July 2, 2026
PUBLISH: July 8, 2026
Orange County News 7/08/2026-165068

Subscribed to and sworn by me this 8th day of July 2026.

00007270 00165068

75 LEGAL
OCN-CITY OF GARDEN GROVE
P.O. BOX 3070
GARDEN GROVE, CA 92842

WEEKLY MEMO 07-09-2026

NEWS ARTICLES

The Tribune

July 6, 2026

Derek Tran directs \$1 million to Garden Grove fire station

BY OC TRIBUNE STAFF ON JULY 6, 2026 • ([LEAVE A COMMENT](#))



OCFA Station 8 in Garden Grove.

Congressman Derek Tran (D-45th District) recently presented the City of Garden Grove with \$1 million in federal funding he secured to update Station 84.

That's the Orange County Fire Authority station on Valley View Street, one of several providing fire and paramedic services for Garden Grove.

The station's firefighters were one of the first responding teams to the hazmat incident at GKN Aerospace. These funds will support structural improvements to the Fire Station and additional equipment to better respond to future emergencies.

"I'm proud to deliver critical federal funding for Garden Grove's firefighters to improve station capacity. Just a few weeks ago, this community was tested during the GKN hazmat incident. Despite all the chaos and confusion, no one was hurt, and every single family returned home safely because of the heroic work of our firefighters. I'll keep fighting to make sure that our public safety heroes have the best resources to keep themselves and our community safe," said Tran.

“Together, we are strengthening emergency preparedness, enhancing public safety, and ensuring that our first responders have the resources they need to protect our community for years to come,” said Mayor Stephanie Klopfenstein.

“These upgrades are important, not only for District 1, but for the entire community Station 84 serves,” said George Brietigam, District 1 City Council Member.

This funding is part of an over \$14 million package Tran is bringing back to Los Angeles and Orange Counties for 15 community projects for Southern California residents.

Through Community Project Funding (CPF), Members of Congress can request direct funding for specific local projects that benefit the communities they represent. The House Appropriations Committee considers up to 15 Community Project Funding requests from each member of Congress, and, once approved by the House and Senate and signed into law by the President, community projects are funded using federal tax revenue.

The Tribune

July 4, 2026

Please, don't blow up the Fourth

BYOC TRIBUNE STAFF ON JULY 4, 2026 • (1 COMMENT)



A FOREST of American flags at the Village Green park in downtown Garden Grove in observance of Independence Day (Tribune photo).

By Jim Tortolano

Orange County Tribune

The nation's 250th birthday is being celebrated all week, climaxing on Saturday with Fourth of July events including parades, picnics, carnivals and – especially – fireworks.

Although the tradition since the days of John Adams, the growth of urbanization and the use of especially dangerous pyrotechnics has led to many cities – including the four in our West Orange County coverage area to step up efforts to curb the use of illegal fireworks and the unlawful modification of legal “safe and sane” versions.

Such abuses have led to fires, injuries and even deaths. Countless pets have been so terrified by the noise and bright lights that they flee their homes.

This year, local governments have stepped up their efforts to curb the abuses that sometimes accompany the holiday.

Huntington Beach: Safe and sane only fireworks can be discharged on July 4 from noon to 10 p.m. The HBPD's aerial drones will be employed to keep an eye on problem areas. Illegal fireworks can be reported to (714) 536-5683. Violators face a fine of up to \$1000 and six months in jail.

Garden Grove: Discharge of fireworks is only legal on Saturday, from noon to 10 p.m. Fines are up to \$1000

Stanton: Fine for the use of illegal, dangerous fireworks can be as high as \$10,000. Drones will also be employed.

Westminster: Fireworks can be discharged only on Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. The minimum fine is \$1,000.

The Tribune

July 4, 2026

West Nile mosquitoes found in Garden Grove, Westminster

BY OC TRIBUNE STAFF ON JULY 4, 2026 • ([LEAVE A COMMENT](#))



MOSQUITOES can carry the deadly West Nile virus.

From a staff writer

Mosquitoes infected with the potentially dangerous West Nile Virus have been found in the cities of Garden Grove and Westminster.

According to the Orange County Mosquito and Vector Control District, the infected insects were found in traps in an area bounded by Hazard Avenue, Magnolia Street, Bolsa Avenue and Newland Street in Westminster, as well as the area bounded by W. McFadden Street, Euclid Street, Euclid Street, Edinger Avenue and Ward Street in Garden Grove

The West Nile virus can cause encephalitis or meningitis in humans and other mammals, including horses, dogs and cats. There is no human vaccine or treatment.

While 80 percent of people infected have few or no symptoms, about 20 percent develop a fever, headache, vomiting or a rash. In fewer than 1 percent when encephalitis or meningitis occurs, there may be confusion, neck stiffness or seizures.

Residents of the area, employees and visitors are encouraged by the OCMVCD to check (and empty) standing water and wear mosquito repellent at dawn or dusk, when they are most active.

The Tribune

July 6, 2026

The four-day fireworks miracle

BYOC TRIBUNE STAFFON JULY 6, 2026 • (2 COMMENTS)



A BREAK (mostly) from fireworks Armageddon (Shutterstock).

I don't know if this qualifies as a miracle, exactly. But it definitely can be in the categories of the unexplainable and the unexpected.

One of the major gripes for years has been the annual catastrophe (and cacophony) of noisy, illegal and dangerous fireworks in the first week of July.

For as long as I can remember, Orange County – and especially my home of Garden Grove – has been Ground Zero of unlawful pyrotechnics, the bane of military veterans, canines and anybody who prizes a normal night's sleep and their shake shingle roof.

Typically from July 1-5 our world became a war zone, without law or success at cracking down on the lawbreakers.

The first hint of a cease-fire came last Wednesday (July 1). Except for a few mild pops, no explosions were detected.

The same thing on Thursday (July 2). How odd, we thought. The dog slept like a log. Friday (July 3). A few more 'pows' but nothing to rattle the windows.

I remember saying, "I can live with just one night of fireworks. I mean, it is the Fourth of July tomorrow." And that's what happened. Whatever restraint had been employed was cast off on Saturday (the Fourth) and poor Shadow was trying to hide behind the commode.

But ... by the very next day, peace had re-descended.

Now, I know that this “parting of the Red Sea” may not have been your experience, but for me/us it was four/fifths of winning the lottery.

I don't know what did it. The \$1000 fines? The prospect of airborne drones finding you out? The “social host” ordinances that will blame you if your tipsy uncle set off a bottle rocket while your back was turned?

But let's see more of these kind of surprises. Maybe we need to send up a thank you to St. Anthony, the patron saint of lost car keys and lost causes.



CITY OF GARDEN GROVE NEWS

CONTACT: Sgt. Nick Jensen
Garden Grove Police Department
(714) 741-5704/nickj@ggcity.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Follow the City of Garden Grove on Social Media

Tuesday, June 30, 2026



CITY REMINDS COMMUNITY OF \$1,000 FINE FOR ILLEGAL FIREWORKS

The City of Garden Grove is raising awareness against illegal firework use and the enforcement of the city's zero tolerance policy in the form of a \$1,000 fine.

"On July 4, additional Garden Grove police sergeants, officers, and administrative staff will be dedicated to firework enforcement throughout the city to apprehend and cite individuals who are caught using or possessing illegal fireworks," said Garden Grove Police Chief Amir El-Farra.

Individuals caught misusing or tampering with legal fireworks will also be subject to the \$1,000 administrative fine. Multiple fines will be issued for repeat violators.

In accordance with the Garden Grove Municipal Code firework regulations, discharge of safe and sane fireworks bearing the California State Fire Marshal seal is permissible on July 4, from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m., on private property only.

To report illegal fireworks, call the Garden Grove Police Department's non-emergency number at (714) 741-5704. Be prepared to provide the address where the illegal fireworks were lit and a description of the individual(s) involved.

Call 9-1-1 for emergencies only.

Chief El-Farra also advises the community to never launch or throw any dangerous projectiles, including fireworks, at others.

-more-

CITY REMINDS COMMUNITY OF \$1,000 FINE FOR ILLEGAL FIREWORKS
2-2-2

"Launching or throwing unwanted projectiles at uninvolved parties could be considered an assault. Bystanders can be hit, causing injuries and resulting in civil and/or criminal actions against the person committing the act. Let's celebrate courteously and responsibly," said Chief El-Farra.

For July 4 safety tips and regulations visit ggcity.org/july-4-safety-tips-regulations or call the Garden Grove Fireworks Hotline at (714) 741-5270.

###

NO ILLEGAL FIREWORKS * \$1000 FINE

NO USAR
COHETES ILEGALES

KHÔNG XÀI
PHÁO LẬU

불법폭죽
금지



ggcity.org



SAFETY TIPS FOR LEGAL FIREWORKS



Safe and sane fireworks are permitted on July 4, from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. only.



