



CITY OF ANGELS

City Council Monthly Update

February
2026
Issue

Mayor Caroline Schirato
Vice Mayor Michael Chimento
Councilmember Scott Behiel, Councilmember Alvin Broglio, Councilmember Kara Scott

Significant Ongoing Projects

Current CIP Project:

Vallecito Sewer Line Upgrade – Phase 1
Estimated Completion: Q2 2026
Project Manager: Dave Richards - Dewberry

Next CIP Project:

East Angels Sewer Line Upgrade
Estimated Completion: 2027
Project Manager: Dave Richards - Dewberry

Major Projects:

Eureka Oaks (Habitat) – In Construction
Estimated Completion ~2027
Project Manager: Dave Richard (Unico) - Dewberry

Twelve (12) Month Noteworthy Activity:

February – Started Water Meter Replacement
February – Mid-year Budget Review
February – 10-yr Citywide CIP Presentation
February – Traffic Impact Fee Review Kickoff
February – Fire Deployment / Weather Incident

January – Justin Hart Graduated Police Academy
January – Sierra Hope Ribbon Cutting
January – Peckham and McKenney Assumed
City Administrator Recruitment

December – Police Chief Scott Ellis Retired
December – PLHA Grant Awarded to Habitat
December – Power Washed Downtown Sidewalks
December – Vallecito Sewer Project Began

November – SR49 Restored to Regular Traffic Flow
November – Brent Huse PW Foreman
November – Frog Bucks Campaign

October – Purdy Rd Water/Sewer Project Complete
October – CSG As Needed Services Agreement
October – Exploration for Secondary Water Sources Began

September – Five Year Pavement Management Plan
September – Mark Twain Water Project Complete
September – Interim City Administrator Steve Williams
September – New Police Sergeant – Steve Poortinga
September – Lightening Complex Fire Strike Teams

August – Speed Feedback Signs at Copello and Utica Park
August – Foundary Lane Decertified by CalTrans
August – Purdy Rd Sewer Project Began

July – New Police Officer – Justin Hart (Academy)
July – Utility Billing and Payroll Migration to Accufund

June – New Police Officer – Andrew Nuss (Academy)
June – New Water Rates Effective
June – FY25/26 Budget Adopted

May – Utica Park Grand Opening
May – Firewise Application Approved
May – Gardner Way Chip Seal and Speed Tables

April - Announced Utica Park Soft & Grand Opening
April – Mark Twain Water Project Began

March – State of The City Address
March – Began Pressure Reducing Valve (PVR) Project

Administration

Interim City Administrator Steve Williams

Current Vacancies/Recruitments:

- City Administrator
- Chief of Police
- Administrative Services Officer
- Police Officer
- Relief Firefighter

New Hires/Promotions this month:

- None

Projects:

- City Administrator Recruitment
- Chief of Police Recruitment
- Vallecito Parking Lot
- LLD Board
- Old City Hall Property
- Vacant Building Ordinance
- Downtown Enhancements
- Highway 4 Corridor Water Managers

Finance Department

Finance Department Update – February 2026

February was a focused and analytical month for the Finance Department, with significant attention dedicated to the Mid-Year Budget Review and presentation to City Council, along with continued audit preparation and routine financial operations.

Mid-Year Budget Review

The primary focus in February was the preparation and presentation of the Fiscal Year Mid-Year Budget Review to City Council.

Staff conducted detailed reviews of:

- Departmental expenditures and revenues
- Fund balances and cash flow projections
- Variances from adopted budget figures
- Adjustments needed to maintain fiscal stability through year-end

This process ensures that the City remains on track financially and allows Council to evaluate any necessary budget amendments or reallocations.

Audit Preparation

The Finance Department continued preparing documentation and reconciliations in anticipation of the upcoming audit, scheduled for April 2026.

With the successful migration of historical financial data into AccuFund completed in January, staff focused on:

- Final account reconciliations
- Reviewing supporting documentation
- Ensuring compliance with reporting standards

Ongoing Financial Operations

In addition to the budget review and audit preparation, the department maintained regular operations, including:

- Monthly financial reporting
- Accounts payable and receivable processing
- Payroll administration
- Continued utilization of AccuFund system efficiencies

Code Enforcement and Building

Building – Completed this month

- **Number of Permits Issued** **7**
 - Solar 4
 - Burn Permit 2
 - Electrical 1

- **Number of Inspections** **20**

Code Enforcement – Completed this month

Active cases on first day of the month 9

Violation Type	Closed	Open
Public Nuisance	3	6
Housing	0	3
Building/Construction	0	1

New Cases this month 4
 Cases Closed this month 3

Active cases on last day of the month 10

Water / Wastewater / Public Works

Public Works Superintendent Chris Oflinn

Public Works – Completed this month

- Installed more plaques and statues at Utica Park.
- Painted Kitchen at Utica Park.
- Painted parking lines and handicap designations in the parking lot at City Hall.
- Road repairs on Live Oak Dr.
- Repaired and cleaned drainage ditches throughout the city.
- Brush removal on Angels Oaks Dr and Stockton Rd.
- Utica park preemergent weed spraying was pushed out to March.

