



City Council Regular Meeting

Monday, September 14, 2026
6:00 p.m.

Chandler City Council Chambers
88 E. Chicago St., Chandler, AZ





Our Vision

We are a world class City that provides an exceptional quality of life.

Our Brand

A safe, diverse, equitable and inclusive community that connects people, chooses innovation and inspires excellence.

Innovative Focus

Innovation is the lifeblood of our community. The introduction of new ideas and methods is rooted in Chandler's culture and heritage. This thread of innovation embodies how we connect, plan and serve our city to be a contemporary, financially responsible and safe place to live and work.

Pursuant to Resolution No. 4464 of the City of Chandler and to A.R.S. §38-431.02, notice is hereby given to the members of the Chandler City Council and to the general public that the Chandler City Council will hold a REGULAR MEETING open to the public on Monday, September 14, 2026, at 6:00 p.m., in the Chandler City Council Chambers, 88 E. Chicago Street, Chandler, Arizona. One or more members of the Chandler City Council may attend this meeting by telephone. The City Council may vote to recess into an executive session for the purpose of obtaining legal advice from the city attorney on any matter listed on the agenda pursuant to A.R.S. §38-431.03(A)(3).

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Regular Meeting Agenda

City Council Strategic Framework Focus Areas: Legend



Community Safety



Neighborhoods



Quality of Life



Sustainability and Technology



Connectivity



Economic Vitality

Call to Order

Roll Call

Invocation - Elder Bruce Lundquist, Faith Church

Pledge of Allegiance - Girl Scout Troop 201

Scheduled Public Appearances

1. Service Recognitions
2. Proclamation: National Good Neighbor Day
3. Proclamation: Domestic Violence Awareness Month
4. Proclamation: Library Card Sign-Up Month
5. Recognition: Praneeth Annapureddy, Silver Medal Winner at the International Economics Olympiad
6. Recognition: Chandler National Little League

Consent Agenda

Items listed on the Consent Agenda may be enacted by one motion and one vote. If a discussion is required by members of the governing body, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda for discussion and determination will be made if the item will be considered separately.

Proposed Motion: Move to approve the Consent Agenda of the September 14, 2026, Regular Meeting, Item 1.



City Clerk

1. **Approval of Minutes**

Move City Council approve the City Council meeting minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 10, 2026, the Work Session held on August 10, 2026, the Regular Meeting held on August 10, 2026, the Study Session held on August 10, 2026, and the Regular Meeting held on August 13, 2026.

Adjourn



City Council Memorandum City Clerk's Office Memo No.

Date: September 14, 2026
To: Mayor and Council
From: Jennifer Ekblad, City Clerk
Subject: Approval of Minutes

Proposed Motion:

Move City Council approve the City Council meeting minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 10, 2026, the Work Session held on August 10, 2026, the Regular Meeting held on August 10, 2026, the Study Session held on August 10, 2026, and the Regular Meeting held on August 13, 2026.

Attachments

Minutes of the Special Meeting held on August 10, 2026
Minutes of the Work Session held on August 10, 2026
Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 10, 2026
Minutes of the Study Session held on August 10, 2026
Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on August 13, 2026

Meeting Minutes

City Council Special Meeting

August 10, 2026 | 3:45 p.m.
Council Chambers Conference Room
88 E. Chicago St., Chandler, AZ



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Hartke at 3:50 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Attendance

Mayor Kevin Hartke
Vice Mayor Angel Encinas
Councilmember Christine Ellis
Councilmember Matt Orlando
Councilmember Jennifer Hawkins

Appointee Attendance

John Pombier, City Manager
Tawn Kao, Acting City Attorney
Jennifer Ekblad, City Clerk

Absent

Councilmember Jane Poston - excused
Councilmember OD Harris - excused

Others in Attendance

Justin S. Pierce, Attorney with Pierce Coleman, PLLC

Set an Executive Session

1. Litigation--A.R.S. Section 38-431.03(A)(3) and (A)(4) - Discussion and consultation with legal counsel for legal advice and to consider its position and instruct its attorneys regarding the city's position in pending or contemplated litigation or in settlement discussions conducted in order to avoid or resolve litigation in the matter of Michael Collins vs. City of Chandler.

Action Agenda Motion and Vote

Councilmember Orlando moved to hold an Executive Session Meeting immediately following the Special Meeting; Seconded by Councilmember Ellis.

Motion carried unanimously (5-0).

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

Approval Date of Minutes: September 14, 2026

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special Meeting of the City Council of Chandler, Arizona, held on the 10th day of August 2026. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this 14th day of September 2026.

City Clerk

Meeting Minutes

City Council Work Session

August 10, 2026 | 3:45 p.m.
Council Chambers Conference Room
88 E. Chicago St., Chandler, AZ



Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Hartke at 4:26 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Attendance

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

Appointee Attendance

John Pombier, City Manager
Tawn Kao, Acting City Attorney
Jennifer Ekblad, City Clerk

Absent

Councilmember OD Harris - excused

Staff in Attendance

Tadd Wille, Assistant City Manager
Dawn Lang, Deputy City Manager / Chief Financial Officer
Ryan Peters, Deputy City Manager
Leah Powell, Deputy City Manager
Matt Burdick, Communications & Public Affairs Director
Emilia Krajewski, Assistant to the City Manager
Matt Dunbar, Budget and Policy Director
Jeremy Abbott, Public Works & Utilities Director
Marge Zylla, Strategic Initiatives Director
Zoe Richmond, Public Affairs Manager
Gina Ishida-Raybourn, Public Works & Utilities Assistant Director

Discussion

1. Utility Rate Presentation and Discussion
 1. Opening Remarks
 2. Utility Financial Planning Review
 3. Water Utility Rate Change Drivers
 4. Wastewater Utility Rate Change Drivers
 5. Rate Payer Comparisons
 6. Key Dates and Questions

MAYOR HARTKE called for a staff presentation.

JOHN POMBIER, City Manager, introduced the discussion item.

DAWN LANG, Deputy City Manager / Chief Financial Officer, provided information about the presentation.

MATT DUNBAR, Public Works & Utilities Director, presented the following presentation.

