

City of Fontana

8437 Sierra Avenue
Fontana, CA 92335



Minutes

Tuesday, July 14, 2026

2:00 PM

**Steelworkers' Auditorium
8437 Sierra Avenue
Fontana, Ca. 92335**

City Council Meeting

*Acquanetta Warren - Mayor
Peter A. Garcia - Mayor Pro Tem
John B. Roberts - Council Member
Jesus "Jesse" Sandoval - Council Member
Phillip Cothran - Council Member
Germaine Key - City Clerk
Janet Koehler-Brooks, City Treasurer*

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:

A. 2:00 P.M. Call To Order/Roll Call:

The Regular Meeting of the Fontana City Council was held in the Steelworkers' Auditorium, 8437 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, CA 92335, on Tuesday, July 14, 2026.

Mayor Warren called the Regular City Council Meeting to order at 2:02 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Warren, Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, Council Members Cothran, and Roberts.

City Treasurer Janet Koehler-Brooks and City Clerk Germaine Key were also present.

ABSENT: Council Member Sandoval

INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The invocation was given by Council Member Roberts, followed by the pledge of allegiance led by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia.

CEREMONIAL/ SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS:

- A. Presentation of Miss Fontana Court 26-1122**
Council Member Cothran introduced the 2026 Miss Fontana Pageant Court, who were recognized by Mayor Warren and the City Council for their accomplishments.
- B. Mayor Warren and City Council to proclaim August 4, 2026, 26-1136 as National Night Out (Police Chief Michael Dorsey to accept).**
Mayor Warren and City Council proclaimed August 4, 2026, as National Night Out. Police Chief Michael Dorsey accepted and invited the community to attend National Night Out.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:

The following individuals spoke under public communications:

Frank Trainor expressed concerns about the ongoing use of illegal fireworks, citing public safety risks and property impacts, and urged the City to take stronger enforcement measures.

George Sabbagh thanked the City for recent accessibility improvements at Cherry Avenue and Vital Path and expressed appreciation for the services provided by the Fontana Pathways Clubhouse.

Asher urged the City not to support U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) or Department of Homeland Security (DHS) activities in Fontana and advocated for a more humanitarian approach to immigration and a pathway to citizenship.

Grace requested expressed concerns regarding several Consent Calendar items, including interfund loans, funding for the navigation center, and AI-related police services.

John Pedroza called for the removal of a Parks, Community and Human Services Commissioner, citing alleged misconduct during a police-involved incident resulting in a death, and referenced ongoing investigations and legal action related to the case.

Isabel Rios called for the removal of a Parks, Community and Human Services Commissioner, citing alleged misconduct during a police-involved incident resulting in a death, and referenced ongoing investigations and legal action related to the case.

Victor Rios Sr. called for the removal of a Parks, Community and Human Services Commissioner, citing alleged misconduct during a police-involved incident resulting in a death, and referenced ongoing investigations and legal action related to the case.

Victor Rios Jr. called for the removal of a Parks, Community and Human Services Commissioner, citing alleged misconduct during a police-involved incident resulting in a death, and referenced ongoing investigations and legal action related to the case.

Gio Tovar called for the removal of a Parks, Community and Human Services Commissioner, citing alleged misconduct during a police-involved incident resulting in a death, and referenced ongoing investigations and legal action related to the case.

Michael Li introduced himself as a Fontana resident and local business owner, expressed an interest in learning more about local government and public safety, and stated his intention to become more involved in the community.

Hailee Hightower reflected on events that occurred one year earlier and expressed frustration with the handling of the matter.

Police Chief Michael Dorsey stated that the Fontana Police Department does not have any involvement or relationship with federal immigration enforcement activities and is compliant with Senate Bill 54. He noted that federal immigration enforcement may occur within the City without prior notification to the Department, and the Department does not provide support or assistance for those operations.

City Manager Matt Ballantyne clarified that the Parks, Community, and Human Services Commission meets quarterly and serves in an advisory capacity to the City Council. The Commission does not take formal action independently but may provide recommendations for City Council consideration. Meetings are canceled if there are no agenda items to discuss.

CONSENT CALENDAR:

Prior to the motion, Mayor Warren requested that Items E, F, U, and AC, which were referenced during Public Communications, be pulled for staff presentation and discussion.

Item E

Deputy City Manager Phil Burum provided the staff report.

Item F

Deputy City Manager Burum provided the staff report.

