

CITY OF ANGELS

City Council Monthly Update

August 2025 Issue

Mayor Michael Chimente
Vice Mayor Caroline Schirato
Council Member Alvin Broglio, Council Member Kara Scott, and Council Member Scott Behiel

Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Enterprise Fund

Plans	Person	CIP			Cost
Due By	Responsible	Category	Project	Detail	Estimate
10-01-24	Dave Richards	Water	Mark Twain Rd	Looping Pipes	\$ 680,000
11-01-24	Dave Richards	Wastewater	Vallecito Road	Pipe Replacement	\$ 990,000
04-01-25	Dave Richards	Wastewater	East Angels Trunk	Cure in Place	\$1,910,000

Start	Person	CIP			Cost
Date	Responsible	Category	Project	Detail	Estimate
10-01-24	Chris Oflinn	Water	Pressure Relief Valves	Replace all PVR	\$ 780,000
11-01-24	Chris Oflinn	Water	Automated Meter Readers	Install AMR's	\$ 400,000
01-01-25	Chris Oflinn	Wastewater	Scope Lines with CCTV	Data to Dewberry	\$ 75,000

FINANCE DEPARTMENT Finance Director Michelle Gonzalez

The Finance Department made significant progress in August, particularly in the rollout of the City's new financial software system, AccuFund. Staff continues to work diligently to ensure a smooth transition and minimal disruption to City operations and services.

1. Utility Billing Transition

July bills were mailed on September 12, 2025. August bills will be mailed on September 17, 2025.

Due dates have been extended, and no late fees or penalties will be applied during the transition period.

2. Staff Highlights

We are pleased to announce that Andrea has been promoted to Accountant II. Andrea has been with the City for six years and has consistently demonstrated dedication and professionalism. She has attended government accounting trainings to strengthen her skills and continues to grow in her position. We appreciate her hard work and commitment to the Finance Department.

CODE ENFORCEMENT AND BUILDING							
Code Enforcement – Completed in A Open Cases on Aug 1 Open Cases on Aug 31 New Cases in Aug Cases Closed in Aug			Building – Completed in August Number of Inspections Number of Permits Issued	26 20			
Violation Type Transient Occupancy Building & Construction Dangerous Building Public Nuisance Housing Weed Abatement Other	New 0 0 1 1 0 0	Open 0 1 0 8 3 0	Addition/Alteration Fire Sprinklers Re-Roofs HVAC Park Rentals Encroachment Solar Swimming Pool Electrical Deck/Patio Wood Stove	0 1 8 0 2 0 10 0 0			

WATER / WASTEWATER / PUBLIC WORKS Public Works Superintendent Chris O'Flinn

Water Treatment:

- Troubleshooting and fixing issues with air/water saturation on the dryer.
- Discovered issues with air dryer after last service from Kaeser.
- Pulled circuit boards from 3 valves.
 Cleaned with rubbing alcohol, dried and reinstalled.
- Replaced 2 proximity switches on influent control valves to the filters.
- Meeting with the public in regards to preconstruction of Purdy Rd. project of installation of the new water main and sewer collections system.
- Boil water notice and cancellations for Slate Circle repairs.

Wastewater Sewer Collections

2 total sewer plugs- 1690 Martina St. – 739
 Stanislaus Ave.

Public Works

- Installed speed sensor signs at Copello Dr. and Utica Park.
- Sprayed crosswalks and right turn arrow at Mark Twain Elementary.
- Painted red curbs on Murphys Grade Rd.
- Installed new pole and latch for Museum gate.

Water Distribution:

Replaced broken water valve on Oneida St.

Wastewater Treatment:

- Replaced water meter and riser at 790 Oneida St.
- Repaired broken service line that was damaged by George Reed at 820 S. Main St.
- Replaced riser for broken hydrant on Slate Circle.
- Potholing for sewer and water services for the sidewalk project.
- 7 total service line leaks- 535 Live oak Ct. –
 445 S. Main St.- 528 Springhouse 127 Acorn Dr.- 661 Casey St.- 954 Country
 Lane- 831 Live Oak Dr.

- Operations installed and replumbed the new Kaeser dryer for the UV / sand filter air supply.
- Installed new filtration to the compressor building.
- Stacking solids and performed annual biosolids sampling for analysis to complete the NANI reporting.
- Repaired leak at the polymer tank dump valve.

FIRE DEPARTMENT Chief John Rohrabaugh

Responses in July 2025

(July 1 to July 31, 2025)

<u>Total</u>	97
Structure Fire	4
Vegetation Fire	3
Cancelled prior to arrival	15
Emergency Medical	37
CPR	0
False Call	4
LZ Helicopter	4
Hazmat	0
Other, Investigative	1
Public Service	8
Lift Assist	13
Vehicle Accident	5
Animal Issue	1
Vehicle Fire	2

Notable Calls

- Working Fire at Foothill Village (1)
 Room, Fire, smoke and water damage.
 Room below Water Damage. Our E211,
 E213, C210, AMFD, CalFire and ALA.
- Structure Fire, Residential on Tuolumne Ave. Our E211, C210, AMFD, CalFire.
- E213 w/ (3) FFs assisted the State with a Strike deployment to the Gifford Fire. 8/7-8/22/25
- Wildland Fire at New Melones Buck Brush area, ACFD 1st on scene. Fire

Additional Fire Department Activities

- Hired (1) PT firefighter. Now we have (2) PT firefighters.
- Attended multiple City, County, State and Local meetings.
- Meetings with Firewise group.
- New Utility: Lights have been put on, All equipment arrived except Radio console. After console arrives, vehicle will go to Columbia Communication for all electrical installation. Decals ordered, Calaveras Customs will do install. Vehicle is currently out of service till all equipment is installed.

