



## CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

Clearlake City Hall Council Chambers  
14050 Olympic Dr, Clearlake, CA

Thursday, May 15, 2025

Regular Meeting 6:00 PM

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### AGENDA

**MEETING PROCEDURES:** *All items on agenda will be open for public comments before final action is taken. Citizens wishing to introduce written material into the record at the public meeting on any item are requested to provide a copy of the written material to the Administrative Services Director/City Clerk prior to the meeting date so that the material may be distributed to the City Council prior to the meeting. Speakers must restrict comments to the item as it appears on the agenda and stay within a three minutes time limit. The Mayor has the discretion of limiting the total discussion time for an item.*

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## AGENDA REPORTS

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### A. ROLL CALL

### B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**C. INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE:** *The City Council invites members of the clergy, as well as interested members of the public in the City of Clearlake, to voluntarily offer an invocation before the beginning of its meetings for the benefit and blessing of the City Council. This opportunity is voluntary and invocations are to be less than three minutes, offered in a solemn and respectful tone, and directed at the City Council. Invitational speakers who do not abide by these simple rules of respect and brevity shall be given a warning and/or not invited back to provide a subsequent invocation for a reasonable period of time, as determined appropriate by the City. This policy is not intended, and shall not be implemented or construed in any way, to affiliate the City Council with, nor express the City Council's preference for, any faith or religious denomination. Rather, this policy is intended to acknowledge and express the City Council's respect for the diversity of religious denominations and faith represented and practiced among the citizens of Clearlake. If a scheduled invitational speaker does not appear at the scheduled meeting, the Mayor will ask that the City Council observe a moment of silence in lieu of the invocation. More information about the City's invocation policy is available upon request by contacting the Administrative Services Director/City Clerk at (707) 994-8201x106 or via email at [mswanson@clearlake.ca.us](mailto:mswanson@clearlake.ca.us).*

### D. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA (This is the time for agenda modifications.)

### E. PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation of May's Adoptable Dogs

[2.](#) Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring May 18 - 24, 2025 as Public Works Week

3. Presentation of an Update on Proposition 36 by Chief Hobbs

**F. PUBLIC COMMENT:** *This is the time for any member of the public to address the City Council on any matter not on the agenda that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City. **The Brown Act, with limited exceptions, does not allow the Council or staff to discuss issues brought forth under Public Comment.** The Council cannot take action on non-agenda items. Concerns may be referred to staff or placed on the next available agenda. Please note that comments from the public will also be taken on each agenda item. Comments shall be limited to three (3) minutes per person.*

**G. CONSENT AGENDA:** *All items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered to be routine in nature and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Council requests otherwise, or if staff has requested a change under Adoption of the Agenda, in which case the item will be removed for separate consideration. Any item so removed will be taken up following the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.*

[4.](#) Minutes

Recommended Action: Receive and file

[5.](#) Warrants

Recommended Action: Receive and file

[6.](#) Continuation of Director of Emergency Services/City Manager Proclamation Declaring a Local Emergency for Winter Storms

Recommended Action: Continue declaration of emergency

[7.](#) Continuation of Director of Emergency Services/City Manager Proclamation Declaring a Local Emergency for the Boyles Fire

Recommended Action: Continue declaration of emergency

[8.](#) Adoption of Update to Resolution 2024-15, HOME Application to Increase the Requested Not-to-Exceed Amount to \$10,200,000; Resolution 2025-18

Recommended Action: Adopt resolution

[9.](#) Update to City Council Meeting Calendar to Include June 19th as a Regular City Council Meeting Date

Recommended Action: Approve updated meeting calendar

## **H. PUBLIC HEARING**

[10.](#) Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance 281-2025, An Ordinance to Designate Fire Hazard Severity Zones in the Local Responsibility Area as Required by State Law

Recommended Action: Hold First Reading of the Ordinance, Read it by Title Only, Waive Further Reading and Set Second Reading and Adoption for the Next Council Meeting.

[11.](#) Public Hearing to Consider Closeout of Community Development Block Grant Covid 2/3 Funds for the Senior Community Center Upgrades; Resolution No. 2025-19

Recommended Action: Adopt resolution and authorize the City Manager to finalize the closeout process

12. Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of Fees Related to Ordinance No. 280-2025, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Clearlake Authorizing Bingo Games for Charitable Purposes Only; Resolution No. 2025-20