Item U

Police Chief Dorsey provided the staff report.

Item AC

Deputy City Manager Burum provided the staff report.

ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Cothran, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, and passed by a vote of 4-0 to approve Consent Calendar Items “A-AC.” The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Cothran, and Roberts; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Sandoval

- A. Approval of Minutes 26-1117**
Approve the minutes of June 23, 2026, Regular City Council Meeting.
- B. Adoption of Ordinance No. 1993 (Second Reading), authorizing adoption of new or increased sewer services fees by Resolution, and taking certain other actions relating thereto. 26-1112**
Conduct a second reading by title only and adopt, **Ordinance No. 1993**, authorizing adoption of new or increased sewer services fees by Resolution, and taking certain other actions relating thereto.
- C. Final Acceptance of the Bus Pad (Transit Stop Improvements) TDA 2023 Project (DE-25-182-CC) 26-1070**
Accept as complete the work performed by Gentry General Engineering, Inc. for the construction of the Bus Pad (Transit Stop Improvements) TDA 2023 Project (DE-25-182-CC).
- D. Purchase and Sale Agreement between the City of Fontana and San Bernardino County Transportation Authority for the Acquisition of a Portion of Assessor’s Parcel Number 26-1094**

0191-291-19-0000

1. Approve a Purchase and Sale Agreement and Joint Escrow Instructions between the City of Fontana and San Bernardino County Transportation Authority for the acquisition of approximately 6,194 square feet of real property identified as a portion of Assessor's Parcel Number 0191-291-19-0000, for a purchase price of \$111,000, plus escrow costs and related acquisition fees.
2. Authorize the City Manager to enter into the Purchase and Sale Agreement and/or any other documents necessary or appropriate to facilitate said purchase on behalf of the City of Fontana.

E. Authorize Operating funding to the Stage Red Enterprise Fund 26-1102

1. Approve funding for operating expenses to ASM Global in an amount not to exceed \$1,685,413.
2. Amend the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for the inter-city loan between the City of Fontana General Fund, Capital Reinvestment (Fund 601), and the Stage Red Enterprise Fund, increasing the loan by \$1,685,413 from \$2,064,587 to \$3,750,000.

F. Award a Construction Contract for the West End Regional Navigation Center Project (Bid No. DE-26-222-SB) 26-1103

1. Approve and authorize the City Manager to award and enter into a construction contract not to exceed \$14,620,100 that includes a 10% contingency with the lowest responsible/responsive bidder for the construction of the West End Regional Navigation Center Project (Bid No. DE-26-222-SB).
2. Appropriate \$4,200,000.00 from fund 604 (Transitional Use Tax) to Project No. 37600084, West End Regional Navigation Center Project.

G. Approve Amendment No. 1 to the Main Extension Contract with San Gabriel Valley Water Company 26-1104

1. Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into Amendment No. 1 to the Main Extension Contract with San Gabriel Valley Water Company in the amount of \$195,000.00.
2. Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into future Amendments to the Main Extension Contract with San Gabriel Valley Water Company not to exceed \$100,000.00.

H. Approve Amendment No. 4 to Task Order No. 4 for Design Services with KOA, a Lochner Company, for the Sierra Avenue at Riverside Avenue Traffic Signal Project (SQ-87-DE-19) 26-1105

1. Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into Amendment No. 4 to Task Order No. 4 with KOA, a Lochner Company, for the Sierra Avenue

at Riverside Avenue Traffic Signal Project in the amount of \$145,570.00, for a total task order amount of \$293,470.00.

2. Authorize the City Manager to enter into any future amendments to the Task Order not exceeding \$100,000.00.

I. Award a Task Order for Geotechnical Observation, Materials Testing, and Special Inspection Services for Fire Station No. 80 - Training Center Project (Bid No. DE-24-195-SQ-16) 26-1106

1. Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into the Task Order with Ninyo & Moore Geotechnical and Environmental Sciences Consultants, Inc. for Geotechnical Observation, Materials Testing, and Special Inspection services for the Fire Station No. 80 - Training Center Project (Bid No. DE-24-195-SQ-16) in the amount of \$395,605.00.
2. Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into future amendments to the Task Order for Geotechnical Observation, Materials Testing, and Special Inspection services for Fire Station No. 80 - Training Center Project not to exceed \$100,000.00.