- FY 2026-27 Utility Rate Workshop
- Chandler Water & Wastewater Utilities: Major Projects & Rates
- Utility Rates Financial Plan Review and Cost of Service (COS) Process
 - City's Financial Plan Review
 - What is the funding requirement?
 - Cost of Service Analysis
 - More accurately reflects actual cost of providing service to each customer class
 - Is everyone paying their fair share?
- Cost of Service Rates
 - Shifting cost burden of revenue requirement to customer classifications differently allows for more accurate reflection of actual cost of providing service to each customer class but must be based on accurate data.
- Deliberate bridge to update cost-based rates
 - Prior Study
 - Completed FY 2020-21
 - Targeted 100% alignment for Water over 5 years
 - Targeted 75% alignment for Wastewater over 5 years
 - 5-year alignment planned 3 adjustments scheduled every other year
 - Changing Conditions
 - FY 2023-24 shifted alignment target to 100% for Wastewater
 - Significant changes to operating costs
 - Unprecedented Inflation
 - Infrastructure replacement plans amended
 - Growth in classification areas changed
 - Private Industrial user wastewater plant completed & put in use

- Interim Approach
 - Significant data changes required need to restudy misalignment
 - Decision to generate needed revenue with adjustments across the board
 - Begin new Cost of Service Analysis with updated data
 - New COS begins Sep/Oct 2026, completed April/May 2027 for FY 2027-28 rate adjustments

COUNCILMEMBER HAWKINS asked how often the cost of service analysis should be conducted.

MR. DUNBAR said best practice is every 5-7 years, but 3-5 years is more realistic to align with cost of service changes. He shared that there were significant changes over the last 2 years and suggested doing an analysis sooner.

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO asked if this analysis can be conducted annually if necessary.

MR. DUNBAR answered that this can be conducted annually but suggested that waiting 18 months to 2 years would better capture the results of the shifts made. He clarified that the cost of service analysis could be conducted sooner than the 5 year mark to capture any misalignments that may occur.

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO noted that the cost of service analysis could be performed sooner than what has been done in the past in order to capture real time changes of current utility dynamics and what needs to be done to ensure continual water service.

MR. DUNBAR said if the trends of the last few years continue, then staff will look into performing the study more frequently in order to observe changes. The consultant would reevaluate if the cost of service is on target or needs to be changed.

MAYOR HARTKE followed up and asked if it is possible for Council to get updates on significant changes that have happened rather than a full study every 2-5 years.

MR. DUNBAR said staff would talk to the consultant about that idea as they pursue a new partnership. There may be opportunities for the city to conduct more analysis to make adjustments. Staff will work to identify additional engagement with the consultant in the cost of service analysis process.

He continued the presentation:

- Utility Rate Adjustment History
 - Historically, rates have adjusted every other year.
 - Direction in FY 2026-27 was to adjust to annual rate changes

MS. LANG clarified that the city was not at 75% or 100% on balanced utility rate plans the first year, the goal of Council was to achieve 100% by year 5, and to achieve 75% by year 5 for wastewater.

MR. DUNBAR continued the presentation.

- 5-Year Enterprise Fund Balance Projections & Rates
 - Rate Models incorporate operating adjustments in FY 2026-27 and CIP infrastructure project changes
 - Water Rate Plan
 - FY 2026-27 +9.0%
 - FY 2027-28 +9.0%
 - FY 2028-29 +9.0%
 - Maintains 20% Operating Reserve
 - Focus on maintaining aging infrastructure: facilities, wells, water mains, and filters
 - Focus on aging infrastructure has significant rate impact
 - Wastewater Rate Plan
 - FY 2026-27 +6.5%
 - FY 2027-28 +6.5%
 - FY 2028-29 +6.5%
 - Maintains 20% Operating Reserve
 - Focus on maintaining aging infrastructure: facilities, wastewater mains
 - Focus on aging infrastructure has significant rate impact
 - Reclaimed Water Rate Plan
 - FY 2026-27 +9.0%
 - FY 2027-28 +9.0%
 - FY 2028-29 +9.0%
 - Maintains 20% Operating Reserve
 - Rates support operating, water planning, conservation and adding capital costs
 - Solid Waste Rate Plan
 - FY 2026-27 +4.5%
 - FY 2027-28 +4.5%
 - FY 2028-29 +4.5%
 - Maintains 15% Operating Reserve
 - Addresses increased hauling and collection contract and nationwide recycling impact

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO asked what the minimum dollar amount is for 20% of the operating reserves.

MR. DUNBAR explained that the operating reserve is a reserve of 20% based on the total revenue, which allows the city to retain its AAA bond rating. The operating reserve allows cities to support operations in case of emergency. He did not have the dollar amount.

MS. LANG said she will provide it.

MR. DUNBAR continued the presentation.

- Capital Plan Inflation Impacts
- Major Drivers – Water
 - Operating increases for personnel, chemicals, utilities, and equipment
 - Debt service and cash funded Water Treatment Production Facilities, Mains, and Water Purchases
 - Upcoming CIP projects in FY 2026-27 include:
 - Water Production Facility Improvements (\$10.7M)
 - Water Treatment Plant Improvements (\$131M)
 - Main and Valve Replacements (\$8.5M)

MR. POMBIER asked if water main break repairs are funded out of operating budget or CIP.

MR. DUNBAR said it impacts the operating budget related to resources and then starts impacting the capital plan. He shared unplanned issues are costly.

MAYOR HARTKE said as an example, addressing the sewer gas in West Chandler is another scenario of addressing unplanned issues that were not budgeted for.

JEREMY ABBOTT, Public Works & Utilities Director, agreed and said there are operational costs. He noted that they do try to include some level of anticipated costs in their annual budget, but the department's goal is to keep the unknown costs low.

MS. LANG provided the operating reserve fund balance numbers. She said for water the balance is \$15 million in the first year, with increases in future years, where in year 5 it is around \$20 million. For wastewater the balance is \$13 million in the first year, increasing each year.