Fireworks should be handled by a responsible adult, 18 years of age or older, on private property only.



Light fireworks outdoors in a clear area and at a safe distance away from people, homes, vehicles, or flammable materials.



Light one firework at a time and never light a dud.



Have a bucket of water and a hose nearby to soak fireworks before disposing in a metal trashcan.



Never point or throw fireworks at another person.

ASSISTANCE FOR MISSING PETS



Contact GG Animal Care Services at (714) 741-5565. (Press 1 for Field Services.)



Take precautions by viewing the July 4 Pet Safety Tips link at ggcity.org.

REPORT ILLEGAL FIREWORKS



Call the Garden Grove Police Department's non-emergency number (714) 741-5704.



For more information, call the Garden Grove Fireworks Hotline (714) 741-5270.

LEARN MORE AT GGCITY.ORG/JULY-4-SAFETY-TIPS-REGULATIONS

LAUNCHING OR THROWING PROJECTILES = ASSAULT



GARDEN GROVE
CELEBRATES

USA

250



ggcity.org



PROJECTILES MAY INCLUDE:

- Water balloons thrown at unsuspecting or uninvolved persons.
- Any object that can be thrown or launched.
- Any fireworks used illicitly.



Have fun responsibly and respectfully!



Contact: Johnathan Garcia
Public Information Officer
(714) 741-5283/johnthang@ggcity.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Follow the City of Garden Grove on Social Media

Wednesday, July 8, 2026



GARDEN GROVE, FOUNTAIN VALLEY AND WESTMINSTER UNVEIL CENTRAL CITIES COLLABORATION WEBSITE

Community members now have a new online resource to learn about regional homelessness response efforts in Garden Grove, Fountain Valley and Westminster with the launch of centralcitiesoc.org, the official website for the Central Cities Collaboration.

“Homelessness does not stop at city lines, and neither can our response,” said Garden Grove Mayor Stephanie Klopfenstein. “Centralcitiesoc.org gives our communities one clear place to learn about the Central Cities Collaboration, understand how the Navigation Center works and connect people to the appropriate resources.”

Created as a shared information hub, the website brings together information about shelter access, supportive services, regional resources, program outcomes and opportunities for the public to stay informed and support local homelessness response efforts.

-more-

GARDEN GROVE, FOUNTAIN VALLEY AND WESTMINSTER UNVEIL CENTRAL CITIES 2-2-2

"Strong partnerships and open communication are essential to addressing homelessness effectively. This website provides residents with a trusted source of information about our regional efforts while demonstrating how Fountain Valley, Garden Grove and Westminster are working together to connect people with resources and long-term solutions," said Fountain Valley Mayor Jim Cunneen.

Formalized in 2022, the Central Cities Collaboration reflects a regional approach to addressing homelessness through shared resources, coordinated services and long-term housing-focused solutions. Garden Grove, Fountain Valley and Westminster jointly support the Central Cities Navigation Center, with support from the County of Orange and on-site services provided by Volunteers of America Los Angeles.

"Addressing homelessness requires collaboration, coordination, and a shared commitment from our communities," said Westminster Mayor Chi Charlie Nguyen. "The Central Cities Collaboration website provides residents with a convenient resource to better understand our regional efforts, learn about available services, and see how our cities are working together to support individuals experiencing homelessness."

The launch of the website also advances key goals of [Garden Grove's 2025-2030 Homelessness Strategy](#), including enhancing communication and community engagement, strengthening the Tri-Cities collaboration through unified messaging, improving access to service information and supporting a more coordinated regional system of care.

For more information, visit centralcitiesoc.org.

###



CONTACT: Reyna Cruz
Garden Grove Police Department
(714) 741-5760/reynac@ggcity.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Follow the City of Garden Grove on Social Media

Wednesday, July 8, 2026



ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT MARKS FINAL EVENT AT GARDEN GROVE POLICE HEADQUARTERS

The Garden Grove Police Department (GGPD) invites the community to its annual National Night Out, a free community-building event featuring family activities, giveaways, live demonstrations, and raffle prizes, on Tuesday, August 4, 2026, from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The celebration will also mark the final event held in front of the current Garden Grove Police Headquarters, located at 11301 Acacia Parkway.

Event attendees can meet Garden Grove officers, crime prevention officers, and GGPD's support canines, as well as participate in contests. Other activities include public safety demonstrations by the Neighborhood Traffic Unit and the Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) unit. Attendees will also learn about neighborhood watch programs and how to get involved with GGPD's Community Liaison Division.

Parking will be available at the following locations:

- Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, 11300 Stanford Avenue
- Garden Grove High School, 11271 Stanford Avenue
- Healthy Aging Center Acacia, 11391 Acacia Parkway
- First Baptist Church, 12761 Euclid Street
- SteelCraft Garden Grove, 12900 S Euclid Street

-more-

ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OUT MARKS FINAL EVENT AT GARDEN GROVE POLICE HQ
2-2-2

On Tuesday, August 4, 2026, the following streets will be closed to traffic and “No Parking” will be enforced from 7:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. for the event.

- Civic Center Drive, from Acacia Parkway to Garden Grove Boulevard
- Acacia Parkway, from 7th Street to Garden Grove City Hall, located at 11222 Acacia Parkway

For more information, visit ggcity.org/events/national-night-out-2026 or contact the Garden Grove Police Department’s Community Liaison Division at (714) 741-5760 or by email at crimeprevention@ggcity.org.

###



NATIONAL NIGHT OUT

GARDEN GROVE POLICE DEPARTMENT



**FREE
EVENT**

11301 ACACIA PARKWAY

**FREE
EVENT**

TUESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2026
5 PM - 8 PM



DEMONSTRATIONS: MOTORS, K9, S.W.A.T.

FREE EVENT
CITY VEHICLES
DJ
PHOTO BOOTH
GAMES



POLICE OFFICERS
RAFFLES
RESOURCES
FACE PAINTING
AND MORE!

PARKING INFORMATION

- GG COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER: 11300 STANFORD AVE.
- GARDEN GROVE HIGH SCHOOL: 11271 STANFORD AVE.
- HEALTHY AGING CENTER: 11391 ACACIA PKWY.
- FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH: 12761 EUCLID ST.
- STEELCRAFT: 12900 S. EUCLID ST.

FOR MORE INFORMATION: 714-741-5760 | CRIMEPREVENTION@GGCITY.ORG



Contact: Lizabeth Vasquez
City Clerk
(714) 741-5040/johnathang@ggcity.org

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Public Information Office (714) 741-5280

Follow the City of Garden Grove on Social Media

Monday, July 6, 2026



Filing Period for November Elections To Begin

Beginning Monday, July 13, 2026, the City of Garden Grove will be accepting nomination papers for Mayor, and three Council Member seats for Districts 1, 3, and 4, for the November 3, 2026 election. The deadline to file the completed paperwork is Friday, August 7, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. Paperwork must be filed with the City Clerk's Office, Garden Grove City Hall, at 11222 Acacia Parkway.

To be eligible, a candidate must be a United States citizen, at least 18 years of age by Election Day, and a registered voter. Mayoral candidates must be a resident of Garden Grove, and Council Member candidates must be a resident of their respective district.

Nomination papers will be available beginning Monday, July 13, 2026, in the City Clerk's Office at Garden Grove City Hall, at 11222 Acacia Parkway, by appointment only. Information on the election process is available on the City's Election Information webpage at <https://ggcity.org/city-clerk/election-information>. Here you can view the "Running for Office – Getting Started Now Guide," access the Find Your District Map, and schedule an appointment with the City Clerk.

For more information, contact the City Clerk's Office at (714) 741-5040.

#

WEEKLY MEMO 07-09-2026

SOCIAL MEDIA HIGHLIGHTS



Post Performance

July 2, 2026 – July 9, 2026

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.



Post Performance

Included in this Report

X @CityGardenGrove

 Garden Grove City Hall

 gardengrovecityhall

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Tue 7/7/2026 11:05 am PDT


Nomination Period for November Election Begins July 13
...

JULY 13, 2026 - AUGUST 7, 2026




Accepting nomination papers for

Reach 4,307

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Sat 7/4/2026 11:06 am PDT

Village Green Park is looking patriotic!
City staff recently helped install 250...




Reach 2,839

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Fri 7/3/2026 9:56 am PDT


As you prepare for your patriotic festivities, take a second to watch Garden Grove TV 3's #July4 safety tips video to ensure your celebration is saf...



Reach 2,507

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Sat 7/4/2026 11:06 am PDT

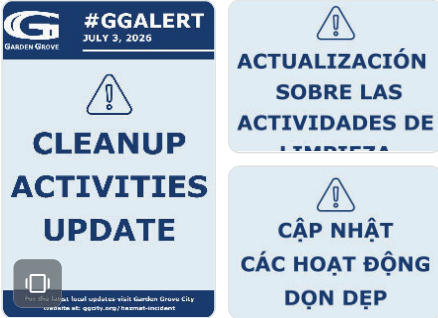
Village Green Park is looking patriotic!
City staff recently helped install 250...