September 2025 Upcoming

- Hiring (1) more part time firefighter as approved.
- Anticipate more Strike Team activity.

- kept to about (2) acres, Our E211, C210, AMFD, CalFire.
- Vehicle Fire at Stevenot Bridge Our E211, C210, AMFD, CalFire

POLICE DEPARTMENT Chief Scott Ellis

Total Incidents: 362 Total Reports: 44
Total Arrests: 9 Total Traffic Stops: 83

Traffic Collisions Reports : 8 Thefts : 4
Assault and Battery : 2 Auto Thefts : 0

DUI : 1 Domestic Violence Reports : 1

Miscellaneous Disturbance : 14 Aggravated Assault : 0

Burglary: 1

August Activities

- Volunteers Donated 42 Hours of time for PD activities (records, extra patrol, mail etc.)
- Picked up new patrol vehicle. In the process of being upfitted for patrol.
- Vehicle repairs to both Dodge Chargers.
- Fire alarm inspection completed at PD by Signal Service
- Worked on compliance issues with Probation (290PC Compliance) and CCSO (Medication dropoff)
- Sgt. Savage resignation and departure from the City of Angels occurred this month
- New Sergeant replacement background completed. Awaiting the results of Psychological and Medical
- Both academy trainee's (Justin Hart and Andrew Nuss) are progressing well at the academy
- Monthly DOJ reporting completed (Use of Force, Domestic Violence, CIBRS)

September Projected Activities

- Complete the hiring process for new Sergeant. We are hoping for a start date in early October.
- New patrol vehicle upfitting to be completed

PLANNING and ENGINEERING DEPARTMENTS

Amy Augustine – Contract City Planner

Aaron Bruscatori – Contract City Engineer (Public Works)

Dave Richard – Contract City Engineer (Water and Wastewater)

Engineering

Transportation General Engineering Services (TO 1)

- Weekly Council Report
- CIP Transportation Project Descriptions
- Close out encroachment permit for speed feed back signs

2025/26 Citywide Pavement Repair Project (TO 7)

No work this week

Pavement Management (TO 8)

- Pavement Management Presentation Slides
- Pavement Management Staff Report

Water General Engineering Services (TO 2)

- Secondary Water Source LiDAR proposal and Arial imagery
- Weekly Council Report

Wastewater General Engineering Services (TO 3)

- Wastewater CIP sheet updates
- 10-CAL4,49 Utility Coordination communicate needed topo information to Caltrans.

Foundry Lane Assistance (TO 4)

- Review CTC agenda and staff report for Foundry Lane access relinquishment
- Remote participation in CTC meeting

Building and Planning Engineering Services (TO 5

BP25-0239 VAST Network plan review and comments

Environmental Support (TO 6)

No work this week

Engineering – Water / Wastewater (Dewberry)

Summarized below is a list of activities undertaken in the month of August 2025:

- 1. Responded to comments from Caltrans on SR-49 Water System Improvements Project encroachment permit.
- 2. Prepared field change regarding offsite waterline construction for Eureka Oaks project to facilitate future connection from Boundary Lane extension utilities.
- 3. Provided construction oversight of Mark Twain Water Distribution System Improvements Project.
- 4. Prepared final punch list during job walk of Mark Twain Water Distribution System Improvements Project.
- 5. Participated in value engineering process for Eureka Oaks project.
- 6. Prepared staff report summarizing recommended cost reimbursement for offsite waterline to be constructed by Habitat for Humanities.
- 7. Prepared business case analysis for revised Critical Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Protection Project for CalOES.
- 8. Conducted pre-construction meeting/community outreach meeting for Purdy Road Water and Sewer Improvements Project.

- 9. Coordinated City inspection activities at Eureka Oaks project. Anticipated activities for the month of September include:
- 1. Close-out Mark Twain Water Distribution System Improvements Project.
- 2. Prepare record drawings for Mark Twain Water Distribution System Improvements Project.
- 3. Submit documentation to Division of Drinking Water regarding waterline construction compliance with approved waivers for Mark Twain Water Distribution System Improvements Project.
- 4. Provide construction oversight of Purdy Road Water and Sewer Improvements Project.
- 5. Review shop drawing submittals for Purdy Road Water and Sewer Improvements Project.
- 6. Conduct pre-bid meeting for Vallecito Road Sewer Replacement Project.
- 7. Prepare addenda/attend bid opening for Vallecito Road Sewer Replacement Project.
- 8. Coordinate City inspection efforts at Eureka Oaks project.
- 9. Attend pre-construction meeting with Caltrans Eureka Oaks offsite waterline construction.
- 10. Prepare updated business case analysis for Critical Water and Wastewater Infrastructure Protection Project for CalOES.

