

Cities Report
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AZUSA

The Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control (DACC) reminds residents that effective July 1, 2026, all animal control and sheltering services for the Cities of Baldwin Park and Azusa will transition to the Inland Valley Humane Society and S.P.C.A (IVHS/SPCA) in Pomona.

Earlier this year, both the City of Baldwin Park and the City of Azusa chose to terminate their contracts for services with DACC and contract with the IVHS/SPCA for animal control and sheltering services effective July 1, 2026.

As of July 1, residents of Baldwin Park and Azusa should contact the IVHS/SPCA for all matters related to animal neglect and cruelty, stray animals, licensing, and other animal control services previously provided by DACC. Animals originating from the Cities of Baldwin Park and Azusa must be taken to the IVHS/SPCA animal shelter in Pomona.

For any questions or inquiries regarding this change in service, residents are encouraged to reach out directly to IVHS/SPCA at:

Contact Information:

500 Humane Way
Pomona, CA 91766
(909) 623-9777
www.ivhsspca.org

BALDWIN PARK

Effective July 1, 2026, the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Care and Control will no longer be providing animal Care and control services to the City of Baldwin Park. These services will transition to the Inland Valley Humane Society (IVHS) and S.P.C.A.; located at 500 Humane Way, Pomona CA 91766. Hours of operation are; Monday – Saturday 8:30am – 5:30pm. 909-623-9777. www.ivhsspca.org

CHINO

The City of Chino is proud to announce a brand-new look for its website, featuring an updated design, improved navigation, enhanced mobile compatibility, and increased accessibility for all residents.

The City of Chino's revamped website features an eye-catching design that welcomes visitors with a sleek interface while providing easier access to the City's most visited pages, helping residents get where they need to go in just one click.

Key upgrades include:

Prominent homepage buttons that allow visitors direct access to information about the City Council, the Connection activity guide, business licenses, the Animal Resource Center of the Inland Empire (ARC), and more.

Enhanced mobile compatibility that ensures a smoother experience across all devices, no matter where or how you're browsing.

In addition to the website's new look, the City of Chino is improving accessibility by launching two powerful new tools:

DocAccess improves access to PDF documents by automatically generating accessible, user-friendly versions. This allows individuals using screen readers or other assistive technologies to better navigate and understand documents. It ensures compliance with federal accessibility standards and ADA regulations while expanding access to important public information.

AudioEye provides a suite of tools that enhance website accessibility in real time. Users can customize their browsing experience with features like text resizing, color contrast adjustments, and screen reader support. Behind the scenes, AudioEye also helps identify and address accessibility issues, supporting the City's ongoing efforts to meet accessibility requirements and create a more inclusive digital experience.

These improvements reflect the City of Chino's commitment to delivering a modern, user-friendly online experience that allows everyone in the community to get the most out of their City government.

Explore the new website at cityofchino.org.

CHINO HILLS

The City of Chino Hills remains firmly opposed to any return of large truck traffic to State Route 142 (SR-142) and Carbon Canyon Road. During a June 10 public hearing, the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) indicated that it intends to remove the current truck restrictions following completion of an environmental review process for the proposed widening of the SR-142 S-Curves, regardless of whether roadway safety improvements are ultimately constructed.

Following the hearing, the City reviewed the Truck Restriction Study approved by Caltrans in September 2023 with Iteris, the transportation consulting firm retained by the City to prepare the report that supported the implementation of truck restrictions. According to Iteris, the reference on Page 3 stating, "This restriction is temporary until long-term physical modification is completed under Project EA 1M780," refers to background information regarding the truck advisory that existed at the time the study was prepared and was not intended to characterize the truck restrictions recommended by the report as temporary. Project 1M780 is Caltrans' project number for the proposed S-Curve widening improvements.

The City will continue working with residents, transportation experts, legislative representatives, and Caltrans to pursue permanent truck restrictions and will challenge any decision that would reintroduce large truck traffic to Carbon Canyon Road. State Senator Kelly Seyarto, San Bernardino County

Supervisor Curt Hagman, and the Chino Valley Fire District have all submitted letters of opposition to Caltrans supporting permanent truck restrictions.

