



CITY of ESCONDIDO

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 07, 2026

4:00 PM - Closed Session (Cancelled)

5:00 PM - Regular Session

Escondido City Council Chambers, 201 North Broadway, Escondido, CA 92025

WELCOME TO YOUR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

We welcome your interest and involvement in the legislative process of Escondido. This agenda includes information about topics coming before the City Council and the action recommended by City staff.

MAYOR

Dane White

DEPUTY MAYOR

Joe Garcia (District 2)

COUNCILMEMBERS

Consuelo Martinez (District 1)

Christian Garcia (District 3)

Judy Fitzgerald (District 4)

CITY MANAGER

Sean McGlynn

CITY ATTORNEY

Michael McGuinness

CITY CLERK

Zack Beck

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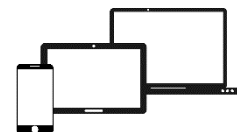
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REGULAR SESSION

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MOMENT OF REFLECTION

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FLAG SALUTE

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CALL TO ORDER

Roll Call: Fitzgerald, C. Garcia, J. Garcia, Martinez, White

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the Consent Calendar are not discussed individually and are approved in a single motion. However, Council members always have the option to have an item considered separately, either on their own request or at the request of staff or a member of the public.

1. AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION, MAILING, AND POSTING (COUNCIL/RRB)

2. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

Request the City Council approve the City Council and Housing Successor Agency warrants issued between December 08, 2025 to December 14, 2025.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Finance Department: Christina Holmes, Director of Finance)



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3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular meetings of December 10, 2025 and December 17, 2025

4. WAIVER OF READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

5. CONTINUING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF THE ESCONDIDO TRUNK SEWER MAIN

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2026-03, declaring that pursuant to the terms of Section 22050 of the California Public Contract Code, the City Council finds there is a need to continue the emergency repair of the Escondido Trunk Sewer Main.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Utilities Department: Daniel Peterson, Director of Utilities)

Presenter: Kyle Morgan, Assistant Director of Utilities, Wastewater

a) Resolution No. 2026-03

6. COUNCIL COMPENSATION

Request the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 2025-12R providing for an amendment to Escondido Municipal Code section 2-28(a) increasing the salary for councilmembers pursuant to Government Code § 36516 and Council Rules of Policy and Procedure Section B(9).

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Human Resources Department: Jessica Perpetua, Director of Human Resources)

Presenter: Jessica Perpetua, Director of Human Resources

a) Ordinance No. 2025-12R (Second Reading and Adoption)

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES (COUNCIL/RRB)

The following Resolutions and Ordinances were heard and acted upon by the City Council/RRB at a previous City Council/Mobilehome Rent Review meeting. (The title of Ordinances listed on the Consent Calendar are deemed to have been read and further reading waived.)

7. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT (MASTER AND PRECISE PLAN) TO ALLOW GROUND-FLOOR RESIDENTIAL USES FOR CONSTRUCTION OF 70 UNITS

Approved on December 10, 2025 with a vote of 4/0 (White- Absent)

a) Ordinance No. 2025-11 (Second Reading and Adoption)



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CURRENT BUSINESS

8. CDBG AND HOME OVERVIEW

Request the City Council receive and file this overview of the Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") and HOME Investment Partnership Program ("HOME").

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File (Development Services Department: Kevin Snyder, Director of Development Services)

Presenters: Dulce Salazar, Management Analyst; Norma Olquin, Management Analyst

FUTURE AGENDA

9. FUTURE AGENDA

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Staff Recommendation: None (City Clerk's Office: Zack Beck)

COUNCILMEMBERS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The most current information from the City Manager regarding Economic Development, Capital Improvement Projects, Public Safety, and Community Development.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

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ADJOURNMENT

UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE

Wednesday, January 14, 2026	4:00 & 5:00 PM	Closed Session, Regular Meeting, <i>Council Chambers</i>
Wednesday, January 28, 2026	4:00 & 5:00 PM	Closed Session, Regular Meeting, <i>Council Chambers</i>



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SUCCESSOR AGENCY

Members of the Escondido City Council also sit as the Successor Agency to the Community Development Commission, Escondido Joint Powers Financing Authority, and the Mobilehome Rent Review Board.



Consent Item No. 1

January 7, 2026

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STAFF REPORT

January 07, 2026
File Number 0400-40

SUBJECT**APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER****DEPARTMENT**

Finance

RECOMMENDATION

Approval for City Council and Housing Successor Agency warrants issued between December 08, 2025 to December 14, 2025

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Finance Department: Christina Holmes)

ESSENTIAL SERVICE – Internal requirement per Municipal Code Section 10

COUNCIL PRIORITY –

FISCAL ANALYSIS

The total amount of the warrants for the following periods are as follows:

Dates	12/08/2025 to 12/14/2025
Total	\$4,235,947.93
Number of Warrants	198

BACKGROUND

The Escondido Municipal Code Section 10-49 states that warrants or checks may be issued and paid prior to audit by the City Council, provided the warrants or checks are certified and approved by the Director of Finance as conforming to the current budget. These warrants or checks must then be ratified and approved by the City Council at the next regular Council meeting.



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COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

CLOSED SESSION

4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call: Fitzgerald, C. Garcia, J. Garcia, Martinez (White – Absent)

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

CLOSED SESSION

- I. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – PENDING LITIGATION (Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1))**
 - a. *Carstensen v. City of Escondido*
San Diego Superior Court Case No. 37-2024-000014854-CU-PO-NC
 - b. *Howard v. City of Escondido, et al.*
San Diego Superior Court Case No. CIVSB2517061

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Martinez adjourned the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK



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REGULAR SESSION

5:00 PM Regular Session

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Roll Call: Fitzgerald, C. Garcia, J. Garcia, Martinez (White – Absent)

PRESENTATION

San Diego County Air Pollution Control District

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

James Stone – Expressed concern regarding the Grand Ave Roundabout RFQ process.

Susan Niemi – Introduced her organization, *North County Community Services Growing Minds Early Education Programs* to the City Council

Lisa Richards – Expressed concern regarding homelessness in Escondido

Laura Hunter – Requested the formation of a Climate Commission

Richard Garner – Expressed concern regarding the vandalism of a public mural at the Escondido Creek Trail.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve items 1-6: Fitzgerald; Second: J. Garcia; Approved: 4-0 (White – Absent)



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1. AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION, MAILING, AND POSTING (COUNCIL/RRB)

2. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

Request the City Council approve the City Council and Housing Successor Agency warrants issued between November 17, 2025 to November 30, 2025.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Finance Department: Christina Holmes, Director of Finance)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None

4. WAIVER OF READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

5. APPROVAL OF THE FISCAL YEAR 2026/27 RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-140 to approve the Fiscal Year 2026/27 Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule ("ROPS") so that the Successor Agency may continue to make payments due for enforceable obligations. (File Number 0440-35)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Finance Department: Christina Holmes, Director of Finance)

Presenter: Christina Holmes, Director of Finance

a) Resolution No. 2025-140

6. ANNUAL FINANCIAL REPORT ON CAPITAL FUNDS FUNDED BY DEVELOPMENT IMPACT FEES PER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 66006

Request the City Council receive and file the Annual Financial Report on Development Impact Fees. (File Number 0410-20)

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File (Finance Department: Christina Holmes, Director of Finance)

Presenter: Christina Holmes, Director of Finance

CONSENT RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES (COUNCIL/RRB)

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7. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT TO SUPPORT THE ISKCON RESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION PROJECT PROPOSAL



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Approved on November 12, 2025 with a vote count of 3/2 (White, J. Garcia - No)

a) Ordinance no. 2025-07 (Second Reading and Adoption)

Motion: Martinez; Second: C. Garcia; Approved: 3-1 (J. Garcia – No)

PUBLIC HEARING

8. PL25-0020/PL25-0021/PL25-0023/PL25-0024: WEST VALLEY PARKWAY 70-UNIT TOWNHOMES

Request the City Council adopt the following Resolution and Ordinance; (1) Ordinance No. 2025-11 approving a Planned Development Permit (Master and Precise Plan) to allow for ground-floor residential uses on the subject property and (2) Resolution No. 2025-162 approving (a) Tentative Subdivision Map to merge two lots into one and allow for condominium units, (b) Design Review Permit for construction of 70 multi-family units, and (c) a Notice of Exemption. (File Number 0800-40)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Development Services Department: Kevin Snyder, Director of Development Services)

Presenter: Ivan Flores, Principal Planner

a) Resolution No. 2025-162

b) Ordinance No. 2025-11 (First Reading and Introduction)

Laura Hunter – Expressed support for the item.