J. Approve and Authorize the City Manager to enter into a Maintenance Agreement to Establish Maintenance Obligations and Certain Rights Incidental to the Public Right-of-Way with HDO4, LLC 26-1107

Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into a Landscape Maintenance Agreement to establish maintenance obligations and certain rights incidental to the public right-of-way along John Previti Avenue and Citrus Avenue.

K. Approve the purchase order to Oriental Trading Company to support materials/supplies for the Fontana Expanded Learning Program's school sites. 26-1108

1. Authorize to procure Teaching Aids: Instructional and Classroom Supplies utilizing the Purchasing Policy and Procedure Manual Section 3.1.5 Non-Competitive Proposal - Purchased by Another Agency.
2. Authorize Purchasing Division to procure and use the Education Services Center, Region 2 Agency Contract 26-27 E000 to purchase the Instructional and Classroom Supplies.
3. Authorize the purchase order to Oriental Trading Company for FY 2026/2027 in the amount of \$200,000 to support materials/supplies for the Fontana Expanded Learning Program's school sites.

L. Approve the purchase order of Millu curriculum to support the Fontana Expanded Learning Program's school sites. 26-1109

1. Approve the Non-Competitive Proposal purchase under the Purchasing Policies Procedures 3.1.5 for Single Source/Sole Source method.

2. Approve the purchase order in the amount of \$144,172.31 with Millu curriculum to support character and social emotional development enrichment for the Fontana Expanded Learning Program's school sites.

M. Approve a contract with Active Education to support physical education component for the Fontana Expanded Learning Program's school sites. 26-1110

1. Approve the Non-Competitive Proposal purchase under the Purchasing Policies 3.1.5 for Single Source/Sole Source method.
2. Approve a contract in the amount of \$180,180.00 with Active Education to support physical education component for the Fontana Expanded Learning Program's school sites.
3. Authorize the City Manager to enter into the agreement and any future amendments.

N. Approve Task Order for Engineering Design Services for the O'Day Short Elementary Safe Routes to School Project 26-1111

1. Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into a Task Order in a not-to-exceed amount of \$106,798.20 with Onward Engineering for Engineering Design Services for the O'Day Short Elementary Safe Routes to School Project, Request for Proposals DE-24-195-SQ-15.
2. Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into any future amendments to the Task Order in a not-to-exceed amount of \$100,000.00.
3. Authorize the City Manager to enter into any and all utility agreements, utility easements, and any related items on behalf of the City of Fontana for the O'Day Short Elementary Safe Routes to School Project.

O. Declaring Surplus Land - Property located at Arrow Blvd & Tokay Ave (APN 0232-171-17) 26-1113

1. Approve **Resolution No. 2026-069**, declaring that the City-owned property on Arrow Blvd & Tokay Ave (Assessor's Parcel Number 0232-171-17) is "Surplus Land" pursuant to the Surplus Land Act, Government Code Section 54220 Et Seq.; and approving the form of Notice of Availability.
2. Authorize the City Manager and/or his designee(s) to take all actions necessary or appropriate to comply with the Surplus Land Act.

P. Police Department Monthly Information Update 26-1115

Accept the Police Department monthly information update for April 2026.

- Q. Police Department Monthly Information Update 26-1116**
Accept the Police Department monthly information update for May 2026.
- R. Approve Amendment No. 6 to the Professional Services Agreement for Architectural Design Services for the City Hall Renovation Project - Phase II (City Hall; DE-24-147-SP) 26-1121**
Approve and authorize the City Manager to enter into Amendment No. 6 to the Professional Services Agreement with Sillman Wright Architects for Architectural Design Services for the City Hall Renovation Project - Phase II (DE-24-147-SP) in the amount of \$324,890.00, for a total contract amount of \$3,119,200.00.
- S. Annual Placement of Sewer Charges on the Property Tax Rolls 26-1127**
Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-070**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, directing the placement of sewer charges on the property tax bills for collection.
- T. Measure I Five Year Local Street Capital Improvement Program Annual Adoption 26-1120**
Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-071**, approving an amendment to the Fiscal Years 2025/2026-2029/2030 Measure I Five Year Local Streets Capital Improvement Program (CIP) adopting the Measure I Five Year Local Streets Capital Improvement for Fiscal Years 2026/2027-2030/2031.
- U. Approve Purchase of Closure Intelligence AI Software 26-1131**
 1. Approve the Non-Competitive Proposal purchase under the Purchasing Policies and Procedure Manual 3.1.5 for Single/Sole Source method.
 2. Authorize the purchase and installation of the Closure Intelligence AI Software
 3. Approve and authorize the City Manager or his assigned designee to execute documents related to the purchase of Closure Intelligence, Inc. AI software
- V. Annual Placement of Nuisance Abatement Charges on the Property Tax Rolls 26-1137**
Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-072**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, directing the placement of Nuisance abatement charges on the property tax bills for collection for FY2026/2027.
- W. Annual Placement of Weed Abatement Charges on the Property Tax Rolls 26-1139**
Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-073**, to replace and repeal Resolution No. 2025-041 of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, directing the placement of weed abatement charges on the property tax bills for collection.