Reach 2,501

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Fri 7/3/2026 12:30 pm PDT


The Orange County Health Care Agency shared an update regarding ongoing cleanup activities and air monitoring related to the hazardous materials...



Reach 2,376

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Wed 7/8/2026 12:37 pm PDT

Check them out for yourself!
📍 12732 Main Street We're happy to announce the 250 U.S. flags at Village Green Park will...



Reach 2,132

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Sat 7/4/2026 9:00 am PDT

🇺🇸 Happy July 4, **#GardenGrove!** We wish you all a safe and fun Independence Day!
...



Reach 2,107

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Fri 7/3/2026 12:30 pm PDT

The Orange County Health Care Agency shared an update regarding ongoing cleanup activities and air monitoring related to the hazardous materials...



Reach 1,880

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Sat 7/4/2026 5:34 pm PDT

Happy Fourth of July, Garden Grove! 🇺🇸🌞

Here's to celebrating 250 years of American...




Reach 1,634

  **gardengrovecityhall**
Tue 7/7/2026 11:05 am PDT

Nomination Period for November Election Begins July 13
...

JULY 13, 2026 - AUGUST 7, 2026



Accepting nomination papers for

Reach 1,320

  **gardengrovecityhall**
Fri 7/3/2026 9:56 am PDT

As you prepare for your patriotic festivities, take a second to watch Garden Grove TV 3's #July4 safety tips video to ensure your celebration is saf...



Reach 1,212

  **gardengrovecityhall**
Fri 7/3/2026 5:48 pm PDT

GARDEN GROVE PRESENTS **OUTDOOR Movie Series** GARDEN GROVE CELEBRATES USA 25

FRIDAY, JULY 3

CAPTAIN AMERICA: THE FIRST AVENGER (PG-13)

MOVIE START TIME: 8:30 PM

LOCATION: EDGAR PARK

2781 TOPAZ STREET, GARDEN GROVE, CA 92845

will be set-up near Edgar Park play equipment



Reach 1,161

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Fri 7/3/2026 1:56 pm PDT



#GGALERT
JULY 3, 2026

**CLEANUP
ACTIVITIES
UPDATE**

For the latest local updates visit Garden Grove City

Reach 1,143


 **gardengrovecityhall**
Sat 7/4/2026 5:34 pm PDT

Happy Fourth of July, Garden Grove! 🇺🇸🎆

Here's to celebrating 250 years of American...




Reach 1,098


 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Wed 7/8/2026 2:07 pm PDT

🏠 Thinking about buying your first home?

Learn about the City of Garden Grove's First-Tim...





Reach 1,083


 **gardengrovecityhall**
Wed 7/8/2026 2:07 pm PDT

Thinking about buying your first home?

Learn about the City of Garden Grove's First-Tim...



It all begins with home
Whether you're a first-time homebuyer or a seasoned pro, we have the resources you need to get started. From finding the right neighborhood to navigating the homebuying process, we're here to help you every step of the way.



Has crecer tu legado
¿Estás pensando en comprar una casa o en hacer crecer tu patrimonio? ¡En Garden Grove tenemos las herramientas que necesitas para lograrlo. Desde encontrar el vecindario ideal hasta navegar el proceso de compra, estamos aquí para ayudarte en cada paso del camino.

Reach 1,053

 **Garden Grove City Hall**
Tue 7/7/2026 8:15 am PDT



Reach 692

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Sat 7/4/2026 9:01 am PDT

Happy July 4, #GardenGrove! We wish you all a safe and fun Independence Day!

...



Reach 538



  **gardengrovecityhall**
Wed 7/8/2026 10:30 am PDT

Central Cities Collaboration Website Now Available

Garden Grove, in collaboration with Fountain...




Reach 522



  **Garden Grove City Hall**
Wed 7/8/2026 10:29 am PDT


Central Cities Collaboration Website Now Available

Garden Grove, in collaboration with Fountain...




Reach 483

  **@CityGardenGrove**
Wed 7/8/2026 2:07 pm PDT

 Thinking about buying your first home?

Learn about the City of Garden Grove's First-Tim...



Reach N/A



@CityGardenGrove

Wed 7/8/2026 10:30 am PDT

From shelter access and supportive services to regional resources and program outcomes, the online information hub provides details on regional homelessness response efforts across the partnering cities.

Learn more and check it out for yourself at centralcitiesoc.org #GG1956



Reach

N/A



@CityGardenGrove

Wed 7/8/2026 10:30 am PDT

Central Cities Collaboration Website Now Available

Garden Grove, in collaboration with Fountain...



Reach

N/A



@CityGardenGrove

Tue 7/7/2026 11:05 am PDT


Nomination Period for November Election Begins July 13

...




Reach


N/A

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Tue 7/7/2026 11:05 am PDT


The deadline to file the completed paperwork is Friday, August 7, at 5:00 p.m. Paperwork must be filed with the City Clerk's Office, by appointment only.

 For more information and to schedule an appointment, visit ggcity.org/election-infor...

#GG1956 #GardenGrove #CityCouncil

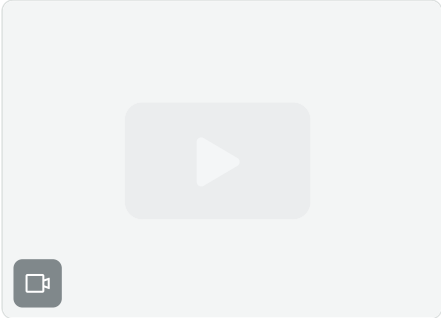



Reach N/A

 **gardengrovecityhall**
Sat 7/4/2026 11:17 pm PDT

Village Green Park is looking patriotic!

City staff recently helped install 250 American...





Reach —

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Sat 7/4/2026 5:34 pm PDT

Happy Fourth of July, Garden Grove! 🇺🇸

Here's to celebrating 250 years of American...

Reach N/A


 **@CityGardenGrove**
Sat 7/4/2026 9:00 am PDT

🇺🇸 Happy July 4, **#GardenGrove!** We wish you all a safe and fun Independence Day!

...




Reach N/A


 **@CityGardenGrove**
Fri 7/3/2026 9:46 am PDT


Keep in mind that you will be asked to provide an address where it was lit and/or a description of the individual(s) involved.


i For more firework-related safety tips and information, visit ggcity.org/july4-info.




Reach N/A

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Fri 7/3/2026 9:46 am PDT


: youtu.be/Z2P4APPrcEI

 As you prepare for your patriotic festivities, take a second to watch Garden Grove TV 3's July 4 safety tips video to ensure your celebration is safe, sane, and fine-free!


Please remember only Safe and Sane fireworks are permitted in Garden Grove!




Reach N/A

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Fri 7/3/2026 9:46 am PDT


On July 4, help keep the 9-1-1 lines open and available for people with life-threatening emergencies. 📞 To report illegal fireworks, call GGPD's non-emergency number at (714) 741-5704.



Reach N/A

 **@CityGardenGrove**
Fri 7/3/2026 9:46 am PDT

Administrative fines for illegal fireworks will be \$1,000, and repeat violators are subject to multiple fines. 🚔 The Garden Grove Police Department will have additional officers to patrol high-volume call areas.



Reach N/A



Post Performance

July 2, 2026 – July 9, 2026

Review the lifetime performance of the posts you published during the publishing period.



Post Performance

Included in this Report

 Garden Grove Police Department

Garden Grove Police Department

Sat 7/4/2026 11:31 am PDT

🇺🇸 Happy 4th of July from all of us at **#GardenGrovePD!** ❤️💙💜

...

Engagements	350
Views	8,751
Reach	6,297
Engagement Rate (per View)	4%

Garden Grove Police Department

Thu 7/2/2026 5:30 pm PDT

SUBJECT: GGPD Officer Arrested
 LOCATION OF OCCURRENCE: 11301 Acacia Pkwy,
 Garden Grove...