Motion: C. Garcia; Second: Fitzgerald; Approved: 4-0 (White – Absent)

CURRENT BUSINESS

9. FIRE DEPARTMENT REQUEST: ADDITION OF SIXTH AMBULANCE FOR ESCONDIDO FIRE DEPARTMENT

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-161 approving funding for the purchase and staffing of one additional ambulance for the Escondido Fire Department. (File Number 0470-25)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Fire Department: John Tenger, Fire Chief)

Presenter: Deputy Fire Chief Tyler Batson

a) Resolution No. 2025-161



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Motion: C. Garcia; Second: J. Garcia; Approved: 4-0 (White – Absent)

10. RENT REVIEW BOARD GUIDELINES REVISIONS

Request the City Council, serving in its capacity as the Escondido Rent Review Board, adopt Resolution No. RRB 2025-163 amending the Mobilehome Review Board Guidelines. (File Number 0610-90)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Development Services: Kevin Snyder, Director of Development Services)

Presenters: Carlos Cervantes, Management Analyst; Danielle Lopez, Housing and Neighborhood Services Manager

a) Resolution No. RRB 2025-163

Louise Reed – Expressed concern regarding

Victoria Nayak – Expressed opposition to tying CPI to mobile home rent increases.

Motion: Martinez; Second: Fitzgerald; Approved: 4-0 (White – Absent)

11. REVIEW AND UPDATE OF CITY COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE AND INTERAGENCY ASSIGNMENTS

Request the City Council ratify members to serve on Interagency Boards and Council Subcommittees. (File Number 0610-55)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (City Clerk's Office: Zack Beck, City Clerk)

Presenter: Zack Beck, City Clerk

Item moved to December 17, 2025

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Martinez/C. Garcia – Traffic Safety Public Information Campaign



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CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The most current information from the City Manager regarding Economic Development, Capital Improvement Projects, Public Safety, and Community Development.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Deputy Mayor Martinez adjourned the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK



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CLOSED SESSION

4:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call: Fitzgerald, C. Garcia, J. Garcia, Martinez, White

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None

CLOSED SESSION

I. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS (Government Code § 54956.8)

- a. Property: 340 N. Escondido Blvd., Escondido (California Center for the Arts, Escondido)
 Agency Negotiator: Sean McGlynn, City Manager, or designees
 Negotiating Party: California Center for the Arts, Escondido, Foundation
 Under Negotiation: Terms of Management Agreement

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 4:45 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK



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REGULAR SESSION

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CLOSED SESSION REPORT

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Joel Dievendorf – Shared concerns from the Canopy Grove HOA

CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion to approve items 1-13: White; Second: Fitzgerald; Approved: 5-0

1. AFFIDAVITS OF PUBLICATION, MAILING, AND POSTING (COUNCIL/RRB)

2. APPROVAL OF WARRANT REGISTER

Request the City Council approve the City Council and Housing Successor Agency warrants issued between December 01, 2025 to December 07, 2025.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Finance Department: Christina Holmes, Director of Finance)

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Regular meeting of December 3, 2025

4. WAIVER OF READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS



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5. **BENEFITS CONSULTING AND BROKERAGE SERVICES**

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-155, authorizing the Mayor to execute, on behalf of the City, a Consulting Agreement with Alliant Insurance Services, Inc. for employee benefits and insurance brokerage services. (File Number 0600-10; A-3576)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Human Resources Department: Jessica Perpetua, Director of Human Resources)

Presenter: Patrice Russell, Human Resources Manager

a) Resolution No. 2025-155

6. **DISPATCH STANDBY PROGRAM**

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-173, approving the implementation of a Dispatch Standby program with the Escondido Police Officers' Association ("POA") – Non-Sworn ("NSP") Bargaining Unit. (File Number 0740-30)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Human Resources Department: Jessica Perpetua, Director of Human Resources)

Presenter: Jessica Perpetua, Director of Human Resources

a) Resolution No. 2025-173

7. **AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF WINDSOR GARDENS FENCE PROJECT, SECOND AMENDMENT TO CONSULTANT CONTRACT WITH JPW COMMUNICATIONS, INC., AND A BUDGET ADJUSTMENT**

Request the City Council (1) adopt Resolution No. 2025-151 awarding a construction contract to Dash Construction Company, Inc. and authorizing the Mayor, on behalf of the City, to execute a Public Improvement Agreement in the amount of \$681,985.00 for construction of the Windsor Gardens Fence Project, (2) adopt Resolution No. 2025-152 approving a Second Amendment to the existing consultant contract with JPW Communications, Inc. in the amount of \$21,265; and (3) approve a budget adjustment in the amount of \$890,000 to fund the construction contract and related expenses, and the consultant contract amendment. (File Number 0600-10; A-3577-A; A-3577-B-2)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Development Services Department: Kevin Snyder, Director of Development Services)

Presenters: Matt Souttere, Principal Engineer and Jason Christman, Interim City Engineer

a) Resolution No. 2025-151



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b) Resolution No. 2025-152

8. CONTINUING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF THE ESCONDIDO TRUNK SEWER MAIN

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-164, declaring that pursuant to the terms of Section 22050 of the California Public Contract Code, the City Council finds there is a need to continue the emergency repair of the Escondido Trunk Sewer Main. (File Number 1330-85)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Utilities Department: Kyle Morgan, Interim Director of Utilities)

Presenter: Kyle Morgan, Interim Director of Utilities

a) Resolution No. 2025-164

9. FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 STATE OF CALIFORNIA CITIZEN'S OPTIONS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY PROGRAM GRANT AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-160 authorizing the Escondido Police Department to accept a Fiscal Year 2025-26 Citizens' Option for Public Safety Program Grant in the amount of \$229,884; approving grant expenditures consistent with guidelines in AB1913; authorizing the Chief of Police or their designee to execute grant documents on behalf of the City; and approving budget adjustments needed to spend grant funds. Grant Funds will cover salary expenses for part-time Police Department employees. (File Number 0480-70)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Police Department: Ken Plunkett, Chief of Police)

Presenter: Ken Plunkett, Chief of Police

a) Resolution No. 2025-160

10. FISCAL YEAR 2024 OPERATION STONEGARDEN GRANT AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-159 to (1) accept Fiscal Year 2024 Operation Stonegarden Grant Funds in the amount of \$10,000 from the California Office of Emergency services through the County of San Diego and (2) authorize the Chief of Police or his designee to execute grant documents on behalf of the city and approve budget adjustments needed to spend grant funds. (File Number 0480-70)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Police Department: Ken Plunkett, Chief of Police)

Presenter: Ken Plunkett, Chief of Police

a) Resolution No. 2025-159



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11. PERATON - COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH (CAD) FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE MASTER MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-169 authorizing the Mayor to execute a First Amendment to the Maintenance Agreement with Peraton, Inc. for the Police Department's existing Computer Aided Dispatch ("CAD") System in the amount of \$244,395 for the period of January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. (File Number 0600-10; A-3542-1)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Police Department: Ken Plunkett, Chief of Police)

Presenter: Ken Plunkett, Chief of Police

a) Resolution No. 2025-169

12. COMPUTER AIDED DISPATCH (CAD) CONTRACT AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-170 (1) authorizing the purchase of a new Computer Aided Dispatch ("CAD") system; (2) authorizing the Mayor to execute a Public Service Agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc.; and (3) establishing a project budget adjustment. (File Number 0600-10; A-3578)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Police Department: Ken Plunkett, Chief of Police)

Presenter: Erik Witholt, Police Captain

a) Resolution No. 2025-170

13. FISCAL YEAR 2025-26 REGIONAL REALIGNMENT RESPONSE GRANT AND BUDGET ADJUSTMENT

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-171 (1) authorizing the Chief of Police to accept a Fiscal Year 2025-26 Regional Realignment Response Grant in the amount of \$80,000 from the State of California Board of Community Corrections; (2) authorizing the Chief of Police or his designee to execute grant documents on behalf of the City; and (3) approving budget adjustments needed to spend grant funds. (File Number 0480-70)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Police Department: Ken Plunkett, Chief of Police)

Presenter: Ken Plunkett, Chief of Police

a) Resolution No. 2025-171

14. APPROVAL OF FIRST AMENDMENT TO PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH LIBRARY SYSTEMS & SERVICES LLC. TO OPERATE THE ESCONDIDO PUBLIC LIBRARY THROUGH JUNE 30, 2028

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-172 authorizing the Mayor to execute, on



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behalf of the City, a First Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement between the City of Escondido and Library Systems and Services extending the Agreement until June 30, 2028. (File Number 0600-10; A-3516-1)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (City Manager's Office: Sean McGlynn, City Manager)

Presenter: Joanna Axelrod, Deputy City Manager

a) Resolution No. 2025-172

Laura Hunter – Expressed opposition to this item

Ana Marie Velasco – Expressed opposition to this item

Ed Fallen – Expressed opposition to this item

Maria Wallace – Expressed opposition to this item

Randee Griffin – Expressed opposition to this item

Michele Schmalvogel – Expressed opposition to this item

Eric Nelson – Expressed opposition to this item

Joanne Tenney – Expressed opposition to this item

Motion: White; Second: Fitzgerald; Approved: 4-1 (Martinez – No)