MR. DUNBAR continued the presentation:

- Water Utility Rate Allocation
 - Each 1% rate change equates to about \$609,000 in revenue
- Improved Infrastructure – Pecos Water Plan Improvements
 - A total of \$372.5M is being proposed in the new 10-year CIP for improvements to Water Treatment and Production Facilities
- New Infrastructure – Water Purchases
 - Bartlett Dam Expansion Partnership
 - Increases reservoir storage on the Verde River by raising the dam height (alternatives up to ~100 feet)
 - Captures and stores additional runoff during wet winters
 - Improves regional drought resilience and long-term water supply reliability
 - Creates hundreds of thousands of acre-feet of additional capacity depending on the final design shared with all partners
 - Federal feasibility study and environmental review are underway

- \$49.5M in proposed CIP (+\$24M) is our anticipated share of design and assessment costs

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO asked if the \$24 million for Chandler's share of design and assessment costs would be under wastewater, water, or another category.

MR. ABBOTT said it would be categorized under water investment and confirmed it is part of the 10 year CIP plan.

MR. DUNBAR continued the presentation:

- Aging Infrastructure – Water Production Facilities
 - The use and maintenance of ground wells is critical to Chandler's water portfolio
 - Booster station failures have become more of an issue, and the cost for rehabilitation is higher if earlier remediation is not done
 - Average age of these remote facilities is 25-years with the newest being 5-years and the oldest 41-years

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO asked for more information about Chandler's reservoir and well sites.

MR. ABBOTT shared that the reservoir boosters and well sites are a redundant backup for the ability to treat surface water. He said that as there are cuts to surface water, the reliance on groundwater is extremely important. He shared there are 30 active wells around Chandler and despite their age, Chandler continues to invest in supporting the well infrastructure to continue well operations. He noted that the team conducts strategic annual maintenance to ensure operability in the event of surface water allocation changes and meet demands.

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO asked if the wells need to pump longer than they are normally expected to.

MR. ABBOTT confirmed and stated the goal to have well uptime as close to 100% as possible. He shared that uptime on well operation over the past five years is around 90%.

MAYOR HARTKE asked about an item on the City Council study session regarding replacement of a well due to sand and if that is the typical terminus of a well other than equipment breakage.

MR. ABBOTT noted that sand is an issue related to multiple different types of wells. There are two different types of wells, an aquifer storage and recovery (ASR) well, then drinking water wells. Sanding is an issue in both well types.

MAYOR HARTKE asked about water credit the city has accrued and the water credit scenario of Chandler's neighbors on shared aquifers. He questioned how the actions of neighboring municipalities may impact Chandler.

MR. ABBOTT shared that Chandler has drilled very deep wells to access the aquifer underneath Chandler. He shared that Chandler is focused on future proofing the water supply. He said that with the construction of any new wells the impacts are considered so it does not impact Chandler's existing wells. He stated that there are checks and balances in the system.

MAYOR HARTKE asked how Chandler's water credits compare to neighboring cities.

MR. ABBOTT said all cities are limited to their annual recharge and recovery, which is a volume of water all SRP cities receive. He noted that regarding long term storage credits, not all cities are the same, as that has to do with reclaimed recharge water over the past 40 years. He said he cannot speak to the condition of the other cities. He confirmed Chandler is in a good position.

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO noted that Chandler has been saving in reservoirs like Granite Reef for years and has water available as redundancy.

MAYOR HARTKE noted this applies to Roosevelt Lake as well when it has an overage of water due to flooding.

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO expressed concerns about future water.

MR. ABBOTT reiterated that Chandler has a very diverse water portfolio including groundwater and available long-term storage credits, and that the city has leveraged recharging facilities well.

MR. DUNBAR continued the presentation:

- Aging Infrastructure – Watermains
 - Recommended replacement plan would start out averaging 2 miles per year, escalating to 8 in FY 2033-34. Addresses all at risk lines over the next 30 years. Coordination with other projects is vital.

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO asked if Chandler coordinates with other entities conducting construction projects when planning watermain rehabilitation and replacement.

MR. ABBOTT confirmed and shared Public Works and Utilities is in communication with the Streets division to define the areas that have a higher critical rate and ensure construction would not impact newly paved roads. Work is planned to be bundled under one cohesive contract to minimize impacts on roads and residents.

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO shared resident concerns about the high rate of road construction and the importance of efficiency in these projects.

MR ABBOTT agreed and said the goal is to have a coordinated effort between departments to complete work on targeted areas all at once.

MR. DUNBAR continued the presentation:

- Major Drivers – Wastewater
 - Operating increases for personnel, chemicals, utilities, and equipment
 - Debt service and cash funded Wastewater and Reclaimed Facilities, Distribution, and Sewer Rehab
 - Upcoming CIP projects in FY 2026-27 include:
 - Continuation of the redundant 66" line under San Tan Loop 202 (\$40.6M)
 - Water Reclamation Facility Improvements (\$45M)
 - Sewer Assessment and Rehabilitation (\$10.7M)
- Wastewater Utility Rate Allocation
 - Each 1% rate change equates to about \$552,000 in revenue
- Improved Infrastructure – Wastewater Treatment
 - A total of \$249.3M is being proposed in the new 10-year CIP for improvements to Wastewater and Reclaimed Facilities
- Aging Infrastructure - Wastewater Mains/Manhole
 - Recommended replacement/rehab plan would start out averaging 90 manholes per year, escalating to 350 per year over the next 30 years to address all 7,000 manholes that have known issues

MR. ABBOTT added that in coordination with pavement rehab and the water main replacement program, if there are manholes that also require frame and cover adjustments then the manholes are also adjusted at that time. The goal is to reduce the overall overhead cost for construction.

COUNCILMEMBER HAWKINS asked if there was any movement on a discussion from Representative Weninger about getting this done quicker and cheaper.

MR. ABBOTT responded that there was legislation proposed that would implement less design and permitting requirements through the county and the state for replacing water mains. He noted that there are opportunities that are considered when water mains are replaced but feasibility depends on the replacement location and water service needs during construction.

MR. DUNBAR continued the presentation:

- Residential Cost Impact
- Multi-Family / Non-Residential Cost Impact
- Industrial Cost Impact

MAYOR HARTKE asked about Gilbert's numbers on industrial cost impact compared to residential cost impact.