Engagements	12,648
Views	127,579
Reach	70,367
Engagement Rate (per View)	9.9%

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

July 9, 2026

1. Calendar of Events
2. Agenda for the July 16, 2026 Garden Grove Planning Commission meeting.
3. Agenda for the July 9, 2026 Garden Grove Zoning Administrator meeting.
4. League of California Cities articles from July 1, 2026 to July 9, 2026



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

July 9, 2026 – July 30, 2026

Thursday	June 4- July 12		One More Productions PRESENTS: Footloose- GEM Theatre
Thursday	July 9		\$2 Coaches Casual Dress Day
Thursday	July 9	9:00 a.m.	Downtown Commission Meeting, CMC
Thursday	July 9	6:00 p.m.	Parks, Recreation, and Arts Commission Meeting, CMC
Thursday	July 9	6:30 p.m.	Free Summer Concert – Yachtzee, Eastgate Park
Friday	July 10		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	July 14	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC **Canceled**
Thursday	July 16	6:30 p.m.	Free Summer Concert – Kelly Boyz Band, Eastgate Park
Thursday	July 16	7:00 p.m.	Planning Commission Meeting, CMC
Thursday	July 23	1:30 p.m.	Ice Cream Social, CMC and A Room
Thursday	July 23	9:00 a.m.	Zoning Administration, CMC
Friday	July 24		City Hall Closed – Regular Friday Closure
Tuesday	July 28	5:30 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Closed Session, CMC Housing Authority Meeting, CMC Sanitary District Meeting, CMC Successor Agency Meeting, CMC City Council Meeting, CMC
Thursday	July 30		Holiday Drive \$2 Coaches Casual Dress Day Casual Dress
Thursday	July 30	6:30 p.m.	Free Summer Concert – Bee Gees Fever, Eastgate Park



AGENDA

GARDEN GROVE PLANNING COMMISSION

JULY 16, 2026 – 7:00 pm

COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER
11300 STANFORD AVENUE

Meeting Assistance: Any person requiring auxiliary aids and services, due to a disability, to address the Planning Commission, should contact the Community Development Department at (714) 741-5312 or email planning@ggcity.org 72 hours prior to the meeting to arrange for special accommodations. (Government Code §5494.3.2).

Agenda Item Descriptions: Agenda item descriptions are intended to give a brief and general description of the item. The Planning Commission may take legislative action deemed appropriate with respect to the item and is not limited to the recommended action indicated in staff reports or the agenda.

Documents/Writings: Any revised or additional documents/writings related to an item on the agenda distributed to all or a majority of the Planning Commission within 72 hours of a meeting, are made available for public inspection at the same time (1) in the Planning Services Division Office at 11222 Acacia Parkway, Garden Grove, CA 92840, during normal business hours; and (2) at the Community Meeting Center at the time of the meeting.

Public Comments: Members of the public who attend the meeting in-person and would like to address the Planning Commission are requested to complete a yellow speaker card indicating their name and address, and identifying the subject matter they wish to address. This card should be given to the Recording Secretary before the meeting begins. General comments are made during "Oral Communications" and are limited to three (3) minutes and to matters the Planning Commission has jurisdiction over. Persons wishing to address the Planning Commission regarding a Public Hearing matter will be called to the podium at the time the matter is being considered. Members of the public who wish to comment on matters before the Commission, in lieu of doing so in person, may submit comments by emailing public-comment@ggcity.org no later than 3:00 p.m. the day of the meeting. The comments will be provided to the Commission as part of the meeting record.

PLEASE SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES DURING THE MEETING.

REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

ROLL CALL: COMMISSIONERS ASHLAND, BEARD, CUEVA, FLANDERS, LARICCHIA, LINDSAY, RAMIREZ

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

A. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - PUBLIC

B. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – [May 21, 2026](#)

C. PUBLIC HEARING(S) (Authorization for the Chair to execute Resolution shall be included in the motion.)

C.1. [SITE PLAN NO. SP-177-2026](#)

APPLICANT: TONY LAM

LOCATION: 13042 SAFFORD STREET

REQUEST: A request for Site Plan approval to construct a new two-story residential apartment building consisting of four (4) units along with associated site improvements on a 0.35-acre lot that is improved with a one-story single-family dwelling with an attached two-car garage and detached two-car garage. The project would retain the existing residential dwelling unit and attached two-car garage, and demolish the detached garage to accommodate the proposed development, so that the site would have a total of five (5) units upon completion of the project. In conjunction with the request, the Planning Commission will also consider a determination that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Adopt a Resolution approving Site Plan No. SP-177-2026 pursuant to the recommended Conditions of Approval.

C.2. [SITE PLAN NO. SP-117-2022 \(TE1\)](#)

APPLICANT: DAN VY NGOC NGUYEN
LOCATION: 12771 LORNA STREET

REQUEST: A request for a one-year time extension for the entitlement approved under Site Plan No. SP-117-2022, which allowed the construction of six (6) three-story, multi-family residential units with two-car garages on a 16,329 square-foot (0.37 acres) lot. A California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determination is not required as the project was previously exempted.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval of a one-year time extension for Site Plan No. SP-117-2022 (TE1).

C.3. [SITE PLAN NO. SP-111-2022 \(TE3\)](#)

APPLICANT: MICHAEL DAO
LOCATION: 10201 AND 10231 GARDEN GROVE BOULEVARD

REQUEST: A request to approve a one-year time extension for the approved entitlements under Site Plan No. SP-111-2022, as modified by Minor Modification No. 1, which allowed the construction of a five-story mixed-use development on the 1.86-acre site consisting of 5,312 square feet of retail space, 3,548 square feet for an art gallery use, and 10,745 square feet of medical space, and 52 apartment units. Pursuant to the State Density Bonus Law, in exchange for reserving three (3) units for very-low income, the project qualifies for a density bonus, concessions, waivers, and reduced parking. A California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) determination is not required as the project was previously exempted.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Approval of a one-year time extension for Site Plan No. SP-111-2022 (TE3).

D. STUDY SESSION

D.1. **STUDY SESSION REGARDING PROPOSED LAND USE CODE UPDATES:** Presentation and discussion of draft proposed updates to Garden Grove Municipal Code Chapters 9.04.030 (Definitions), 9.08 (Single-Family Residential Development Standards), 9.12 (Multi-Family Residential Development Standards), 9.16 (Commercial, Office Professional, Industrial, and Open Space Development Standards), 9.18 (Mixed Use Regulations and Development Standards), 9.54 (Accessory Dwelling Units and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units), Chapter 9.56 (SB 9 Two-Unit Residential Developments and Urban Lot Splits), Chapter 9.60 (Special Housing Regulations), and other provisions of the Land Use Code to conform to changes in State law and City policies, and to make clarifications and typographical corrections.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Receive Staff Presentation and Public Input, Discuss Proposed Code Updates, and Provide Comments and Direction to Staff.

E. MATTERS FROM COMMISSIONERS

F. MATTERS FROM STAFF

G. ADJOURNMENT



AGENDA

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR MEETING

JULY 9, 2026 – 9:00 am

COMMUNITY MEETING CENTER
11300 STANFORD AVENUE

Members of the public who wish to comment on matters before the Zoning Administrator, in lieu of doing so in person, may submit comments by emailing public-comment@ggcity.org no later than 3:00 p.m. the day prior to the meeting. The comments will be provided to the Zoning Administrator as part of the meeting record.

Members of the public desiring to speak on any item of public interest, including any item on the agenda except public hearings, must do so during Comments by the Public. Each speaker shall be limited to three (3) minutes. Members of the public wishing to address public hearing items shall do so at the time of the public hearing.

Meeting Assistance: Any person requiring auxiliary aids and services, due to a disability, should contact the Community Development Department at (714) 741-5312 or email planning@ggcity.org 72 hours prior to the meeting to arrange for special accommodations. (Government Code §5494.3.2).

All revised or additional documents and writings related to any items on the agenda, which are distributed to the Zoning Administrator within 72 hours of a meeting, shall be available for public inspection (1) at the Planning Services Division during normal business hours; and (2) at the Community Meeting Center at the time of the meeting.

Agenda item descriptions are intended to give a brief, general description of the item to advise the public of the item's general nature. The Zoning Administrator may take legislative action deemed appropriate with respect to the item and is not limited to the recommended action indicated in staff reports or the agenda.

1. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – PUBLIC
2. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM(S):
 - a. [CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CUP-300-2026](#)

APPLICANT: NS Liquor LLC (Nouh Sedra)
LOCATION: 9240 Garden Grove Boulevard, Unit G17

REQUEST: A request for Conditional Use Permit approval to allow a new liquor store to operate with a new original Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) "Type 21" (Off-Sale General) License. In addition, a recommendation that the Zoning Administrator revoke the previous Conditional Use

Permit No. CUP-075-2016. In conjunction with the request, the Zoning Administrator will also consider a determination that the project is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Adopt a Decision approving Conditional Use Permit No. CUP-300-2026 pursuant to the recommended Conditions of Approval.

3. ADJOURNMENT



Federal mail-in ballot proposal may impact California elections

Jul 1, 2026

By Caroline Grinder, legislative advocate (community services)

Cal Cities [submitted comments](#) this week on [a proposed rule](#) by the U.S. Postal Service (USPS) that would establish new requirements for mail-in and absentee ballots. The proposal could significantly impact elections in California, where [nearly 90% of ballots cast](#) in the most recent statewide election were by mail.