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15. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 31, SECTION 200 THROUGH 203, INCLUSIVE, PERTAINING TO CROSS-CONNECTION CONTROL REGULATIONS

Approved on December 3, 2025 with a vote count of 5/0.

a) Ordinance No. 2025-08 (Second Reading and Adoption)

16. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 6 OF THE ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL CODE, TO ADOPT THE 2025 CALIFORNIA



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BUILDING, RESIDENTIAL, PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL, MECHANICAL, HISTORICAL BUILDING, EXISTING BUILDING AND ENERGY CODES, AND THE GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE

Approved on December 3, 2025 with a vote count of 5/0.

a) Ordinance No. 2025-09 (Second Reading and Adoption)

17. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 11 OF THE ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADOPT THE 2025 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE AND THE WILDLAND-URBAN INTERFACE CODE AND LOCAL AMENDMENTS

Approved on December 3, 2025 with a vote count of 5/0.

a) Ordinance No. 2025-10 (Second Reading and Adoption)

PUBLIC HEARINGS

18. CONTINUED FROM NOVEMBER 12, 2025 MEETING - SHORT-FORM RENT INCREASE APPLICATION FOR CAREFREE RANCH MOBILE HOMEPARK

Request the City Council sitting as the Escondido Rent Review Board hold a public hearing to review and consider Carefree Ranch Mobilehome Park Short-Form Application and adopt Resolution No. RRB 2025-131. (File Number 0697-20-10354)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Development Services Department: Kevin Snyder, Development Services Director)

Presenters: Carlos Cervantes, Management Analyst and Stephen Jacobson, Code Compliance Officer II

a) Resolution RRB No. 2025-131

Jim Younce – Expressed support for this item.

Victoria Nayak – Expressed opposition to this item.

Motion: Martinez; Second: White; Approved: 5-0

19. PL24-0091/PL24-0092/PL24-0093/PL24-0094/PL24-0095/PL25-0324 – THE MAPLE – DOWNTOWN SPECIFIC PLAN AMENDMENTS, DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT, PLANNED DEVELOPMENT PERMIT, AND DESIGN REVIEW PERMIT

Request the City Council adopt the following Resolutions and Ordinance, approving the Project: adopt Ordinance No. 2025-13, (a) approving a Specific Plan Amendment, Development Agreement, Planned Development Permit (Master and Precise Plan) to facilitate construction



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of a 128 multi-family development, and (b) adoption of a Fifth Addendum to the FEIR 2012 General Plan Update, Downtown Specific Plan Update, and Climate Action Plan, including the revised Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program; (c) adopt Resolution No. 2025-168, approving a Design Review Permit for construction of a 128 multi-family development project. (File Number 0800-40)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Development Services Department: Kevin Snyder, AICP, Director of Development Services)

Presenter: Ivan Flores, AICP, Principal Planner

a) Resolution No. 2025-168

b) Ordinance No. 2025-13 (First Reading and Introduction)

Item continued to January 7, 2026

CURRENT BUSINESS

20. COUNCIL COMPENSATION

Request the City Council consider adoption of Ordinance No. 2025-12 amending Escondido Municipal Code section 2-28(a) and section 2-28(b), after making findings supporting a salary increase for councilmembers and/or the mayor, respectively, to be effective in December 2026, pursuant to state law and the Escondido City Council Rules of Procedure. (File Number 0720-20)

Staff Recommendation: Provide Direction (Human Resources Department: Jessica Perpetua, Director of Human Resources)

Presenter: Jessica Perpetua, Director of Human Resources

a) Ordinance No. 2025-12 (First Reading and Introduction)

Motion to increase Councilmember Salary (Section A) by 5% in year one and 5% in year two and no increase to Mayor Pay (Section B): C. Garcia; Second: White; Approved:

21. UNCLASSIFIED AND MANAGEMENT SALARY AND BENEFITS PLAN, PART-TIME SALARY PLANS, AND FULL-TIME COMPENSATION SCHEDULE

Request the City Council take the following actions: adopt Resolution No. 2025-165 amending the Salary and Benefits Plan for the Unclassified and Management Groups; adopt Resolution No. 2025-166 amending the Part-time Salary Plan and Part-Time Classification and Benefits Plan; and adopt Resolution No. 2025-167 amending the full-time compensation schedule for all employee groups. (File Number 0720-20)



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Staff Recommendation: Approval (Human Resources Department: Jessica Perpetua, Director of Human Resources)

Presenter: Jessica Perpetua, Director of Human Resources

a) Resolution No. 2025-165

b) Resolution No. 2025-166

c) Resolution No. 2025-167

Motion: J. Garcia; Second: Martinez; Approved: 5-0

22. LETTER IN SUPPORT OF TRANSFERRING THE SAN PASQUAL BATTLEFIELD STATE PARK TO THE SAN PASQUAL BAND OF MISSION INDIANS

Request the City Council approve sending a letter to City of San Diego Mayor Todd Gloria expressing support for the transfer of San Pasqual Battlefield State Park to the San Pasqual Band of Mission Indians. (File Number 0610-75)

Staff Recommendation: None (City Clerk's Office: Zack Beck, City Clerk)

Presenter: Zack Beck, City Clerk

Motion: Fitzgerald; Second: J. Garcia; Approved: 5-0

23. APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY MAYOR

Request the City Council appoint Councilmember Joe Garcia to serve as Deputy Mayor in accordance with Ordinance No. 2020-28. (File Number 0610-70)

Staff Recommendation: None (City Clerk's Office: Zack Beck, City Clerk)

Presenter: Zack Beck, City Clerk

Motion: White; Second: C. Garcia; Approved: 5-0

24. REVIEW AND UPDATE OF CITY COUNCIL SUBCOMMITTEE AND INTERAGENCY ASSIGNMENTS

Request the City Council ratify members to serve on Interagency Boards and Council Subcommittees. (File Number 0610-55)

Staff Recommendation: Approval (City Clerk's Office: Zack Beck, City Clerk)

Presenter: Zack Beck, City Clerk

Joanne Tenney – Expressed opposition to this item



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Motion: White; Second: Fitzgerald; Approved: 5-0

FUTURE AGENDA

25. FUTURE AGENDA

The purpose of this item is to identify issues presently known to staff or which members of the City Council wish to place on an upcoming City Council agenda. Council comment on these future agenda items is limited by California Government Code Section 54954.2 to clarifying questions, brief announcements, or requests for factual information in connection with an item when it is discussed.

Staff Recommendation: None (City Clerk's Office: Zack Beck)

COUNCILMEMBERS SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS AND OTHER REPORTS

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

The most current information from the City Manager regarding Economic Development, Capital Improvement Projects, Public Safety, and Community Development.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

Angel Aguilar – Provided a recap of the Escondido Christmas Festival

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor White adjourned the meeting at 7:15 p.m.

MAYOR

CITY CLERK



STAFF REPORT

ITEM NO. 4

SUBJECT

WAIVER OF READING OF ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS –

ANALYSIS

The City Council/RRB has adopted a policy that is sufficient to read the title of ordinances at the time of introduction and adoption, and that reading of the full text of ordinances and the full text and title of resolutions may be waived.

Approval of this consent calendar item allows the City Council/RRB to waive the reading of the full text and title of all resolutions agendaized in the Consent Calendar, as well as the full text of all ordinances agendaized in either the Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances or General Items sections. **This particular consent calendar item requires unanimous approval of the City Council/RRB.**

Upon approval of this item as part of the Consent Calendar, all resolutions included in the motion and second to approve the Consent Calendar shall be approved. Those resolutions removed from the Consent Calendar and considered under separate action may also be approved without the reading of the full text and title of the resolutions.

Also, upon the approval of this item, the Mayor will read the titles of all ordinances included in the Introduction and Adoption of Ordinances section. After reading of the ordinance titles, the City Council/RRB may introduce and/or adopt all the ordinances in one motion and second.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the City Council/RRB approve the waiving of reading of the text of all ordinances and the text and title of all resolutions included in this agenda. Unanimous approval of the City Council/RRB is required.

Respectfully Submitted,

Zack Beck
City Clerk



STAFF REPORT

January 7, 2026
File Number 1330-85

SUBJECT

CONTINUING THE EMERGENCY REPAIR OF THE ESCONDIDO TRUNK SEWER MAIN

DEPARTMENT

Utilities Department

RECOMMENDATION

Request the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2026-03, declaring that pursuant to the terms of Section 22050 of the California Public Contract Code, the City Council finds there is a need to continue the emergency repair of the Escondido Trunk Sewer Main. The Resolution, which must be passed by four-fifths vote, also declares that public interest and necessity demand the immediate expenditure to safeguard life, health, or property.