MR. DUNBAR responded that Gilbert's last changes were for residential customers, not industrial. He said he was unsure if this change was based on a cost of service analysis. He continued the presentation:

- Key Dates

COUNCILMEMBER ELLIS asked how the public is made aware of how the rate changes are calculated and this is needed.

MAYOR HARTKE noted that public hearings are included in the key dates of what is coming.

MR. DUNBAR confirmed that there are public hearings planned. He said there is also an effort to get the word out via social media, the Chandler website, CityScope, and a white paper in the Council Memo.

COUNCILMEMBER ELLIS asked if the team is working with Communications and Public Affairs to engage the public to notify residents of these changes.

MR. DUNBAR confirmed his team is working with Communications and Public Affairs to get the message out as much as possible. He said the messages they release emphasize that these changes are measured and analyzed planned rate increases.

COUNCILMEMBER ELLIS emphasized the need for Communications and Public Affairs to validate publicly shared information.

MR. POMBIER noted that these rates were first discussed in March and printed in the May budget book. He said that the goal is to put out the numbers as early as possible and provide transparency to the public.

COUNCILMEMBER ELLIS commented about help from Neighborhood Resources for people who are unable to make their payments.

LEAH POWELL, Deputy City Manager, confirmed there is funding that will assist residents with water bills.

MR. DUNBAR continued the presentation:

- Key Dates
- Questions

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO shared previous conversations related to utility rates and commended staff on the process.

Public Comment

None.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

Approval Date of Minutes: September 14, 2026

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Work Session of the City Council of Chandler, Arizona, held on the 10th day of August 2026. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this _____ day of September, 2026.

City Clerk

Meeting Minutes

City Council Regular Meeting

August 10, 2026 | 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 6:01 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Attendance

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

Appointee Attendance

John Pombier, City Manager
Tawn Kao, Acting City Attorney
Jennifer Ekblad, City Clerk

Absent

Councilmember OD Harris – excused

Invocation

The invocation was given by Pastor Steve Foss, First Baptist Church.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Poston.

Scheduled Public Appearances

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

1. Service Recognitions
Allyson Bullock, Community Services – 10 years
Patty Calleros, Community Services – 30 years
Traci Conaway, Public Works & Utilities – 20 years

Tim Wakefield, Public Works & Utilities – 30 years

2. Retirement Recognition

MAYOR HARTKE recognized Odette Moore, Economic Development Research Associate, for her 26 years of service.

MICAH MIRANDA, Economic Development Director, shared that Ms. Moore provided excellent customer service, leadership, and teamwork throughout her tenure. She completed invaluable work in data research and analysis for project support. Additionally, she led Chandler's Innovation Fair initiative to allow young children to chase new discoveries and explore careers in science. Ms. Moore leaves a legacy of helping shape young people who are now giving back to their community. Mr. Miranda thanked her for her years of service and the passion, consistency, and competency she brought to the team.

MS. MOORE shared that she had many fond memories working for Chandler and thanked her family for supporting her in her career.

3. Proclamation: Drowning Impact Awareness Month

MAYOR HARTKE read the proclamation and invited John Sefton, Community Services Director, and other members of the aquatic team to accept.

CHRIS SMITH, Aquatics Superintendent, shared that safety around the pool relies on education and proactive safety measures. He shared details on the initiatives the Aquatics team has implemented to help increase pool safety and shared that because of these initiatives and community cooperation they have reduced the number of rescues needed by 83%.

4. Crystal Bublikova – Concerns Regarding Corporate Property Management

MS. BUBLIKOVA was not present at the meeting.

Consent Agenda and Discussion

City Clerk

1. Approval of Minutes

Move City Council approve the City Council meeting minutes of the Special Meeting held on July 13, 2026, the Regular Meeting held on July 13, 2026, the Study Session held on July 13, 2026, the Special Meeting held on July 15, 2026, the Special Meeting held on July 16, 2026, the Regular Meeting held on July 16, 2026, and the Special Meeting held on July 27, 2026.

2. Resolution No. 6033, Official Canvass of the City of Chandler Primary Election of July 21, 2026

Move City Council pass and adopt Resolution No. 6033, accepting the official results of the July 21, 2026, Primary Election of the City of Chandler.

Consent Agenda Motion and Vote

Councilmember Poston moved to approve the Consent Agenda of the August 10, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting; Seconded by Vice Mayor Encinas.

Motion carried unanimously (6-0), Councilmember Harris absent excused.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:25 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk Mayor

Approval Date of Minutes: September 14, 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 10th day of August 2026. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this _____ day of September, 2026.

City Clerk

Meeting Minutes

City Council Study Session

August 10, 2026 | 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 6:25 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Attendance

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

Appointee Attendance

John Pombier, City Manager
Tawn Kao, Acting City Attorney
Jennifer Ekblad, City Clerk

Absent

Councilmember OD Harris – excused

Consent Agenda and Discussion

Discussion was held on items 3, 4, 10, 11, 12, 26, 40, 41, 42, 43, and 44.

Budget and Policy

1. Purchase of Budget Software Re-Implementation Services
Move City Council approve the purchase of budget software re-implementation services, from Euna Solutions, in an amount not to exceed \$175,000, and authorizing the City Manager or designee to sign the associated statement of work.
2. Adoption of Notice of Intention to Increase Certain Water, Wastewater, Reclaimed Water, and Solid Waste Rates and Set the Date for Public Hearing
Move to adopt the Notice of Intention to Increase Certain Water, Wastewater, Reclaimed Water, and Solid Waste Rates and set the date for Public Hearing on October 15, 2026.

City Manager

3. Construction Agreement for the Kyrene Branch and Highline Canal Shared Use Paths
Move City Council award Construction Agreement No. TP2202.401 to KCLASS Services Inc. for the Kyrene Branch and Highline Canal Shared Use Paths, in an amount not to exceed \$3,530,218.
4. Post-Design Services Agreement for the Kyrene Branch and Highline Canal Shared Use Paths
Move City Council award Professional Services Agreement No. TP2202.271 to Kimley-Horn and Associates Inc. for the Kyrene Branch and Highline Canal Shared Use Paths Post-Design Services, in an amount not to exceed \$153,504.33.