While counties are primarily responsible for election administration, cities play a key role in voter outreach and education: They will be on the front lines of instilling voter confidence with any new rules.

How would it work?

Under the proposed rule, the USPS would develop a new Federal Ballot Mail Portal. States would then be required to submit the name, address, and barcode identifiers for each voter who receives a mail-in or absentee ballot at least 30 days before an election, if possible. USPS would compile this information into a State-Specific Mail-In and Absentee Participation List and return it to each state's chief election official around the date of the election.

All ballot envelopes would need to meet new pre-mailing and envelope requirements, including the use of the official Election Mail logo, an automation-compatible design, and a unique barcode linked to a new federal tracking system. USPS would review and approve envelope designs prior to use and verify ballot mailings against submitted voter data before acceptance. Noncompliant mailings would be subject to rejection and return.

What are Cal Cities' concerns?

Cal Cities has several implementation concerns with the proposal. Notably, with over 23 million registered voters in California alone, the USPS may not have the necessary infrastructure and staffing to securely process and manage this volume of data, particularly within the required timeframes. Requirements that may work in other states do not necessarily translate to California's scale or high vote-by-mail participation rates.

The proposal could also create significant administrative burdens for state and county election officials, who would be responsible for compiling, validating, and transmitting the data. Cal Cities is concerned that the changes would result in costly duplication, increased errors, and potentially complicate coordination between federal, state, and local partners.

The proposal is also facing legal challenges. Just this week, a judge [blocked an executive order](#) on mail voting, declaring plans to intervene in state-run elections unconstitutional. In light of these concerns, Cal Cities has urged USPS to reconsider the proposal and work with state and local governments to ensure any new requirements are feasible, aligned with existing systems, and supported with adequate resources and clear guidance.



Bill Talk: Some last-minute horse-trading

Jul 1, 2026

A weekly update from Cal Cities, sorting through the state bill buzz

By Cal Cities Staff

Lawmakers, lobbyists, and writers are counting the seconds until summer recess starts later this week. Last week saw a flurry of last-minute haggling in preparation for the November election and a final state budget, along with dozens of policy committee hearings.

Californians will decide on [14 statewide policy proposals](#) this November. Among them is an initiative that [raises the vote threshold](#) for citizen-initiated special taxes. Legislative leaders placed the proposal on the ballot in an [11th-hour deal](#) that removed two other high-profile measures from the ballot. Cal Cities does not have a position on the ballot measure yet. However, in a [statement on Friday](#), Carolyn Coleman, Cal Cities executive director and CEO, noted: "When cities' ability to raise revenue is eroded, the need for services doesn't go away. The ultimate losers are California residents who depend on those services every day." Other measures on the ballot include an \$11.25 billion affordable housing bond and changes to the state's environmental review law, commonly known as CEQA.

State leaders also ironed out which pot of money in the state budget goes where. [The final budget](#) (pending one or two trailer bills) largely resembles the deal struck between lawmakers earlier this month. A full analysis from Cal Cities is coming soon.

A bit of housekeeping: Lawmakers go on break starting July 2, and so does Bill Talk. Keep an eye out in [Cal Cities Advocate](#) for Cal Cities' summer coverage of the biggest bills for cities. Bill Talk will resume in early August.

- Brian Hendershot, Cal Cities Advocate managing editor

[High-profile homelessness reporting bill gets meaningful changes](#)

In the face of robust opposition from cities across the state, [SB 866 \(Blakespear\)](#) was amended ahead of its hearing in the Assembly Housing Committee on July 1. The amendments narrow the bill's scope to only data within a jurisdiction's control and move the reporting requirements from a city's housing element to its annual progress report.

These changes better align the bill with existing reporting requirements and ensure that a city's ability to report this data will not be tied to its efforts to achieve a compliant housing element. The amendments also apply the requirements to all jurisdictions, including counties, creating a more consistent statewide framework.

While SB 866 still creates new reporting requirements without additional funding, these changes are a significant, meaningful improvement at a critical stage in the legislative process. In light of the amendments, Cal Cities removed its opposition to the bill. Cal Cities will continue to advocate for increased funding to support cities of all sizes in their efforts to address homelessness.

- Caroline Grinder, legislative advocate

[Streamlined wildfire vegetation management bill to be heard today](#)

The Assembly Natural Resources Committee on June 29 approved [SB 1370 \(Stern\)](#), a bill that consolidates the state review of vegetation management projects for wildfire safety through the California Natural Resources Agency and California Environmental Protection Agency. Eligible projects include hazardous/dead vegetation removal, strategic fuel breaks, defensible space, and vegetation removal along ingress and egress roadways and around electrical utility lines. Last year, Cal Cities sponsored legislation to streamline permits for such wildfire projects through the California Department of Fish and Wildlife. This bill includes the agency in the consolidated review. A support sample letter is available online.

- Melissa Sparks-Kranz, legislative advocate

[E-Bike modifications and permitting caps are being contested](#)

Cal Cities is supporting several bills aimed at addressing the growing number of high-powered devices marketed as e-bikes, including [SB 1167 \(Blakespear\)](#) — approved by Assembly Transportation on June 29. The bill clarifies that electric two-wheeled devices capable of operating at speeds beyond the legal limits for electric bicycles are not e-bikes and instead must be regulated as motor-driven cycles or mopeds, depending on their specifications.

Also up this week are two permitting bills. Recently advanced out of the Assembly Housing and Economic Development Committee, [SB 222 \(Wiener\)](#) is in the Assembly Local Government Committee on July 1. The measure requires cities to automate permitting and arbitrarily caps HVAC and water heater installation permits. [AB 1820 \(Schiavo\)](#) — set for a July 1 hearing in Senate Local Government — caps the fees that permitting agencies can impose on electric vehicle charging station installations. Cal Cities opposes both measures.

- Damon Conklin, legislative advocate

[Air quality and landfill bills amended](#)

Cal Cities has changed its position on two environmental bills in response to new amendments. [SB 1075 \(Reyes\)](#) would have forced cities and counties to consider air quality over all other environmental factors when considering commercial and industrial projects. The author amended the bill to remove the land use permitting provisions and focus on regional emission reduction plans under the California Air Resources Board's purview. With these changes, Cal Cities moved to neutral.

[AB 28 \(Schiavo\)](#), already on the Senate Floor, was [gutted and amended](#) to more tightly regulate elevated temperature events at landfills through emergency regulations. Landfills, including municipal landfills, that do not submit data or implement a corrective action plan could be subject to a \$100,000 daily fine. Cal Cities is now opposed unless amended on the bill, up on July 1 in the Senate Environmental Quality Committee. Senate rules prevent the author from making additional changes to AB 28 since it was pulled back to the committee from the Senate Floor. However, Cal Cities is seeking commitments from the author to take amendments on the floor should the bill move forward.

- Melissa Sparks-Kranz, legislative advocate

[Legislation advances home hardening certification program](#)

Cal Cities is supporting [AB 1934 \(Bennett\)](#), which would require Cal Fire to create a certification program for home hardening by Jan. 1, 2027. Cal Cities is part of a working group fleshing out the program's details, which could place homeowners in different tiers for specific home hardening efforts that correspond to higher insurance discounts. The intent is to make it easier for homeowners to harden their homes, protect their property from wildfire, and receive discounts from insurance companies. The Senate Natural Resources Committee passed the bill on July 1.

- Jolena Voorhis, legislative advocate

[Two ADU bills ask cities to do more with less](#)

Cal Cities and a coalition of several local government groups remain opposed to [SB 1117 \(Cervantes\)](#). The bill dramatically limits the amount of impact fees cities can collect for accessory dwelling units (ADUs) larger than 750 square feet. For example, if a project applicant proposes a 1,000-square-foot unit, cities could only charge impact fees for 250 square feet. This example would result in a 75% reduction in impact fees that cities must legally use to provide essential infrastructure and public services to support new housing development. To further complicate matters, lawmakers are also considering [AB 956 \(Quirk-Silva\)](#). Also opposed by Cal Cities, the measure requires cities to automatically approve two detached ADUs in single-family zones — potentially with little in the way of money for expanded essential services. Lawmakers can cut funding for essential public services like fire and water, but the need for infrastructure and services does not go away. Assembly Local Government will hear SB 1117 on July 1; Senate Local Government will hear AB 956 on July 1.

- Brady Guertin, legislative advocate

Youth sports bill amended

[AB 387 \(Alanis\)](#) was amended last week to address opposition from Cal Cities and parks and recreation organizations. Originally, the bill required public facilities used for youth sports to procure and maintain automated external defibrillators (AEDs) and make them accessible during all youth sports practices and matches. Cal Cities has been working on the bill since last year to address concerns about the exorbitant cost of requiring AED installations in public parks. The amendments taken this week remove the mandate on local agencies and instead encourage collaboration with youth sports leagues to ensure access to AEDs. In light of these changes, Cal Cities removed its opposition to the bill.

