



City Council Monthly Update

June 2026

Twelve (12) Month Noteworthy Activity

June 2026 - FY 26-27 Budget was approved - Altaville Melones FPD and ACFD formal transition initiated	December 2025 - Police Chief Scott Ellis Retired - PLHA Grant Awarded to Habitat - Power Washed Downtown Sidewalks - Vallecito Sewer Project Began - Christmas Parade – 1st week Special Event
May 2026 - New Chief of Police Sworn In - Youth Parade Special Event - Junior Frog Jump – Special Event - Mark Twain Exhibit Opens Angels Hotel	November 2025 - SR49 Restored to Regular Traffic Flow - Brent Huse PW Foreman - Frog Bucks Campaign
April 2026 - Greenhorn LLD kickoff - EPA Lead and Copper Rule Revision Administrative Order - ACPOA negotiations - Dialogue w UTICA, AMFPD, CVB, et al - Housing Element Annual Report 4/1	October 2025 - Purdy Rd Water/Sewer Project Complete - CSG As Needed Services Agreement - Exploration for Secondary Water Sources Began - Mark Twain Wild West Fest Special Event
March 2026 - New City Manager begins - Habitat for Humanity Final Subdivision Map Recorded	September 2025 - Five Year Pavement Management Plan - Mark Twain Water Project Complete - Interim City Administrator Steve Williams - New Police Sergeant – Steve Poortinga - Lightening Complex Fire Strike Teams - Homecoming Parade Special Event
February 2026 - Started Water Meter Replacement - Mid-year Budget Review 10-yr Citywide CIP Presentation - Traffic Impact Fee Review Kickoff - Fire Deployment / Weather Incident	August 2025 - Speed Feedback Signs at Copello and Utica Park - Foundary Lane Decertified by CalTrans (2025) - Purdy Rd Sewer Project Began
January 2026 - Justin Hart Graduated Police Academy - Sierra Hope Ribbon Cutting - Peckham and McKenney Assumed - City Administrator Recruitment - Bootlegger Tour Special Events	July 2025 - New Police Officer – Justin Hart (Academy) - Utility Billing and Payroll Migration to Accufund

Administration

Administrative Services Officer - Haley Bugarin

Vacancies, Recruitments, and Hiring Progress:

- **Police Sergeant:** One vacant Police Sergeant position remains and interviews will be scheduled for late July or early August.
- **Police Officer:** One vacant Police Officer position remains and interviews with 5 candidates are scheduled for July 7th.

Promotions and New Hires:

- **Relief Fire Fighter:** 4 Relief Fire Fighters were onboarded on June 28th – 3 of which are from Altaville Melones FPD. Welcome James Klyn, Krstal Martin, Edward Freeman, and Ashley Evans. Pay for Relief FFs adjusted from minimum wage to consistent across ACFD.
- **Accounting Technician (Part-Time):** Elise Fischer was onboarded on June 29th as Accounting Technician.
- **Police Administrative Services Manager:** Maria Adams was onboarded on June 8th as the Police Administrative Services Manager

Miscellaneous Projects:

- **LLD Commission:** July 2nd LLD Commission meeting is cancelled. Next meeting will be on August 5th.
- **Police Association MOU Negotiations:** Agreed upon MOU updates have been made. Now awaiting final review and signatures – expected completion date of July 10th.
- **Communications:** City of Angels Facebook had a total of 14 posts in the month of June. Scheduled meetings with each department to discuss desired updates and webpage designs.
- **CSJVRMA Regional Meeting:** Attended the CSJVRMA Orientation, Executive, and Board meetings in Fresno on June 25-26.

Finance Department

Finance Director - Michelle Gonzalez

During June, staff's primary focus continued to be budget development and audit preparation. Work continued on finalizing budget information, reviewing department needs, and preparing materials for the annual audit process. Staff also continued recruitment efforts for the front desk Accounting Technician position and worked through several utility billing and water-related customer notices.

Special Projects and Accomplishments

- Interviewed two candidates for the front desk Accounting Technician position.
- Extended an offer to one candidate and are awaiting a response.
- Continued work on budget preparation and year-end audit.
- Coordinated additional customer mailings related to the water rate increase, new billing cycle, and required water compliance notices.
- Reviewed utility billing mailing timelines with the City's third-party billing vendor.
- Confirmed that the vendor requires three business days to process invoices before mailing them from its mail center in the Midwest.
- Staff will continue monitoring the time it takes for customers to receive mailed bills.
- Customers are encouraged to sign up for email billing to receive bills more quickly.
- Customers may also view their bills through their online account immediately after invoices are generated.