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Utilities: Daniel Peterson, Director of Utilities)

Presenter: Kyle Morgan, Assistant Director of Utilities, Wastewater

ESSENTIAL SERVICE – Yes, Keep City Clean for Public Health and Safety; Sewer

COUNCIL PRIORITY –Improve Public Safety

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Funding for the Emergency Repair of the Escondido Trunk Sewer Main is available in the Wastewater Capital Improvement Project ("CIP") budget for Sewer Trunk Main, CIP No. 801913.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On June 26, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-86, ratifying Proclamation No. 2024-02, affirming that it was appropriate for City staff to forego competitive bidding procedures and work with contractors for the necessary emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main.

On July 10, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-94, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main.

On July 17, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-103, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main.



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On July 23, 2024, a Public Improvement Agreement with CCL Contracting, Inc. was executed for the emergency repair of Section 2, from Beech Street to Grape Day Park, on a time and materials basis in an amount not to exceed \$10,240,691.

On August 7, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-106, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main. In addition, City Council approved a budget adjustment in the amount of \$12,036,225 to fund the emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main, consisting of \$7,036,225 from the unallocated Wastewater Reserves and \$5,000,000 from Capital Improvement Project No. 801508, Recycled Easterly Ag MFRO.

On August 21, 2024, a Public Improvement Agreement with J.R. Filanc Construction Company was executed for the emergency repair of Section 1, Ash Street from the Firestone Complete Auto Care parking lot to the Walmart Neighborhood Market parking lot, on a time and materials basis in an amount not to exceed \$1,795,534.

On August 28, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-117, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main.

On September 11, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-131, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main.

On October 2, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-141, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main.

On October 23, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-146, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main.

On November 20, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-162, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main.

On December 4, 2024, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2024-178, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main.

On January 8, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-03, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main.

On January 29, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-06, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main.

On February 19, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-08, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer line.



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On March 19, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-14, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer line.

On April 2, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-19, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

On April 16, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-30, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

On May 7, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-38, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

On May 21, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-54, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

On June 4, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-58, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

On June 18, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-64, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

On July 16, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-86, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

On August 13, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-102, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line, authorized Change Order No. 01 to the Public Improvement agreement ("Agreement") with CCL Contracting, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$1, 397, 320.60; and approved a budget adjustment in the amount of \$1,397,320.60, from the Unallocated Reserves to the Wastewater Capital Improvement Project ("CIP") budget for Trunk Main/Norlak-HARRF.

On August 27, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-109, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

On September 17, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-113, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

On October 1, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-123, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

On October 15, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-127, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.



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On November 5, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-136, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

On December 3, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-156, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

On December 17, 2025, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-164, reaffirming that there was a need to continue efforts toward the emergency repair for the failing trunk sewer line.

BACKGROUND

The City's trunk sewer mains, constructed in the 1950's, are a critical and integral part of the City's wastewater system. In June 2024, during routine closed-circuit television inspection, Utilities Staff identified multiple failed and severely deteriorated sections of 18-inch and 21-inch trunk sewer main. In order to act quickly to avoid catastrophic failure, a local emergency was proclaimed on June 20, 2024, by the City Manager, serving as the Director of Emergency Services. The original scope of work included two sections of severely deteriorated trunk sewer main that are in critical condition. These sections are shown in **Figure 1** below and defined as follows:

Section 1: Ash Street - paralleling the Escondido Creek, from the Firestone Complete Auto Care ("Firestone") parking lot to the Walmart Neighborhood Market ("Walmart") parking lot; and
Section 2: Beech Street to Grape Day Park - paralleling the Escondido Creek, traversing a short section of North Hickory Street, then continuing in East Pennsylvania Street from North Hickory and extending into Grape Day Park.

Figure 1





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Section 1 emergency repair work began on August 7, 2024. All repairs to Section 1 are now complete.

Section 2 emergency repair work began on July 25, 2024, and is anticipated to be complete by January 16, 2026. The contractor, CCL Contracting, Inc. ("CCL"), has installed approximately 5,490 linear feet of trunk main, from Grape Day Park to Hickory Street, within Pennsylvania Avenue; north within Hickory Street from the intersection of Pennsylvania Avenue and Hickory Street to just south of the intersection of Hickory Street and Lansing Circle; easterly through the Westmont Assisted Living Community; and continues easterly within the City's Escondido Creek private property/public utility easement, paralleling the south side of Escondido Creek to Grape Street. Currently the contractor is working on E. Valley Parkway between Cedar and Beech St. The additional restoration work at Westmont Assisted Living Community, which included abandonment and slurry fill of 2,000 feet of 21-inch sewer, abandonment and slurry fill of 14 manholes, and repair of 40 feet of 21-inch trunk sewer line within the bike path at Date Street, has been completed.

In June 2025, a construction conflict with a 36" diameter water transmission main along the bike path was identified. City staff determined that rerouting the sewer trunk main from the bike path into East Valley Parkway, provided the best value to the city from a cost, constructability, product longevity, and risk mitigation. Construction on North Fig Street, south of the channel bridge, between Washington Avenue and Valley Parkway, began on September 2, 2025, and was completed on September 19, 2025. Utilities Construction on East Valley Parkway, between Fig Street and Beech Street, began on September 23, 2025 with work occurring at night to minimize the impact to the community. Additional work, to date, includes the installation of a modified storm drain box, seven manholes and seven laterals. Electronic message boards and signs updating the community are in place, where appropriate, throughout the construction project site and will remain through the duration of work.

Utilities Staff continues to communicate and coordinate with affected businesses and residents within the construction zone of influence, as well as other City Departments regarding current and upcoming construction, including the upcoming road closures.

RESOLUTIONS

- a) Resolution No. 2026-03

RESOLUTION NO. 2026-03

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, FINDING THAT AN EMERGENCY CONTINUES TO REQUIRE THE IMMEDIATE REPAIR OF THE ESCONDIDO TRUNK SEWER MAIN

WHEREAS, the City Council recognizes that the City's trunk sewer main pipeline defined in the two following critical sections are at risk of imminent, catastrophic failure:

Section 1: Ash Street - paralleling the Escondido Creek, from the Firestone Complete Auto Care parking lot to the Walmart Neighborhood Market parking lot

Section 2: Beech Street to Grape Day Park - paralleling the Escondido Creek, traversing a short section of North Hickory Street, then continuing in East Pennsylvania Street from North Hickory and extending into Grape Day Park; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the approval of Resolution No. 2024-86 on June 26, 2024, ratifying Proclamation No. 2024-02; Resolution No. 2024-94 on July 10, 2024; Resolution No. 2024-103 on July 17, 2024; Resolution No. 2024-106 on August 7, 2024; Resolution No. 2024-117 on August 28, 2024; Resolution No. 2024-131 on September 11, 2024; Resolution No. 2024-141 on October 2, 2024; Resolution No. 2024-146 on October 23, 2024; Resolution No. 2024-162 on November 20, 2024; Resolution 2024-178 on December 4, 2024; Resolution No. 2025-03 on January 8, 2025; Resolution No. 2025-06 on January 29, 2025; Resolution No. 2025-08 on February 19, 2025; Resolution No. 2025-14 On March 19, 2025; Resolution No. 2025-19 on April 2, 2025; Resolution No. 2025-30 on April 16, 2025; Resolution No. 2025-38 on May 7, 2025; Resolution No. 2025-54 on May 21, 2025; Resolution No. 2025-58 on June 4, 2025, Resolution No. 2025-64 on June 18, 2025, and Resolution No. 2025-86 on July 16, 2025, Resolution No. 2025-102 on August 13, 2025, Resolution No. 2025-109 on August 27, 2025, and

Resolution No. 2025-113 on September 17, 2025, Resolution No. 2025-123 on October 1, 2025, Resolution No. 2025-127 on October 15, 2025, Resolution No. 2025-136 on November 5, 2025, Resolution No. 2025-156 on December 3, 2025, and Resolution No. 2025-164 on December 17, 2025, the City Council previously found that the failing trunk sewer risk constitutes an emergency and found it appropriate for Utilities Staff to proceed to contract services without adopting plans, specifications, working details, or giving notice of bids to award contracts; and

WHEREAS, on August 7, 2024, City Council approved a budget adjustment in the amount of twelve million, thirty-six thousand, two-hundred twenty-five dollars (\$12,036,225) to fund the emergency repair of the failing trunk sewer main, consisting of \$7,036,225 from the unallocated Wastewater Reserves and \$5,000,000 from Capital Improvement Project No. 801508, Recycled Easterly Ag MFRO; and

WHEREAS, the City entered into a Public Improvement Agreement (“Agreement”) with CCL Contracting, Inc., in an amount not to exceed ten million, two-hundred forty-thousand, six hundred ninety-one dollars (\$10,240,691) on July 23, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City entered into a Public Improvement Agreement (“Agreement”) with J.R. Filanc Construction Company in an amount not to exceed one million, seven hundred ninety-five thousand, five hundred thirty-four dollars (\$1,795,534) on August 21, 2024; and

WHEREAS, the City Council approved Change Order No. 1 and a budget adjustment to the project in the amount of \$1,397,320.60 to fund the remaining portion of Section 2 emergency repairs due to a trunk sewer alignment conflict with the existing 36” water main, bringing the total contract value with CCL Contracting, Inc., resulting in a contract value of not to exceed eleven million, six-hundred thirty-eight thousand and eleven dollars and sixty cents (\$11,638,011.60); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 22050 of the Public Contract Code, the City Council must review the emergency action every 14 days, or at its next regularly scheduled meeting, and determine by a four-fifths vote there is a need to continue the action; and

WHEREAS, this City Council desires at this time and deems it to be in the best public interest to continue the emergency action and approve the recommended change order and budget adjustment.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Escondido, California, as follows:

1. That the above recitations are true.
2. That the City Council finds the failure of the trunk sewer main is a public health and safety emergency; that this emergency will not permit the delay that would result from a competitive bidding process; and that the proposed action and expenditure is still necessary to respond to the emergency requiring immediate repair of the trunk sewer main.