- X. Annual Placement of Rubbish Charges on the Property Tax Rolls 26-1140**
Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-074**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, directing the placement of rubbish charges on the property tax bills for collection.
- Y. Resolution of Consideration to Change the Rate and Method of Apportionment of the Existing Special Tax of Community Facilities District No. 117 (Southridge) 26-1142**
Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-075**, of the City Council of the City of Fontana, California, of Consideration to Change the Rate and Method of Apportionment of the Existing Special Tax of City of Fontana Community Facilities District No. 117 (Southridge).
- Z. Second Amendment to Option and Purchase and Sale Agreement for City owned property 26-1143**
1. Approve the Second Amendment to the Option and Purchase and Sale Agreement with SA Golden Investments, Inc., for city owned land located at the northwest corner of Arrow Boulevard and Sierra Avenue consisting of approximately 21,600 square feet, more specifically described as APNs 0191-163-26, 0191-163-17, and 0191-163-16
2. Authorize the City Manager to enter into any documents necessary or appropriate to effectuate said approvals and/or agreement, including any related financing or subordination documents required to effectuate the close of escrow and development of the property.
- AA. Authorization to Join the California JPIA Local Government Liability Reform Coalition 26-1145**
1. Authorize the City of Fontana to join the California Joint Powers Insurance Authority (California JPIA) Local Government Liability Reform Coalition; and
2. Authorize the use of the City's logo on coalition materials by approving the attached authorization form.
- AB. Adoption of Comprehensive Capital Improvement Plan 26-1146**
Adoption of Comprehensive Capital Improvement Plan
- AC. Resolution of the City Council of the City Of Fontana, California Approving and Adopting the Fontana Business Assistance Loan Program and Guidelines 26-1147**
1. Consideration of **Resolution No. 2026-079**, to approve and adopt the implementation of the Fontana Business Assistance Loan Program, subject to Guidelines and attachments.
2. Determination that the City Council's actions are not subject to and

otherwise exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA").

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- A. First General Plan Amendment and Project for the 1st General Plan Cycle of 2026; Master Case (MCN) No. 23-000034 & Master Case (MCN) No. 23-000044: General Plan Amendment (GPA) No. 23-000002, Specific Plan Amendment (SPA) No. 23-000002, Tentative Tract Map No. 20646 (TTM No. 26-0006), Tentative Parcel Map No. 20851 (TPM No. 23-000008) & Design Review (DRP) No. 23-000011, Conditional Use Permit (CUP) No. 23-00005, & Development Agreement (AGR) No. 23-000012 - A Request to Amend the General Plan Land Use Designation for an Approximately 9.3-Acre Site Located at the Northwest Corner of Sierra Avenue and Terra Vista Drive (APN: 0239-081-52) from Residential Planned Community (R-PC) to General Commercial (C-G), to Amend The Arboretum Specific Plan to Modify Allowed Land Uses and Reconfigure Planning Areas and Park Sites, for Site and Architectural Review of a Proposed Commercial Center Consisting of 69,617 Square Feet of Commercial Development (49,362 Square Foot Grocery Store With a 13,017 Square Foot Inline Shop Building, 9,544 Square Foot Pad Building, and a 3,694 Square Foot Drive Thru Restaurant), For a Conditional Use Permit For the Sale of Alcohol For Off-Site Consumption in Conjunction With the Proposed Grocery Store, For A Tentative Tract Map to Reconfigure and Parcelize the Remaining Planning Areas and Park Sites in the Specific Plan Area, For a Tentative Parcel Map to Subdivide the Retail Center, and to Amend The Arboretum Specific Plan Development Agreement to Reflect Modified Land Uses in the Specific Plan, Pursuant to an Addendum to the Arboretum Specific Plan Environmental Impact Report..** **26-1043**
1. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-076** (General Plan Amendment Cycle No. 1 of 2026) a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fontana approving, pursuant to an Addendum to the Arboretum Specific Plan Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse [SCH] No. 2006071109), General Plan Amendment No. 23-000002 Tentative Tract Map No. 20646 (TTM No. 26-0006), Tentative Parcel Map No. 20851 (TPM No. 23-000008), Design Review No. 23-000011, and Conditional Use Permit Mo. 23-000005 for the property identified by Assessor's Parcel Number 0239-081-52, including amendments to exhibit 15.8 and 15.9 in chapter 15 of the General Plan, subdivision of the property, site and architectural approval of a 69,617 square foot commercial center, and a Conditional Use Permit authorizing the sale of alcohol for off-site consumption in connection with a grocery store at the commercial center; and