Recommended Action: Adopt resolution

**I. BUSINESS**

13. Discussion and Consideration of Letters of Opposition of SB 226 (Cabaldon) Community College Territory Transfers

Recommended Action: Approve Letter(s) and Authorize the Mayor to Sign

14. Presentation and Discussion Regarding Safe Routes to Schools Plans for Burns Valley and Pomo Elementary Schools

Recommended Action: Receive Presentation

**J. CITY MANAGER AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

**K. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**L. CLOSED SESSION**

- (15) Conference with Legal Counsel: Existing Litigation: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1): Case No. CV-425596: City of Clearlake v. Highlands Mutual Water Company, et al., Lake County Superior Court

- (16) Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957: PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION: Title: City Manager

**M. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION**

**N. ADJOURNMENT**

POSTED: May 9, 2025

BY:



Melissa Swanson, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk



**Public Works Week  
May 18 – 24, 2025  
“People, Purpose, Presence”**

WHEREAS, public works professionals focus on infrastructure, facilities, and services that are of vital importance to sustainable and resilient communities and to public health, high quality of life, and well-being of the people of Clearlake; and,

WHEREAS, these infrastructure, facilities, and services could not be provided without the dedicated efforts of public works professionals, who are engineers, managers, and employees at all levels of government and the private sector, who are responsible for rebuilding, improving, and protecting our nation’s transportation, water supply, water treatment and solid waste systems, public buildings, and other structures and facilities essential for our citizens; and,

WHEREAS, it is in the public interest for the citizens, civic leaders, and children in Clearlake to gain knowledge of and maintain an ongoing interest and understanding of the importance of public works and public works programs in their respective communities; and,

WHEREAS, the year 2025 marks the 65th annual National Public Works Week sponsored by the American Public Works Association/Canadian Public Works Association be it now,

HEREBY LET IT BE RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Clearlake does hereby designate the week of May 18–24, 2025, as National Public Works Week and urges all citizens to join with representatives of the American Public Works Association and government agencies in activities, events, and ceremonies designed to pay tribute to our public works professionals, engineers, managers, and employees and to recognize the substantial contributions they make to protecting our national health, safety, and advancing quality of life for all.

Dated this 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025

Russ Cremer, Mayor



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### MINUTES

#### A. ROLL CALL

##### PRESENT

Mayor Russ Cremer  
Vice Mayor Dirk Slooten  
Councilmember Tara Downey  
Councilmember Jessica Hooten

##### ABSENT

Councilmember Mary Wilson

#### B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### C. INVOCATION/MOMENT OF SILENCE

#### D. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Motion made by Vice Mayor Slooten.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cremer, Vice Mayor Slooten, Councilmember Downey, Councilmember Hooten

#### E. PRESENTATIONS

1. Presentation of a Proclamation Declaring April 2025 as Child Abuse Awareness Month
2. Presentation by North Coast Opportunities on the BUILD Program
3. Animal Control Annual Report Presentation by North Bay Animal Services.

#### F. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

#### G. CONSENT AGENDA

Motion made by Councilmember Hooten, Seconded by Councilmember Downey.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cremer, Vice Mayor Slooten, Councilmember Downey, Councilmember Hooten

4. Review of the 2024 Annual Housing Element Progress Report  
Recommend Action: Accept Report and File
5. Warrants  
Recommended Action: Receive and file
6. Continuation of Director of Emergency Services/City Manager Proclamation Declaring a Local Emergency for the Boyles Fire  
Recommended Action: Continue declaration of emergency
7. Continuation of Director of Emergency Services/City Manager Proclamation Declaring a Local Emergency for Winter Storms  
Recommended Action: Continue declaration of emergency
8. Authorization of Fee Structure Changes to the Special Events Applications  
Recommended Action: Authorize the City Manager to implement special event fees and deposits based on an hourly rate

#### **H. PUBLIC HEARING**

9. Discussion and Consideration of CDBG Storm Drain Master Plan and Close out (17-MIT-PPS-21005)  
Recommended Action: Adopt Resolution 2025-14 and Authorize the City Manager to Submit the Closeout Package to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), Confirming Successful Project Completion and Financial Reconciliation.

City Engineer Consultant Swartz gave the staff report.

Mayor Cremer opened the public hearing at 6:39PM.

Margaret Garcia spoke regarding flooding in her area on Uhl Avenue.

It was moved by Council Member Downey and seconded by Council Member Hooten to close the public hearing. Motion passed 4-0-1, with Council Member Wilson absent.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Slooten, Seconded by Councilmember Hooten.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cremer, Vice Mayor Slooten, Councilmember Downey, Councilmember Hooten

#### **I. BUSINESS**

10. Consideration of First Reading of Ordinance No. 280-2025, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Clearlake Authorizing Bingo Games for Charitable Purposes Only  
Recommended Action: Hold First Reading of the Ordinance, read it by title only, waive further reading and set second reading and adoption for the next Council meeting

Director Swanson gave the staff report.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Slooten, Seconded by Councilmember Downey.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cremer, Vice Mayor Slooten, Councilmember Downey, Councilmember Hooten

**J. CITY MANAGER AND COUNCILMEMBER REPORTS**

**K. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

**L. CLOSED SESSION**

(11) LIABILITY CLAIMS -Claimant Anthony Oldfield ; Agency Claimed Against : City of Clearlake  
(Govt Code §54961)

**M. ANNOUNCEMENT OF ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION**

Motion to deny the claim.