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January 7, 2026
File Number 0720-20

SUBJECT

COUNCIL COMPENSATION

DEPARTMENT

Human Resources

RECOMMENDATION

Request the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 2025-12R providing for an amendment to Escondido Municipal Code section 2-28(a) increasing the salary for councilmembers pursuant to Government Code § 36516 and Council Rules of Policy and Procedure Section B(9).

Staff Recommendation: Approval (Human Resources: Jessica Perpetua, Director of Human Resources)

Presenter: Jessica Perpetua, Director of Human Resources

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Adoption of the salary adjustment would result in an annual increase to the General Fund budget reflective of the salary increases of the councilmembers and will be effective in December 2026.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On December 17, 2025, the Council heard and considered staff's presentation on the potential adoption of Ordinance 2025-12 and thereafter, a majority of the council made factual findings demonstrating the need for increased city councilmember compensation.

The last increase to the council's and mayor's salaries was approved (by a vote of 3-2) in December 2023, in the amount of 6 percent to the Mayoral salary and 7.5 percent to the City Council salary, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2023-19R. Prior to that, the Council approved a 10 percent salary increase in December 2017, effective December 2018, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2017-15R.

The Council considered but refused any compensation increase in December of 2019 (by vote of 4-1) and December 2021 (by vote of 3-2).



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BACKGROUND

Council Compensation Amendment Procedure

The City Council has discretion to increase its salary, within limits, pursuant to the Council Rules of Procedure and Policies, the Escondido Municipal Code, and state law. There is no other legislative body, committee, person or mechanism in place on a local or state level to make this salary decision.

Pursuant to the Council Rules last re-adopted in Resolution No. 2023-158R (Rules), the Council is required to have an agenda item during a meeting in December of odd-numbered years for the purpose of determining whether or not to act regarding City councilmember and mayoral compensation. Rules, Section B(9). The effective date of any increase is the following year after the new council is sworn in. In this case, any increase would be effective upon the swearing in of the new City Council on December 9, 2026. The underlying purpose of including this provision in the Rules was to ensure that the City Council addresses on a regular basis the politically sensitive issue of voting themselves a raise, to not allow compensation stagnation to negatively impact public interest in serving on the council, and to fairly compensate councilmembers for their services.

Pursuant to recently enacted SB 329, amending Government Code § 36516, the council has already considered the adoption of a salary increase at a first regular public meeting of the City Council. On December 17, 2025, pursuant to Government Code § 36516(g)(2), the council held an open regular council meeting to consider, discuss and take public comment on any proposed salary increase which must include “findings demonstrating the need for the increased compensation.”

The council made a record of the need to increase the salary from the current ordinance amounts during the meeting and directed Human Resources to finalize Ordinance No. 2025-12 to include the increase of 10% for city councilmembers and no additional increase for the mayor.

This council meeting is being held not less seven days after the first consideration of a salary ordinance pursuant to Government Code § 36516(g)(3), and the City Council may now adopt an amendment to the salary ordinance increasing the amount of councilmember salary as directed.

Allowable Amount of Increase

The Escondido Municipal Code sets councilmember and mayoral compensation via the adoption of an ordinance. Currently, pursuant to Section 2-28(a), the salary for all councilmembers is \$2,245.06 per month (\$26,940.72/year). Pursuant to § 2-28(b), the mayor receives the councilmember salary and an additional \$4,035.06 per month for a total of \$6,280.12 per month (\$75,361.44/year). This additional amount is intended to reflect the citywide responsibilities for the mayor. Consistent with state law, the Council also receives the same benefits as other City employees and the value of those benefits are not included in the salary amount.



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On December 17, 2025, the City Council directed Human Resources by a vote of 5 – 0 to bring back a final Ordinance for review and consideration and vote to adopt Ordinance No. 2025-12R.

Conclusion

In light of the foregoing, it is requested that the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 2025-12R repealing and replacing Escondido Municipal Code § 2-28(a) increasing the current councilmember salary amounts by 10 percent to \$2,469.57 per month and no increase to the mayor salary, respectively, effective at the time the next City Council is sworn into office in December 2026.

ORDINANCES

- a) Ordinance No. 2025-12R

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-12R

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTION 2-28(a)
OF THE ESCONDIDO MUNICIPAL CODE, AND AMENDING
THE SALARY SCHEDULE FOR CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

The City Council of the City of Escondido, California does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Council makes the following findings:

WHEREAS, the privilege to serve on the City Council of the City of Escondido (City Council) requires the expenditure of significant time during weekdays and weekends, and at all times of the day at City Hall, at local public agency offices for meetings, and around the community for various civic events; and

WHEREAS, City Council service requires education, training and experience in numerous governmental issues including conflicts of interest, Ralph M. Brown Act compliance, budgets, labor negotiations, and often involves reviewing substantial staff reports and related legal documents; reviewing and considering local and state legislation; attending to representative assignments at regional government body meetings; staying informed on current local and state issues; and reviewing financial reference materials, budgets and reports; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has discretion to increase its salary, within limits, pursuant to the Council Rules of Procedure and Policies, the Escondido Municipal Code, and state law; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to the Council Rules last re-adopted in Resolution No. 2023-158R (Rules), the Council is required to have an agenda item during a meeting in December of odd-numbered years for the purpose of determining whether or not to act regarding City councilmember and mayoral compensation. The effective date of any increase is the following year after the new council is sworn in consistent with

Government Code § 36516.5. In this case, any increase would be effective upon the swearing in of the new City Council on December 9, 2026; and

WHEREAS, the purpose of including a Rules provision requiring review of council salaries was to ensure that the City Council addresses on a regular basis the politically sensitive issue of voting themselves a raise, to not allow compensation stagnation to negatively impact public interest in serving on the council, and to fairly compensate Councilmembers for their services; and

WHEREAS, the last increase to the council's and mayor's salaries was approved (by a vote of 3-2) in December 2023, in the amount of 6% to the Mayoral salary and 7.5 percent to the City Council salary, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2023-19R, with an effective date of December 2024. Prior to that, the Council approved a 10 percent salary increase in 2017, effective December 2018, pursuant to Ordinance No. 2017-15R; and

WHEREAS, the current salary of Escondido City Councilmembers is \$2,245.06 per month and the current salary of the mayor is \$6,280.12 per month pursuant to Escondido Municipal Code § 2-28(a) and (b), respectively, and Government Code § 36516.1; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Government Code § 36516(a)(4)(A), the City Council may increase its salary by as much 5 percent for each calendar year from the operative date of the last adjustment of the salary which in this case would be up to 10 percent given the last salary increase was December 2024; and

WHEREAS, a continuing failure or refusal to increase the City Council's salary will result in a significant departure from reasonable compensation putting future City Council's in the very difficult position of having to make up the difference; and

WHEREAS, low City Council compensation can hinder potential candidates from running for office or performing competently once in office given the high cost of living in San Diego County and the need for outside employment; and

WHEREAS, there is no other legislative body, committee, agency, person or mechanism currently in place on a local or state level to make this salary decision; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interests of the residents of the City of Escondido that their Councilmembers are adequately paid to perform the services that are required of this position and that Ordinance No. 2025-12 be adopted.

SECTION 2: Proper notices of this regular City Council meeting have been given consistent with the Ralph M. Brown Act and Government Code § 36516.

SECTION 3. That the above recitals are true and the City Council has reviewed and considered Ordinance No. 2025-12 and makes such factual findings as are required pursuant to Government Code § 36516(g).

SECTION 4. That Section 2-28 (a) of the Escondido Municipal Code is hereby repealed in its entirety and replaced to read as follows:

- (a) Effective on the date the city council member to be elected at the 2026 regular municipal election are sworn into office, the members of the city council shall receive a monthly salary of two thousand, four hundred, sixty-nine dollars and fifty-seven cents (\$2,469.57) per month in accordance with the provisions of section 36516 of the Government Code.

