

The background of the slide is a photograph of the Chandler City Hall dome. The dome is covered in copper and has a statue of a winged figure on top. The sky is blue with some clouds. The text is overlaid on the image.

2026 Legislative Agenda

Chandler City Council Work Session
December 8, 2025



2026 Session Overview



Opening Day



Themes



Ongoing Information

Current Legislative Leadership

SENATE

Senator Petersen, President

Senator Shope, President Pro Tem

Senator Kavanaugh, Majority Leader

Senator Carroll, Majority Whip

Senator Sundareshan, Minority Leader

Senator Miranda, Assistant Minority Leader

Senator Gabaldón, Minority Whip

Senator Alston Minority Caucus Chair

HOUSE

Representative Montenegro, Speaker

Representative Carter, Speaker Pro Tem

Representative Carbone, Majority Leader

Representative Willoughby, Majority Whip

Representative De Los Santos, Assistant Minority Leader

Representative Gutierrez, Assistant Minority Leader

Representative Crews, Minority Whip

Representative Travers, Minority Whip

Legislative Delegation

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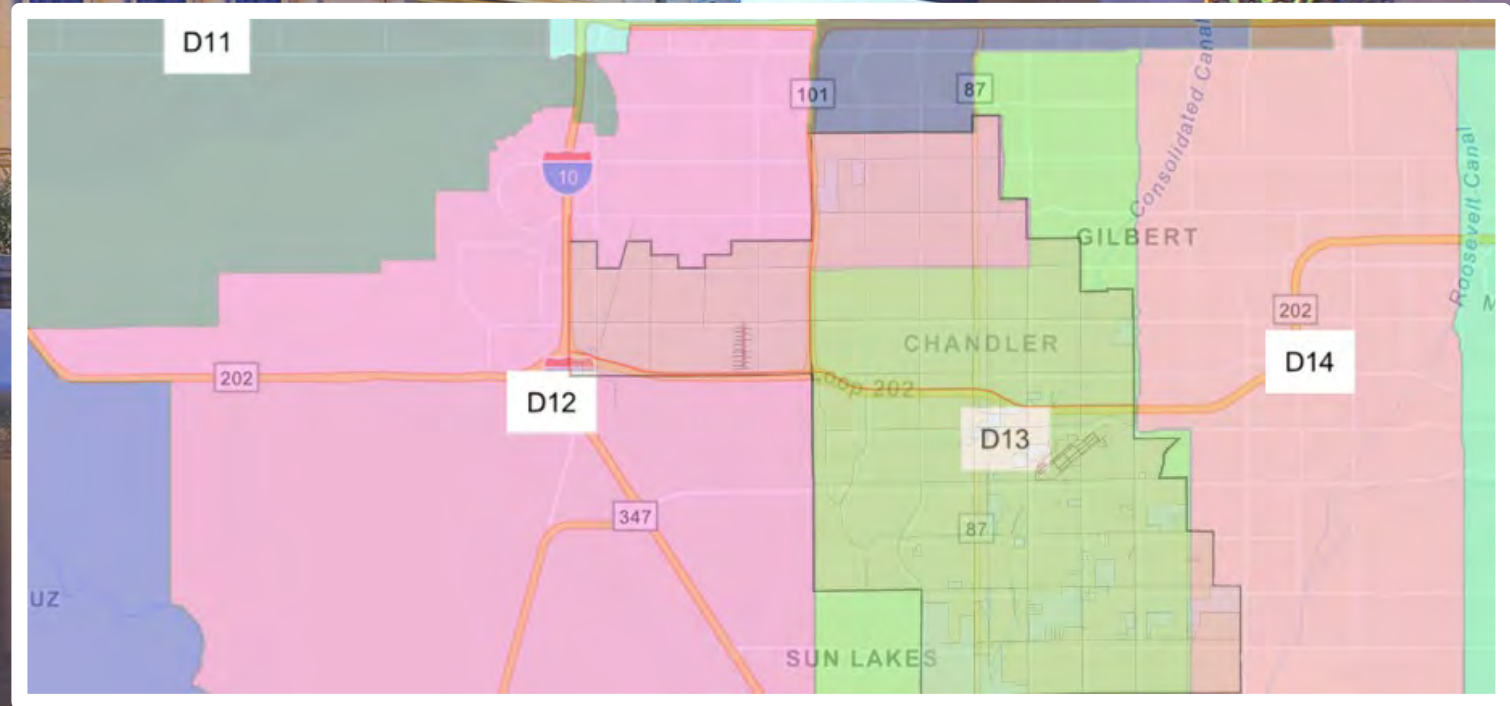
- Senator Mitzi Epstein
- Rep. Patty Contreras
- Rep. Stacey Travers