Motion made by Vice Mayor Slooten, Seconded by Councilmember Hooten.

Voting Yea: Mayor Cremer, Vice Mayor Slooten, Councilmember Downey, Councilmember Hooten

**N. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:15PM.



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Melissa Swanson, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk





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Check Register

Packet: APPKT03775 - 4/23/25 AP CHECK RUN AA

By Check Number

Vendor Number	Vendor Name	Payment Date	Payment Type	Discount Amount	Payment Amount	Number
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VEN01085	ACC BUSINESS	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	613.64	18920
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002162	CALIFORNIA ENGINEERING	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	7,606.00	18922
VEN01265	CANTEEN SERVICES OF UKIAH INC	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	104.00	18923
VEN01312	CAPITOL BARRICADE INC.	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	3,520.06	18924
003667	CASE EXCAVATING INC	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	50,000.00	18925
VEN01618	CHEYENNE BLUE	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	400.00	18926
VEN01393	CHRISTOPHER WILLIAM INGLIS	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	75.00	18927
000548	COMPUTER LOGISTICS	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	3,740.00	18928
002261	COUNTY OF LAKE CHAMBER	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	6,398.00	18929
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VEN01241	E4 UTILITY DESIGN	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	2,000.00	18933
VEN01126	ECORP CONSULTING INC	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	1,555.00	18934
VEN01624	ENRIQUE MATHEW LEON TAMBORA	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	1,500.00	18935
VEN01108	FAWN CHRISTINE WILLIAMS	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	75.00	18936
VEN01394	HUNTERS SERVICES INC	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	285.00	18937
VEN01418	JACK SMALLEY	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	75.00	18938
VEN01626	JESSICA PAULICK	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	240.00	18939
001593	K&R TREE SPECIALISTS	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	4,000.00	18940
000108	LAKE COUNTY RECORD BEE	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	137.63	18941
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000793	MEDIACOM	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	364.96	18959
VEN01344	MICHAEL PESONEN - COMFORTABLE	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	1,700.00	18960
VEN01240	MIDDLETOWN COPY & PRINT - JESSI	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	85.80	18961
VEN01582	NORTHPOINT CONSULTING GROUP I	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	10,407.50	18962
VEN01625	RAYMOND A. SILVA	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	75.00	18963
VEN01255	REDWOOD EMPIRE MUNICIPAL INSL	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	190.28	18964
002000	SUB TERRA CONSULTING	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	3,295.80	18965
002375	THOMAS DEWALT	04/23/2025	Regular	0.00	2,260.00	18966

Check Register

Vendor Number

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Vendor Name

VESTIS GROUP INC. F/K/A ARAMARK

Payment Date

04/23/2025

Payment Type

Regular

Discount Amount

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Payment Amount

87.84

Number

18967

Packet: APPKT03775-4

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Bank Code AP Summary

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Manual Checks	0	0	0.00	0.00
Voided Checks	0	0	0.00	0.00
Bank Drafts	0	0	0.00	0.00
EFT's	0	0	0.00	0.00
	56	49	0.00	107,981.68

Fund Summary

Fund	Name	Period	Amount
999	Pooled Cash	4/2025	107,981.68
			<u>107,981.68</u>



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Check Register

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By Check Number

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001397	AT&T CALNET 3	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	31.65	19009
000068	BOB'S JANITORIAL	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	71.23	19010
001293	CDW GOVERNMENT	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	2,452.68	19011
000194	DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	3,416.90	19012
VEN01585	DEYANIRA LOPEZ	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	550.00	19013
000073	EASTLAKE SANITARY LANDFILL	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	713.88	19014
	**Void**	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	0.00	19015
001199	EUREKA OXYGEN CO	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	944.61	19016
000120	FED EX	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	136.98	19017
001732	GARY PRICE CONSULTING SERVICES	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	9,294.00	19018
000096	GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	306.21	19019
000096	GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	367.26	19020
VEN01577	GOVERNMENT FINANCE SERVICES, L	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	7,612.50	19021
000121	HIGHLANDS WATER COMPANY	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	134.68	19022
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001775	JONES & MAYER	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	20,393.49	19034
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001434	LYN DISTRIBUTING	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	1,626.00	19037
VEN01329	MCGRATH RENTCORP AND SUBSIDIA	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	2,248.06	19038
000793	MEDIACOM	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	650.00	19039
001566	MELISSA SWANSON	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	100.00	19040
001489	NAPA AUTO PARTS	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	662.46	19041
001392	OFFICE DEPOT	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	60.16	19042
001483	PETERSON CAT	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	364.06	19043
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	**Void**	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	0.00	19045
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002031	REDWOOD COAST PETROLEUM & N	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	1,300.20	19047
VEN01487	SHARON A GPWAN - AUGMENT MEI	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	225.00	19048
VEN01336	SSA LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS INC.	05/07/2025	Regular	0.00	11,462.00	19049