SECTION 5. SEVERABILITY. If any section, subsection sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this ordinance is held invalid or unconstitutional for any reason by any court of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct, and independent provision and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions.

SECTION 6. As of the effective date of this ordinance, all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 7. The City Clerk is hereby directed to certify to the passage of this ordinance and to cause the same or a summary to be published one time within 15 days of its passage in a newspaper of general circulation for the City of Escondido.

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-11

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF
 ESCONDIDO, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A PLANNED
 DEVELOPMENT PERMIT (MASTER AND PRECISE PLAN)
 TO ALLOW GROUND-FLOOR RESIDENTIAL USES FOR
 CONSTRUCTION OF 70 UNITS

The City Council of the City of Escondido, California does ordain as follows:

SECTION 1. The City Council makes the following findings:

- a) KB Homes, represented by Troy Frederick ("Applicant"), filed a land use development application, Planning Case Nos. PL25-0020/PL25-0021/PL25-0023/PL25-0024, ("Application") constituting a request for a Tentative Subdivision Map to merge two (2) existing lots into one (1) and to permit condominium units; a Planned Development Permit (Master and Precise Plan) to permit ground-floor residential units in the Downtown Specific Plan; and a Design Review Permit for construction of seventy (70) for-sale dwelling units ("Project") on a 2.73 gross acre site located at 613 W. Valley Parkway (APNs: 232-100-20-00 and 232-100-21-00), in the Downtown Specific Plan Area (SPA-9) general plan land use designation, and Specific Plan (S-P) zone; and
- b) The subject property is all that real property described in Exhibit "A," which is attached hereto and made a part hereof by this reference as though fully set forth herein ("Property"); and
- c) The Planning Division of the Development Services Department completed its review, and scheduled a public hearing regarding the Project before the Planning Commission on October 28, 2025. Following the public hearing on October 28, 2025, the Planning Commission adopted Resolution No. 2025-09, which recommended that the City Council, among other things, approve the Project's Planned Development Permit (Master and Precise Plan).

A COMPLETE COPY OF THIS
 ORDINANCE IS ON FILE IN
 THE OFFICE OF THE CITY
 CLERK FOR YOUR REVIEW.



STAFF REPORT

January 7, 2026
File Number 0875-55

SUBJECT

CDBG AND HOME OVERVIEW

DEPARTMENT

Development Services – Housing & Neighborhood Services

RECOMMENDATION

Request the City Council receive and file this overview of the Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG") and HOME Investment Partnership Program ("HOME").

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File (Development Services: Kevin Snyder, Director of Development Services)

Presenter: Dulce Salazar, Management Analyst; Norma Olquin, Management Analyst

ESSENTIAL SERVICE – Yes, Keep City Clean for Public Health and Safety; Land Use/Development; Public Works/Infrastructure; Maintenance of Parks facilities/Open Spaces

COUNCIL PRIORITY – Improve Public Safety; Increase Retention and Attraction of People and Businesses to Escondido; Encourage Housing Development

FISCAL ANALYSIS

The City of Escondido ("City") receives an annual federal entitlement from the Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD") for community development and housing activities. It is anticipated that the City will receive approximately \$1.3 million in CDBG entitlement funds, \$500,000 in HOME entitlement funds, and \$0 in ESG funding, from HUD for fiscal year ("FY") 2026-2027. HUD funds must assist the low- and moderate-income ("LMI") residents of Escondido and may not be used to supplant City funds. CDBG and HOME activities and administrative costs will be funded solely by grant funds and will not impact the General Fund.

States and cities that receive HOME funds must match the HOME funds they spend on affordable housing development, with their own 25 percent contribution. The matching funds must be from a non-federal resource. The City does this through the use of Housing Successor Agency funding. However, the match can take many forms, including in-kind contributions such as labor, construction materials, and land for HOME eligible projects. Other contributions, such as foregone taxes, other foregone fees, and infrastructure improvements, may also count toward the matching requirement, if they are used specifically for projects funded by HOME dollars. The matching requirement must be met in the same



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fiscal year that HOME funds are used, but if a jurisdiction provides more matching funds than are required in a given year, it can carry those funds forward to meet the matching requirement in subsequent years.

PREVIOUS ACTION

On June 25, 2025, the City Council conducted a public hearing to solicit and consider citizen input on the Five Year 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan for the use of CDBG and HOME funds. The Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-69 approving Fiscal Year 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan for the use of CDBG and HOME funds, conditionally committing funds to projects, authorized the Director of Community Development to execute contracts as appropriate and approved the submittal of the Fiscal Year 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan and the Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Annual Action Plan to HUD.

BACKGROUND

The City of Escondido is considered an entitlement jurisdiction and receives an annual allocation from HUD for the operations of its CDBG and HOME programs. The funding is determined by a formula, based on population, age of rental units in the city, and poverty levels. The HOME formula prioritizes jurisdictions with high poverty rates and inadequate rental housing stock.

As a recipient of CDBG and HOME federal funds, the City is required to submit a five-year Consolidated Plan, an Annual Action Plan that is required for each year of the Consolidated Plan period, and a Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report ("CAPER") to monitor its progress, outcomes, and expenditures for the program year. The Consolidated Plan and Action Plan identify the community's housing needs and describes in detail how CDBG, HOME and other HUD block grant funds will be used to meet those needs. Cities can administer CDBG and HOME funds themselves, or they can designate public agencies or nonprofit organizations to administer all or part of the CDBG and HOME programs on their behalf.

Based on a community needs assessments and public participation, CDBG and HOME priorities were identified and adopted as part of the FY 2025-2029 Five-Year Consolidated Plan.

CDBG & HOME Priorities

The community development priorities approved for the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan are:

1. Support the development and preservation of affordable rental and homeownership opportunities.
2. Expand access to supportive services to prevent and reduce homelessness, promote housing stability, and foster long-term solutions.
3. Promote safe and healthy communities by improving public facilities, upgrading infrastructure, and supporting neighborhood revitalization efforts.



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4. Deliver essential public services to vulnerable populations, including youth, families, and seniors with low to moderate incomes and individuals with special needs.

Each year, at the first public hearing, prior to adoption of the One-Year Action Plan, Council is asked to review and reaffirm these priorities and may choose to adopt changes at that time.

Annual Action Plan

In accordance with the City's Citizen Participation Plan, the City conducts two public hearings. The first public hearing will be held in February and Council will be asked to review and reaffirm the CDBG, HOME, and ESG priorities identified in the 2025-2029 Consolidated Plan, approve the allocation process for FY 2026-2027 funding, and approve the release of a Request for Proposal ("RFP") to notify potential internal and external subrecipients of the funding availability. The RFP will be open for approximately four weeks. Staff will meet with councilmembers to discuss proposals prior to drafting the 2026-2027 Annual Action Plan and posting it for a 30-day public review period. During that time staff will also conduct public outreach to solicit additional input from the public regarding the plan.

A second public hearing will be held in May to review staff's funding recommendations and approve submittal of the 2026-2027 Annual Action Plan to HUD. The final plan must be submitted to HUD by August 2026.

CDBG

The Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Entitlement Program provides annual grants on a formula basis to cities and counties to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, and by expanding economic opportunities, for LMI persons. CDBG can be used to carry out a wide range of community development activities directed toward revitalizing neighborhoods, economic development, and providing improved community facilities and services.

CDBG eligible expenses include:

- Acquisition of real property
- Relocation and demolition
- Rehabilitation of residential and non-residential structures
- Construction of public facilities and improvements for eligible purposes
- Public services
- Activities relating to energy conservation and renewable energy resources
- Provision of assistance to businesses to carry out economic development and job creation/retention activities



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CDBG ineligible expenses include:

- Acquisition, construction, or reconstruction of building for the general conduct of government
- Political activities
- Certain income payments
- Construction of new housing

CDBG regulations place limitations on the amount of funding grantees may use for administration and public services. No more than 15 percent of a grantee's annual CDBG allocation may be used for public service activities and no more than 20 percent of a grantee's annual CDBG allocation may be used for program administration. There is no cap on the percentage of a grantee's annual CDBG allocation that may be used for capital projects in LMI neighborhoods.

It is important to note that federal funds must not be used to supplant general fund spending and all funded projects must meet one of HUD's national objectives, serve and benefit LMI or areas in the community and work toward accomplishing a goal in the Consolidated Plan.

National Objectives

CDBG-funded activities must meet at least one of three national objectives set forth by HUD:

1. Benefit low-and moderate-income persons;
2. Aid in the elimination of slum and blight; or
3. Meet a particular urgent community need because existing conditions pose a serious threat and no other source of funds is available. This national objective is rare and is designated only for activities that alleviate emergency conditions, e.g., fire, flood, earthquake.

