

**AGENDA  
REGULAR MEETING  
SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL**

*Edward Garcia, Mayor  
Kelly Kriebs, Mayor Pro Tem  
Gene Goss, Council Member  
Kristine Lowe, Council Member  
Robert Parkhurst, Council Member*

*Michael Amerio, City Treasurer*

**Tuesday, April 25, 2023  
5:30 pm**

**City of Sierra Madre  
City Council Chambers  
232 W. Sierra Madre Boulevard  
Sierra Madre, California 91024**



**THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE MOST CURRENT LOS ANGELES COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER'S ORDER**

The Brown Act provides the public with an opportunity to make public comments at any public meeting; As an alternative, public comment may be made by e-mail to [PublicComment@CityofSierraMadre.com](mailto:PublicComment@CityofSierraMadre.com) by 3:00PM on the day of the meeting. Emails will be acknowledged at the Council meeting, filed into public record and scanned onto the City website for public review.

The meeting will be streamed live on the City's website at [www.cityofsierramadre.com](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com), on Foothills Media website at <http://www.foothillsmedia.org/sierramadre> and broadcast on Government Access Channel 3 (Spectrum)

**CODE OF CONDUCT**

The purpose of a City Council meeting is to conduct City business. Members of the public that behave in a manner that interrupts or obstructs the Council's ability to conduct City business may be asked to leave the meeting. Any and all demonstrations which disrupt, interrupt, or obstruct the Council's ability to conduct City business are prohibited. No signs, posters or other large objects shall be brought into the Council Chambers or other meeting place if doing so would disrupt, disturb or otherwise impede the orderly course of the meeting.

### **CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Mayor Garcia, Mayor Pro Tem Kriebs, Council Member Goss, Council Member Lowe, Council Member Parkhurst

### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INSPIRATION**

Council Member Lowe

### **APPROVAL OF MEETING AGENDA**

Vote of the City Council to proceed with City business.

### **APPROVAL FOR READING RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES**

Vote of the City Council to read all Ordinances and Resolutions by title only and waive the reading in full.

### **APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES.**

Approval of April 11, 2023, City Council Regular meeting minutes.

### **MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL REPORTS**

Reporting of Council Members' activities related to City business.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION CODE OF CONDUCT**

Your participation is welcomed and invited at all City Council meetings. The council requests that participants refrain from making personal, slanderous, profane, or disruptive remarks. A person who continues to disrupt the orderly conduct of the meeting after being warned by the Mayor or designee to cease the disruption may be precluded from further participation in the meeting. No signs, posters or other large objects shall be brought into the Council Chambers or other meeting place if doing so would disrupt, disturb or otherwise impede the orderly course of the meeting.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

The Council will listen to the public on any item on the agenda. In addition, the Council will devote time for public comment on items not on the agenda. Addressing the City Council from the audience is not permitted; all comments addressing the Council must be made from the podium. Only public comment made from the podium will be recognized by the City Council and entered into public record.

#### **Providing Public Comment for Items on the Meeting Agenda:**

Persons wishing to speak on any item on the agenda will be called during the comment period at the time the agenda item is brought forward. Persons wishing to speak on closed session items have a choice of doing so either immediately prior to the closed session or at the time for comments on items at the open session.

#### **Providing Public Comment for Topics not on the Meeting Agenda:**

Time shall be devoted to provide public comments for items not on the agenda. Under the Brown Act, Council is prohibited from taking action on items not on the agenda, but the matter may be referred to staff or to a subsequent meeting.

#### **Providing Public Comment:**

1. Any person wishing to provide public comment is asked to complete a comment card. Please include your name and address. Each speaker will be limited to up to three continuous minutes, which may not be delegated or deferred.
2. The City provides a podium for public comment. Comments addressed to the Council shall occur during the appropriate time on the agenda and should not be construed as an opportunity for dialogue. Each speaker will be limited to three continuous minutes, which may not be delegated or deferred.

