Meeting Minutes
City of Chandler
Police PSPRS Local Board
Regular Meeting

September 2, 2026 | 9:00 a.m.
Council Chambers Conference Room
88 E Chicago St., Chandler, AZ

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Turner at 9:02 a.m.

Roll Call
Board Attendance
Chairperson Steven Turner
Citizen Member Bill Crawford
Citizen Member Valerie Remington
Police Member Elect Ariel Werther
Police Member Elect Mitchell Janda

Staff Attendance
Nichole Bombard, Medical Leave Coord.
Destinee Martinez Peru, Medical Leave Coord.

Others Present
Andrew Apodaca, Board Attorney

Absent

Scheduled and Unscheduled Public Appearances
None

Consent Agenda and Discussion
1. **Regular Meeting Minutes of Wednesday, September 2, 2026**

Consent Agenda Motion and Vote

Police Member Elect Werther moved to approve the meeting minutes of the City of Chandler Police PSPRS Local Board Regular Meeting on September 2, 2026; Police Member Elect Janda.

Motion carried unanimously (5-0)

> ***Executive Session -*** *Pursuant to A.R.S. Section 38-431.03 (A), the City of Chandler Police PSPRS Local Board may vote to convene in executive session to discuss or consider confidential records exempt by law from public inspection, and/or to consult with the Board's attorney for legal advice and to consider the Board's position and to instruct the Board's attorney regarding its position on the following items. The Board will take action on those items in open session.*

Action Agenda Item No. 2 and Discussion

2. **New Membership for Gawlik and Herrera**
   Consideration, Discussion, and appropriate Action for New Membership for Matthew Gawlik and Carlos Herrera

Action Agenda Item No. 2 Motion and Vote

Police Member Elect Werther moved to find that following employees met the applicable PSPRS membership definitions for service with the City of Chandler Police Department; Matthew Gawlik, Police Officer Lateral not certified, with a hire date of August 11, 2026, and a Tier 3 membership date of November 9, 2026; Carlos Herrera, Police Officer-Recruit, with a hire date of September 1, 2026, and a Tier 3 membership date of November 30, 2026. Seconded by Police Member Elect Janda.

Motion carried unanimously (5-0)

Action Agenda Item No. 3 and Discussion

3. **Pre-Existing Medical Condition(s) Review for Gawlik and Herrera**
   Consideration, Discussion, and appropriate Action for review of Pre-Existing Medical Condition(s) for Matthew Gawlik and Carlos Herrera

Action Agenda Item No. 3 Motion and Vote

Police Member Elect Werther moved to approve no pre-existing conditions for Matthew Gawlik and Carlos Herrera. Seconded by Police Member Elect Janda.

Motion carried unanimously (5-0)

Action Agenda Item No. 4 and Discussion

4. **Hiring PSPRS Retiree**

Consideration, Discussion, and appropriate action for hiring PSPRS retiree, Gregory Thudium.
Nichole Bombard affirmed Mr. Thudium participated in an open, competitive new hire process prior to the hiring.

Action Agenda Item No. 4 Motion and Vote

Police Member Elect Werther moved to approve the re-hiring of Gregory Thudium, a retired City of Chandler Police Officer, as a Civilian Range Instructor. Mr. Thudium participated in an open, competitive new hire process for the nonsupervisory position. Mr. Thudium's rehire date of September 8, 2026, is more than 60 days after his retirement date of July 1, 2026. The position is not a Public Safety eligible position; therefore, the City of Chandler is not responsible for paying the PSPRS alternate contribution rate. Seconded by Police Member Elect Janda.

Motion carried unanimously (5-0)

Action Agenda Item No. 5 and Discussion

5. **Membership Termination Mann and Savittieri**
   Consideration, Discussion, and appropriate Action regarding the termination of PSPRS membership for Andrew Mann and Phillip Savittieri

Action Agenda Item No. 5 Motion and Vote

Police Member Elect Werther moved to terminate the PSPRS membership for Andrew Mann, Police Officer, effective September 18, 2026, the date of his voluntary resignation; Phillip Savittieri, Police Officer, effective September 20, 2026, the date of his voluntary resignation. Seconded by Police Member Elect Janda.

Motion carried unanimously (5-0)

Action Agenda Item No. 6 and Discussion

6. **2027 Board Meeting Dates**
   Consideration, Discussion, and appropriate Action for 2027 Board meeting dates.

Action Agenda Item No. 6 Motion and Vote

Police Member Elect Werther moved to approve the 2027 Board meeting dates as presented in the Board memo. Seconded by Police Member Elect Janda.

Motion carried unanimously (5-0)

Member Comments/Announcements

Calendar

7. **Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 4, 2026, at City Hall, Council Chambers Conference Room, 88 E. Chicago St., Chandler, AZ at 9:00 a.m.

Informational Items

8. **Board Reports**

a. Police Board DROP Report
b. Police Board Billing Report
c. PSPRS Police Board Action Reports
   - Normal Retirements
   - DROP
   - Disability Retirements
   - Military Leave
   - Service Purchase

9. **Member Updates**

- Don Whipple, Police Officer, Enter DROP October 31, 2026

Adjourn

Chairperson Turner moved to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Police Member Elect Janda. The motion carried unanimously (5-0). The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 a.m.

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Nichole Bombard, Secretary Steve Turner, Chairperson