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- Senator JD Mesnard
- Rep. Jeff Weninger
- Rep. Julie Wiloughby

LD 14

- Senator Warren Petersen
- Rep. Laurin Hendrix
- Rep. Khyl Powell



Legislative Principles

A wide-angle photograph of the Arizona House of Representatives chamber. The room is semi-circular with wood-paneled walls and large landscape murals. Rows of wooden desks with red chairs are arranged in a U-shape. At the front, a raised dais features a speaker's podium and a large screen displaying the Arizona House of Representatives logo and the text "Arizona House of Representatives". The floor is blue with a circular seal in the center.

Protect Local
Authority

Preserve Local
Revenues



Fiscal Sustainability

Preserve current State-Shared Revenue and support enhancements to city resources

Protect authority of the City of Chandler and its local elected officials to determine and establish appropriate revenue sources

Encourage the Legislature to consider the fiscal impact of unfunded mandates

\$ Fiscal Sustainability



The forecast for the state budget is particularly constrained in the coming fiscal year and continues to have challenges through the remainder of the 3-year budget window



State-Shared Revenue and other municipal revenue sources remain vulnerable



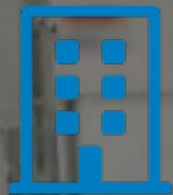
The City of Chandler has continued to maintain a low cost of living for residents and endured challenging economic conditions due to a diverse tax base



Transportation

Support locally coordinated transportation planning efforts

Defend against actions that seek to limit local consideration in the transportation decision-making process



Economic Development

Support efforts that enhance Chandler's economic success and strengthen Chandler's economic ecosystem

Encourage the establishment and diversification of economic development tools, particularly to help infill, redevelopment, and adaptive reuse projects

Preserve local authority on development projects



Neighborhoods

Support measures that enhance the quality of life in Chandler's neighborhoods

Protect the rights of residents to actively engage with their local governments in public policy matters





Public Safety

Preserve and strengthen the ability of local governments to strategically plan for and respond to emergencies





Land Use Planning

Protect local authority in land use planning

Support efforts that promote organized growth

Oppose efforts that seek to obstruct growth management



Water and Environmental Resources

Support the wise use and conservation opportunities regarding our natural resources

Preserve Chandler's long-term investments and planning for water resources and infrastructure

Protect Chandler's ability to provide safe and reliable water resources and wastewater services to our residents

Federal Overview

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- Federal Administration
 - Government Shutdown and Restart
 - Continuing Resolution
 - House – Republican Majority
 - Speaker Mike Johnson
 - U.S. Rep. Jeffries, Minority Leader
 - Senate – Republican Majority
 - Senator John Thune, Majority Leader
 - Senator Schumer, Minority Leader
 - Senator Gallego
 - Senator Kelly
 - Rep. Biggs (CD 5)
 - Rep. Stanton (CD 4)
 - Rep. Hamadeh
 - Rep. Ansari
 - Rep. Grijalva
 - Rep. Ciscomani
 - Rep. Crane
 - Rep. Schweikert
 - Rep. Gosar

Federal Priorities

Pursue federal funding for City projects and programs

Support CHIPS Act implementation and funding

Encourage regulatory actions that support Chandler's housing initiatives

Support Low-Income Housing Tax Credit expansion

Encourage increased investments in the Chandler Airport

Support the preservation of municipal bond tax exemptions

Thank You