JASON CRAMPTON, Transportation Planning Manager, presented the following presentation:

- Kyrene Branch and Highline Canal Project
- Kyrene Branch Shared-Use Path
- Highline Cancel Shared-Use Path
- Project Timeline/Funding
 - Design Assistance Study: 2022
 - Public Meeting: August 2022
 - Design: 2023 - 2025
 - Public Meeting: December 2023
 - Stakeholder Meetings: Summer 2024
 - Transportation Commission: April 2025
 - Right-of-Way/ Clearances: 2025-2026
 - Tempe Agreement – November 2025
 - SRP License Agreement – February 2026
 - Construction: 2026 – 2027
 - Questions

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO recognized that this project is the result of many stakeholder meetings and is a good example of how Chandler works with neighborhoods, other cities, and industry partners to bring projects together. He thanked the team for their work on this project.

5. Construction Management Services Agreement for the Kyrene Branch and Highline Canal Shared Use Paths
Move City Council award Professional Services Agreement No. TP2202.451 to Dibble CM LLC for the Kyrene Branch and Highline Canal Shared Use Paths Construction Management Services, in an amount not to exceed \$689,574.00.

Community Services

6. Purchase of Pool Repairs for Arrowhead Pool, Nozomi and Mesquite Groves Aquatic Centers

Move City Council approve the purchase of pool repairs at Arrowhead Pool, Nozomi and Mesquite Groves Aquatic Centers, from Shasta Industries, Inc., utilizing the City of Scottsdale Agreement No. 23SQ011, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,800.

7. Purchase of Aquatic Maintenance Repair Parts for the Aquatics Division
Move City Council approve the purchase of aquatics maintenance repair parts for the Aquatics Division, from Aquatic Environmental Systems, Inc., utilizing the City of Mesa Agreement No. 2022133, in an amount not to exceed \$321,433.
8. Purchase of Tree Care and Maintenance Services
Move City Council approve the purchase of tree care and maintenance services, from West Coast Arborists, Inc., utilizing the Maricopa County Contract No. 220273-S, and the City of Tempe Contract No. T24-087-01, in an amount not to exceed \$819,000.
9. Purchase and Maintenance of Athletic Field Windscreens, Pads, Fencing, Tarps and Turf Protectors
Move City Council approve the purchase and maintenance of athletic field windscreens, pads, fencing, tarps and turf protectors from Steiger Services, LLC., utilizing City of Tempe Contract No. T26-035-01, in an amount not to exceed \$219,000

Cultural Development

10. Post-Design Services Agreement with Weddle Gilmore Architects, PLLC, for Tumbleweed Ranch Phase 1 and 2 located at 2250 S. McQueen, Chandler, AZ 85286
Move City Council award Professional Services Agreement No. CA2301.271 to Weddle Gilmore Architects, PLLC for the Tumbleweed Ranch Phase 1 and 2 Post-Design Services, in an amount not to exceed \$145,425.00.
11. Construction Management Services Agreement with Dibble CM, LLC, for Tumbleweed Ranch Phase 1 and 2 located at 2250 S. McQueen, Chandler, AZ 85286
Move City Council award Professional Services Agreement No. CA2301.451 to Dibble CM, LLC, for the Tumbleweed Ranch Phase 1 and 2 Construction Management Services, in an amount not to exceed \$440,089.00.
12. Construction Agreement with Klass Services, Inc. for Tumbleweed Ranch Phase 1 and 2 located at 2250 S. McQueen, Chandler, AZ 85286
Move City Council award Construction Agreement No. CA2301.401 to KCLASS Services, Inc. for the Tumbleweed Ranch Phase 1 and 2, in an amount not to exceed \$3,678,856.94.

JODY CRAGO, Museum Manager, shared the following presentation:

- Tumbleweed Ranch Phase 1 and 2
 - CA2301.401 Construction Agreement
 - CA2301.451 Construction Management Services

- CA2301.271 Post-Design Services
- Project Background
 - Master Plan Completed in 2024 by Weddle Gilmore
 - Project Goals
 - Explore and interpret the City of Chandler’s history of agricultural innovation
 - Provide an educational and recreational space for Chandler residents
- Tumbleweed Ranch Site Plan
 - A – Phase 1
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COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO shared that it is important to review these projects to reflect on the long-term water supply of Chandler.

JEREMY ABBOTT, Public Works & Utilities Director, shared that items 40, 41, and 42 pertain to repairs to an aquifer storage recovery (ASR) well that failed. The specific well being addressed is located within the Tumbleweed Park area. The three items cover the design, construction oversight, and drilling of the replacement. He explained how costs are kept low by reusing equipment that is still operational, as this new well will be drilled close to electrical equipment that remains.

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MR. ABBOTT said that item 43 is focused on rehabilitating an existing lift station. There are eight lift stations citywide, he shared the importance of lift stations and provided details on what the rehabilitation and inspection process looks like. Staff will conduct an inspection on the wet well and the concrete structure below ground. Some of the rehabilitation involved with address special coating on the wet well to prevent the concrete from degrading over time.

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MR. ABBOTT said that item 44 is an investment in the Basha remote water production facility. The facility is located by Snedigar Park and includes a 2 million gallon steel water reservoir, pumps, motors, and electrical equipment. There are also two wells off side of this location that fill the reservoir to meet the demands of city water customers. Wells are inspected and strategically removed from service when demands are low to ensure continued operation in the future. He explained that the rehabilitation of the Basha Water Production Facility will include replacement of booster pumps and motors as well as electrical gear, along with cleaning and inspecting the reservoir before it is returned to service.

COUNCILMEMBER ORLANDO noted the work that goes into this behind the scenes and shared that residents can learn more by requesting a well tour.