Building and Code Enforcement

Michael Clarke – Building Inspector
Caytlyn Schaner – Administrative Services Specialist

Building

Permits Issued in June: 20

Permit Type	Count
Alteration/Remodel	3
Electrical	2
ESS Battery	3
Fire Sprinklers/Alarms	2
Generator	2
Parking Lot Expansion	1
HVAC	1
Reroof	4
Solar	2

Total Inspections Conducted: 30

Code Enforcement

Active Cases at Start of June: 50

Violation Summary

Violation Type	Closed	Open
Public Nuisance	4	3
Housing		2
Dangerous Building	1	
Zoning		1
Weed Abatement	40	4

New Cases for June: 6

Cases Closed in June: 45

Active Cases at End of June: 10

Water, Wastewater, and Public Works

Chris O'Flinn - Public Works Superintendent

Water Treatment:

- Completed the Consumer Confidence Report.
- Installed security cameras at the water plant.
- Continued updating the plant preventative maintenance program.

Water Distribution

- Repaired 2 water service breaks on Main Street due to sidewalk project
- Upsized water service on Blair Mine Rd.
- Located and capped a broken wharf head fire hydrant on Main St.
- Repaired a water main break on Main St. Due to sidewalk construction.
- Repaired a service leak at Gateway Park.
- Continued work on the meter project.

Wastewater Treatment:

- Continued biosolids drying operations as weather allows.
- Replaced turbidimeter in filter # 2.
- Completed annual preventative maintenance on all blowers and belt filter press.
- Replaced a check valve in the lower pump house at the spray fields.
- Completed weed abatement around pump houses.
- Trimmed overgrown trees around the treatment plant.
- Installed new blower fans in Motor Control Center C for better temperature control.
- Cleaned the intermediate pump basin again due to algae growth.
- Rebuilt wiper assembly on UV channel # 1.

Sewer Collections:

- Started quarterly grease trap inspections.
- Repaired sewer main cleanout and sweep on Main St.
- Located sewer lateral for new construction on Blair Mine Rd.
- Repaired a damaged sewer lateral on Main St. Due to sidewalk construction.

Public Works:

- Repaired urinal at the Museum bathroom.
- Installed new benches at Utica Park.
- Completed pavement patching on Vallecito Rd.
- Painted curbs on Main St.
- Continued work on Gateway Park bathroom.
- Repaired and replaced sprinklers in all city parks.
- Installed new light switch and light bulbs in the Altaville Grammar School.
- Cleaned up a fallen tree on Greenhorn Creek Dr.
- Continued work with Caltrans and contractor on the sidewalk project.
- Installed new light fixture at City Hall.

Planning Department

Amy Augustine – Contract City Planner

Foundry Lane:

- Staff is awaiting legal documents from the City Attorney to proceed with formally submitting an agreement/offer in cooperation with MACT and Habitat for Humanity. The land would encompass the final parcels necessary to connect Foundry to SR 49. In 2026, Staff anticipates preparing a Specific Plan for the area. The developer for Frog Jump Plaza Phase II is again working with an alternative potential tenant and this may require some additional revisions to layout and access off SR 4. Formal project review is expected to resume upon completion of a tentative grading plan and subsequent land swap between the City (Altaville Sanitary) property and the surrounding landowner (for Foundry Lane right-of-way) pending completion of back-up documentation by the City Engineer (which, in turn, is dependent on the landowner's final decision relative to tenancy).

Traffic Impact Mitigation Fees Update:

- A kickoff meeting was held 2/19/26 with Willdan. Data was forwarded in April 2026. An updated fee is anticipated in 5-7 months. Willdan is building the model and had expected preliminary results in June. As of 6/25, no results were received and staff has requested an update.

GIS:

- A new interactive zoning map was prepared in April and demonstrated to City Council in May. The map allows staff/public to “click” on a specific parcel, see the zoning, and directly connect to the zoning code to see permitted and conditional uses. Staff worked with GIS consultants in May to correct map errors. The map was supposed to go “live” on the City website in June. Staff has requested an update on the status.

Pending Current Planning Projects:

- **Code Change – Home Occupations:** In accordance with a request from the public, staff is prepared an amendment to the Home Occupation criteria in Title 17 to allow for consideration of home salons. The item was heard by the Planning Commission on June 11th and is scheduled for July hearings before the Council.
- **Stanislaus Alley:** Staff is completing an old application to vacate a portion of Stanislaus Alley between existing homes and Mark Twain Elementary School (previously, the City has twice abandoned portions of the alley). In May, staff met with the City Surveyor and landowners to determine the division of the abandoned properties. In June, landowners were notified and provided input.
- **Swendemen's Shopping Center:** Staff continued assisting the landowner in submitting final documents to Caltrans for an encroachment permit for the “Swendemen's” Shopping Center. The applicant and city are now awaiting a response from Caltrans.
- **Former Subaru Repair / 1105 S. Main ,1115 S. Main:** A sign permit for the “mural” and former signage re-painted on the building remains pending. No plans have been submitted
- **MACT:** A Site Plan Review for Parking Lot Expansion was issued by Planning. Construction is pending.