Water – Completed this month

- Fixed high turbidity issue on filter 3.
- Completed pre-emergent weed spraying.
- Quarterly equipment calibrations complete.
- Repaired a main leak on Vallecito Rd.
- Repaired 3 water service line leaks.
- Worked with Sutton Enterprises on main break ay Tryon Rd./ Vallecito Rd.
- Repaired a fire hydrant on Martina St.
- Worked with the contractor on the meter replacement project.

Wastewater – Completed this month

- Quarterly cleaning of the Intermediate Pump Basin.
- Troubleshooting and repair of IPS pump 4.
- Maintenance of bio-solids tractor and some minor repairs.
- Updated preventative maintenance program for the wastewater plant.
- Chlorine washed filter media in all four filters.
- Quarterly equipment calibrations complete.
- Completed repairs to welder/generator equipment for emergency use.
- Fixed sewer issue on Amador Ave.
- Worked with Sutton Enterprises on Vallecito project.
- Completed quarterly grease trap inspections

Planning Department

Amy Augustine – Contract City Planner

ONGOING PROJECTS

Foundry Lane – Staff has a pending appointment with Habitat for Humanity to discuss future needs in the Foundry Lane specific plan area. Once done, the city, MACT and Habitat can proceed with making an offer to purchase the final parcel necessary to connect Foundry to SR 49. In 2026, Staff anticipates preparing a Specific Plan for the area. In the interim, staff are in contact with the developer for Frog Jump Plaza Phase II who is currently refining layout details and anticipates decisions to be made approximately early March.

Traffic Impact Mitigation Fees Update. A kickoff meeting was held 2/19/26 with Willdan. An updated fee is anticipated in 6-9 months.

GIS – Staff met with the City's GIS consultants in February to discuss setting up a web-based GIS accessible to the public for zoning information. The consultant is preparing a cost estimate.

Utica Park – Working with Angels Plumbing to install the two drinking fountain/hydration stations. Staff submitted a request to allow testing polyurethane on two of the benches as a preservative in the spring/as soon as the benches dry out.

Staff met with Habitat for Humanity to discuss assisting the city in repairing vandalism at the amphitheater in the park. Staff prepared a donor recognition sign for the outdoor gym to acknowledge donations from MACT, Dignity Health Mark Twain Medical Center, and the Mark Twain Health Care District. The Garden Club continues to install landscaping behind the Utica Park bathrooms. The rose garden will be installed in the coming weeks behind the new bathrooms. Two benches will be installed in the area. The armillary was installed in the garden by Public Works in February. No-smoking signs were received in February and are being scheduled for installation at the park.

Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) program – Review by the state is still pending. Upon approval, staff will execute the agreement with Habitat for Humanity. A request for release of the first payment has been submitted to PLHA.

T-Stan IRWMA – The 2/18/26 IRWMA meeting was cancelled. Staff worked with Engineering and Public Works to update the City's list of projects with funding requested through this agency. Completed projects were removed and two items were added: The Angels Creek Trail, and clean-up of a brownfield at Raspberry to prevent sulfur spills into the creek.

Climate Action Plan (CAP) – Staff held a second meeting with CSG. The Draft initial study negative declaration is underway. The environmental document is expected to come before the City Council by the end of Summer.

Raspberry Lane/Wilson/Slate Circle Parking – The City approved this transaction to accept a portion of Raspberry Lane and Slate Circle parking lot. Staff recorded the deeds and the transfer has been completed.

Habitat for Humanity – Staff is coordinating with Habitat for Humanity to bring a final subdivision map with a reimbursement agreement to the City Council on February 3, 2026. Habitat is awaiting a signature from the State of California for the map given funding provided by the State.

Planning Commission. The February 12, 2026 Planning Commission meeting was continued to March 12, 2026. Annexations will be considered by the Planning Commission.

City Hall. Staff received notice from the California Department of Housing and Community Development confirming the City properly processed and declared old City Hall as surplus property in accordance with state law.

EV Charging station. Staff attended the CSEDC EV Charging webinar. That agency will be sending a representative of the company evaluating sites for installation to Angels Camp in the coming weeks. In January, Staff reached out to CSEDC and the EV Charger consultant to confirm that the City remains on the list of locations to receive EV chargers. Staff was contacted in February by the consultant. The consultant indicated the city remains on the list and confirmed that the Pickled Porch is the primary location for potential EV Charging Stations.