45. Purchase of Refrigerated Liquid Carbon Dioxide for the Pecos Surface Water Treatment Plant and the Ocotillo Brine Reduction Facility
Move City Council approve the purchase of refrigerated liquid carbon dioxide, from Reliant Gases, Ltd., utilizing City of Glendale Contract No. C25-1252, in an amount not to exceed \$630,000.
46. Purchase of a Solid Waste Wheel Loader
Move City Council approve the purchase of a wheel loader, from Empire Machinery, utilizing State of Arizona Contract No. CTR078503, in the amount of \$330,073.53.
47. Purchase of a Solid Waste Hydraulic Excavator
Move City Council approve the purchase of a hydraulic excavator from Empire Machinery, utilizing State of Arizona Contract No. CTR078503, in the amount of \$296,295.65.
48. Purchase of Water Treatment Chemicals
Move City Council award Agreement No. PW6-885-5060 to Brenntag Pacific, LLC., Chemrite Incorporated, Environmental Operating Solutions, Inc., Hill Brothers Chemical Company, Pencco, Inc., Polydyne, Inc.; PVS DX, Inc., Thatcher Company of Arizona, Inc., Univar Solutions USA, Inc., Veolia WTS USA, Inc., for the purchase of water treatment chemicals, in a combined amount not to exceed \$12,580,000, for a one-year term, August 15, 2026, through August 14, 2027, with the option of up to four one-year extensions.
49. Purchase of Hydrochloric Acid (HCL) 35%
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50. Purchase of Traffic Signal Heads and Components
Move City Council approve the purchase of traffic signal heads and components, from Clark Electric Sales, Inc., utilizing Maricopa County Agreement No. 220205-C, in an amount not to exceed \$240,000.
51. Purchase of Pole Painting Services
Move City Council approve the purchase of pole painting services, from OLS Restoration, Inc., utilizing City of Mesa Contract No. 2024033, in an amount not to exceed \$412,000.
52. Purchase of Streetlights, Signals, and Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Components
Move City Council approve the purchase of streetlights, signals, and ITS components, from CS Construction, Inc., utilizing Town of Gilbert Contract No. 323000238, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000.

Informational

53. Special Event Liquor Licenses and Temporary and Permanent Extensions of Liquor License Premises Administratively Approved
54. Claims Report for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2026
55. Contracts and Agreements Administratively Approved, Month of July 2026

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

Approval Date of Minutes: September 14, 2026

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Study Session of the City Council of Chandler, Arizona, held on the 10th day of August 2026. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

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Meeting Minutes

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Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Kevin Hartke at 6:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Council Attendance

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Councilmember Jane Poston
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John Pombier, City Manager
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*Vice Mayor Encinas and Councilmember Harris attended virtually.

Invocation

The invocation was given by Rabbi Israel Nelson, Beth Emanuel.

Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilmember Ellis.

Consent Agenda and Discussion

Budget and Policy

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JOSEPH RACK, 200 E. Knox Rd., Chandler, AZ, spoke in opposition to item 2. He shared that previous meetings seeking public input on increasing rates were not well advertised or well attended. The 7% increase was approved and was effective in January 2026. He stated that he was opposed to the increase so soon after the previous rate increase.

MAYOR HARTKE shared that utility rate increases are hard decisions that Council faces. The city intends to apply small adjustments to utility rates to fund infrastructure improvements. He asked the City Manager if information regarding utility rate increases will be posted on the city website.

JOHN POMBIER, City Manager, said yes.

MAYOR HARTKE emphasized the importance of publishing and publicizing public hearings for fee increases seeking public input.

City Manager

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Cultural Development

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36. Purchase of Mobile Communication Services for Fiscal Year (FY) 2026-27
Move City Council approve the purchase of mobile communication services, from AT&T FirstNet, utilizing the State of Arizona Contract No. CTR052804, in an amount not to exceed \$290,000.

Public Works and Utilities

37. Resolution No. 6007, Amending the Sustainable Water Service Agreement Between Applied Materials, Inc., and the City of Chandler
Move City Council pass and adopt Resolution No. 6007, approving an Amended Sustainable Water Service Agreement between Applied Materials, Inc., a Delaware Corporation, and the City of Chandler, allocating Tier II Water for a semiconductor equipment manufacturing facility located at 2377 South Arizona Avenue.
38. Resolution No. 6023, Authorizing a Firming Water Delivery Agreement Between the Central Arizona Water Conservation District and the City of Chandler
Move City Council pass and adopt Resolution No. 6023, authorizing a Firming Water Delivery Agreement between the Central Arizona Water Conservation District and the City of Chandler.
39. Resolution No. 6026, Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement Between the City of Chandler and Maricopa County for Right-of-Way Assistance for the Armstrong Way and Hamilton Street Improvements Project
Move City Council pass and adopt Resolution No. 6026, approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Chandler and Maricopa County for Right-of-Way Assistance for the Armstrong Way and Hamilton Street Improvements project ST2301.401.
40. Construction Agreement with Weber Water Resources, LLC, for the Tumbleweed Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well No. 8 – Drilling, Located at 650 East Ryan Road
Move City Council award Construction Agreement No. WW2403.401, to Weber Water Resources, LLC, for the Tumbleweed Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well No. 8 – Drilling, located at 650 East Ryan Road, in an amount not to exceed \$2,355,310.

41. Professional Services Agreement with Matrix New World Engineering, Land Surveying and Landscape Architecture, P.C., for the Tumbleweed Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well No. 8, Construction Management Services Located at 650 East Ryan Road
Move City Council award Professional Services Agreement No. WW2403.451, to Matrix New World Engineering, Land Surveying and Landscape Architecture, P.C., for the Tumbleweed Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well No. 8, Construction Management Services, located at 650 East Ryan Road, in an amount not to exceed \$231,832.97.
42. Professional Services Agreement with Wilson Engineers, LLC, for the Tumbleweed Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well No. 8, Design Services Located at 650 East Ryan Road
Move City Council award Professional Services Agreement No. WW2403.202, to Wilson Engineers, LLC, for the Tumbleweed Aquifer Storage and Recovery Well No. 8, Design Services, located at 650 East Ryan Road, in an amount not to exceed \$642,714.
43. Professional Services Agreement with CDM Smith, Inc., for the Germann Lift Station Rehabilitation Design Services Located at the Southeast Corner of Hamilton Street and Germann Road
Move City Council award Professional Services Agreement No. WW2603.201, to CDM Smith, Inc. for the Germann Lift Station Rehabilitation Design Services, in an amount not to exceed \$292,110.
44. Professional Services Agreement with Wilson Engineers, LLC, for the Basha Water Production Facility, and Ocotillo and Pleasant Wells Rehabilitation Design Services, located at 4675 S. Basha Road, 4015 S. Nebraska Street, and 4877 S. Pleasant Street
Move City Council award Professional Services Agreement No. WA2502.201, to Wilson Engineers, LLC, for the Basha Water Production Facility, and Ocotillo and Pleasant Wells Rehabilitation Design Services, in an amount not to exceed \$1,799,451.
45. Purchase of Refrigerated Liquid Carbon Dioxide for the Pecos Surface Water Treatment Plant and the Ocotillo Brine Reduction Facility
Move City Council approve the purchase of refrigerated liquid carbon dioxide, from Reliant Gases, Ltd., utilizing City of Glendale Contract No. C25-1252, in an amount not to exceed \$630,000.
46. Purchase of a Solid Waste Wheel Loader
Move City Council approve the purchase of a wheel loader, from Empire Machinery, utilizing State of Arizona Contract No. CTR078503, in the amount of \$330,073.53.
47. Purchase of a Solid Waste Hydraulic Excavator
Move City Council approve the purchase of a hydraulic excavator from Empire Machinery, utilizing State of Arizona Contract No. CTR078503, in the amount of \$296,295.65.