2. Read by title only and waive further reading of and introduce **Ordinance No. 1994**, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fontana, approving pursuant to an Addendum to the Arboretum Specific Plan Environmental Impact Report, Specific Plan Amendment No. 23-000002, an amendment to the Arboretum Specific Plan to modify permitted land uses and to reconfigure planning areas and park sites; and that the reading of the title constitutes the first reading thereof; and
3. Read by title only and waive further reading of and introduce **Ordinance No. 1995**, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fontana, approving, pursuant to an Addendum to the Arboretum Specific Plan Environmental Impact Report, a third amendment to the Arboretum Specific Plan Development Agreement; and that the reading of the title constitutes the first reading thereof.

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia announced that he would be recusing himself from this item due to his residence being located near the project site.

Mayor Warren opened the public hearing.

Associate Planner Cecily Session-Goins provided the staff report.

Council Member Cothran inquired about potential traffic congestion and vehicle circulation challenges at the proposed shopping center, particularly at entry points and within the site.

Associate Planner Session-Goins responded that the project design provides sufficient stacking space and circulation through multiple access points on Sierra and Terra Vista, and that the site layout is expected to minimize traffic impacts.

Discussion ensued regarding buffering between the proposed commercial development and future residential areas, including sound walls, retaining walls, and site design features to address noise and visual impacts. Staff also addressed circulation near the adjacent school, pedestrian safety, future traffic improvements along Sierra Avenue, and noted that future residential development plans are not yet submitted.

With no requests to speak in favor or opposition. Mayor Warren closed the public hearing.

ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Roberts, seconded by Council Member Cothran, and passed by vote of 3-0 to approve Public Hearing Item "A." The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Cothran, and Roberts; NOES: None; RECUSE: Garcia; ABSENT: Sandoval

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia returned to the meeting.

**B. Master Case No. (MCN) 26-0004; Specific Plan Amendment 26-1118
(SPA) No. 26-0001; Conditional Use Permit (CUP) No. 26-0001;**

Conditional Use Permit (CUP) No. 26-0002; Conditional Use Permit (CUP) No. 26-0003; Conditional Use Permit (CUP) No. 26-0011 and Design Review (DR) No. 26-0002: a request to amend the text of Planning Area 4 of the Ventana Specific Plan to add gas stations and drive-throughs as conditionally permitted uses, a request to establish a gas station; a request to establish an Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type 20 (Beer & Wine, Off-Sale) license for a proposed convenience store as part of the gas station; a request to establish an Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC) Type 21 License (General, Off-Sale), and Type 86 ABC License (Sampling) for a proposed grocery store, a request to establish a drive-through use for a standalone building within the proposed retail shopping center; a request to establish a drive-through use for a portion of a multi-tenant building, and a request for site and architectural review of a commercial shopping center, on an 11.55 acre parcel, located at APN: 1107-262-07, and -65, pursuant to an addendum to the Ventana Specific Plan Final Environmental Impact Report (SCH No. 2021100400).

1. Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-077**, a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Fontana approving, pursuant to an Addendum to the Environmental Impact Report for the Ventana at Duncan Canyon Specific Plan (SCH No. 2021100400), Conditional Use Permit No. 26-0001 to establish a gas station and alcoholic beverage control type 20 beer and wine off-sale license for the convenience store as part of the gas station, Conditional Use Permit No. 26-0002 to establish an Alcoholic Beverage Control Type 21 general off-sale license and an Alcoholic Beverage Control Type 86 sampling license for a proposed grocery store, Conditional Use Permit No. 26-0003 to establish a drive-through use for a standalone building, Conditional Use Permit No. 26-0011 to establish a drive-through use for a suite as part of a multi-tenant building, and approving Design Review Permit No. 26-0002 for development of a new 98,783 square foot retail shopping center and associated site improvements on approximately 11.55 gross acres located on the southwest corner of Duncan Canyon Road and John Previti Avenue, identified as Assessor's Parcel Numbers 1107-262-07 and -65; and
2. Read by title only and waive further reading of and introduce **Ordinance No. 1996**, an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Fontana approving, pursuant to an Addendum to the Environmental Impact Report for the Ventana at Duncan Canyon Specific Plan (SCH No. 2021100400), Specific Plan Amendment No. 26-0001 to add gas station and drive through uses as conditionally permitted uses to Planning Area 4 of the Ventana at Duncan Canyon Specific Plan; and that the reading of the title constitutes the first reading thereof.

Mayor Warren opened the public hearing.

Associate Planner Session-Goins provided the staff report.

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia inquired about potential traffic conflicts between the proposed gas station and surrounding uses, noting similar circulation issues at another shopping center.

Associate Planner Session-Goins explained that site design features, including a retaining wall, designated circulation paths, and directional traffic flow around the gas station, are intended to improve vehicle movement and reduce conflicts.

Council Member Cothran inquired about site grading, access points, pedestrian connectivity, and vehicle circulation for the proposed development.

Associate Planner Session-Goins explained that retaining walls would address grade differences, access points would be limited to right-in/right-out movements, and adequate vehicle queuing would be provided. She also discussed pedestrian access routes and noted that the site includes enhanced walkability features, including internal walkways and protected sidewalks.

Council Member Cothran expressed appreciation for the pedestrian improvements and noted the importance of accommodating future drive-through traffic.

The following individuals spoke in opposition:

1. Grace
2. Adda

Mayor Warren closed the public hearing.

ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Roberts, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Garcia, and passed by vote of 4-0 to approve Public Hearing Item “B.” The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Cothran, and Roberts; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Sandoval

C. Adopt Development Impact Fee Nexus Study and Updated Development Impact Fees 26-1017

Adopt **Resolution No. 2026-078**, adopting a Development Impact Fee Nexus Study, the findings contained therein, and revising the amount of Development Impact Fees to finance certain public facilities and taking certain other actions related thereto.

Mayor Warren opened the public hearing.

Deputy City Manager Burum provided the staff report.

Mayor Warren inquired about next steps following adoption of the development impact fee schedule.

Deputy City Manager Burum stated that recommendations would return to the City Council in September regarding potential revisions to the residential infill development impact fee

discount and a temporary reduction for commercial development to encourage timely investment and attract new businesses.

Mayor Warren emphasized the importance of supporting commercial growth and being prepared for upcoming development opportunities.

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia requested clarification of the definition of “single-family detached” as it relates to the 50% development impact fee discount and asked staff to provide consistent definitions for use by staff and applicants.

Deputy City Manager Burum confirmed they would incorporate clarifying language into the future resolution or ordinance. He also noted that, if approved, implementation of the updated fee schedule would be delayed until July 1, 2027, to allow projects currently in progress time to proceed under the existing fees.

Council Member Cothran inquired whether the proposed development impact fee increases would be implemented all at once or phased in over time.

Deputy City Manager Burum clarified that the recommendation is to implement the updated fee schedule in full on July 1, 2027, while any potential temporary fee reductions or incentives would be considered separately.

The following individuals spoke in favor:

1. Bill Blankenship, of NAIOP

The following individuals spoke in opposition:

2. Jennifer Cardenas

Mayor Warren closed the public hearing.

ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Roberts, seconded by Council Member Cothran, and passed by vote of 4-0 to approve Public Hearing Item “C.” The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Cothran, and Roberts; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Sandoval

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Fiscal Year 2025-26 Fourth Quarter Budget Status Report 26-1097

1. Approve the recommended Fiscal Year 2025-26 Fourth Quarter Budget adjustments.
2. Authorize the City Manager or Designee to make necessary year-end budgetary and accounting adjustments to facilitate the fiscal year-end closing process not to exceed 5% of a fund’s total operating budget.

Chief Financial Officer Jessica Brown provided the staff report.

Council Member Cothran inquired about the Fire Protection District's investment in the FXN studio.

Chief Financial Officer Brown explained that the investment supports emergency management communications, public safety outreach, and facility improvements that serve City purposes under the lease agreement.

ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Cothran, seconded by Council Member Roberts, and passed by vote of 4-0 to approve New Business Item "A." The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Cothran, and Roberts; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Sandoval

B. Transformative Climate Communities Program Application 26-1138

1. Consider the funding for the grant application submittal for three microgrid projects, specifically Don Day, City Civic Center and Jesse Turner Center and direct the City Manager, or City Manager's designee, to enter into any agreements and documents necessary to advance the application.
2. Authorize the method to procure utilizing the Purchasing Policies and Procedure Manual 3.1.5 Non-Competitive Proposal - (5) For renewable energy and energy efficiency projects.

Deputy City Manager Burum provided the staff report.

City Manager Ballantyne explained that Council approval was required for the design contract and that the project would position the City to pursue an estimated \$20–27 million grant while creating a shovel-ready project for future funding opportunities. The Council directed staff to proceed with the grant application and authorized the City Manager to execute the design contract.

ACTION: Motion was made by Council Member Roberts, seconded by Council Member Cothran, and passed by vote of 4-0 to approve New Business Item "B." The motion carried by the following vote: AYES: Warren, Garcia, Cothran, and Roberts; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Sandoval

ELECTED OFFICIALS COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Appointment to Fill Vacancy on the Parks, Community and Human Services Commission

The following individual was slated for appointment to the Parks, Community, and Human Services Commission for the unexpired term ending December 9, 2026:

1. Geoffrey Styles

ACTION: Motion was made by Mayor Warren, seconded by Council Member Cothran, and passed by vote of 4-0 to appoint Geoffry Styles as Parks, Community, and Human Services Commissioner. The motion carried by the following vote: **AYES:** Warren, Garcia, Cothran, and Roberts; **NOES:** None; **ABSTAIN:** None; **ABSENT:** Sandoval

CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS:

City Manager Ballantyne announced the cancellation of the July 28 Council meeting, with the next meeting anticipated on August 11. He recognized Community Services, Public Works, and the Police Department for a successful and safe Independence Day celebration, provided an update on fireworks enforcement under the new social host ordinance, and highlighted several consent calendar actions, including land acquisition for a future police substation, funding for the navigation center, establishment of a downtown business loan program, traffic signal and school-area improvements, and approval of contracts for after-school programming.

ELECTED OFFICIALS COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

City Clerk Key congratulated the newly crowned Miss Fontana Court, thanked Community Services staff for another successful Independence Day fireworks celebration, and wished her son-in-law a happy 50th birthday.

City Treasurer Koehler-Brooks thanked staff for a successful Independence Day fireworks event, recognized Chief Financial Officer Brown and staff for their work on the fourth quarter budget report, and encouraged everyone to have a safe summer.

Council Member Roberts commended staff, particularly Chief Financial Officer Brown, for the fourth quarter budget report highlighting the City's continued financial strength and development. He also expressed condolences to Council Member Sandoval on the loss of his brother and to the family of former Yucaipa Mayor Dick Riddell.

Council Member Cothran praised staff for another successful Independence Day celebration and requested information on business incentive programs used by other cities to encourage healthier restaurant options, suggesting the City explore similar initiatives through its Healthy Fontana efforts.

Mayor Pro Tem Garcia wished Mayor Warren and City Treasurer Koehler-Brooks a happy birthday and wished everyone a good evening.

Mayor Warren highlighted the success of the City's safe Independence Day celebration and ongoing enforcement efforts against illegal fireworks, thanked residents and staff for their participation in community events, promoted upcoming City events and entertainment at Stage Red, recognized the recent City Hall groundbreaking and the work of local organizations, and expressed condolences to the families of Council Member Sandoval's brother, former Yucaipa Mayor Dick Riddell, and Kandace Iman Simmons before adjourning the meeting in their memory.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Warren and the City Council led a moment of silence in memory of the following individuals:

1. Kandace Iman Simmons
2. Dick Ridell, former Yucaipa Mayor

Mayor Warren adjourned the meeting at 5:04 p.m. to the Regular City Council Meeting on Tuesday, August 11, 2026, at 2:00 p.m. in the Steelworkers' Auditorium located at 8437 Sierra Avenue, Fontana, California.

Christina Rudsell, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk

THE FOREGOING MINUTES WERE ADOPTED AND APPROVED BY THE FONTANA CITY COUNCIL ON AUGUST 11, 2026.

Germaine Key
City Clerk