Residents are encouraged to submit public comments regarding the project to Caltrans by the end of the day today, June 17. To view the full Truck Restriction Study and information on how to submit public comments, visit www.chinohills.org/CarbonCanyon.

CLAREMONT

Beginning Monday, June 29, 2026, Golden State Water will begin construction of a new water main and service pipelines to meet a California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) compliance deadline by the end of the year.

Work will take place in the following locations:

Springfield Street (Arrow Highway to W. Oak Park Drive)

St. Augustine Avenue (Springfield Street to Oak Park Drive)

W. Oak Park Drive (S. Indian Hill Boulevard to St. Bonaventure Avenue)

Coe Street (Springfield Street to St. Bonaventure Avenue)

Creighton Circle (Springfield Street to end of cul-de-sac)

Construction will occur Monday through Friday from 8am to 4:30pm, excluding holidays or as otherwise directed by City staff.

All project streets will remain open to traffic during construction. However, temporary lane closures, approved detours, and traffic control measures will be necessary at various stages of the project. Motorists should expect periodic delays when traveling through the work area.

Please note that construction will not occur on all listed streets simultaneously. The project is expected to be completed by the end of September 2026.

For questions regarding the project, please contact the City's Engineering Division at (909) 399-5465.

COVINA

Covina residents packed into their City Hall to speak out against a proposed 3-acre battery storage facility that would be located near homes.

The project needs approval first from Covina's planning commission and then the full council. Covina City treasurer Neil Polzin said there is little financial benefit to the city if the battery facility is approved and openly questioned the motives of city leaders who may support it.

Covina residents said their concerns stem from lithium-ion battery fires, which could be tough to put out. In 2024, a truck carrying lithium-ion batteries crashed and burned on the 15 Freeway between Los Angeles and Las Vegas. The stretch of the major freeway stayed closed as the fire burned for two days.

Another lithium-ion fire in 2024 forced authorities to close one of the major freeways leading out of the Port of Los Angeles and Long Beach for a day.

DIAMOND BAR

City Council has voted unanimously, 5-0, to appoint Assistant City Manager Ryan McLean as Diamond Bar's next city manager at its regular meeting of June 16, 2026.

McLean will assume the role on July 1, following the retirement of City Manager Dan Fox who led the City's daily operations for the past nine years.

For McLean, this role is personal. His parents moved to Diamond Bar when he was young and they still live here. McLean attended Diamond Bar schools and graduated from UC Irvine with a degree in economics. In 2024, he earned the International City/County Management Association Credentialed Manager designation, and completed the Advanced Institute for Economic Development certification offered by the California Association for Local Economic Development.

McLean began his career in 1997 as a member of the recreation team that served Diamond Bar through a then-contract with City of Brea. He joined the City directly as a full-time recreation coordinator in 2001, moved to the City Manager's Office in 2005, and was promoted to deputy city manager in 2014. He has served as assistant city manager since 2016, overseeing the Parks and Recreation Department, and the divisions of Human Resources and Risk Management, City Clerk, Information Systems, and Community Relations.

Throughout his career, McLean has developed and honed his expertise in municipal operations at all levels, public safety, emergency management, economic development, community partnerships, community engagement, and executive leadership. He has served as acting director of Parks and Recreation, acting manager of Human Resources and Risk Management, and acting City Clerk on numerous occasions.

His work over the years has included leading the development of the City Council's first Strategic Plan; expanding the City's community outreach and engagement efforts; overseeing the City's transition from at-large to district-based City Council elections in compliance with state law; guiding key recruitments and succession planning, fostering positive employee relations, and advancing organizational process improvements to strengthen service delivery; and actively addressing the City's long-term fiscal challenges to ensure financial sustainability.

McLean is married and has a young daughter. Outside of work, he enjoys reading, running, playing guitar, and cheering on his Boston sports teams.

EL MONTE

Four years after beginning renovations to El Monte's Zamora Park, the city has finally accepted the project as complete.

When visiting then (as this reporter's first piece for Streetsblog) it felt like another decaying 50+ year old park in the San Gabriel Valley with hot metal play equipment, paint chipping off the restroom walls, and a gloomy wrought iron fence separating the park from the community center.