Historically, CDBG funded activities in the City have focused on the first national objective of benefitting low-and moderate-income persons.

HOME

HOME is a federal block grant program that provides funding to states and cities to be used exclusively for affordable housing activities to benefit low-income households. Funds for CDBG and HOME are appropriated annually to the Department of HUD, which in turn distributes funding to states and cities.

HOME funds may only be used for affordable housing activities, including:



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- New Construction of Owner-Occupied and Rental Housing: Building new affordable housing units for both homeownership and rental.
- Rehabilitation of Owner-Occupied and Rental Housing: Repairing and upgrading existing housing units.
- Tenant-Based Rental Assistance (TBRA): Providing direct rental assistance to low-income individuals and families.
- Assistance to Homebuyers: Supporting homeownership through down payment assistance, closing costs, etc.

Within these categories, HOME funds may be used to pay the following eligible costs, as grants or as loans:

- Development and Rehabilitation hard costs: costs associated with the construction and rehabilitation, including cost of demolition, utility connections, site improvements, and multifamily community facilities.
- Acquisition costs: purchase costs of real property, including down payment assistance to homebuyers.
- Related soft costs: costs such as professional planning services, including for environmental review or other environmental studies; associated financing and development fees, including impact fees, environmental review fees, legal fees, private appraisal fees, and other lender-required third-party reporting fees; filing fees for zoning or planning review and approval; and information services such as affirmative marketing and fair housing information.
- Relocation costs: relocation payments and other relocation assistance to persons displaced by the project.
- Eligible TBRA costs: rental assistance, security deposits, and utility deposits.
- Lead-based paint hazards: the evaluation and reduction of lead-based paint hazards.
- Administrative costs: up to 10 percent of a city's HOME funds may be used for any administrative and planning costs, including salaries of persons engaged in administering and managing HOME activities.
- CHDO costs: up to 15 percent of a City's HOME funds may be used for the operating expenses of CHDOs.

HUD provides a very specific list of eligible activities. If a project or expense is not included in this list, it is most likely an ineligible expense.

Community Housing Development Organizations ("CHDOs"):

The HOME statute requires each jurisdiction to reserve at least 15 percent of its HOME funding for Community Housing Development Organizations.

CHDOs are private nonprofit, community-based organizations that focus on developing affordable housing, e.g., Habitat for Humanity and Community Housing Works. To qualify for designation as a CHDO, the organization must meet certain requirements pertaining to their legal status, organizational structure,



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and capacity and experience. Statutorily, a CHDO must have the provision of decent and affordable housing as one of its purposes, must maintain accountability to low-income community residents and beneficiaries, have a demonstrated capacity to carry out affordable housing projects, and have a history of serving the local communities to be assisted with federal grants.

Program Oversight

Oversight of the CDBG and HOME programs involves monitoring both processes and outcomes. This includes ensuring that funds are committed and expended according to regulation and timelines specified in the statute and ensuring that investments of program funds achieve the program's goal.

Jurisdictions must also comply with record-keeping requirements to ensure that they are using funds appropriately. Before disbursing any funds to an entity, a Jurisdiction must enter into a written agreement with that entity. These written agreements must include language ensuring compliance with all program requirements.

Additionally, jurisdictions must review the performance of subrecipients. This is done through on-site inspections of assisted projects, when a project is completed, and for HOME-assisted rental housing, throughout the affordability period. Assisted rental units must be inspected at least every three years and households receiving HOME-funded TBRA must be inspected annually.

For HOME, in addition to physical inspections, the property owner must certify annually that the project and the HOME-assisted units meet affordability guidelines. The City's affordable housing projects report this through a third-party software system called FOCUS. FOCUS tracks annual reporting and monitors affordability compliance of various federal and state programs, to ensure projects remain compliant over the lifecycle of the agreement.

Accomplishments

FY 2024-2025 was the fifth year of a five-year Consolidated Plan from 2020 – 2024. Over the five-year period, CDBG funding was used to make significant investments and improvements to infrastructure, neighborhood revitalization, and public services. As referenced in Attachment 1.

Additionally, the City continued administration of its HOME Investment Partnerships Program. Over the five-year period the City issued four first time home buyer loans, provided rental assistance to 20 senior households each year, provided 10 new homeownership opportunities through Habitat for Humanity and 50 affordable rental units. As referenced in Attachment 1.

Timeline/Next Steps

- February 2026, first public hearing
- March 2026, release RFP for four weeks
- April 2026, staff reviews applications and prepares recommendations on funding



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- April/May 2026, 30-day public review period for 2026-2027 Action Plan
- May 2026, second public hearing
- August 2026, submit the 2026-2027 Action Plan to HUD

ATTACHMENTS

- a) Attachment "1" — 2020-2025 CDBG and HOME Accomplishments

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CDBG

Subrecipient (Partner Org)	Description	5 yr. Accomplishment	Years Funded
External Subrecipients			
Meals on Wheels – In home meal delivery	This program provided nutritious meals to homebound seniors in Escondido.	Served 513 seniors and delivered 40,288 meals.	2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023
Mama's Kitchen - Medically Tailored Meal Service	This program provided nutritious meals to unique homebound seniors in Escondido to help prevent undernourishment.	Served 133 seniors and delivered 47,269 meals.	2021-2022 2022-2023 2023-2024 2024-2025 Currently funded in 25-26
Interfaith – Alliance for Regional Solutions – Bridge to Housing Network – Winter Shelter	This program supported Escondido residents experiencing homelessness by providing stability and resources to move toward self-sufficiency.	Served 245 individuals.	2020-2021 2022-2023
Interfaith Community Services - Preventing Homelessness for Seniors	This program provided services aimed at preventing homelessness for senior households who reside in Escondido and are at risk of homelessness.	Served 15 seniors.	2024-2025
Operation HOPE	Steps to Independence is a trauma informed, client-centered program that provides critical support to families and single women experiencing homelessness.	No accomplishment to report. Proposed to serve 150 individuals.	Currently funded in 25-26
Center for Community Solutions – Emergency Domestic Violence Shelter	This program reduced domestic violence-related homelessness for individuals in Escondido.	Served 243 individuals.	2022-2023 2023-2024 2024-2025
The Alabaster Jar Project - Therapeutic Support Services and Case Management	Provided therapeutic support services and case management for low- to moderate-income survivors of human trafficking who are at risk of homelessness.	151 resource center clients were provided services. 292 peer-led groups were held with a total of 177 participants.	2023-2024 Currently funded in 25-26
San Diego Children's Museum – Supplemental Educational Programs doe EUSD low-income	This program provided low-income students EUSD scholarships to take part in a virtual educational workshop focusing on science and world cultures.	Served 516 students.	2020-2021 2021-2022

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The San Marcos Promise – Project NEXT	Provided career development services for low- to moderate-income high school students in Escondido.	Served 25 students.	2024-2025 Currently funded in 25-26
Voices for Children – Case Liaison Program	This program provided Escondido foster youth with case assessment, triage, and advocacy to ensure their education, health, and housing needs are met.	Served 80 children.	2020-2021 2021-2022 2024-2025
WeeCARE, Inc. (dba Upwards) - Business Optimization & Operation Support Tools (Boost)	Supported low- to moderate-income family child care providers located in Escondido with the Boost Program and created teacher assistant positions.	Served 39 child care providers, assisted 394 families, and created 17 full-time and 9 part-time jobs.	2023-2024 2024-2025 Currently funded in 25-26
Palomar Family Counseling Services	This program provided counseling services to students at high schools in Escondido.	Served 160 students.	2020-2021 2022-2023 Currently funded in 25-26
Legal Aid Society of San Diego – Fair Housing	Assisted individuals and/or families with fair housing-related issues by accepting cases, conducting investigations, offer counseling and advice, and providing mediation services or appropriate referrals.	Served 760 individuals.	2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023 2023-2024 2024-2025 Currently funded in 25-26
Urban Corps of San Diego County (Escondido) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Recycling Center Roof Repair General Facility Improvements Restroom Expansion 	Funding was used to replace the roof and provide general facility improvements to the facility located at 2200 Micro Place, Escondido. This building serves the local community by providing educational programs, and career development opportunities.	Projects have been completed.	2020-2021 2024-2025 Currently funded in 25-26
Boys & Girls Club – Playground Replacement	Replaced the existing playground structure with new equipment designed for youth ages 5 to 12.	Projected has been completed. Benefitted over 993 kids.	2022-2023
Escondido Education COMPACT – Success Center	This project provided funding to renovate a new space that will establish a one-stop Success Center for Escondido residents, offering services to over 100	Project has been completed.	2022-2023