National Register of Historic Places/Main Street USA – Downtown district representatives have asked the City Council to consider pursuing designation of the downtown historic district as a National Register district. This is consistent with the general plan. Staff will coordinate with the City Administrator to bring this to the Council for consideration in early 2026, along with consideration for pursuing a Main Street USA designation. These designations can assist in securing funding for economic development. Staff have scheduled an initial approval for the March 3, 2026, City Council meeting.

Housing/General Plan – Staff completed and submitted the General Plan Housing Element Annual Report the California Department of Housing and Urban Development as required by state law and necessary to receive various grants. Staff will be launching an update of the City's General Plan Housing Element in March/April as mandated by the state. Staff also prepared and submitted a General Plan annual report to the Governor's Office of Land Use and Climate Innovation (formerly Office of Planning and Research) as required by state regulations.

PENDING CURRENT PLANNING PROJECTS:

Swendemen's Shopping Center – Staff continues to work with the landowner to supply additional information in support of the submitted Caltrans encroachment permit for the "Swendemen's" Shopping Center.

Conditional Use Permit for alcohol sales – An administrative conditional use permit was issued for the Far East Restaurant to serve beer and wine with meals.

Former Subaru Repair / 1105 S. Main ,1115 S. Main– Staff have met with the new owners. A conditional use permit and finding of architectural conformity (addressing use of exterior colors preapproved for the historic district) are pending. The applicant has multiple ideas for the site including auto detailing (no auto repair), retail sales, and potential food trucks/food items.

Sunoco/former Shell/Grizzly Gas Station – An administrative site plan review for a third canopy and a sign plan was approved.

Round Table – A sign plan was approved.

MACT – A Site Plan Review for Parking Lot Expansion is pending. The plan proposes access off SR 4 for entry/exit from the site. Caltrans has informed the applicant that California Transportation Commission approval (as was done for Foundry Lane) is required. Given the long timeline to secure that approval, staff are working with MACT to identify a common driveway to allow for MACT/City emergency access only onto SR 4. A meeting is scheduled for 2/25/26.

GRANTS:

Community Development Block Grant. Staff completed pre-application meetings in January and held a public hearing on 1/27/26 with (primarily) downtown merchants in to gather public input. Eight people attended in addition to staff. Staff anticipates holding additional outreach events to garner additional "points" for the grant application which currently is being drafted in anticipation of the 4/3/26 deadline for submittal. Staff has continues coordinating with the San Joaquin Small Business Development Center to become a partner for the economic development grant as recommended by the granting agency guidelines.

Adventist Health – Staff submitted a second \$5,000 request for a donation to be applied to the parcourse construction at Utica Park. The City previously received \$5,000 towards that project which is part of the overall Utica Park Rehabilitation and Expansion Project. If granted, the \$10,000 will allow the City to begin installing workout stations along the parcourse trail at the park.

T-Mobile – In association with Main Street USA, T-Mobile has one final round of grants available to communities for communications-related projects. Staff are requesting (in March) approval from the City Council to apply for those funds (up to \$50,000) to prepare interpretive signs for the trail at Utica Park. Interpretive signage also is part of the overall Utica Park Rehabilitation and Expansion Project. The grant is due at the end of March.

Active Transportation Grants – Round 8 input will begin soon. Deadlines for applications are anticipated in June 2026. 90% of these grants go to disadvantaged communities. The City may wish to monitor this funding source for funding for the Angels Creek Trail.

Engineering Department

Engineering – Completed this month and Looking Ahead

Transportation General Engineering Services (TO 1)

- 2/17 City Council Meeting – CIP Adoption
- CIP Preparation and Edits
- HSIPL Final Invoice Receive and address comments from Caltrans

Water General Engineering Services (TO 2)

- CIP Preparation and Edits
- Water Master Plan – Review documents received from Dewberry
- Scoping of effort to perform update (Budget 26/27)

Wastewater General Engineering Services (TO 3)

- Henderson Reservoir Site Visit – Observe toe drain sump water extraction
- CIP Preparation and Edits
- Wastewater Master Plan – Review documents received from Dewberry
- Scoping of effort to perform update (Budget 26/27)

Foundry Lane Assistance (TO 4)

- Review and transmit Topographic maps to Planning

Building and Planning Engineering Services (TO 5)

- H4H – Call with City Attorney regarding Final Map
- H4H – Final Map review and correspondence
- BP26-0039 – 1000 Stockton Road - PG&E Encroachment Permit review

Environmental Support (TO 6)

- No work this period

25/26 Citywide Pavement Repair Project (TO 7)

- Respond to contractor questions
- Remark digout locations
- Bid opening and evaluation

Pavement Management (TO 8)

- No work this period.

Groundwater Exploration Services For A Secondary Water Source (TO9)

- Landowner outreach
- Internal staff meeting
- Review Right of Entry forms with City

Fire Department

Chief John Rohrbaugh

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Police Department

Interim Chief Joel Broumas

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