- **Utica Park.**

The Garden Club has asked to make a presentation to the City Council July 21st. The final two black walnut benches were installed in the garden. A plaque acknowledging the garden club is pending the club's approval of a design. Staff have completed designs acknowledging the following donors: 4Paws Veterinarian (doggie pot) and Murphys Grade (Armillary in garden). Design approvals by the donors and costs to produce the signs remain pending.

The State is expecting that all work will be completed by December, 2027, to close out the Rural Recreation and Tourism park grant. Two items remain: the parcourse and interpretive signs.

- **Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) program:** The City received PLHA payments. The subrecipient agreement was signed by Habitat for Humanity. Once Habitat for Humanity begins pulling building permits, PLHA funds will be dispersed. Staff will begin an application for the next two allocations of PLHA funding.
- **T-Stan IRWMA:** Staff attended the 617/26 IRWMA meeting.
- **Climate Action Plan (CAP):** The Draft initial study negative declaration is completed and submitted to the State Clearinghouse. The period for comment will end the first full week of July. Staff will then prepare responses to comments and proceed with scheduling the item before the Planning Commission in August.
- **Habitat for Humanity:** Staff is awaiting plot plans for the structures. Habitat had indicated plot plans were expected in June, but must first finalize agreements with buyers before finalizing plot plans.
- **Annexations:** Staff worked on the LAFCo application in June, but will not submit applications to LAFCo in July.
- **Planning Commission:** The June 11, 2026, meeting considered changes to Home Occupations, held a public hearing to take input on the Housing Element Update, and toured the Mark Twain Exhibit. In July, the Commission will hear a draft ordinance related to permit streamlining requirements from the state for electrical vehicle charging stations and Hydrogen fueling stations.
- **EV Charging station:** Funding agreements with the state have stalled. No further progress is anticipated for several months.
- **National Register of Historic Places/Main Street USA:** Staff will request a budget item for completing an update of the City's Historical Properties Survey in support of a National Register of Historic Places nomination.
- **Housing/General Plan:** Staff continued work on the City's General Plan Housing Element in June.

Grants:

- **Community Development Block Grant:** The state informed the City that the application for an economic development grant to assist downtown did not meet threshold criteria. Due to a five-day turnaround, staff was unable to appeal the decision.
- **T-Mobile:** The City was informed that it was not granted a T-Mobile for \$49,500 to prepare interpretive signs for the trail at Utica Park and three parcourse stations. Interpretive signage and a parcourse also are part of the overall Utica Park Rehabilitation and Expansion Project.

- **Active Transportation Grants:** The grant, for the Angels Creek Trail and a downtown crosswalk was submitted by the Council of Governments June 22nd.

Engineering Department

Aaron Brustaori – City Engineer

Transportation General Engineering Services (TO 1)

- Follow up with Unico regarding RE closeout of project.

25/26 Citywide Pavement Repair Project (TO 7)

- Due to inactivity, Follow up emails were sent to Moyle Paving requesting contract and bonds. Moyle states the documents were sent in US mail on May 22. Documents have not been received.

Pavement Management (TO 8)

- Contractor follow up.

Water General Engineering Services (TO 2)

- Respond to Administrative Order from EPA.
 - Develop and submit EAP and RRA documents.
 - Budget Meeting.

Wastewater General Engineering Services (TO 3)

- Review RWQ Permitting – New permit requested by RWQ.
 - To be completed prior to January 2027.
- Emergency Sewer – Line clog Monte Verda -> Demareess St
 - Prepare investigation summary memo to report recommendations.
 - Calculation of capacity within ss lines to facilitate bypass pumping.
 - Updates to summary memo.
 - Design kickoff.
 - Calls and correspondence with operations staff.
- East Sewer
 - CAL OES meeting to discuss funding.
 - Capacity analysis for bypass flow conveyance on west side of Angels Creek.
 - Meetings with Dewberry to advance design for July 2026 bidding of East Sewer CIPP project.
 - Right of way research to identify property lines with respect to sewer manholes and CIPP operations.
- Holeman Dam
 - Survey for subdrain weir design
 - Design of seepage collection / sump abandonment

Foundry Lane Assistance (TO 4)

- Call with F. Katz regarding potential tenant. Discuss Foundry Lane design criteria.
- Convey Foundry Lane design criteria and alignment to F. Katz for coordination with potential tenant.