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	youth and adults in the community.		
Internal Subrecipients			
Community Services - Senior Transportation (Internal Program)	Provided rides to Escondido seniors, to and from the Escondido Senior Center, Monday-Friday.	Served 140 seniors and provided 18,076 one-way rides.	2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023
Community Services- Senior CARES (Internal Program)	Improve the quality of life for seniors living in Escondido by improving accessibility to referral services.	Served 1,123 seniors.	2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023 2023-2024 2024-2025 Currently funded in 25-26
Community Services – Senior Nutrition (Internal Program)	Supported the senior community in Escondido by offering nutritionally balanced congregate meals, served Monday through Friday at the Park Avenue Café. These meals aim to enhance participants' health and well-being, while reducing isolation.	Assisted 1,019 seniors and served 41,649 meals.	2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023
Park Ave Community Center – Courtyard Improvements (Internal Program)	Outdoor improvements at the Park Avenue Community Center including a large concrete patio used for our door dining or events, shade structure and dumpster enclosure.	Project has been completed.	2020-2021
Community Services - Mobile Recreation (Internal Program)	Free summer camp program that provides a safe and supportive environment in a lower socioeconomic neighborhood for families with limited access to recreational opportunities.	Served 75 youth.	2024-2025 Currently funded in 25-26
Recreation Division – Learn to Swim (Internal Program)	Free swimming lessons for low-mod income youth in Escondido.	Served 143 youth.	2020-2021 2021-2022
Community Services – Washington Park Pool (Internal Program)	Project to restore the Washington Park Pool, replacing antiquated infrastructure at a popular recreation facility in an	Project has been completed.	2023-2024

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	Escondido low-and-moderate (LMI) community.		
Neighborhood Services – Grants to Blocks (Internal Program)	Implemented to address the neighborhood revitalization priority, this program addressed the need to fund multiple, small neighborhood revitalization projects and Right-of-Way Enhancement mini grants associated with street improvement projects.	Assisted 18 neighborhoods and two community gardens with annual cleanups, neighborhood leadership forums, resources and other support.	2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023
Neighborhood Services – Project Neat (Internal Program)	In advance of the annual neighborhood clean-ups, Project NEAT staff (Neighborhood Services staff) conducted proactive inspections in the city's 18 neighborhood groups to identify potential code violations.	44 NEAT sweeps were conducted and investigated 243 code violations proactively corrected without having to go through Code Enforcement.	2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023
Neighborhood Services – Neighborhood Cleanup/Neighbor to Neighbor (Internal Program)	Coordinate neighborhood cleanups, community forums, and referrals for households in low- and moderate-income areas within CDBG-eligible census tracts, referred to as Neighborhood Groups.	Supported 18 neighborhoods. All goals were met.	2020-2021 2021-2022 2023-2024 2024-2025 Currently funded in 25-26
Neighborhood Services – Sidewalk Infill (Internal Program)	This is a project to complete small segments of discontinuous sidewalk in CDBG eligible areas.	Ongoing.	2021-2022 Currently funded in 25-26
Code Enforcement (Internal Program)	Provided proactive enforcement of City zoning and municipal codes on commercial and residential properties in CDBG-eligible areas to correct health and safety concerns, improve appearance, and promote neighborhood revitalization.	1,694 Code Enforcement cases.	2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023 2023-2024
Public Works/Parks – Jesmond Parking Lot Lights (Internal Program)	Installation of new safety lighting at Jesmond Dene Park parking lot.	Project has been completed.	2020-2021
Public Works Department- Playground Equipment Project	Replacement of playground equipment in three parks in CDBG-eligible areas (Jesmond,		2020-2021

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	Westside, and Washington Parks).		
Public Works Department - Poured-in-Place Surface (Internal Program)	Replace the engineered wood fibers (EWF) in the playground areas with poured-in-place rubber surfacing in CDBG eligible parks- Jesmond Dene, Washington and Westside.	Project has been completed.	2024-2025
Public Works Department – Water Filling Stations at City Parks (Internal Program)	Installation of touchless water bottle filling stations at Grove, Westside and El Norte parks.	The installation of three new water bottle filling stations has been completed.	2022-2023
Public Works - Old Escondido Lighting- Phase II (Internal Program)	The project consisted of installing, replacing, and upgrading pedestrian walkway lighting, along with related conduit and equipment, within existing streets, sidewalks, and landscaped areas in the Old Escondido neighborhood. The improvements aim to enhance visibility and increase safety for residents and public safety personnel.	Project has been completed.	2023-2024
Public Works – Graffiti Removal (Internal Program)	Ensuring that graffiti in Escondido and on private property is removed within 24 hours of notification.	18,913 graffiti tags removed.	2020-2021 2021-2022 2022-2023 2023-2024
Public Works - Hoffman Victorian Preservation Project (Internal Program)	Preservation of the Hoffman Victorian at the Escondido History Center.	Ongoing/Removed existing wooden shingles and replaced the roof with shingles matching the adjacent structures in the park.	2020-2021 2021-2022 Currently funded in 25-26
Engineering Division – Creek Trail Fencing (Internal Program)	Wrought iron fencing along the creek trail between Rose and Midway to promote a safer, cleaner space along the creek trail.	The Creek Trail Project has been completed.	2021-2022
Engineering Division – Neighborhood Improvement Planning Program (Internal Program)	This project helped city staff plan and prioritize future capital projects. It provided the ability to examine proposed projects to determine feasibility, timelines, and budget.	Funds were used for a Historic Structures Assessment Report for the Hoffman House in Grape Day Park, a historic home currently used as a museum.	2020-2021 2021-2022

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		CDBG funds were allocated towards the urgent repairs and planning of additional preservation projects.	
Escondido Fire Department – Residential KnoxBox Pilot Program (Internal Program)	Install lock boxes for residents who meet certain criteria such as: 62 years or older, have a disability or need assistance with a major life activity.	Installed 53 lock boxes.	2021-2022
Fire Department – Fire Engines (Internal Program)	This funding paid for the 25% deposit of two fire engines.	Fire Engines are anticipated to be delivered January of 2027.	2022-2023

HOME

Subrecipient (Partner Org)	Description	Accomplishment
First Time Home Buyer (FTHB)	Provides HOME funded direct financial assistance to income eligible first-time homebuyers earning 80% or less of area median income to support the purchase of a primary residence within the City of Escondido.	Over the past five years, the City has issued four HOME First Time Homebuyer loans, including one loan in 2024 and one loan issued to date in 2025.
Senior Rental Subsidy Program	Provides HOME funded monthly rental assistance to income eligible senior households within the City of Escondido to support housing stability for low-income residents. The program is funded at \$72,000 annually and provides assistance of \$200 per month per household.	20 households
El Norte Homes (HABITAT)	HOME funded affordable housing development project supporting first time homebuyer opportunities within the City of Escondido. The City awarded \$1,000,000 in federal HOME funds to San Diego Habitat for Humanity to support the construction of ten affordable for sale homes. Each unit was assisted with up to \$100,000 in HOME funds to reduce the purchase price and ensure long term affordability.	10 Households
Valley Senior Apartments (CORE)	Affordable senior rental housing development funded through the City of Escondido using Successor Housing Agency funds to support long term affordable rental housing opportunities for seniors within the community.	50 senior households

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	<p>The City awarded \$4,000,000 in local Successor Housing Agency funds to National CORE for the development of a 50-unit affordable senior apartment community serving residents aged sixty-two and older. The project includes twenty-five (25) permanent supportive housing units for formerly homeless seniors and twenty-five (25) units providing deeply affordable housing for low-income senior households.</p>	
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CONSENT CALENDAR CURRENT BUSINESS

PUBLIC HEARING WORKSHOP PROCLAMATION

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FUTURE AGENDA

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PRESENTATION - CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION - TEAM USA TAP DANCE

PRESENTATION - TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNITY SAFETY COMMISSION (TCSC) FUNDING

CONSENT CALENDAR - (J. PERPETUA) - DENIAL OF CALPERS INDUSTRIAL DISABILITY RETIREMENT FOR FIRE CAPTAIN CHRISTOPHER ARNOLD

CONSENT CALENDAR - (J. GOULART) - ACCEPTANCE OF FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY DONATION - It is requested that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2026-01 to accept the donation of study pods from the Friends of the Library.

CONSENT CALENDAR - (J. GOULART) - ACCEPTANCE OF FRIENDS OF THE LITERACY LIBRARY DONATION - It is requested that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2026-02 to accept the donation of study pods from the Friends of the Literacy Library.

CONSENT CALENDAR - (C.HOLMES) - SECOND AMENDMENT TO THE CONSULTING AGREEMENT WITH BLUE HERON - It is requested that the City Council adopt Resolution 2026-04 authorizing the Mayor to execute a Second Amendment to the Consulting Agreement with Blue Heron for technical support of the Customer Care and Billing utility billing software

CURRENT BUSINESS - (Z. BECK) - SB 707 BROWN ACT UPDATE

WORKSHOP - (C. HOLMES) - COST RECOVERY USER FEES - Review of the cost recovery user fee schedule.

1/21/2026 - NO MEETING (MLK JR. DAY)