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AGENDA

Board of Supervisors Room - County Administrative Center

224 North Edwards, Independence, California

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REGULAR MEETING

August 25, 2026

8:30 A.M.

1) Public Comment on Closed Session Item(s)

Comments will be accepted at this time related strictly to items on the Closed Session portion of the agenda. Comments will be limited to three minutes.

CLOSED SESSION

2) Conference with County's Labor Negotiators – Pursuant to Government

Code §54957.6 – Regarding employee organizations: Deputy Sheriff's Association (DSA); Inyo County Correctional Officers Association (ICCOA); Inyo County Employees Association (ICEA); Inyo County Probation Peace Officers Association (ICPPOA); IHSS Workers; Law Enforcement Administrators' Association (LEAA). Unrepresented employees: all. County designated representatives – County Administrative Officer David Fraser, Assistant County Administrative Officer Denelle Carrington, Assistant Personnel Director Keri Oney, County Counsel John-Carl Vallejo, Assistant County Counsel Christy Milovich, HHS Director Anna Scott, Community Services Solutions Executive Director Amanda Philips, and Liebert, Cassidy, Whitmore Partner Jack Hughes.

3) Conference with Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation - Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Section 54956.9. Number of potential cases: 2

- 4) **Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – Pursuant to Government Code §54956.9(d)(1)** – Name of case: *Inyo v. Wolverine/Inyo, LLC et. al.* (Case No. 23UC70164).
- 5) **Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Pursuant to Government Code §54957** – Title: Agricultural Commissioner
- 6) **Public Employment – Pursuant to Government Code §54957** – Title: Public Defender.
- 7) **Public Employment – Pursuant to Government Code §54957** – Title: Planning Director
- 8) **Public Employment – Pursuant to Government Code §54957** – Title: Environmental Health Director
- 9) **Public Employments and Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Pursuant to Government Code §54957** – Title: County Administrator

OPEN SESSION

(With the exception of timed items, which cannot be heard prior to their scheduled time, all open-session items may be considered at any time and in any order during the meeting in the Board's discretion.)

- 10 A.M.**
- 10) **Pledge of Allegiance**
 - 11) **Report on Closed Session as Required by Law**
 - 12) **Public Comment**
Comments will be accepted at this time related to subjects not included on the agenda. Comments will be limited to three minutes. Per the Ralph M. Brown Act, the Board is prohibited from responding to or taking action on items not included on the agenda.
 - 13) **Pet Adoption Spotlight** - Inyo County Animal Services staff will introduce one or more pets currently available for adoption at the Animal Shelter.
 - 14) **Introductions** - The following new employees will be introduced to the Board:
 - **Health and Human Services:** Social Worker Kassandra Kemp, Program Supervisor Xochitl Martinez, and Secretary Administrative Stephanie Rock
 - **Sheriff's Office:** Shelter Assistant Christian Carrington
 - 15) **Update** - CalOES Region VI XIN Operational Area Coordinator Damon Carrington will provide an update regarding the Rock and Cinder Complex fires.
 - 16) **Board Member Reports**
The Board will provide updates on recent or upcoming meetings, important issues discussed or to be discussed at those meetings, and any projects being explored.

17) County Department Reports

CONSENT AGENDA

(Items that are considered routine and are approved in a single motion; approval recommended by the County Administrator)

18) Approval of Minutes from the Regular Board of Supervisors Meeting of August 11 and Special Meeting of August 12

Clerk of the Board | Assistant Clerk of the Board

Recommended Action:

Approve the minutes from the regular Board of Supervisors meeting of August 11, 2026 and special meeting of August 12, 2026.

19) Appointment to the Inyo County Assessment Appeals Board

Clerk of the Board | Assistant Clerk of the Board

Recommended Action: A) Accept the resignation of Ms. Jenifer Castaneda from the Inyo County Assessment Appeals Board; and B) Appoint Ms. Randi Pritchard to an unexpired three-year term ending September 2, 2027.

20) Election Consolidation Request for the Mesa Community Services District Special Tax for Fire Protection Services Measure

Clerk-Recorder | Danielle Sexton

Recommended Action:

- A) Order consolidation of the election for the Mesa Community Services District *Special Parcel Tax for Fire Protection Services* Measure provided within Resolution # 2026-1 with the November 3, 2026 General Election, including the canvass of the election results, in accordance with Elections Code Division 10, Part 3 (EC 10400-10418); and
- B) If the Board chooses, direct the County Auditor to review the measure and determine if the substance of the ballot measure, if adopted, would affect the revenues or expenditures of the county (EC 9160[c]).

21) Governor's Office of Emergency Services (CalOES) – Victim/Witness Assistance Program Grant Acceptance

District Attorney | Dana Crom

Recommended Action:

Authorize District Attorney Dana Crom, Assistant District Attorney David Christensen, and Administrative Operations Analyst Morgan Maillet to submit, accept, approve, and sign all grant applications, agreements, and/or other documents, as needed on behalf of the Inyo County District Attorney's Office for the 2026-2027 Cal OES Victim Witness Assistance Program (VW26029001) Grant on behalf of the County, including any extensions or amendments thereto.