48. Purchase of Water Treatment Chemicals
Move City Council award Agreement No. PW6-885-5060 to Brenntag Pacific, LLC., Chemrite Incorporated, Environmental Operating Solutions, Inc., Hill Brothers Chemical Company, Pencco, Inc., Polydyne, Inc.; PVS DX, Inc., Thatcher Company of Arizona, Inc., Univar Solutions USA, Inc., Veolia WTS USA, Inc., for the purchase of water treatment chemicals, in a combined amount not to exceed \$12,580,000, for a one-year term, August 15, 2026, through August 14, 2027, with the option of up to four one-year extensions.
49. Purchase of Hydrochloric Acid (HCL) 35%
Move City Council approve Agreement No. PW5-885-4950, Amendment No. 1, with Brenntag Pacific, Inc., and Univar Solutions USA, LLC., for the purchase of hydrochloric acid (HCL) 35%, in an amount not to exceed \$1,200,000, for a one-year term, September 1, 2026, through August 31, 2027.
50. Purchase of Traffic Signal Heads and Components
Move City Council approve the purchase of traffic signal heads and components, from Clark Electric Sales, Inc., utilizing Maricopa County Agreement No. 220205-C, in an amount not to exceed \$240,000.
51. Purchase of Pole Painting Services
Move City Council approve the purchase of pole painting services, from OLS Restoration, Inc., utilizing City of Mesa Contract No. 2024033, in an amount not to exceed \$412,000.
52. Purchase of Streetlights, Signals, and Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) Components
Move City Council approve the purchase of streetlights, signals, and ITS components, from CS Construction, Inc., utilizing Town of Gilbert Contract No. 323000238, in an amount not to exceed \$750,000.

Consent Agenda Motion and Vote

Councilmember Ellis moved to approve the Consent Agenda of the August 13, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting; Seconded by Councilmember Poston.

Motion carried unanimously (7-0).

Informational

53. Special Event Liquor Licenses and Temporary and Permanent Extensions of Liquor License Premises Administratively Approved
54. Claims Report for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2026
55. Contracts and Agreements Administratively Approved, Month of July 2026

Unscheduled Public Appearances

MAYOR HARTKE requested City Manager to speak on the status of Chandler's contract with Flock, which has been cancelled.

MR. POMBIER said that after reviewing information presented by Flock, questions raised by city Council and residents, and the circumstances surrounding the pilot program, the city determined that additional policies and safeguards were needed regarding the use of Automated License Plate Reader (ALPR) technology and associated data. He said the city decided to discontinue use of the Flock cameras while staff develop clear policies and guidelines addressing data use and the handling of future incidents. He stated that any future consideration of ALPR technology would provide City Council with sufficient information to make an informed decision and ensure appropriate safeguards are in place.

MAYOR HARTKE stated there is no active ALPR contract being considered by City Council and no items related to ALPR or Flock currently on the City Council agenda. He said a future City Council could consider the use of ALPR technology after reviewing applicable policies, safeguards, and contract terms. He asked the City Attorney to confirm that the current City Council could not prevent a future Council from reconsidering the issue.

TAWN KAO, Acting City Attorney, said that is correct.

MR. POMBIER clarified that all Flock cameras have been turned off and city employees no longer have access to the cameras or the data they produce. He stated that the city's agreement for the second set of 26 cameras has been paid through March and has not been cancelled. He said the city will consult with the City Attorney's Office and Flock regarding contractual and financial matters going forward. He emphasized that the cameras are no longer being used by the City of Chandler.

MAYOR HARTKE asked when the Flock cameras would be physically removed.

MR. POMBIER said that the city has requested that the cameras be removed as quickly as possible but does not control the timing of their removal. He reiterated that city employee access to the cameras and associated data has been discontinued to ensure the cameras are not being used by the City of Chandler.

REID NIMMER, 1210 N. Tercera Ct., Chandler, AZ, spoke against the use of ALPRs in Chandler. He shared information from Axon's 2018 AI Ethics Board stating that while ALPRs can aid law enforcement in important ways, there are serious concerns about its unregulated use, including the potential to exacerbate enforcement of low-level offenses. He requested limited use of ALPRs to police vehicles only or a smaller retention time of data captured. He requested ALPRs to be removed from use in Chandler.

JENNY VITALE, 3321 N. Nebraska St., Chandler, AZ, spoke about concerns with safety in micro trenching projects occurring in the city. She reported that outside contractors are not working to approved project plans, which leads to construction crews using a slurry backfill which is not appropriately applied to the job site. She explained that this improper procedure could lead to weakened road infrastructure. She requested staff to stop micro trenching projects until field construction can be properly completed according to project plans.

HARRISON REDMOND, 741 S. Stanley Pl., Chandler, AZ, urged Council to pass an ordinance banning all ALPRs in Chandler. He stated that ending the Flock contract was the right thing to do, due to relentless advocacy by community members. He shared that examples of misuse are not a Flock problem, but an ALPR problem. He requested Chandler be a leading voice on privacy protections and ban ALPRs.