- Caroline Grinder, legislative advocate

Cal Cities bill would help maintain local roads and services

On July 1, the Assembly Local Government Committee will hear [SB 922 \(Laird\)](#). Sponsored by Cal Cities, the bill seeks to clarify that cities may recover the cost of street maintenance and repair caused by public service operations, such as waste hauling, through service-related fees and charges.

A recent court decision created uncertainty over this longstanding and predictable practice. By reaffirming existing practices, SB 922 would restore clarity, reduce unnecessary litigation, and provide greater certainty for local agencies and service providers alike.

- Ben Triffo, legislative advocate

Assembly bill may allow downzoning to occur

In the Senate Local Government Committee on July 1, lawmakers will review [AB 1751 \(Quirk-Silva\)](#), a bill that requires cities to automatically approve townhome development projects in multifamily residential zones and underutilized single-family zones that are less than three stories tall. A townhome project could qualify even if the site is planned for higher density in a city's certified housing element.

This could allow downzoning to occur and create new challenges for cities if a proposed townhome project decreases the amount of planned density in a multifamily zone. Cal Cities moved to oppose the bill after it was unable to secure changes requiring developers to follow local development standards.

- Brady Guertin, legislative advocate

Nitrous oxide measures advance

SB 758 (Umberg) advanced out of Assembly Public Safety on June 30. The Cal Cities-sponsored bill prohibits all licensed cigarette and tobacco retailers (except grocery stores) from selling nitrous oxide. SB 758 is in response to the surge in the recreational use of nitrous oxide across California cities. A [city sample](#) letter is available online.

Assembly Public Safety also approved **SB 936 (Blakespear)**, which increases fines and enforcement for the illegal sale of nitrous oxide. Cal Cities supports the measure.

- *Jolena Voorhis, legislative advocate*

Sponsored recovery housing bill set for hearing

The Cal Cities-sponsored **SB 490 (Umberg)** moved out of the Senate Health Committee on June 30. The bill requires the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) to conduct timely investigations of sober living homes accused of providing treatment services that violate state licensure law. If the department fails to meet these deadlines, counties could work with the department to conduct site visits and enforce licensure laws themselves. SB 490 also requires DHCS to conduct follow-up site visits to ensure unlawful activity has stopped.

SB 490 seeks to implement recommendations from a 2024 State Auditor [report](#) that found DHCS did not always conduct site visits when investigating unlicensed facilities and did not always follow up after completing investigations to ensure unlicensed facilities ceased operations.

- *Caroline Grinder, legislative advocate*

A quick reminder

Bill Talk is a weekly breakdown of the biggest bills, policy committee hearings, and legislative deadlines that city leaders need to know about. To get this list on Monday morning, contact your [regional public affairs manager](#). To access old Bill Talks, visit the [archive page](#). To see all tracked bills by issue area or priority, visit the [Bill Search page](#).



Final state budget delivers on homeless prevention and housing but punts climate decisions to later this summer

Jul 1, 2026

By Cal Cities Staff

Gov. Gavin Newsom and the Legislature on Monday passed a budget deal after weeks of negotiations. The agreement is largely the same as the deal struck in June between both houses and includes some hard-won homeless prevention and housing investments that [the Governor and others resisted adding](#) earlier this year.

"At a time of tough budget choices for cities and the state alike, Cal Cities appreciates the Legislature and Governor's investments in housing and homelessness, and their commitment to ensuring every Californian has a place to call home," said Cal Cities Executive Director and CEO Carolyn Coleman [in a statement](#). "We appreciate the \$900 million for the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention program, which recognizes this important work and helps build on the progress already underway."

However, that funding does come with some caveats for cities, including a new requirement for direct [HHAP](#) recipients. The budget deal also contains funding for Proposition 36 implementation and lifelines for some transit agencies. The budget does not include an agreement on how to spend two major sources of climate funding.

With budget negotiations (mostly) finished, lawmakers are now focused on getting their bills to the floor for a final vote and gearing up for several major ballot box fights in November.

-Brian Hendershot, Cal Cities Advocate managing editor

Revenue and Taxation

As with previous budget announcements this year, lawmakers described this final iteration as a direct response to sweeping federal cuts, specifically HR 1. The agreed-upon budget deal comes in at \$351.7 billion for Fiscal Year 26-27, approximately \$1.5 billion lower than the legislative deal announced on June 15.

The framework adopts lower revenue estimates, more aligned with the Governor's May Revision. Like the previous budget agreement, it balances next year's budget and reduces the structural deficit for FY29-30 to \$8.4 billion (down nearly \$1 billion from the May Revision). The budget deal also includes a collective \$28.8 billion in reserve accounts and places [ACA 20 \(Gabriel\)](#) on the November ballot. The initiative proposes reforms to the state's Rainy Day Fund. Finally, the agreement includes an additional \$6.4 billion for a Projected Surplus Temporary Holding Account, which state leaders will use to balance the FY 27-28 budget.

Perhaps most notable for cities is the expansion of the sales and use tax to digital prewritten software and software as a service ([SB 122](#)). This proposal, estimated to generate over \$1

billion in local tax dollars, comes at a cost: Cities are not exempt from paying the tax on their own purchases.

- *Ben Triffo, legislative advocate*

Community Services

In a win for local governments, the final budget includes \$900 million for the state's flagship homelessness grant program: the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) grant program. That is \$400 million more than the Governor included in his [May Revision](#), which proposed slashing the next round of HHAP to \$500 million. Cal Cities has long urged the Governor and the Legislature to restore HHAP funding to its historic levels of \$1 billion and make the program an ongoing funding source.

"HHAP has proven that when the state invests in local communities, local communities deliver results," said the [Bring California Home Coalition](#), which includes Cal Cities. "This funding will help cities, counties, and Continuums of Care expand housing, connect more Californians to services, and keep that progress moving forward."

The proposed housing trailer bill, AB/SB 179, also outlines new accountability requirements for jurisdictions that directly receive HHAP funding. The requirements are a bit of a mixed bag. The good news: Applicants will not need to submit a new application to access the funding, which will expedite disbursement. The bad news: Cities that directly receive HHAP funding must obtain a pro-housing designation and meet a 35% match requirement, which may create new delays and barriers to receiving funding.

Cal Cities and its allies [submitted a letter](#) in response to the May Revision outlining concerns with several of these changes. Since then, lawmakers have refined the requirements to address implementation concerns. The trailer bill now includes language that requires the Department of Housing and Community Development to quickly help jurisdictions obtain a pro-housing designation through an expedited process. The scope of what qualifies as a local match was also broadened to provide some greater flexibility for cities.

- *Caroline Grinder, legislative advocate*

Housing, Community, and Economic Development

The final budget deal is a mixed bag for local governments: It provides more funding for affordable housing but also strongly encourages cities to waive impact fees for state-funded affordable housing projects.

The budget agreement provides \$500 million for the Low-Income Housing Tax Credit and \$200 million for the Multi-Family Housing program — two important programs that promote, build, rehabilitate, and preserve affordable housing. The budget bill also provides \$7 million for the Infill Infrastructure Grant program, which supports additional infrastructure for new housing projects, and creates a \$100 million Disaster Rebuilding Fund to assist homeowners impacted by disasters.

Conversely, an accompanying [trailer bill](#) incentivizes local governments to waive, limit, or defer impact fees for affordable housing. Impact fees are not revenue generators; local governments may only charge the cost of providing the necessary infrastructure and public services (such as police and fire) to support the new development.

In a somewhat palatable development, cities that are lead or co-applicants for state-funded housing projects are no longer required to limit, waive, or defer impact fees on the projects to qualify for funding. Instead, their funding awards will be reduced by the amount of impact fees they charged for the project. This will still create challenges for under-resourced communities that lack the General Fund revenue needed to front the cash for infrastructure and public services upgrades that support the new housing.

- Brady Guertin, legislative advocate

Environmental Quality

The final budget does not include two important sources of climate funding: \$3.77 billion from the [Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund \(GGRF\)](#) and \$2.1 billion from the 2024 [climate bond](#). The Governor and Legislature agreed to address both special funds in budget trailer bills in August. Cal Cities [submitted a letter](#) outlining its priority areas in the climate bond — including wildfire, water, coastal, and parks. Cal Cities also urged lawmakers to fully fund key affordable housing (\$800 million) and resilient forest (\$200 million) programs, which receive funding each year under the Cap-and-Invest program. Cal Cities specifically asked the Legislature to prioritize \$29 million for organic waste diversion and \$100 million for clean fleet investments in its discretionary portion of the program.