- 22) Fiscal Year 2026 American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) Grant Award**
Sheriff | Lindsey Stine

Recommended Action:

Authorize acceptance of grant-awarded funds from the ASPCA Fiscal Year 2026 Grant Program in the amount of \$10,000.00 to support spay and neuter services and essential animal shelter care needs.

REGULAR AGENDA

- 23) Approval of Resolution Adopting an Agricultural Pass Program**

Agricultural Commissioner | Nathan Reade
20 minutes (10min. Presentation / 10min. Discussion)

Recommended Action:

Approve Resolution No. 2026-31, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors, County of Inyo, State of California Adopting an Agricultural Pass Program," and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

- 11 A.M. 24) Public Hearing and Resolution Adjusting the Clerk-Recorder's Office's Fee Schedule**

Clerk-Recorder | Danielle Sexton
10 minutes

Recommended Action:

- A) Conduct a public hearing to consider a resolution authorizing adjustments to the Recorder's Office fee schedule to include:
 - The Recorder Notification Program fee, effective January 1, 2027; and
 - The anticipated statewide recording fee increases established under AB 2224, effective no sooner than January 1, 2027, and once chaptered into state law
- B) Approve Resolution No. 2026-31, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, authorizing adjustments to the fee schedule for the Inyo Recorder's Office to include the Recorder Notification Program Fee under AB 255 and anticipated Recording Fee increases under AB 2224," and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

- 11:05 A.M. 25) Public Hearing and Ordinance for Zone Reclassification 2025-05/Fortney Biggs**

Planning Department | Cathreen Richards
10 minutes

Recommended Action:

- A) Receive a presentation from staff regarding Zone Reclassification 2025-05/Fortney Biggs;
- B) Hold a public hearing on a proposed ordinance titled, "An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Approving Zone Reclassification No. 2025-05/Fortney Biggs and Amending the Zoning Map of the County of Inyo by Rezoning a Three-

Acre Parcel of Land Located in the Community of Independence (APN 022-080-13) from Multiple Family Residential Three Units and Above with a Three-Acre Minimum (R3-3) to One Family Residential with a One-Acre Minimum (R1-1);"

- C) Make all the necessary findings as stated in the staff report and ordinance, including the finding that the project, ZR 2025-05 is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to the Commonsense Exemption 15061(b)(3) that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential to cause a significant effect on the environment; and
- D) Waive further reading of and adopt the proposed ordinance.

11:10 A.M. 26) Public Hearing and Ordinance for Zone Text Amendment 2026-01/Inyo County - Residential Infill

Planning Department | Cathreen Richards
10 minutes

Recommended Action:

- A) Conduct a public hearing on proposed Zone Text Amendment (ZTA) No. 2026-01, titled "An Ordinance of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, State of California, Amending Inyo County Code Sections 18.30.030 D; 18.30.030 E; 18.30.070 A; 18.30.070 B; 18.30.110; 18.33.020 E; 18.33.020 F; 18.33.050 A; 18.33.050 B; 18.33.080; 18.34.020 I; 18.34.050 H; 18.44.020 Y; 18.45.020 D 4; 18.48.020 R; 18.49.020 Q; 18.51.020 K; 18.54.020 L; 18.78.150 B; 18.78.150 F; 18.78.150 E; 18.78.340; and Amending Chapter 18.06 of the Inyo County Code;"
- B) Make the requested findings and certify that the action is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act; and,
- C) Waive further reading of and enact said ordinance.

27) Continuum of Care (CoC) Grant Agreement

Health & Human Services | Anna Scott
10 minutes (5min. Presentation / 5min. Discussion)

Recommended Action:

Ratify and approve the agreement between the County of Inyo and U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) of San Francisco, CA for the provision of Continuum of Care (CoC) planning activities in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 for the period of September 1, 2026 through August 31, 2027, contingent upon the Board's approval of future budgets, and authorize the Health and Human Services Director to sign all documents in the grant agreement.

28) Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care

Health & Human Services | Anna Scott
5 minutes

Recommended Action:

Ratify and approve the Letter of Allocation from the California Department of Health Care Services Children's Medical Services Branch for the Health Care Program for Children in Foster Care, in the total amount of \$374,958 for the period of July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027, and authorize the Chairperson to sign the Certification Statement.

29) Volunteer EMS, Firefighter, and Search and Rescue (SAR) Leave Policy

County Administrator - Personnel | Keri Oney
10 minutes

Recommended Action:

- A) Approve the Volunteer EMS Firefighter SAR Leave Policy;
- B) Establish a new 40-Hour Leave Category — Volunteer EMS/Firefighter/SAR Leave; and
- C) Authorize Personnel to revise and update the associated forms as necessary to ensure they remain responsive to implementation needs and operational realities.

30) Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Inyo and the Inyo County Law Enforcement Administrators' Association (ICLEAA)

County Administrator - Personnel | Keri Oney
5 minutes

Recommended Action:

- A) Ratify and approve the July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2028 Memorandum of Understanding between the County of Inyo and the Inyo County Law Enforcement Administrators' Association (ICLEAA); and
- B) Direct staff to update the publicly available pay schedule accordingly.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT

31) Public Comment

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CORRESPONDENCE - INFORMATIONAL

- 32) California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control —** Application for "On-Sale Beer and Wine - Eating Establishment" license filed by Paiute Fuel Development Corporation for 143 N. Highway 395, Independence, CA.