Check Register

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Vendor Name  
VESTIS GROUP INC. F/K/A ARAMARK

Payment Date  
05/07/2025

Payment Type  
Regular

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Discount Amount  
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Payment Amount  
175.68

Number  
19050

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Bank Code AP Summary

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Manual Checks	0	0	0.00	0.00
Voided Checks	0	2	0.00	0.00
Bank Drafts	0	0	0.00	0.00
EFT's	0	0	0.00	0.00
	86	45	0.00	74,924.48

Fund Summary

Fund	Name	Period	Amount
999	Pooled Cash	5/2025	74,924.48
			<u>74,924.48</u>



# CITY OF CLEARLAKE

## City Council

### STAFF REPORT

**SUBJECT:** Continuation of Director of Emergency Services/City Manager Proclamation Declaring a Local Emergency for Winter Storms

**SUBMITTED BY:** Melissa Swanson, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk

**PURPOSE OF REPORT:** ☐ Information only ☐ Discussion ☒ Action Item

#### WHAT IS BEING ASKED OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

On February 9, 2024, the Director of Emergency Services/City Manager issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency due to winter storms (attached), which was ratified by the City Council on February 15, 2024.

Pursuant to Section 2-11.6.a.6.a of the Clearlake Municipal Code, the Director is empowered to make and issue rules and regulation on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by such emergency; provide, however such rules and regulations must be confirmed at the earliest practical time by the City Council. Thereafter, the emergency declaration must be continued by affirmation of the Council every 30 days.

Staff believe there is still a need to continue the local emergency order and it is in the best interests of the City to have the Council ratify and continue this order until the state of emergency can be lifted.

#### OPTIONS:

1. Continue to ratify order.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

☒ None ☐ Budgeted Item? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Budget Adjustment Needed? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, amount of appropriation increase: \$

Affected fund(s): ☐ General Fund ☐ Measure P Fund ☐ Measure V Fund ☐ Other:

Comments:

#### STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT:

- ☒ Goal #1: Make Clearlake a Visibly Cleaner City
- ☒ Goal #2: Make Clearlake a Statistically Safer City
- ☐ Goal #3: Improve the Quality of Life in Clearlake with Improved Public Facilities
- ☒ Goal #4: Improve the Image of Clearlake

- ☐ Goal #5: Ensure Fiscal Sustainability of City
- ☐ Goal #6: Update Policies and Procedures to Current Government Standards
- ☐ Goal #7: Support Economic Development

**SUGGESTED MOTIONS:**

- ☒ **Attachments:** 1) Proclamation Declaring a Local Emergency for Winter Storms





# City of Clearlake

14050 Olympic Drive, Clearlake, California 95422  
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## **PROCLAMATION BY THE CITY OF CLEARLAKE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY FOR WINTER STORMS**

WHEREAS, City of Clearlake Municipal Code Section 2-11.6 empowers the Director of Emergency Services (City Manager) to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the city is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 8550 et seq., including Section 8558(c), authorize the City Manager to proclaim a local emergency when the City is threatened by conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the City that are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City; and

WHEREAS, starting on February 2, 2024 a winter storm resulted in high winds and heavy rain; and

WHEREAS, these conditions have caused a loss of stability to trees and hillsides, including significant damage to property, infrastructure and public safety within the city limits; and

WHEREAS, the mobilization of local resources, ability to coordinate interagency response, accelerate procurement of vital supplies, use mutual aid, and allow for future reimbursement by the state and federal governments will be critical to successfully responding to the impacts of the winter storms; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager, as the City's Director of Emergency Services, has the power to declare a local emergency as authorized by Government Code section 8630 and Clearlake Municipal Code section 2-11.6.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED by the City Manager of the City of Clearlake as follows:

- A. A local emergency exists based on the existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property, as detailed in the recitals set forth above.
- B. The area within the City which is endangered and/or imperiled.
- C. During the existence of this local emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of this City shall be those prescribed by state law and by ordinances, resolutions, and orders of this City, including but not limited to the City of Clearlake Emergency Operations Plan.
- D. The City Council shall review and ratify this proclamation within seven (7) days as required by state law, and if ratified, shall continue to exist until the City Council proclaims the termination of this local emergency. The City Council shall review the need for continuing the local emergency as required by state law until it terminates the local emergency, and shall terminate the local emergency at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant.
- E. That a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Director of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services requesting that the Director find it acceptable in accordance with State Law; that the Governor of California, pursuant to the Emergency Services Act, issue a proclamation declaring an emergency in the City of Clearlake; that the Governor waive regulations that may hinder response and recovery efforts; that recovery assistance be made available under the California Disaster Assistance Act; and that the State expedite access to State and Federal resources and any other appropriate federal disaster relief programs.

**DATED:** February 9, 2024



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Alan D. Flora  
Director of Emergency Services



# CITY OF CLEARLAKE

## City Council

### STAFF REPORT

**SUBJECT:** Continuation of Director of Emergency Services/City Manager Proclamation Declaring a Local Emergency for The Boyles Fire

**SUBMITTED BY:** Melissa Swanson, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk

**PURPOSE OF REPORT:** ☐ Information only ☐ Discussion ☒ Action Item

#### WHAT IS BEING ASKED OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

On September 8, 2024, the Director of Emergency Services/City Manager issued a Proclamation of Local Emergency due to the Boyles Fire (attached), which was ratified by the City Council on September 12, 2024.

Pursuant to Section 2-11.6.a.6.a of the Clearlake Municipal Code, the Director is empowered to make and issue rules and regulation on matters reasonably related to the protection of life and property as affected by such emergency; provide, however such rules and regulations must be confirmed at the earliest practical time by the City Council. Thereafter, the emergency declaration must be continued by affirmation of the Council every 60 days.

Staff believes there is still a need to continue the local emergency order and it is in the best interests of the City to have the Council ratify and continue this order until the state of emergency can be lifted.

#### OPTIONS:

1. Continue to ratify order.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

☒ None ☐ Budgeted Item? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Budget Adjustment Needed? ☐ Yes ☒ No If yes, amount of appropriation increase: \$

Affected fund(s): ☐ General Fund ☐ Measure P Fund ☐ Measure V Fund ☐ Other:

Comments:

#### STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT:

- ☒ Goal #1: Make Clearlake a Visibly Cleaner City
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- ☐ Goal #3: Improve the Quality of Life in Clearlake with Improved Public Facilities
- ☒ Goal #4: Improve the Image of Clearlake

- ☐ Goal #5: Ensure Fiscal Sustainability of City
- ☐ Goal #6: Update Policies and Procedures to Current Government Standards
- ☐ Goal #7: Support Economic Development

**SUGGESTED MOTIONS:**

- ☒ **Attachments:** 1) Proclamation Declaring a Local Emergency for The Boyles Fire



# City of Clearlake

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## **PROCLAMATION BY THE CITY OF CLEARLAKE DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY SERVICES DECLARING A LOCAL EMERGENCY FOR THE BOYLES FIRE**

WHEREAS, City of Clearlake Municipal Code Section 2-11.6 empowers the Director of Emergency Services (City Manager) to proclaim the existence or threatened existence of a local emergency when the city is affected or likely to be affected by a public calamity and the City Council is not in session; and

WHEREAS, Government Code Section 8550 et seq., including Section 8558(c), authorize the City Manager to proclaim a local emergency when the City is threatened by conditions of disaster or extreme peril to the safety of persons and property within the City that are likely to be beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City; and

WHEREAS, on September 8, 2024 the Boyles Fire was started near Boyles Avenue and 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue in Clearlake and quickly spread north quickly driven by high winds.; and

WHEREAS, after a fierce fire fight by various partners from throughout the region, and led by CalFire and the Lake County Fire Protection District, approximately 90 acres were scorched, approximately 30 homes were lost, Pacific Gas and Electric infrastructure was damaged, and significant private property damage occurred, of which the full extent is still unknown; and

WHEREAS, dozens of Clearlake families have lost their homes and property; and

WHEREAS, such recovery from such conditions is beyond the control of the services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of the City and require the combined forces of other political subdivisions to combat and clean up; and

WHEREAS, the mobilization of local resources, ability to coordinate interagency response, accelerate procurement of vital supplies, use mutual aid, and allow for future

reimbursement by the state and federal governments will be critical to successfully responding to the impacts of the Boyles Fire; and

WHEREAS, the City Manager, as the City's Director of Emergency Services, has the power to declare a local emergency as authorized by Government Code section 8630 and Clearlake Municipal Code section 2-11.6.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS PROCLAIMED AND ORDERED by the City Manager of the City of Clearlake as follows:

- A. A local emergency exists based on the existence of conditions of disaster or of extreme peril to the safety of persons and property, as detailed in the recitals set forth above.
- B. The area of the City which is endangered/imperiled within the footprint of the Boyles Fire and beyond.
- C. During the existence of this local emergency, the powers, functions, and duties of the emergency organization of this City shall be those prescribed by state law and by ordinances, resolutions, and orders of this City, including but not limited to the City of Clearlake Emergency Operations Plan.
- D. The City Council shall review and ratify this proclamation within seven (7) days as required by state law, and if ratified, shall continue to exist until the City Council proclaims the termination of this local emergency. The City Council shall review the need for continuing the local emergency as required by state law until it terminates the local emergency, and shall terminate the local emergency at the earliest possible date that conditions warrant.
- E. That a copy of this proclamation be forwarded to the Director of California Governor's Office of Emergency Services requesting that the Director find it acceptable in accordance with State Law; that the Governor of California, pursuant to the Emergency Services Act, issue a proclamation declaring an emergency in the City of Clearlake; that the Governor waive regulations that may hinder response and recovery efforts; that recovery assistance be made available under the California Disaster Assistance Act; and that the State expedite access to State and Federal resources and any other appropriate federal disaster relief programs.

**DATED:** September 8, 2024

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Alan D. Flora  
Director of Emergency Services



# CITY OF CLEARLAKE

## City Council

### STAFF REPORT

**SUBJECT:** Adoption of Update to Resolution 2024-15, HOME Application to Increase the Requested Not-to-Exceed Amount to \$10,200,000; Resolution 2025-18

**MEETING DATE:** May 15, 2025

**SUBMITTED BY:** Bambi Cline, Management Analyst

**PURPOSE OF REPORT:** ☐ Information only ☐ Discussion ☒ Action Item

#### WHAT IS BEING ASKED OF THE CITY COUNCIL/BOARD:

The City Council is being asked to adopt a resolution to increase the “Not to Exceed” amount for the CDBG HOME Grant for Clearlake Apartments from \$10,000,000 to \$10,200,000.

#### BACKGROUND:

The City of Clearlake City Council previously passed Resolution 2024-15 on March 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024 authorizing the submittal of an application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development for funding under the HOME Investment Partnership Program. If selected, the City Manager is authorized to execute the Standard Agreement, any amendments thereto and any related documents necessary to participate in the HOME Investment Partnership Program. The “Not to Exceed” amount at the time of the application was \$10,000,000 which did not include Administrative and Soft Costs for the project. The project has since been awarded and we need to include those costs by increasing the NTE amount \$200,000 to \$10,200,000.

The updated resolution would authorize an increase to the allocation of funding for the following activities and/or programs:

The HOME funding will be used to build an 80 unit, multi-family residential development project, designated for low-income housing in Clearlake named Clearlake Apartments.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

☐ None ☒ Yes Budgeted Item? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Budget Adjustment Needed? ☒ Yes ☐ No If yes, amount of appropriation increase: \$200,000

Affected fund(s): ☐ General Fund ☐ Measure P Fund ☐ Measure V Fund ☒ Other: FUND TBD

#### STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT:



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- ☐ Goal #5: Ensure Fiscal Sustainability of City
- ☐ Goal #6: Update Policies and Procedures to Current Government Standards
- ☒ Goal #7: Support Economic Development

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 2025-18, approving the increase in funding for the Clearlake Apartments Project/Program.

- ☒ **Attachments:**    1) Resolution 2025-18

## GOVERNING BOARD RESOLUTION

### RESOLUTION NO. 2025-18

(A revision to Resolution 2024-15)  
THE GOVERNING BOARD OF

*City of Clearlake*

**HEREBY AUTHORIZES: Submittal of an application to the California Department of Housing and Community Development for funding under the HOME Investment Partnerships Program; and if selected, the execution of a Standard Agreement, any amendments thereto, and of any related documents necessary to participate in the HOME Investment Partnerships Program.**

#### WHEREAS:

- A. The California Department of Housing and Community Development (the "Department") is authorized to allocate HOME Investment Partnerships Program ("HOME") funds made available from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"). HOME funds are to be used for the purposes set forth in Title II of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act of 1990, in federal implementing regulations set forth in Title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations, part 92, and in Title 25 of the California Code of Regulations commencing with section 8200.
- B. On the Nineteenth of January, 2024, the Department issued a Notice of Funding Availability announcing the availability of funds under the HOME program (the "NOFA").
- C. In response to that HOME NOFA, *the City of Clearlake*, a jurisdiction of Lake County, in the State of California, (the "Applicant"), wishes to apply to the Department for, and receive an allocation of, HOME funds.