However, the requests may not come to fruition. In late May, the California Air Resources Board proposed significant amendments to the program that alter GGRF revenues. The changes, backed by Gov. Gavin Newsom, ease costs for in-state oil refineries and create a new incentive for manufacturers to stay in state. The new rules will result in a roughly 50% drop in annual funding — a \$8 billion total reduction through 2030. Cal Cities is urging the Legislature and the Governor to course correct on [those changes](#) so that cities have access to long-running funding for clean infrastructure, affordable housing, wildfire resilience, and climate adaptation.

Additionally, the [Senate signaled](#) in May budget discussions that it will dive deeper into the state's electrical and insurance system policies, including [wildfire liability](#) standards that hold utilities accountable for causing wildfires. The issue will likely appear as an end-of-session play.

- Melissa Sparks-Kranz, legislative advocate

Public Safety

The final budget deal still includes \$50 million for Proposition 36 implementation, distributed to county behavioral health departments. Counties must spend at least half of the funding on planning and capacity-building and to accelerate services for housing and treatment, including court proceedings. The budget does not include funding specifically for probation, as requested by cities and counties.

The final budget also provides \$141.9 million for the Next Generation 911 system. AB 172/SB 172 requires an independent evaluator to make recommendations on the development and implementation of the NextGen 911 system and prohibits Cal OES from contracting with any vendor until the report is completed.

There is no additional funding in this budget deal for home hardening or wildfire prevention.

- Jolena Voorhis, legislative advocate

Transportation, Communications, and Public Works

The final budget preserves \$1.1 billion in transit funding and extends key flexibilities for transit agencies through FY 2026-27, allowing them to use state funds for operations or capital projects without meeting certain funding requirements. These provisions will help local transit operators maintain service and respond to ongoing fiscal challenges.

The budget also authorizes Caltrans to work with local and regional agencies to establish automated enforcement for designated Olympic traffic lanes during the 2028 Los Angeles Games. Participating cities should take note, as they will likely take on new responsibilities for traffic management, enforcement, and program administration.

Absent in the budget package is action on the proposed Sustainable Aviation Fuel tax credit, a jet fuel tax credit that could divert money away from local streets and roads. [Cal Cities remain opposed](#) to the proposal. Negotiations on the issue will stretch into the summer. Notably, the budget deal seeks to increase oversight of the California High-Speed Rail Authority by requiring the Inspector General to publicly release audit reports with enhanced reporting to the Governor and Legislature.

- *Damon Conklin, legislative advocate*

Next steps

With budget negotiations (mostly) wrapped up, lawmakers are now focused on getting their bills through their final set of policy committee hurdles. July 2 is the last day to clear any non-fiscal committees; August 14 is the last day to get through appropriations. To learn how you can get involved, stay subscribed to [Cal Cities Advocate](#) or contact your [regional public affairs manager](#).



Property transfer tax initiative pulled from November ballot

Jul 1, 2026

By Cal Cities Staff

Business and anti-tax groups agreed to pull an initiative from the November ballot that could have resulted in local service cuts after striking a last-minute deal with lawmakers. The deceptively named “Local Taxpayer Protection Act to Save Proposition 13” sought to increase the vote threshold for citizen-initiated special taxes and change existing and new property transfer tax rates. Cal Cities [opposed the measure](#).

For many charter cities, property transfer taxes are a major, longstanding source of locally controlled revenue that allows them to address local needs. “When cities’ ability to raise revenue is eroded, the need for services doesn’t go away,” Cities Executive Director and CEO Carolyn Coleman [said in a statement](#) last week. “The ultimate losers are California residents who depend on those services every day.”

A Cal Cities fiscal analysis found that the initiative could reduce local revenues by \$2 billion to \$3 billion annually, beginning two years after enactment. Similarly, the [Legislative Analyst’s Office](#) projected an annual loss of up to \$2 billion in local government revenues.

The ballot measure was sponsored by the California Business Roundtable and the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association. In exchange for removing the measure, the Legislature passed [ACA 21](#) and [ACA 22](#). ACA 21 directed the Secretary of State to remove ACA 13, a separate constitutional amendment dealing with voter thresholds, from the ballot.

ACA 22, if approved by voters, would raise the threshold for approval for citizen-initiated special taxes from a simple majority to two-thirds, starting on Jan. 1, 2027. ACA 22 will appear as [Proposition 43](#) on the November ballot.

The compromise preserves local revenues from real estate property transfers in their current form. However, those taxes could face legislative scrutiny next year.

Cal Cities staff will bring ACA 22 to the Cal Cities Board of Directors for consideration at its July meeting. Other notable measures on the ballot include an \$11.25 billion affordable housing bond and changes to the state’s environmental review law, commonly known as CEQA — also up for discussion at the July meeting.



California's gas tax increased by 2.2 cents on July 1. Here is what cities need to know

Jul 1, 2026

By Damon Conklin, legislative advocate (transportation)

California drivers will pay more at the pump starting July 1, as part of an annual tax adjustment that directly supports local streets and roads. The 2.2 cents per gallon increase applies only to the state excise tax established under [SB 1 \(Beall, 2017\)](#) and is separate from federal fuel taxes and state and local sales taxes. The total state excise tax is now 63.4 cents per gallon.

While rising fuel prices understandably generate public concern, suspending or repealing SB 1 revenues would have immediate consequences for cities. Reduced funding would delay street maintenance projects, increase deferred maintenance, accelerate roadway deterioration, and ultimately result in higher long-term costs for taxpayers.

The annual Consumer Price Index adjustment is designed to preserve the purchasing power of transportation revenues as construction costs rise. At the time, SB 1 helped provide cities with a stable, formula-based funding source to repair streets, rehabilitate aging pavement, improve safety, and maintain critical local transportation infrastructure.

However, the gap between SB 1 revenues and the cost to repair and maintain local infrastructure has grown. California's transportation funding system is facing a growing fiscal challenge due to improved fuel economy and increased zero-emission vehicle usage.

A 2025 report from the [American Society of Civil Engineers](#) found that local governments do not have enough money to keep up with necessary repairs and upgrades. Similarly, the [California Transportation Commission](#) estimates the state faces a more than \$215 billion transportation funding shortfall over the next decade.

It is critical that policymakers preserve existing transportation revenues while evaluating [sustainable long-term funding solutions](#). Cal Cities looks forward to working with stakeholders to develop an equitable transportation funding framework that is capable of supporting California's transportation system for generations to come.



Cal Cities and coalition partners applaud \$900 million investment in homeless funding in the state budget

Jun 30, 2026

Cal Cities: Karina Rodriguez, 916-317-4199, krodriguez@calcities.org

CSAC: Rachael Serrao, 916-926-8769, rserrao@counties.org

Big City Mayors: Jonathan Lopez, 951- 826-5551, jolopez2@riversideca.gov

Bring CA Home: Sharon Rapport, 323-243-7424, sharon.rapport@csh.org

SACRAMENTO — The League of California Cities Executive Director and CEO Carolyn Coleman, California State Association of Counties CEO Graham Knaus, Chair of the California Big City Mayors Coalition and City of Riverside Mayor Patricia Lock Dawson, and Director of California State Policy at the Corporation for Supportive Housing Sharon Rapport on behalf of the Bring California Home Coalition issued the following statement on the state budget: “Our organizations applaud the inclusion of \$900 million for the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) program in the 2026-27 State Budget. Investments in HHAP have helped communities across California make meaningful progress in preventing and reducing homelessness.

HHAP has proven that when the state invests in local communities, local communities deliver results. This funding will help cities, counties, and Continuums of Care expand housing, connect more Californians to services, and keep that progress moving forward.

In the face of fiscal uncertainty and growing pressure on local communities, this year’s investment is critical. We look forward to building on this progress with the Legislature and the next Governor to make HHAP a long-term, sustainable funding source that helps local agencies plan, sustain programs, and deliver results.

We thank Governor Newsom and the Legislature for recognizing the importance of this program, and we look forward to continuing to partner with the state to address homelessness.”



State leaders deliver on homelessness and housing in final budget agreement

Jun 29, 2026

Contact: Karina Rodriguez
krodriguez@calcities.org
(916) 317-4199

Sacramento — Following the Legislature’s and Gov. Gavin Newsom’s announcement of a FY 2026-27 State Budget agreement, League of California Cities Executive Director and CEO Carolyn Coleman issued the following statement:

“At a time of tough budget choices for cities and the state alike, Cal Cities appreciates the Legislature and Governor’s investments in housing and homelessness, and their commitment to ensuring every Californian has a place to call home.

Cities are working every day to connect people experiencing homelessness with housing and services. We appreciate the \$900 million for the Homeless Housing, Assistance and Prevention (HHAP) program, which recognizes this important work and helps build on the progress already underway. The \$700 million for affordable housing is an equally critical investment that will help cities and the state deliver on our shared housing goals.