## **PRESENTATION**

**INTRODUCTION OF NEWLY APPOINTED POLICE OFFICER JASON GARCIA**

**RECOGNITION OF FIRE DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL**

**PROCLAMATION DENOUNCING AND CONDEMNING ANTISEMITISM AND ALL FORMS OF HATRED**

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## **ACTION ITEMS**

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### **CONSENT**

**a) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 23-28 APPROVING CERTAIN DEMANDS**

It is recommended that the City Council approve Resolution 23-28 approving payment of City Warrants in the aggregate amount of \$868,744.39; Sierra Madre Library Warrants in the aggregate amount of \$6,094.68; and Payroll Transfer in the aggregate amount of \$464,777.39 for the Fiscal Year ending June 30, 2023.

**b) CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF PREPAYMENT TO CAL-PERS UNFUNDED ACCRUED LIABILITY (UAL)**

It is recommended that the City Council approve the budgeted additional prepayment to CAL-PERS Unfunded Accrued Liability.

**c) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 23-29, INITIATING PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS AND ORDERING THE PREPARATION OF THE REPORT FOR THE DOWNTOWN LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING MAINTENANCE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT**

It is recommended that the City Council authorize NBS to prepare and file with the City Clerk, the Engineer's Report concerning the levy and collection of assessments within the Downtown Landscaping Lighting Maintenance Assessment District for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024.

**d) CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 23-12 DECLARING THE MISMANAGEMENT OF LOCAL BLACK BEAR POPULATIONS A THREAT TO PUBLIC SAFETY**

It is recommended that the City Council adopt Resolution 23-12, including the request to the Fish and Game Commission to agendaize an item for the next scheduled meeting and transmittal of Resolution 23-12 to the Director of the Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Secretary for Natural Resources, the Fish and Game Commission and elected state representatives.

**f) CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF THE CALIFORNIA ENERGY COMMISSION CAL-APP GRANT FOR ONLINE SOLAR PERMITTING**

It is recommended that the City Council accept the awarded California Energy Commission Cal-APP Grant in the amount of \$40,000.

## **CEQA FINDINGS**

This activity accepts grant funds to update online permitting infrastructure and has no potential for resulting in either a direct physical change in the environment, or a reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, and as such, is not a “project” subject to the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) 14 Cal. Code Regs § 15378.

## **DISCUSSION**

### **1. CITY OF SIERRA MADRE LOCAL TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM**

It is recommended that the City Council provide direction to staff regarding potential updates to the City’s Local Transportation Program.

### **2. CONSIDERATION OF THE CITY COUNCIL’S POSITION ON ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1708, ASSEMBLY BILL NO. 1538, SENATE BILL NO. 423, THE 2023-2024 STATE BUDGET’S PRIORITIES, AND THE PROPOSED TAXPAYER PROTECTION AND GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY ACT INITIATIVE**

It is recommended that the City Council consider whether to state a position on Assembly Bill No. 1708, Assembly Bill No. 1538, Senate Bill No. 423, the 2023-2024 State Budget’s priorities, and the proposed Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act Initiative.

## **ACTION ITEMS**

*Regardless of staff recommendation on any agenda item, the City Council will consider such matters, including action to approve, conditionally approve, reject, or continue such item.*

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

*The appellant and/or applicant will each be provided a total of ten (10) minutes to address their item. A portion of their allotted time may be reserved for rebuttal or a summary conclusion at the close of public comment. All other speakers will be limited to a total of three continuous minutes, which cannot be delegated. These rules will be enforced but may be changed by appropriate City Council action.*

## **AVAILABILITY OF AGENDA MATERIALS**

*Materials related to items on this agenda are available for public inspection on the City’s website at [www.cityofsierramadre.com](http://www.cityofsierramadre.com).*

## **LIVE BROADCASTS**

*Regular City Council meetings are broadcast live on Cable Channel 3 and rebroadcast on Wednesday and Saturday at 5:30 p.m.*

## **MEETING ASSISTANCE**

*If you require special assistance to participate in this meeting, please call the City Clerk’s Office at (626) 355-7135 at least 48 hours prior to the meeting.*

## **ADJOURNMENT**

*The City Council will adjourn to a meeting to take place at this same location on May 9, 2023.*