



City of Walnut City Manager Briefing

February 2026



Administrative Services

Small Business Spotlight - KBOP Korean Kitchen

Staff is pleased to announce that the first business to be featured in the Small Business Spotlight is KBOP Korean Kitchen, located at 1375 N. Grand Avenue. This new fast-casual restaurant specializes in comforting rice bowls and ultra-crispy fried chicken, blending traditional Korean flavors with modern convenience.

Their promotional video was highlighted at the February 25, 2026 City Council Meeting and shared on the City's social media platforms the following day.



Finance



Finance Update

This week, the Finance Department reviewed Walnut's FY 24/25 State Controller's Office Financial Transaction Report (FTR) and prepared for submittal. This is a required annual document that provides the State with a summary of our financial activity by fund. It is based on the data contained in our Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) reformatted into specified forms for State monitoring.



Community Development

Metro Proposition (Prop) A Funds - Exchange for Unrestricted General Funds

Staff will be processing the sale of \$500,000 in restricted Prop A funds with the City of West Hollywood. In exchange, the City will receive \$350,000 in unrestricted General Fund revenues that may be used towards essential City services, including Public Safety. The City receives an annual allocation of restricted Prop A funds, which are to be used on public transportation projects. These funds, however, have a shelf life of three (3) years, meaning the funds must be used within three (3) years from the date received. Otherwise, the funds will need to be returned to Metro. The sale of Prop A funds to West Hollywood will in no way impact any current or planned transportation-related improvement projects within the City, and the annual receipt of additional Prop A funds from Metro will ensure future projects can be implemented.



City of Walnut 2025 Assessed Value

Annually, the County of Los Angeles' Assessor's Office releases a report on the assessed values of the cities and unincorporated jurisdictions within the County. In 2025, Walnut's total assessed valuation increased to \$7,483,453,923, which is a 6% change from 2024; this is fairly high in comparison to the average percent change of valuation of the entire County, which is 3.9%. Higher property values often reflect the dedication of the City's decision makers to the City's overall quality of development, quality of life, and focus on public safety policies.



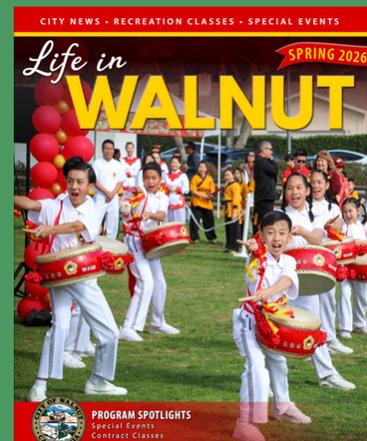
Community Services

New Classes Offered!

The Spring edition of the Life in Walnut brochure offers Mandarin and Badminton classes, a first for our contract class series.

- Walnut residents: Registration begins Tuesday, February 17, 2026.
- Non-residents: Registration begins Monday, February 23, 2026.

Visit the link below to view the brochure: <https://www.flipbook.thesaucecs.com/WalnutSpring/mobile/index.html>



Now Hiring for Summer 2026!

We're gearing up for summer and are now accepting applications for the following seasonal positions:

- Assistant Pool Manager
- Lifeguards
- Swim Instructors
- Recreation Leaders

If you or someone you know are interested in working in a fun, fast-paced environment while serving the community, we'd love to hear from you!

Apply Online: <https://www.governmentjobs.com/careers/walnutca>



Public Works

Grand Avenue & La Puente Road - Project Progress

All travel lanes at the Grand Avenue and La Puente Road intersection are now open, marking a major milestone for the Project. Traffic flow has already improved significantly, and final paving is anticipated during the first week of March, followed by restriping so the City can fully utilize the widened intersection.

We understand there has been frustration regarding the intersection operating on flashing red signals. The signal will remain in flash mode temporarily while crews complete installation of the remaining traffic signal infrastructure, finalize new asphalt paving, and complete striping. Once these final improvements are in place and tested, the signal will transition to full operation.

The last traffic impacts associated with construction will occur during asphalt repair work scheduled for March 4, 2026 and March 5, 2026. Lane closures will take place on La Puente Road on March 4, 2026 and Grand Avenue on March 5, 2026. Motorists should expect temporary lane reductions and occasional impacts to turning lanes as work progresses from lane to lane. Drivers are encouraged to plan ahead and consider alternate routes to help minimize delays.

We appreciate the community's patience as we complete these final steps toward delivering a safer and more efficient intersection.



Field Condition Hotline - Now Active

With the rainy season underway, field conditions remain an important topic for Walnut's youth sports community. Public Works has launched a Field Condition Hotline at (909) 348-0739 to provide timely updates on field availability during inclement weather. Parents, coaches, and league representatives can call the hotline for daily updates. This highly requested service is now active and helping improve communication with our sports user groups. Residents may also contact the Public Works Department directly at (909) 598-5605 with any additional questions or concerns.





Upcoming Meetings & Events

Senior Commission Meeting

March 4, 2026

Youth Advisory Commission Meeting

March 9, 2026

Traffic Safety Committee Meeting

March 11, 2026

City Council Meeting

March 11 & 25, 2026

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting

March 17, 2026

Planning Commission Meeting

March 18, 2026



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