#### IT IS NOW THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT:

1. In response to the above-referenced HOME NOFA, the Applicant shall submit an application to the Department to participate in the HOME program and for an allocation of funds not to exceed Ten Million, Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$10,200,000) for the following activities and/or programs:  
*The HOME funding will be used to build an 80-unit, multi-family residential development project, designated for low-income housing to be located in the City of Clearlake.*
2. If the application for funding is approved, then the Applicant hereby agrees to use the HOME funds for eligible activities in the manner presented in its application as approved by the Department in accordance with the statutes and regulations cited above. The Applicant will also execute a Standard Agreement,

any amendments thereto, and any and all other documents or instruments necessary or required by the Department or HUD for participation in the HOME program (collectively, the required documents).

- 3. The Applicant authorizes *the City Manager of the City of Clearlake* or their designee(s) to execute, in the name of the Applicant, the HOME Standard Agreement.
- 4. The Applicant authorizes *the City Manager of the City of Clearlake* or their designee(s) to execute, in the name of the Applicant, all other required documents.

**PASSED AND ADOPTED THIS 15<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MAY 2025, BY THE FOLLOWING VOTE:**

**AYES:**\_\_\_\_\_ **NAYS:**\_\_\_\_\_ **ABSTAIN:**\_\_\_\_\_ **ABSENT:**\_\_\_\_\_

The undersigned \_\_\_\_\_, *City Clerk* of the Applicant does hereby attest and certify that the foregoing is a true and full copy of a resolution of the governing board of the Applicant passed and adopted at a duly convened meeting on the date set forth above, and said resolution has not been altered, amended, or repealed.

_____	_____	_____
Name	Signature	Date
_____		



# CITY OF CLEARLAKE

## City Council

### STAFF REPORT

**SUBJECT:** Update to City Council Meeting Calendar to Include June 19<sup>th</sup> as a Regular City Council Meeting Date

**MEETING DATE:** May 15, 2025

**SUBMITTED BY:** Melissa Swanson, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk

**PURPOSE OF REPORT:** ☒ Information only ☐ Discussion ☐ Action Item

#### WHAT IS BEING ASKED OF THE CITY COUNCIL/BOARD:

The City Council is being asked to amend the adopted 2025 City Council meeting calendar.

#### BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

The meeting schedule for 2025 is attached to this report. Previously, the June 19<sup>th</sup> regular meeting was omitted due to conflicts with various school and graduation events. However, at this time, staff is recommending amending and updating the adopted calendar to include a regular meeting on June 19<sup>th</sup> for a budget workshop and adoption.

#### OPTIONS:

1. Move to approve the updated 2025 City Council meeting calendar.
2. Other direction

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

☒ None ☐ \$ Budgeted Item? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Budget Adjustment Needed? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, amount of appropriation increase: \$

Affected fund(s): ☐ General Fund ☐ Measure P Fund ☐ Measure V Fund ☐ Other:

Comments:

#### STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT:

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☐ Goal #7: Support Economic Development

Section G, Item 9.

**SUGGESTED MOTIONS:**

No action necessary. This item is to receive and file.

☒ **Attachments:**      1) Proposed updated meeting calendar

# June 2025

June 2025							July 2025						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
1	2	3	4	5	6	7			1	2	3	4	5
8	9	10	11	12	13	14	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
15	16	17	18	19	20	21	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
22	23	24	25	26	27	28	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
29	30						27	28	29	30	31		

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Jun 1	2	3	4	5 6:00pm Council Meeting	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19 5:00pm Budget Workshop (Council Chambers) - Melissa 6:00pm Regular Council Meeting (Council Chambers) - Melissa	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	Jul 1	2	3	4	5



# CITY OF CLEARLAKE

## City Council

### STAFF REPORT

**SUBJECT:** Discussion and Consideration of Ordinance (281-2025),  
An Ordinance to Designate Fire Hazard Severity Zones  
in the Local Responsibility Area as Required by State  
Law

**MEETING DATE:** May 15, 2025

**SUBMITTED BY:** Alan D. Flora, City Manager

**PURPOSE OF REPORT:** ☒ Information only ☒ Discussion ☐ Action Item

#### WHAT IS BEING ASKED OF THE CITY COUNCIL:

City Council to consider an ordinance to adopt Fire Hazard Severity Zone Maps within the City.

#### BACKGROUND/ DISCUSSION:

For several years the state has mapped fire hazard severity zones. They have been primarily focused on areas of state responsibility, although the last round of mapping (around 2015) identified “recommended” very high fire hazard areas in some local responsibility areas. A portion of the City of Clearlake was one of approximately 12 in the state with around 1,000 acres.