Zamora Park used to have its community center and picnic area fenced in.

It wasn't a dead park then by any means: the great lawn on the park's west side has long been home to soccer practices for neighborhood kids, and the South El Monte Arts Posse collective put on community programming during its yearlong tenure at the Zamora Art House on the park's premises.

Now, the rebuilt park feels refreshed and full of life, without being over-designed. A job well done by the First 5 L.A. and the city.

The walking path is getting lots of use by seniors, kids are enjoying the delightful new playground, people are relaxing in adirondack chairs in the shade, and the basketball courts are in play too – all this on a Tuesday morning. Add in the picnic area, workout stations, and splash pad, and this park is sure to get lively on weekends.

GLENDORA

The City of Glendora is excited to announce the launch of its new Weekend Community Shuttle, offering residents and visitors an easy, convenient way to reach parks, shops, restaurants, the library, and other popular destinations — without the hassle of parking or driving.

The shuttle service begins on Saturday, June 6, and will operate every Saturday and Sunday from 10:00am-7:30pm. To celebrate the launch, all rides will be free on opening weekend (June 6–7). Regular fares will begin on June 13. The new service aims to reduce traffic congestion, improve local mobility, and support the City's Strategic Plan for enhancing services that benefit a livable community for all.

Service Features:

Weekend service every Saturday and Sunday
Convenient stops at key destinations
Hop-on/hop-off convenience
Fares begin June 13

Route maps, schedules, and fare information are available at CityofGlendora.gov/Transportation.

LA VERNE

Vigilant Solutions announced that its fixed cameras are being used by the La Verne Police Department in California to improve the safety of the community. The network of 21 fixed cameras has been active now for eight months and is having a noticeable impact on the department's ability to both protect its neighborhoods from known vehicles of interest and investigate and close cases more rapidly, according to the company.

Lt. Chris Fenner explains, "La Verne is not a big city by any stretch of the imagination, but because we are in L.A. County we see our fair share of criminals either passing through our community or specifically coming into our community to perpetrate crimes. We take an oath to protect and serve, and we take that very seriously. We've seen otherwise peaceful communities turned upside down by crime; when that happens, it impacts everything – property values, quality of life, business, and much more. We

wanted to take a very proactive measure to reduce the crime that is taking place and prevent future crimes from ever occurring.

Staff said that the system has been a tremendous force multiplier for our department, and is helping us not only reduce – but prevent crime.

ONTARIO

Newmark announces that the Company has arranged the sale of Lakeview, a two-building Class A office campus in Ontario, California, within the Inland Empire West submarket for \$24.675 million to MGR Real Estate. The campus totals 106,345 square feet and includes 1.85 acres of excess land for immediate development.

Newmark Vice Chairman Paul Jones and Senior Managing Director Brandon White, in collaboration with Co-Head of U.S. Capital Markets Kevin Shannon, represented seller BH Properties in the transaction. MGR Real Estate was self-represented by its Founder and Chief Executive Officer, Michael G. Rademaker, and Tony Hermosillo, Vice President of Real Estate.

Lakeview comprises two Class A, three-story office buildings totaling 106,345 square feet with a 4.1 per 1,000 parking ratio which can be expanded utilizing the excess land on the 7.85-acre site. Built in late 2004 as part of the master-planned Centrelake Business Park, the buildings feature a steel-and-glass exterior with attractive central lobbies and a campus-like courtyard overlooking a lake.

Strategically located with immediate access to the I-10 Freeway between Haven Avenue and Archibald Avenue, the campus offers strong visibility and connectivity. The property is surrounded by walkable amenities, including restaurants and hotels, and is near Ontario Mills, Toyota Arena, the Ontario Convention Center and Ontario International Airport, which is less than a mile away.

POMONA

The City of Pomona is pleased to announce the appointment of Ryan Painter as Director of the City's new Department of Children and Youth.

Ryan brings more than 30 years of public service experience and a proven commitment to serving residents, building strong community partnerships, developing innovative programs, leading strategic planning efforts, and delivering exceptional public service.

Ryan's appointment is the first step in fully staffing the new department. As Director, he will lead the City's Children & Youth Accountability Board, build a grants program to award millions of dollars to Pomona's non-profit partners, and track long-term impact on Pomona's youth in a data-centered way.