WILLIAM HOLDEN, 1781 W. Lynx Way, Chandler, AZ, shared that he is with the Ocotillo Lakes Homeowners Association, an association of homes north of Sun Lakes. He reported there have been four water main breaks at the same 150 feet of pipe within the past three years. He said the issue was repaired but the city did not properly backfill under the concrete monument. The association sought a geotechnical report to assess the work needed, but the city has not completed this request. He requested the city address two outstanding claims and properly complete the work needed to address the backfill.

MAYOR HARTKE requested staff to follow up on this request.

MR. POMBIER said yes.

ROHITH CHANDRASHAKER, 800 W. Oakland St., Chandler, AZ, thanked Council for ending its contract with Flock. He requested full transparency in Chandler Police's investigation into Flock, reform of the Chandler Records Department, and to reject bids from all other ALPR companies.

NATHAN TAYLORTAFT, 695 E. Sheffield Ave., Chandler, AZ, requested for the city operated Flock cameras remaining in Chandler to be physically covered, as there have been instances reported of Flock operating cameras despite a contract being terminated. He requested City Council pass an ordinance prohibiting the city from using ALPRs or accessing ALPR data from other agencies or private entities.

COUNCILMEMBER HARRIS asked City Manager to ensure that Mr. Taylortaft's ordinance is shared with Council.

MR. POMBIER confirmed.

MICHAEL OEI, 1817 N. Dobson Rd., Chandler, AZ, shared that concerns with ALPRs are not due to law enforcement misuse, but due to the companies themselves. He called for a total ban on ALPRs

in Chandler. He requested instead of spending money to make ALPR solutions work, to invest in other community supported initiatives, such as utility assistance.

ERIC FOWLER, 973 W. Ivanhoe St., Chandler, AZ, thanked Chandler for taking the first step away from ALPR use and requested the city to follow through with removing Flock from Chandler for freedom for its residents. He requested that all cameras be physically covered immediately and that the City Council pass the ordinance to ban the use of ALPRs.

COUNCILMEMBER HARRIS asked if Flock cameras can be covered before Flock removes them.

MR. POMBIER stated that he does not know where all these cameras are placed and the logistics of covering the cameras. Staff can look into the logistics of covering the cameras to ensure they are not recording but could not estimate a timeframe.

COUNCILMEMBER HARRIS asked how long it would take for staff to complete this request.

MR. POMBIER said by next week he could share a plan of how long it would take and how that goal can be accomplished.

COUNCILMEMBER HARRIS said Bryan Chapman, Police Chief, should have a map of locations of Flock cameras in Chandler. He requested staff follow up and provide more detail to Council.

PATRICK GILLILAND, 596 W. Del Rio St., Chandler, AZ, said he is relieved to hear Chandler has canceled its contract with Flock. He said Chandler is leading the way on turning off Flock cameras and saying no to surveillance.

YEGOR ZENKOV, 213 S. Windstream Pl., Chandler, AZ, requested that City Council pass the ordinance to say no to ALPRs and respond to Freedom of Information Act requests.

ANJ BAILEY, 1619 W. Maplewood St., Chandler, AZ, thanked Chandler for ending their partnership with Flock, and encouraged the city to refuse any future partnerships with ALPR companies, including passing an ordinance to pose a complete ban on ALPRs. She said the City of Chandler has the opportunity to be a leading force in rejecting mass surveillance and setting an example for other cities. She shared that the best protection for communities is to invest in them.

AMELIA NGUYEN, 200 W. Jasper Dr., Gilbert, AZ, requested that Chandler not continue the search for a different ALPR vendor, and instead invest in the community.

BROCK WILSON, P.O. Box 1064, Gilbert, AZ, stated that the issue with ALPRs is not the lack of guiderails in the system, but instead the mass surveillance perpetuated by the ALPR companies. He requested the Flock cameras be removed in Chandler.

KATELYNN CONTRERAS, 2712 N. 7th St., Phoenix, AZ, with the ACLU of Arizona, requested City Council uphold the constitutional rights of Chandler residents. ALPR technology poses a violation of constitutionally protected rights to privacy. She urged City Council adopt a ban on ALPR technology and protect the right to privacy.

JASON CHAVEZ, 10665 W. Poinsettia Dr., Avondale, AZ, thanked City Council for discontinuing the contract with Flock. He advocated for the coverage or removal of the Flock cameras due to cybersecurity concerns.

JUNIPER KUR, 8480 E. Thoroughbred Tr., Scottsdale, AZ, congratulated City Council for terminating the contract with Flock. She requested the city ban the use of ALPRs and not seek a contract with any other ALPR company.

Current Events

Mayor's Announcements

MAYOR HARTKE announced the Arizona League of Cities and Towns Annual Conference will be held August 18-21 at the Arizona Biltmore Resort.

MAYOR HARTKE recognized the retirement of Michelle Mac Lennan, Cultural Arts Manager, and thanked her for her 27 years of service to the Chandler Center to the Arts. He welcomed Julianna Crespo, who has been appointed as the new general manager of the Chandler Center for the Arts. The Chandler Center for the Arts will reopen in Fall 2026 following its current renovation.

MAYOR HARTKE announced Chandler will kick off Hispanic Heritage Month with Chandler Contigo Dia de Fiesta on September 12, 2026 beginning at 4:00 p.m. at Dr. A. J. Chandler Park Stage Plaza featuring a night of culture, music, tradition, and community in Downtown Chandler.

MAYOR HARTKE welcomed Deryck Lavelle, newly appointed City Attorney.

Council's Announcements

COUNCILMEMBER HAWKINS shared the Vision Gallery's upcoming exhibition "The Collectionists: Artwork by Laura Spalding Best and Heidi Dauphin" which explores the human desire to gather through the personal collections of two local artists. The show will be on display at the Vision Gallery from August 22 through November 7. To accompany this exhibition, the Chandler Museum will be hosting the Office of Collecting and Design, a traveling museum devoted to the diminutive, the misplaced, the unusual and the forgotten, from October 7-11. Tickets will go on sale later this month.

City Manager's Announcements

None.

Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 6:51 p.m.

ATTEST: _____
City Clerk

Mayor

Approval Date of Minutes: September 14, 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 13th day of August 2026. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

DATED this _____ day of September, 2026.

City Clerk