



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

City of Canyon Lake, California

Tuesday, April 28, 2026

Notice and Call

Special City Council Meeting at 4:00 P.M.

City Hall Council Chambers
31516 Railroad Canyon Road
Canyon Lake, CA 92587

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Mayor Jeremy Smith
Mayor Pro Tem Kasey Castillo
Council Member Joshua Steeber
Council Member Mark Terry
Council Member Dale Welty

Public Comment: Any person wishing to address the City Council on any matter within the jurisdiction of the City, whether or not it appears on this agenda, is asked to complete a speaker card and provide it to the City Clerk prior to the start of public comment. The City Council has adopted a time limit of three (3) minutes per person. Comments on specific agenda items will be heard when the item is called. Please note that if you are addressing the City Council on items NOT on the agenda, the Brown Act does not allow discussion of such items. Therefore, the City Council may only do the following: refer the matter to staff, ask for additional information or request a report back, or give a very limited factual response. Electronic comments may be submitted to cityclerk@canyonlakeca.gov. Comments submitted electronically will be provided to the City Council and included in the official record but will not be read aloud during the meeting.

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SPECIAL SESSION

CALL TO ORDER

FLAG SALUTE

ROLL CALL

Castillo, Steeber, Terry, Welty, Smith

PUBLIC COMMENT (3 MINUTES)

Members of the public wishing to address the City Council on any matter listed on this agenda are asked to complete a speaker card and provide it to the City Clerk prior to the start of public comment. Public comment at this special meeting is limited to those items listed on the agenda. Each speaker is allowed (3) minutes to speak.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Adopt a Resolution Electing for the City to be Subject to the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA) in order for Police Department Employees to Participate in the CalPERS Health Program

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 2026-18, electing for the City to be subject to the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA), thereby allowing Canyon Lake Police Department employees to participate in the CalPERS Health Program.

ADJOURNMENT

AFFIDAVIT OF POSTING: I, Sheryl L. Garcia, City Clerk of the City of Canyon Lake, California, do hereby declare that the foregoing agenda was posted as of the date noted below, at least twenty-four (24) hours prior to the meeting per Government Code 54954.2, and as required by Resolution 2019-42.

Sheryl L. Garcia, MMC, CPM
City Clerk
Dated: April 27, 2026



CITY COUNCIL STAFF REPORT

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

FROM: Arron Brown, City Manager

BY: Kayla Malin, Administrative Services Senior Analyst

DATE: 04/28/2026

SUBJECT: Adopt a Resolution Electing for the City to be Subject to the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA) in order for Police Department Employees to Participate in the CalPERS Health Program

Recommendation:

Adopt Resolution No. 2026-18, electing for the City to be subject to the Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA), thereby allowing Canyon Lake Police Department employees to participate in the CalPERS Health Program.

Background/Analysis:

The Public Employees' Medical and Hospital Care Act (PEMHCA) governs the CalPERS Health Program, which allows public employers to provide comprehensive health benefits to employees while managing financial risk. By law, the program covers state employees, and local public agencies may contract with CalPERS to offer these benefits to their employees, even if the agency does not participate in the CalPERS Retirement Program.

The City currently contracts with CalPERS for the Retirement Program for regular employees; however, this contract specifically excludes public safety personnel. As a result, Canyon Lake Police Department employees do not participate in the CalPERS Retirement Program and instead participate in the Public Agency Retirement Services (PARS) retirement program. Despite this, Police Department employees remain eligible to participate in the CalPERS Health Program alongside other City employees.

Because the CalPERS Health Program is governed by PEMHCA, the Act establishes all rules and requirements that a contracting agency must follow. CalPERS considers PEMHCA to be the City's "health contract," and the attached resolution formalizes the City's election to become subject to PEMHCA in order to participate in the program.

This follows the same process the City used to add the Fire Department to the CalPERS Health Program, with City Council approval granted on January 26, 2022, and again on June 14, 2023, when the Council also approved extending the benefit to City Council Members.