More work remains to preserve vital Cap-and-Invest dollars for local priorities. As trailer bill negotiations continue, Cal Cities looks forward to working with the Legislature and Governor to protect investments in clean infrastructure, affordable housing, wildfire resilience, and climate adaptation.”

Established in 1898, the League of California Cities is a nonprofit statewide association that advocates for cities with the state and federal governments and provides education and training services to elected and appointed city officials.

###



Annual conference session details now online! Start planning your time in Anaheim today

Jul 8, 2026

Sign up by July 15 to get \$50 off your registration

By Cal Cities Education Staff

Session descriptions for the [League of California Cities Annual Conference and Expo](#) are now online! This year's conference features a slate of practical solutions to shared, complex challenges, including dangerous e-bike usage, bulk public comments, employee burnout, escalating fire risk, and changing immigration laws.

Policy experts submitted hundreds of proposals for consideration this year, which Cal Cities members whittled down to the most relevant for cities. The selected sessions cover a range of topics, including housing, natural disasters, economic development, public safety, and beyond — all with the intention of supporting urgent and emerging city needs.

Session descriptions are on the [Annual Conference and Expo](#) webpage under the Program section. More details, including exact times and speakers, will be available over the coming weeks. Check back often for updates.

Registration and hotels

Early bird registration for all three days — \$675 for city officials from any [member city](#) — ends next Wednesday. After July 15, full conference registration for city officials is \$725. Full conference registration includes access to general and concurrent sessions, the expo hall, CitiPAC and diversity caucus receptions, as well as grab-and-go breakfast on Thursday and Friday, and lunch on Thursday.

A limited number of hotel rooms are available at reduced rates for registered attendees and exhibitors. After registering, attendees will receive a confirmation email with a link to the Cal Cities' housing information page to book discounted rooms. There are plenty of hotels in Anaheim, but discounted rooms often sell out before the Sept. 1 deadline. *Reserve yours early!* Cal Cities strives to host inclusive, accessible events that enable all individuals to engage fully. To request an accommodation or for inquiries about accessibility, please contact Event Registration Specialist [Megan Dunn](#). Every effort will be made to honor requests submitted. *To learn more about the conference, including frequently asked questions, review the [Annual Conference and Expo](#) webpage. Scammers may contact you claiming to be the housing bureau/service for the conference. Cal Cities does not use a housing service. Only trust emails from [@calcities.org](#) or the official hotel you book with.*



Top remaining public safety bills for cities

Jul 8, 2026

By Jolena Voorhis, legislative advocate (public safety)

Cal Cities is advocating on a host of public safety issues this year, ranging from emerging drugs to wildfire safety. City support will be critical to advancing or blocking those bills when lawmakers return from summer recess. Here's everything cities need to know about Cal Cities' priority public safety measures for the last month of session.

Co-sponsored measures focus on reducing metal theft and whippets

Last year, Cal Cities sponsored [AB 476 \(González, Mark\)](#) to address the rise in metal theft, which significantly impacts streetlights, broadband, and other [critical infrastructure](#). However, the key penalties were removed from the bill before it was signed. This year, Cal Cities is co-sponsoring [AB 1941 \(González, Mark\)](#), which further strengthens penalties for individuals who work together to steal metal materials.

Cal Cities is also leading the charge in reducing unsafe nitrous oxide use (better known as whippets or laughing gas) with [SB 758 \(Umberg\)](#). The co-sponsored measure prohibits all tobacco retailers, except grocery stores, from selling nitrous oxide. Recreational use of nitrous oxide can lead to serious adverse health events, including [death](#).

Selling nitrous oxide for recreational use is illegal. However, many restaurants use nitrous oxide to create whipped cream, pickle vegetables, and other culinary products. As such, some smoke shops and convenience stores are circumventing the ban by [labeling small nitrous oxide canisters as food preparation products](#). SB 758 has sailed through the Legislature with no opposition.

SB 758 is part of a larger package of bills that includes [SB 936 \(Blakespear\)](#) and [AB 2076 \(Lowenthal\)](#), both supported by Cal Cities. SB 936 prohibits the sale and distribution of nitrous oxide containers that can hold more than 8 grams of nitrous oxide. The bill also blocks the sale and distribution of nitrous oxide that has, or is marketed as having, the taste or smell of any food.

AB 2076 focuses on preventing children from accessing nitrous oxide from online sites by adding it to the list of substances requiring strict age verification under the regulations of the Parent's Accountability and Child Protection Act.

License plate reader bill would snarl investigations

For the past two years, the Legislature has attempted to restrict the use of automatic license plate readers by local governments. While Gov. Gavin Newsom vetoed one such bill last year, a new attempt is moving through the Legislature.

[SB 1013 \(Cervantes\)](#) would limit the technology's use to locating vehicles or people reasonably suspected of being involved in a public offense or a missing persons case. Local agencies could store the data for 30 days. After that, they would need to delete the information unless it is part

of an active investigation or criminal proceeding or matches information on an authorized HOT list (Amber Alerts, Silver Alerts, missing persons, and felonies).

Cal Cities is opposed to SB 1013 unless it is amended to address the data retention limit, as many criminal cases are not reported within the 30-day timeframe.

Cal Cities seeks to reduce insurance costs and cancellations

Another returning priority for Cal Cities and lawmakers this year is the increasing cost of home insurance and cancellations. To address these concerns, Cal Cities is supporting:

- [AB 1934 \(Bennett\)](#), which requires the Office of the State Fire Marshall (OSFA) to establish a tiered certification program on home hardening. Homeowners could obtain discounts from insurance companies based on their certification levels. OSFA has already created a working group to create this type of program.
- [AB 2724 \(Bauer-Kahan\)](#), a bill that requires the Department of Insurance to consider modifying the definition of distressed communities in the Catastrophic Modeling regulation. This would address concerns raised by Cal Cities that the new regulations excluded certain distressed communities from the rule, which requires insurance companies to write policies in the distressed areas.
- [SB 1301 \(Allen\)](#), which requires insurers to provide a nonrenewal notice three months in advance and detail the specific reasons why the nonrenewal notice was issued.

Lawmakers are on break through Aug. 3. When they return, they'll have just one month to resolve any outstanding business. To learn how to make your voice heard on these critical issues, contact your [regional public affairs manager](#) or sign up for Cal Cities' [July 22 legislative briefing](#).



SB 707 is now fully in effect. But revisions could arrive soon

Jul 8, 2026

Lawmakers are considering changes to certain language-access requirements.

By Johnnie Piña, legislative advocate

Lawmakers are advancing changes to [SB 707 \(Durazo, 2025\)](#), one of the most significant updates to the Ralph M. Brown Act in recent years. The measure, which modifies SB 707's strict language requirements, could become law as early as August. Cal Cities supports the potential modifications.

[What does SB 707 do?](#)

Cal Cities and other stakeholders have consistently raised concerns about the operational, fiscal, and legal challenges created by SB 707. Many of the law's changes apply broadly to local agencies. However, several provisions apply only to a category of local governing bodies created by the law known as "eligible legislative bodies."

For cities, eligible legislative bodies generally include city councils in cities with populations of 30,000 or more, as well as city councils located within counties with populations exceeding 600,000. The law also applies to county boards of supervisors and certain special districts that meet specified criteria.

SB 707 revised dozens of local government meeting requirements. Among other changes, it established new remote public participation, internet service disruptions, public outreach, website accessibility, agenda translations, and language access requirements.

Some provisions became operative on Jan. 1, 2026; others became operative on July 1, 2026. For a full overview of SB 707 and its major impacts to local agencies, read [Cal Cities' previous coverage](#).

[What could change?](#)

This year's [SB 1187 \(Durazo\)](#) modifies several of SB 707's language-access requirements applicable to eligible legislative bodies. According to the author, the bill is an attempt to respond to implementation concerns raised by local agencies and other stakeholders. The language-access requirements impose significant administrative and fiscal burdens on local agencies, without any state funding to offset those expenses.

SB 1187 would not affect a local agency's ability to voluntarily provide translation, interpretation, or other language-access services beyond what is required by law. Instead, it repeals an unfunded mandate enacted by SB 707. The measure still preserves the Brown Act's core

transparency, public notice, and open-meeting requirements, while reducing unnecessary fiscal and operational burdens.

Cal Cities supports SB 1187, [alongside](#) the California State Association of Counties, Urban Counties of California, Rural County Representatives of California, and the California Municipal Clerks Association.

[What happens next?](#)

SB 1187 passed the Assembly Local Government Committee on a unanimous 10-0 vote and is moving through the legislative process. The bill includes an urgency clause, allowing it to take effect immediately upon Gov. Gavin Newsom's signature.

The Legislature is currently on summer recess and will not reconvene until Aug. 3. Cities subject to SB 707's language requirements should monitor the bill's progress when lawmakers return for the final weeks of the 2026 legislative session.

For guidance on complying with SB 707, please consult with your city attorney.