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AMENDED AGENDA

Board of Supervisors Room - County Administrative Center
224 North Edwards, Independence, California

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REGULAR MEETING

September 8, 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 – Acting County Administrative Officer Denelle Carrington, Assistant Personnel Director Keri Oney, County Counsel John-Carl Vallejo, and Assistant County Counsel Christy Milovich.

ADDENDUM:

2A) **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).

3) **Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Pursuant to Government Code §54957** – Title: Health & Human Services Director

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.)

9:30 A.M. 4) Pledge of Allegiance

5) Report on Closed Session as Required by Law

6) Public Comment

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7) 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.

8) County Department Reports

CONSENT AGENDA

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

9) Resolution Adopting 2026-2027 Property Tax Rates

Auditor-Controller | Amy Shepherd

Recommended Action:

Approve Resolution No. 2026-33, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, California Adopting Tax Rates for Fiscal Year 2026-2027, Pursuant to California Government Code Section 29100," and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

10) Resolution Establishing 2026-2027 Gann Appropriation Limit

Auditor-Controller | Amy Shepherd

Recommended Action:

Approve Resolution No. 2026-34, titled, "A Resolution of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Inyo, California Establishing Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Appropriation Limit under Article XIII of the California Constitution, and Establishing Period for Contesting Such Limits for the County and Board of Supervisors Governed Special Districts," and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

11) Appointment of Independence Cemetery District Board Member

Clerk of the Board | Assistant Clerk of the Board

Recommended Action:

Appoint Karen Roberts to the Independence Cemetery District Board of Trustees, to a four-year term ending January 31, 2030.

12) Request for Inyo Fish and Game Fine Fund Money to Support Efforts Related to Golden Mussel Infestation Prevention

Clerk of the Board | Assistant Clerk of the Board

Recommended Action:

Approve the request from the Inyo Fish and Wildlife Commission to provide Sierra Forever/ with \$3,000 in funding from the Inyo Fish and Game Fine Fund to support efforts to prevent infestation of the golden mussel in Eastern Sierra waters.

13) Updates to Administrative Procedure and Policy Manual for the Automated External Defibrillator (AED) Program

County Administrator - Risk Management | Aaron Holmberg

Recommended Action:

Acknowledge and approve the update to the County's policy and procedures for the Automated External Defibrillator (AED) program.

14) Agreement with California Department of Housing and Community Development for Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program Round 6 Funding

Health & Human Services | Anna Scott

Recommended Action:

Approve agreement number 25-HHAP-10018 between the County of Inyo and the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) for the provision of Homeless Housing, Assistance, and Prevention Program Round 6 (HHAP 6) in an amount not to exceed \$250,138.19 for the period commencing upon HCD approval of agreement through June 30, 2030, contingent upon approval of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign the standard agreement.

15) United States Geological Survey Joint Funding Agreement

Planning Department | Cathreen Richards

Recommended Action:

Approve the Joint Funding Agreement (JFA) with the United States Geological Survey (USGS) for wells and springs monitoring in the Amargosa Desert in the amount of \$8,000 for the period of October 1, 2026 through September 30, 2027 and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

16) Fee Waiver for Inyo Council of the Arts' Millpond Music Festival - Request to Reserve Millpond Park

Public Works - Parks & Recreation | Jorge Briceno

Recommended Action:

- A) Approve a fee waiver to Inyo Council for the Arts for the reservation of the entirety of Millpond Park for the 34th Annual Millpond Music Festival, in an amount not to exceed \$2,625.00, for the reservation fee set in Ordinance No. 1038, 12.16.192, Section IV, Subsection F; and
- B) Authorize closure of the park to accommodate the festival from 8 a.m. Thursday, September 17 to 3 p.m. Monday, September 21, 2026.

ADDENDUM:

16A) Temporary Road Closure for the 2026 California Indian Day Parade

Public Works | Shannon Platt

Recommended Action:

Approve the temporary closure of a portion of North Pa Ha Lane, a portion of Diaz Lane, and a portion of North Barlow Lane (as indicated on the attached map), from 6:30 a.m.-noon on September 25, 2026 to accommodate the Annual 2026 California Indian Days Parade.