Fiscal Impact Yes/No: No

Additional Fiscal Information:

There is no fiscal impact with the adoption of this Resolution. The costs of providing health benefits

through the CalPERS Health Program will be approved in the FY 2026-2027 budget.

Attachments:

1 - Resolution

**Please staple on top of your health resolution(s) or cover letter.
This will ensure that the CalPERS mailroom expedites delivery to our office.
Mail packet to either:**

Overnight Mail Service

California Public Employees' Retirement System
Health Resolutions & Compliance Services, HAMD
400 Q Street
Sacramento, CA 95811

Regular Mail

California Public Employees' Retirement System
Health Resolutions & Compliance Services, HAMD
PO BOX 942714
Sacramento, CA 94229-2714

HEALTH RESOLUTION

CalPERS ID #	3813045770
Agency Name	City of Canyon Lake
Desired Effective Date	June 1, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-18
ELECTING TO BE SUBJECT TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES’ MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL CARE ACT
AT AN EQUAL AMOUNT FOR EMPLOYEES AND ANNUITANTS
WITH RESPECT TO A RECOGNIZED EMPLOYEE ORGANIZATION
005 NONPERS POLICE

- WHEREAS, (1) A contracting agency meeting the eligibility requirements set forth in Government Code Section 22920, may obtain health benefit plan(s), as defined under Government Code Section 22777, by submitting a resolution to the Board of Administration of the California Public Employees’ Retirement System (the “Board”), and upon approval of such resolution by the Board, become subject to the Public Employees’ Medical and Hospital Care Act (the “Act”); and
- WHEREAS, (2) City of Canyon Lake is a contracting agency eligible to be subject to the Act under Government Code Section 22920; and
- WHEREAS, (3) Government Code Section 22892(a) provides that a contracting agency subject to the Act shall fix the amount of the employer contribution by resolution; and
- WHEREAS, (4) Government Code Section 22892(b) provides that the employer contribution shall be an equal amount for both employees and annuitants, but may not be less than the amount prescribed by Section 22892(b) of the Act; and
- WHEREAS, (5) City of Canyon Lake desires to obtain for its employees and annuitants who are members of NonPERS Police the benefit of the Act and to accept the liabilities and obligations of an employer under the Act; now, therefore, be it
- RESOLVED, (a) City of Canyon Lake elects to be subject to the provisions of the Act; and be it further
- RESOLVED, (b) That the employer contribution for each employee or annuitant shall be the amount necessary to pay the full cost of his/her enrollment, including the enrollment of family members, in a health benefits plan up to a maximum of the PEMHCA Minimum per month, plus administrative fees and Contingency Reserve Fund assessments; and be it further
- RESOLVED, (c) City of Canyon Lake has fully complied with any and all applicable provisions of Government Code Section 7507 in electing the benefits set forth above; and be it further
- RESOLVED, (d) That the participation of the employees and annuitants of City of Canyon Lake shall be subject to determination of its status as an “agency or instrumentality of the state or political subdivision of a State” that is eligible to participate in a governmental plan within the meaning of Section 414(d) of the Internal Revenue Code, upon publication of final Regulations pursuant to such Section. If it is determined that City of Canyon Lake would not qualify as an agency or instrumentality of the state or political subdivision of a State under such final

Regulations, CalPERS may be obligated, and reserves the right to terminate the health coverage of all participants of the employer; and be it further

RESOLVED, (e) That the executive body appoint and direct, and it does hereby appoint and direct, Kayla Hernandez to file with the Board a verified copy of this resolution, and to perform on behalf of City of Canyon Lake all functions required of it under the Act; and be it further

RESOLVED, (f) That coverage under the Act be effective on June 1, 2026.

Adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council at 31516 Railroad Canyon Rd, Canyon Lake, CA 92587, this 28 day of April, 2026.

Signed: _____
Jeremy Smith, Mayor

Attest: _____
Sheryl Garcia, City Clerk