

Meeting Minutes

City Council Regular Meeting

December 8, 2025 | 6:00 p.m.
Chandler City Council Chambers
88 E. Chicago St., Chandler, AZ



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Hartke at 6:02 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Attendance

Mayor Kevin Hartke
Vice Mayor Christine Ellis
Councilmember Angel Encinas
Councilmember Jane Poston
Councilmember Matt Orlando
Councilmember OD Harris
Councilmember Jennifer Hawkins

Appointee Attendance

John Pombier, City Manager
Kelly Schwab, City Attorney
Dana DeLong, City Clerk

Invocation

The invocation was given by Pastor Sean Eddy, Chandler Bible Church.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Harris.

Scheduled Public Appearances

MAYOR HARTKE invited Councilmember Hawkins to join him for the recognitions.

1. Service Recognitions
Jessica Sweet, 10 years – City Clerk’s Office
CC Cantabrana, 10 years – Connection & Impact
William Daniel, 25 years – Development Services
Jermaine Swinton, 20 years – Public Works & Utilities

2. Recognition: Hamilton Robotics Club

MAYOR HARTKE recognized members of the Hamilton High School Robotics Club. Mayor Hartke shared that the Hamilton students competed in the Arizona East Regional FIRST Robotics Competition and placed third at the VEX Robotics World Championship.

BETHANY PAULSON, President of Hamilton Robotics Club, shared that she is proud to see the team grow and change, and looks forward to competing in future events.

3. Recognition: GFOA Budget Award

MAYOR HARTKE recognized the Chandler budget team. He shared that the GFOA Distinguished Budget Award reflects Chandler's commitment to excellence and fiscal transparency.

MATT DUNBAR, Budget and Policy Director, shared that the budget team received this award for the Fiscal Year 25-26 budget. He recognized Sylvia Dlott, Helen Parker, Cat Dixon, Enrique Sandoval, Savana Martinez, and Lucy Vazquez. To receive this award, the city follows guidelines for effective budget presentation.

4. Recognition: Ballet Under the Stars

MAYOR HARTKE recognized Ballet Under the Stars, which brings outdoor ballet performances to communities across the valley. The program presented by Ballet Arizona makes dance accessible to all and gives young people an opportunity to experience and participate in the arts. Mayor Hartke thanked Ballet Arizona, city staff, Chandler Center for the Arts, and Hartford Sylvia Encinas Elementary School students for their collaboration and participation in this year's event.

KIM MOYERS, Cultural Development Director, shared that this is the second year Ballet Under the Stars has performed in Chandler, funded by City Council budget amendments in FY 25-26, matched by the Chandler Cultural Foundation. She announced that 4,500 people attended the free event.

5. Recognition: Archery Athlete - Aavishka Pattem

MAYOR HARTKE recognized Aavishka Pattem for participation in the USA Archery Regional Elite Program. He shared that she represents Chandler with pride and inspires other young athletes in the community.

AAVISHKA PATTEM thanked Mayor and Council for the recognition.

Consent Agenda and Discussion

City Clerk

1. Approval of Minutes

Move City Council approve the Council meeting minutes of the City Council Work Session meeting held on November 10, 2025 at 2:30 p.m., the City Council Work Session Meeting

held on November 10, 2025 at 4:00 p.m., the City Council Study Session held on November 10, 2025, the City Council Regular Meeting held on November 10, 2025, the City Council Special Meeting held on November 13, 2025, the City Council Regular Meeting held on November 13, 2025, the City Council Special Meeting held on November 24, 2025, and the City Council Special Meeting Action Item held on November 24, 2025.

Development Services

2. Final Adoption of Ordinance No. 5139, Rezoning, PLH25-0034 Tumbleweed Estates, 5.02-acre site Located at 1981 S Tumbleweed Lane, Generally Located 1/3-mile East and North of the Northeast Corner of Germann Road and Alma School Road
Rezoning
Move City Council adopt Ordinance No. 5139 approving PLH25-0034 Tumbleweed Estates, Rezoning from Agricultural District (AG-1) to Agricultural District/Planned Area Development (AG-1/PAD) to allow for the development of five (5) single-family residential lots ranging from 0.844 to 0.989 net acres, subject to the conditions as recommended by Planning and Zoning Commission.

3. Final Adoption of Ordinance No. 5140, Rezoning, PLH25-0009 Cooper Road Medical and Retail Building, 0.64-acre Site Generally Located South of the Southwest Corner of Cooper Road and Chandler Boulevard
Rezoning
Move City Council adopt Ordinance No. 5140 approving PLH25-0009 Cooper Road Medical and Retail Building, Rezoning from Planned Area Development (PAD) for retail uses only to PAD for Community Commercial (C-2) uses, subject to the conditions as recommended by Planning and Zoning Commission.

Public Works and Utilities

4. Final Adoption of Ordinance No. 5137, Approving the Abandonment of a Retention Basin Easement Located at the Northeast Corner of Arizona Avenue and Riggs Road

Move City Council adopt Ordinance No. 5137 approving the abandonment of a retention basin easement located at the northeast corner of Arizona Avenue and Riggs Road that is no longer needed for public use.

Consent Agenda Motion and Vote

Councilmember Encinas moved to approve the Consent Agenda of the December 8, 2025, Regular City Council Meeting; Seconded by Councilmember Orlando.

Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

Approval Date of Minutes: January 8, 2026

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of Regular Meeting of the City Council of Chandler, Arizona, held on the 8th day of December 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this _____ day of January, 2026.

City Clerk