

Council Goals

Envision a safe, flourishing downtown that provides a strong commercial tax base

Strive to be active stewards of existing aging infrastructure

Recognize importance of experience, well trained, and community minded staff

Ensure its electorate is well informed of on-going successes and future plans

Envision a safe, secure community for its families and youth

Promote redevelopment of existing businesses and neighborhoods and increase quality of life for all its residents



AGENDA REGULAR MEETING LA JUNTA CITY COUNCIL

La Junta, Colorado
December 15, 2025
6:00 PM
Council Chambers
Municipal Building
601 Colorado Avenue

CALL TO ORDER (Mayor Ayala)

INVOCATION (Mayor Ayala)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE (Mayor Ayala)

ROLL CALL (City Clerk)

Council Members
Ramirez (Ward 1)
Velasquez (Ward 1)
Johnson (Ward 2)
Ayala (Mayor)
Ochoa (Ward 2)
Pantoya (Ward 3)
Rikhof (Ward 3)

EMPLOYEE SERVICE AWARDS

- A. November 2025
 - 1. Cesar Carrillo – 25 years
- B. December 2025
 - 1. Mitch Zgorzynski – 10 years
 - 2. Virginia Roybal – 20 years
 - 3. Melanie Scofield – 30 years

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION *(5-minute time limit per person)*

REPORTS

- A. Tourism Advisory Board (Pam Denahy) (Information)

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Regular Meeting Minutes December 1, 2025

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. Second Reading/AN ORDINANCE REQUIRING SHORT-TERM RENTAL MARKETPLACES TO COLLECT AND REMIT LODGING TAXES ON BEHALF OF HOSTS WITHIN THE CITY OF LA JUNTA, COLORADO (City Attorney) (Action)
- B. Second Reading/AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF LA JUNTA SUBDIVISION REGULATIONS TO ESTABLISH A PROCEDURE AND CRITERIA FOR A LOT MERGES AND TO REQUIRE REZONING REVIEW FOR MERGERS INVOLVING MULTIPLE ZONING DISTRICTS (City Attorney) (Action)

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS – November 2025

NEW BUSINESS

- A. Board Appointments (Mayor) (Action)
 - 1. Reappoint Gary Cranson to the ARPA Board – term to expire 12/31/2029
 - 2. Appoint Aimee Hill to the Historic Preservation Board – term to expire 12/31/2027
 - 3. Appoint Luann Cannon to the La Junta Housing Authority – term to expire 12/31/2030

4. Appoint Diana Pennington to the La Junta Housing Authority – term to expire 12/31/2029
 5. Reappoint Nickolas Burdick to the Library Advisory Board – term to expire 12/31/2028
 6. Reappoint Sara Holt to the Library Advisory Board – term to expire 12/31/2028
 7. Reappoint Gregg Portch to the Planning Commission – term to expire 12/31/2031
 8. Appoint Mary Sue Holland to the Senior Citizens Board – term to expire 12/31/2027
 9. Appoint Connie Ortiz to the Senior Citizens Board – term to expire 12/31/2027
 10. Appoint Ruth Ayala to the Tourism Advisory Board – term to expire 12/31/2028
 11. Appoint CaSandra Thomas to the Board of Utilities – term to expire 11/2031
- B. Intergovernmental Agreement – Dispatch Services (City Manager) (Action)
 - C. Committee/Board Report
 - D. City Manager Report
 - E. Community Events/Council Report
 - F. Governing Body Report
 - G. ADJOURN