RANCHO CUCAMONGA

The City of Rancho Cucamonga will implement new start times for City Council and Planning Commission meetings beginning in July 2026.

Starting with the July 15, 2026 meeting, City Council meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. (July 1 and August 5 City Council meetings have been cancelled). Planning Commission meetings will begin at 6:00 p.m. starting with the July 8, 2026 meeting.

While meeting start times are changing, meeting days will remain the same:

City Council meetings are held on the first and third Wednesdays of each month.

Planning Commission meetings are held on the second and fourth Wednesdays of each month.

Community members are encouraged to review agendas in advance, attend meetings in person, or watch meetings live and on-demand online.

SAN DIMAS

In-N-Out has signed a lease to occupy an entire 98,500-square-foot office building at 924 Overland Court in the San Dimas Corporate Park in San Dimas, according to CoStar.

In-N-Out's corporate headquarters is currently at 4199 Campus Drive, Suite 900 in Irvine, but the fast-food company announced last year, as part of a company reorganization, that it would leave its Orange County offices and move back to Baldwin Park, the LA County suburb where the restaurant was founded nearly 77 years ago.

The company had announced plans to move employees to an office in Baldwin Park and a new hub in Tennessee by the end of 2029.

UPLAND

The City recently conducted a quality of life survey. The results of that survey showed over two-thirds of respondents rated Upland's quality of life as good or excellent. The City is working to protect what makes the community strong, including supporting the small businesses that contribute to the community's character.

As part of these efforts, the City is reviewing the existing business license structure, which hasn't been updated since 1994 – 31 years ago.

They are working with the business stakeholders and small business owners to focus on approaches that support small businesses with no impact to residents and homeowners. The goal is for Upland's ordinance to match the current mix of businesses in our city, provide relief for small businesses, and ensure that the largest businesses pay their fair share for our essential city services.

If residents or business have questions, please contact businessupdate@uplandca.gov

WALNUT

Progressive Real Estate Partners has negotiated the sale of The Shops at Walnut Hills Plaza, a fully leased shopping center located at 18718-18766 Amar Road in Walnut. Portola Real Estate Partners acquired the asset from a Los Angeles-based private investor for \$13.5 million. Roxy Klein and Greg Bedell of Progressive Real Estate Partners represented the seller in the deal.

Built in 1983, The Shops at Walnut Plaza features 19 e-commerce-resistant tenants, including restaurants, medical, beauty and daily-needs operators. O'Reilly Auto Parts, Little Elephants Kids Place, Osuna's Mexican Restaurant, Papa John's Pizza, Native Fields Restaurant, Walnut Hills Family Dentistry, Pediatric Dentistry and Sky Nails are tenants at the 37,173-square-foot property.

WEST COVINA

The West Covina City Council has appointed Milan Mrakich as the City Manager of West Covina during its June 2, 2026, City Council meeting. Mrakich has served as Acting City Manager since May 2025 and brings nearly four decades of municipal government experience to the position.

Mrakich joined the City of West Covina in 2019 as Director of Public Safety and has played a key role in advancing public safety initiatives, strengthening interdepartmental collaboration, and supporting the City Council's strategic priorities. Since assuming the role of Acting City Manager in May 2025, he has provided steady leadership while overseeing city operations and guiding the organization through a period of transition.

Mrakich brings more than 40 years of experience in municipal government, having served in five cities with diverse populations, budgetary environments, and community priorities. More than 30 of those years have been spent in management and supervisory positions, where he has led teams, navigated complex organizational challenges, and fostered collaborative solutions tailored to the needs of each community.

Throughout his career, Mrakich has emphasized the importance of continuous learning, collaboration, and adapting to the evolving needs of the communities he serves. His extensive experience has provided him with a comprehensive understanding of municipal operations, strategic planning, public safety, organizational leadership, and community engagement.

As City Manager, Mrakich will continue to oversee the City's day-to-day operations, implement City Council policies and priorities, and work closely with residents, businesses, and community stakeholders to advance West Covina's goals and vision for the future. For more information, please visit the City of West Covina's website at www.westcovina.gov.