Planning – Completed in August 2025 and September Look Ahead

• **Utica Park Project Oversight** – To date, 14 bench and tree plaques have been completed and delivered. Four more are on order. A work order has been submitted to install all completed plaques.

Two drinking fountain/hydration stations were ordered and delivered. Staff have requested bids for installation and are awaiting responses. Council approved acquisition and installation costs in August. In September, Staff is requesting the establishment of the Utica Park Fund to direct park reservation fees into an ongoing fund.

- Permanent Local Housing Allocation (PLHA) program –\$298,855 for affordable housing programs has been awarded and the grant agreement was executed in June. Of this, \$240,656 will be made available to local agencies involved in work-force housing. A request for proposals was drafted in August to launch the program. The program was posted on Facebook and the City website. A pre-submittal meeting is scheduled for 10 a.m. on 9/9 at City Hall. Proposals are due 9/30 at 3 p.m. Staff will ask the City Council for direction on a selection committee at the 9/16/25 Council meeting.
- Foundry Lane The decertification item (i.e., to allow access off SR 4) was approved
 August 15, 2025 (in San Diego). Later in August, the decertification deed was recorded
 in Calaveras County. Access to Foundry Lane is now "official." Staff are working with
 landowners on future development plans.
- Traffic Impact Mitigation Fees Update. The City Council approved hiring Willdan on August 19, 2025, to update the fee. Staff are awaiting a signed contract from the City Attorney and are coordinating with Willdan for a kick-off meeting (anticipated in September). COG is pursuing an updated traffic demand model to be completed in 2026. Staff have coordinated with Willdan to ensure that work on the TIMF can begin but may

be delayed allowing for the COG work product to be completed before an updated TIMF can be adopted.

• GIS – Staff did not complete formatting a City zoning map but is reaching out to the City's GIS consultants to move this task forward in September. In the interim, ParcelQuest released an online ParcelQuest Lite available to the public. Current City zoning is now available online as are assessor parcel maps (for free)! The City has posted the availability on Facebook. The City has asked its web designer to provide a link on the City website easily accessible to the public.

Pending Current Planning Projects:

Cabinets and More Expansion – An administrative site plan review is pending for expanding and renovating buildings at this business on Murphys Grade Road. The project includes a zero-foot setback request. Staff initiated a code amendment for the Industrial Zoning District based on the existing and planned width of Murphys Grade Road for the industrial district. With adoption of the code amendment, staff will proceed with processing and issuing the permit in September.

Sign Code Update – The Planning Commission recommended approval of the draft sign code on August 14, 2025. The item is scheduled for public hearing at the City Council (1st reading) September 2nd and a second reading on September 16, 2025. **Salons –**The first reading of the item came before the Council August 19th with a second reading September 2nd.

Annexations/Municipal Services Review (MSR)

An August 18th LAFCO workshop for the City MSR was held. The MSR is scheduled for approval on 9/22. Staff anticipates bringing "clean up" annexations for the city to Council in September (e.g., city-owned properties, adjacent properties).

Boxing /Gym

An administrative conditional use permit for this use on Bush/Pine in pre-existing metal buildings in the Historical Commercial district (below/behind the former Subaru dealership) is expected to be issued on 9/4/25.

49er Eats (Food Trucks)

A conditional use permit to consider this use on SR 49 at Pine is tentatively scheduled for a hearing before the Planning Commission on 10/9/25. Because the use is not an identified use in the HC zone, it requires a conditional use permit. The Commission will be charged with making a finding of architectural conformity with the HC district and determining whether or not the use is consistent, per Angels Municipal Code Chapter 17.26, with historical retail business conducted on the premises; such as bakeries, print or photocopy shops, dry cleaners, electronic appliance repair shops, shoe repair, flower shops, upholstery shops, cabinet shops and other uses considered to be similar in the opinion of the planning commission. It is currently undergoing staff and adjoining landowner review. The plan calls for four food trucks on the former Subaru car lot in the Historical Commercial district. The necessity for portable toilets is currently being investigated.

- Climate Action Plan A Request for Proposals to prepare the environmental document for the City's Draft Climate Action Plan was prepare and released in August. A pre-bid meeting is scheduled for 9/11/25. Final responses are due 9/26/25.
- Facilities Needs Staff anticipates gathering details on the approximate size facilities
 needed and discussing with Council potential locations for facilities in August/September.

- Rasberry Property Clean-up/Hazard evaluation grants are coming available in the next two months for hazardous sites. Staff are coordinating with GeoCon to pursue one of these grants.
- Habitat for Humanity Staff is coordinating with engineering to determine the best approach for a reimbursement agreement for the off-site waterline. Engineering has completed its fair-share analysis of the waterline. Staff anticipates bringing the item to Council in late September or October. Staff may require an amendment to the City's Fee schedule for this item.