Building and Planning Engineering Services (TO 5)

- Traffic Demand Model Check in meeting
- Pedestrian Hybrid Beacon v Rectangular Rapid Flashing Beacon analysis memo
- Utica Park Drinking Fountains – Correspondence with contractor regarding non-operation of fountains.
- BP 250395 – Review drainage report, provide comments and follow up.
- Draft ADA 9C
- Angels Creek Trail – Grant support and coordination

Environmental Support (TO 6)

- No work this period.

Groundwater Exploration Services for a Secondary Water Source (TO9)

- Investigation of optimum well locations from compiled data.
- Preparation of mapping to identify potential well sites in the field.
- Coordination of discussion with property owner(s) regarding site walk to identify locations for test well.
 - Test will not be initiated without action by the City Council.

Fire Department-Monthly Report

John Rohrbaugh – Fire Chief

Responses June 2026: 05.27.26 - 06.26.26

- Total: 93
 - Structure Fire: 1
 - Vegetation Fire: 1
 - Fire Alarm: 2
 - Emergency Medical: 65
 - False Call: 0
 - LZ Helicopter: 3
 - Other, Investigative: 3
 - Public Service: 3
 - Lift assist: 13
 - Smoke Check Investigation: 0
 - Vehicle Accident: 2

Notable Incidents:

- Major vehicle accident 4@ Stallion

Additional Fire Dept Information:

- Attended multiple City, County, State and Local meetings.
- Attended County wide JPA meeting.
- FE Blake Cuevas is off on Workes Comp.
- (1) staff member off on paid leave.
- Worked on FY 26/27 Budget.
- Met with CalFire BC and staff to change new response model as of 6.28.26
- All new hire paperwork completed for (6) new relief firefighters
- Moved Water Tender, Utility Vehicle, and Rescue Vehicle to ACFD from AMFPD.
- Re-decaled AMFPD apparatus to ACFD decals Water Tender 213.
- Moved all AMFPD extrication equipment, SCBAs, and other equipment to ACFD.
- Started new additional bedroom project.
- Put Smaller Engine and Water tender in service 6.28.26
- Working with Union and Legal closed session item.
- New Contract with AMFPD 7.1.26
- Additional staffing as of 6.28.26
- Second unit and Water Tender available for response 6.28.26
- Add a total of (6) new relief positions 6.28-7.1.26
- 6.28.26-7.1.26 All shifts have been staffed w/ 5.0 staffing.

Looking Ahead:

- PG&E Grant application for Wildfire PPE and Equipment. \$25,000.00 (no Match required) due 7.8.26
- Promotion for FE positions

Police Department

Steve Poortinga – Chief of Police

Activity this Month:

- Total Incidents: 698(6/25)
- Total Reports: 40
- Total Traffic Stops: 106
- Total Arrests: 14

Call Type:

- Thefts: 3
- Traffic Collisions: 8
- DUI: 3
- Assault & Battery: 2
- Auto Theft: 0
- Domestic Violence: 2

Additional Information this Month:

- Volunteers donated over 40 hours of time for PD activities (vehicle transport, extra patrol, mail, parking citation processing)
- COP attended HMP Steering Committee, Justice Partners, and Resource Partnership Meetings this month. Nothing new to report from the meetings.
- CIBRS/UOF/DV reports submitted to DOJ
- New Police Officer Justin Blattel continues to progress well in the FTO Program.
- The Police Department welcomed Maria Adams as the new Police Records Administrative Services Manager following the resignation of Teresa Johnson. Maria brings extensive experience in police records, evidence and property management, and law enforcement support, including her previous service with the Angels Camp Police Department and most recently as a Sheriff's Technician III with the Calaveras County Sheriff's Office. Teresa is assisting with the transition to ensure continuity of operations, and the Department extends its sincere appreciation for her 20+ years of dedicated service to the City of Angels Camp
- The Police Department is completing a property/evidence, inventory/audit that is policy based as the property/evidence transitions to a new Police Chief and Police Records Administrative Services Manager (who also handles all property/evidence for ACPD).
- Officer Linayao received the Officer of the Year Award on June 4, 2026.

Looking Ahead:

- The 2 new patrol vehicles anticipated to arrive in June have been pushed out to May due to unexpected delays with production and transportation. Once the vehicles are delivered, they will move on to upfitting (emergency equipment, radios, and AXON) for 30-90 days before being ready for deployment.
- Hire a Police Sergeant
- Hire a Police Officer/SRO - Interviews set for July 7, 2026
- COP and SGT Adams will be updating Lexipol Policies in July
- Chief Poortinga and Sgt Adams continue to work on new Lexipol Procedure Manual (anticipated completion 01/27)
- BHHS Superintendent Nanik will be issuing Proclamations of Appreciation August 3, 2026, to Officer Nuss and Officer Linayao for their actions handling a vandalism call for service at BHHS.