17) Contract with American Financial Credit Services

Treasurer-Tax Collector | Christie Martindale

Recommended Action:

Approve a contract with American Financial Credit Services for the provision of delinquent tax skip tracing, billing, and recovery services, and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

18) Omnia Master Service Agreement Order Form for DebtBook Software

Treasurer-Tax Collector | Christie Martindale

Recommended Action:

Approve Omnia Master Service Agreement Order Form for DebtBook Software as a Service Application and authorize the Treasurer-Tax Collector to sign.

REGULAR AGENDA

19) Workshop - Overview of Development Agreements (DAs) in Advance of Upcoming Proposed Renewable Energy Development Agreements (REDAs) for the Bonanza Peak Solar Project in Charleston View, Inyo County

Planning Department | Stacey Simon

20 minutes (10min. Presentation / 10min. Discussion)

Recommended Action:

- A) Conduct workshop on Development Agreements (DAs), including proposed Renewable Energy Development Agreements (REDAs) for the Bonanza Peak Solar Project in Charleston View, Inyo County; and
- B) Provide any follow-up direction to staff as necessary.

10 A.M. 20) Public Hearing for and Approval of Fiscal Year 2026-2027 County Administrative Officer's Recommended Budget

County Administrator | Amy Shepherd, Denelle Carrington, Kelsey Gonzalez
2 hours

Recommended Action:

- A) Hold a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 CAO Recommended Budget;
- B) Discuss and/or solicit feedback on the proposed individual department budgets (in the order prescribed in attached list);
- C) Adopt the Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Budget as Recommended by the County Administrator, including the recommendations presented herein;
- D) Provide direction with regard to the use of Fund Balance the Auditor-Controller may certify below or in excess of \$4,500,000; and
- E) Set adoption of the Final Budget for September 29, 2026 or schedule a special meeting of the Board of Supervisors, depending on when Budget Hearings conclude.

21) Amendment No. 3 to the Agreement with Consor North America of Golden, CO

Public Works | Ashley Helms
10 minutes (5min. Presentation / 5min. Discussion)

Recommended Action:

Ratify and approve Amendment No. 3 to the agreement between the County of Inyo and Consor North America of Golden, CO for the provision of engineering design, environmental review, right-of-way acquisition, and limited construction support for the Carrol Creek Road Bridge Replacement Project, extending the term end date from June 30, 2026 to December 31, 2027, contingent upon the Board's approval of future budgets, and authorize the Chairperson to sign.

22) Approval of USDA Loan and Grant Documents for the Lone Pine Water System Improvements Project

County Administrator | Meaghan McCamman, Marc Lucas, Ashley Helms, Breanne Nelums
15 minutes (5min. Presentation / 10min. Discussion)

Recommended Action:

- A) Conduct a public meeting pursuant to the requirements of 7 CFR 1780.19 for the Lone Pine Water System Improvement Project;
- B) Approve the loan and associated grant offered by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Rural Development for financing the Lone Pine Water System Improvements Project;
- C) Authorize the Acting County Administrative Officer, or designee, to execute all USDA Rural Development loan and grant documents associated with the project, including but not limited to the Letter of Conditions, Loan Resolution, Grant Agreement, and all other required forms, with the concurrence of the County Auditor-Controller and Treasurer-Tax Collector; and
- D) Direct staff to complete all necessary actions to finalize funding acceptance and proceed with project implementation.

23) Fish and Wildlife Commission Request to Send Letter to State

Clerk of the Board | Assistant Clerk of the Board
10 minutes

Recommended Action:

- A) Authorize the Inyo County Fish and Wildlife Commission to send a letter to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife and State Fish and Game Commission calling for the elimination of the "three strikes rule" pertaining to problem mountain lions; and
- B) Consider directing County staff to send a similar letter on behalf of the Board of Supervisors.

ADDITIONAL PUBLIC COMMENT

24) Public Comment

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