



City of Walnut City Manager Briefing

January 2026



Administrative Services

City of Walnut Art Contest

The submission deadline for the City of Walnut Art Contest has been extended to February 26, 2026. The extension accounts for the early-year timing of the contest, as students and schools were returning from winter break, and provides additional time for participants to prepare and submit their artwork.

Outreach efforts have also been expanded. Contest flyers were reviewed and approved by the Walnut Valley Unified School District, and all schools within the district have been contacted to assist with distributing information and promoting the contest to students.

In addition, the contest is being promoted through City social media channels and through on-site outreach at the City Gym and Teen Center to further increase student awareness and participation.

Public Safety



Coffee with a Cop

The City of Walnut has finalized plans for the upcoming Coffee with a Cop community engagement event. This event is scheduled for February 11, 2026, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. and will be hosted at Aroma Craft Coffee. The event will include participation from the Walnut Sheriff's Department and City Staff, providing residents with an opportunity to engage directly with local law enforcement in an informal setting. The event flyer has been finalized and will be used for promotion on City social media channels, and the City website will be updated to reflect event details.



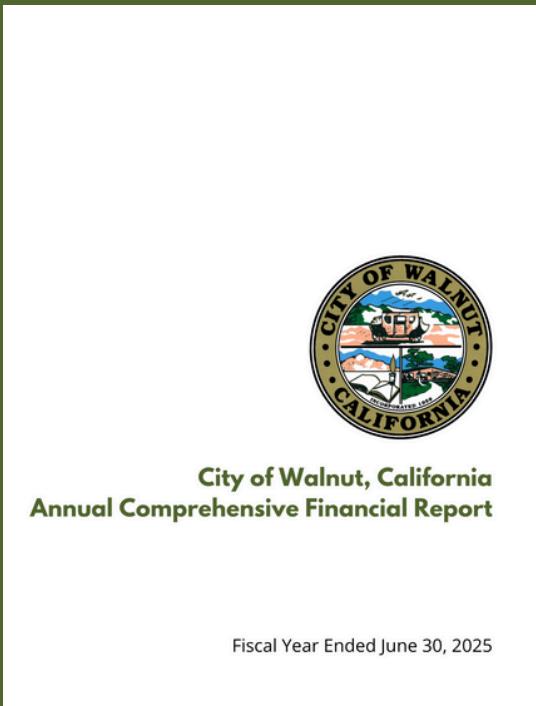


Finance

Annual Comprehensive Financial Report



The City of Walnut has submitted its FY 2024-25 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) to the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) Award Program for review. This is a rigorous program in which three judges evaluate the ACFR against criteria for transparency and compliance with regulatory standards. The City has participated in this program for several years and has received the GFOA Certificate of Achievement in all years. This past year, the City implemented several new pronouncements from the Governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) implementing new reporting requirements for leases, contracts, and compensated absences. This ongoing effort demonstrates the City's commitment to best practices in the stewardship of taxpayer dollars.



Community Services

New Mobile Recreation App, Walnut Rec Live Now!

We're excited to announce the launch of our new mobile recreation app, Walnut Rec. Some great features include:

oMobile access to memberships, digital membership cards, and facility check in.
oBrowse, search, and register for programs, classes, camps, and activities.

- AI powered smart search and personalized activity recommendations.
- Secure in app payments for registrations, memberships, and extra fees.
- View and manage upcoming bookings, schedules, and course series.
- Push notifications for reminders, updates, and announcements.
- Family account management from a single login.
- Biometric login (Face ID / Touch ID) for faster, secure access.
- Calendar integration for registered activities.
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Download the app using the links below to register and log in:

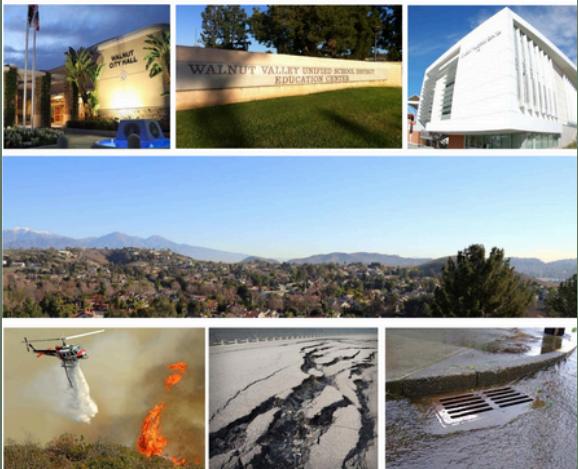
[Walnut Rec - Apps on Google Play](#)

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Community Development

September 24, 2025 | Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan



City of Walnut Base Plan

Multi - Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan

Just before the end of the year, Staff received correspondence back from Cal OES with regards to their review of the City's Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan (MJHMP). Though the City did receive minor comments, Cal OES stated that overall, the City's plan was great and anticipates approving the MJHMP upon final review. The City's consultant is currently working on addressing those comments. Staff is working closely with the consultant to get the modifications completed as soon as possible and the document back to Cal OES for finalizing. As a reminder, the MJHMP is a tool that puts the City, along with its partnering agencies (Mt. Sac and Walnut Valley Unified School District) in a position to ensure FEMA assistance and reimbursement in the event the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) is activated. The Plan also provides working guidelines on how the City and its partners will effectively address and respond to an emergency related event, such as a national disaster (e.g. earthquake) or other emergency.

Public Works

Snow Creek Park - Project Update

Playground access at Snow Creek Park was successfully restored this week following pathway construction near the entrance. The contractor is now working closely with City Staff to reopen access to the adjacent baseball field as soon as possible, so youth sports practices can begin.

The ongoing work is part of Phase 2 of the Snow Creek Park ADA Improvement Project, which includes construction of accessible paths of travel to all Park amenities. While some work remains, we appreciate the community's continued support and patience as we move toward full project completion.



Grand Avenue & La Puente Road Intersection Improvement Project - Update

Construction continues to progress ahead of schedule at the Grand Avenue & La Puente Road intersection as part of the Traffic Signal Improvement Project.

Most recently, the easterly side of La Puente Road was closed just past the intersection to safely accommodate ongoing work, and reopened on Monday, February 2, 2026. Access to the Snow Creek neighborhood and nearby preschool remained open via Snow Creek Drive. Message boards were placed on Monday, January 26, 2026 to alert nearby residents, and additional outreach was shared through the City's social media to help keep the community informed. While temporary traffic impacts will continue over the next several weeks, the project remains ahead of schedule. Additional travel lanes are expected to open early February, which will significantly improve circulation through the corridor.

Thank you to our residents and businesses for your patience as we move through this critical phase of construction. For any questions about the project, residents are encouraged to contact the Public Works Department at (909) 598-5605 or email publicworks@walnutca.gov.





Upcoming Meetings & Events

City Council Meeting
February 11 & 25, 2026

Parks & Recreation Commission Meeting
February 17, 2026

Planning Commission Meeting
February 18, 2026

Lunar New Year Celebration
February 28, 2026



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