

**AGENDA
SPECIAL MEETING
SIERRA MADRE CITY COUNCIL**

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

Sue Spears, City Treasurer

**Monday March 17, 2025
9:00 am**

**The Only Place In Town
110 W. Sierra Madre Boulevard
Sierra Madre, California 91024**



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CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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

OPENING REMARKS

Mayor Parkhurst

DISCUSSION

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.

FEDERAL FUNDING UPDATE - No action is required by the City Council. However, the Council may choose to agendaize any of these items for a future meeting.

- **Sierra Madre Public Safety Entitlement Update (Chief of Police - Barrientos)**
The City of Sierra Madre continues to seek federal assistance for public safety initiatives, including funding to support police emergency response capabilities. The City seeks an update on entitlement funding to supplement the City's public safety measures.
- **Hazard Mitigation Plan – FEMA Funding (Fire Chief - Bartlett)**
The City has been working on an updated Hazard Mitigation Plan to strengthen its resilience against natural disasters. Federal funding opportunities through FEMA's Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) and Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities (BRIC) program will be explored to:
 - Support infrastructure improvements to reduce wildfire and flood risks.
 - Enhance emergency preparedness and response efforts.
 - Develop long-term mitigation strategies to protect residents and city assets.

WATER INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS – No action is required by the City Council. However, the Council may choose to agendaize any of these items for a future meeting.

(Public Works & Utilities Manager Steven McGee)

- **Seismic Retrofit of Water Reservoirs**
The City of Sierra Madre's aging water infrastructure is in need of seismic retrofitting to meet modern safety standards. Federal funding is critical to:
 - Improve the structural integrity of reservoirs to withstand seismic events.
 - Ensure continued water service and fire suppression capabilities in the event of an earthquake.
 - Reduce the financial burden on local ratepayers by leveraging federal grants and low-interest loans.
- **Auburn Reservoir**
The Auburn Reservoir is a key component of the City's water system and requires significant upgrades to meet state and federal safety standards. The City seeks federal assistance for:
 - Engineering and design costs for seismic retrofitting.
 - Construction funding through the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act (WIFIA) or other federal programs.
 - Advocacy support to prioritize small city water infrastructure needs in future federal appropriations.

ACTION ITEMS

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ADJOURNMENT

The City Council will adjourn to a Regular meeting to take place on March 25, 2025.