

[Ballot Argument in Favor of Measure GL (Sierra Madre) UPDATED 3-12-26]

Maintain Sierra Madre's safety and financial stability, without raising taxes - Vote Yes on GL!

Since Sierra Madre's incorporation over 100 years ago, a lot has changed, including establishment of a full-time, professional Fire Department for 24/7 paramedic, fire, and disaster response so our community's local fire and medical safety is prioritized, keeping our neighborhoods, local small businesses, and families safe.

But because of the Gann Limit – a state technicality using a formula created by Sacramento bureaucrats in the 1970's – Sierra Madre cannot use all funds that it has available to maintain wildfire prevention programs like brush clearing; protecting local safe, clean water; or repairing roads, without a vote of our community.

That is why we need Measure GL. Voting Yes on GL simply allows Sierra Madre to budget responsibly and spend funds the City has already raised on the services the community needs. Measure GL does not raise or create new taxes.

Measure GL will not cost the Sierra Madre taxpayer one cent!

Voting Yes on GL simply allows our city to have the continued ability to address our own needs with the budget that we have.

Larger cities like Los Angeles receive more money and attention from the State. Therefore, in an emergency, regional first responders go to big cities first.

As a small city, Sierra Madre must continue to be independent and self-reliant – maintaining our local control, keeping our tax dollars in Sierra Madre, and prudently managing our own budgets without raising taxes.

That is why small business owners, fire/public safety providers, civic leaders, and a unanimous Mayor and City Council support Measure GL.

Don't let Sacramento bureaucracy stop Sierra Madre from addressing our own City's needs! Vote Yes on GL to maintain responsible budget planning for our City's current size and financial needs.

For factual information, visit: www.sierramadreca.gov/gannlimit



Julia Aguilar
City Clerk

**BALLOT LABEL – LIST OF NAMES OF SUPPORTERS OF
MEASURE GL**

CITY OF SIERRA MADRE – ELECTION DATE 6-2-26

Mayor Kris Lowe; City Treasurer Sue Spears; SM Firefighter Assn;
Mike Kefalas Only Place in Town; Sandy Duvall Sierra Fitness