Changes in state law now requires the State Fire Marshal’s Office to prepare statewide maps showing fire hazard severity. The Northern California maps, including the City of Clearlake, were released on February 10, 2025. These maps were reviewed by the City Council on February 20, 2025.

According to state law, the State Fire Marshal shall identify areas in the state as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones based on consistent statewide criteria and based on the severity of fire hazard that is expected to prevail in those areas. Moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones shall be based on fuel loading, slope, fire weather, and other relevant factors including areas where winds have been identified by the Office of the State Fire Marshal as a major cause of wildfire spread.

Affected cities must do the following:

- Within 30 days of receiving the recommended maps, make the information, including the maps, available for public review and comment.
- Within 120 days of receiving the recommended maps, adopt the recommended map by local ordinance.
- Within 30 days of local ordinance adoption, submit the ordinance and other required documents to the Board of Forestry and Fire Protection.

A local agency may only increase the level of fire hazard severity as identified by the state fire for any area within their jurisdiction. Fire hazard severity cannot be decreased. Parcels with multiple zones shall be treated as being in the highest hazard classification. The map has been adjusted to reflect each parcel having a single designation based on the highest hazard classification.

More information on the process can be found here. <https://lakesheriff.com/1800/Local-Responsibility-Area-LRA-Fire-Hazar>

The maps are also available on the City’s website for review.  
<https://www.clearlake.ca.us/DocumentCenter/View/2581/36x48-LRA-FIRE-BY-PARCEL-4-1-25?bidId=>

It is important for the public to understand that these maps are created by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE) under the direction of the State Fire Marshal. Local agencies, including the County of Lake and the Cities of Clearlake and Lakeport, do not control the creation of the maps but are required to ensure the community has the opportunity to review and provide feedback.

**OPTIONS:**

1. Consideration of First Reading of Ordinance No. 281-2025, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Clearlake Designating Fire Hazard Severity Zones in the Local Responsibility Area as Required by State Law
2. Direction to Staff.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

☒ None      ☐ \$      Budgeted Item? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
 Budget Adjustment Needed? ☐ Yes ☒ No      If yes, amount of appropriation increase: \$  
 Affected fund(s): ☐ General Fund    ☐ Measure P Fund    ☐ Measure V Fund    ☒ Other:  
 Comments:

**STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT**

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- ☐ Goal #7: Support Economic Development

☒ **Attachments:**

1. Ordinance 281-2025
2. City of Clearlake Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map – Adjusted Per Parcel
3. City of Clearlake Fire Hazard Severity Zone Map – From State Fire Marshal





**CITY OF CLEARLAKE**  
**ORDINANCE NO. 281-2025**

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF  
CLEARLAKE TO DESIGNATE FIRE HAZARD SEVERITY  
ZONES IN THE LOCAL RESPONSIBILITY AREA AS  
REQUIRED BY STATE LAW**

**WHEREAS**, on February 10, 2025, pursuant to Government Code section 51178, the State Fire Marshal issued Fire Hazard Severity Zone Maps for Local Responsibility Areas in Northern California, including the City of Clearlake;

**WHEREAS**, under California Government Code section 51179, local agencies are required to designate by ordinance moderate, high and very high fire hazard severity zones in their jurisdictions within 120 days of receiving recommendations from the State Fire Marshal pursuant to California Government Code Section 51178; and

**WHEREAS**, under California Government Code section 51179(b)(3) a local agency may not decrease the severity of a fire hazard zone as identified by the State Fire Marshal for any area within its jurisdiction; and

**WHEREAS**, as advised by the Office of the State Fire Marshal, and for simplicity of understanding by staff and the public, the map has been translated to create one designation per parcel based on the highest fire hazard zone affecting the parcel.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEARLAKE DOES ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:

**SECTION 1. Fire Hazard Severity Zones**

The City hereby designates the Fire Hazard Severity Zones as recommended by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection pursuant to Government Code Section 51178. The map, approved by the City, entitled “LRA Map Update – Fire Hazard Severity Zones” is hereby incorporated by reference and attached hereto. The map is also available at the following website: [www.clearlake.ca.us/475/Priority-Projects](http://www.clearlake.ca.us/475/Priority-Projects)

**SECTION 2. Effective Date.** This ordinance shall become effective on the thirty first day after adoption.

**SECTION 3. Certification.** The City Clerk shall certify to the passage and adoption of this ordinance.

INTRODUCED by the City Council of the City of Clearlake, County of Lakee, State of California on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025 and PASSED AND ADOPTED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025 by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSENT:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Russell Cremer, Mayor

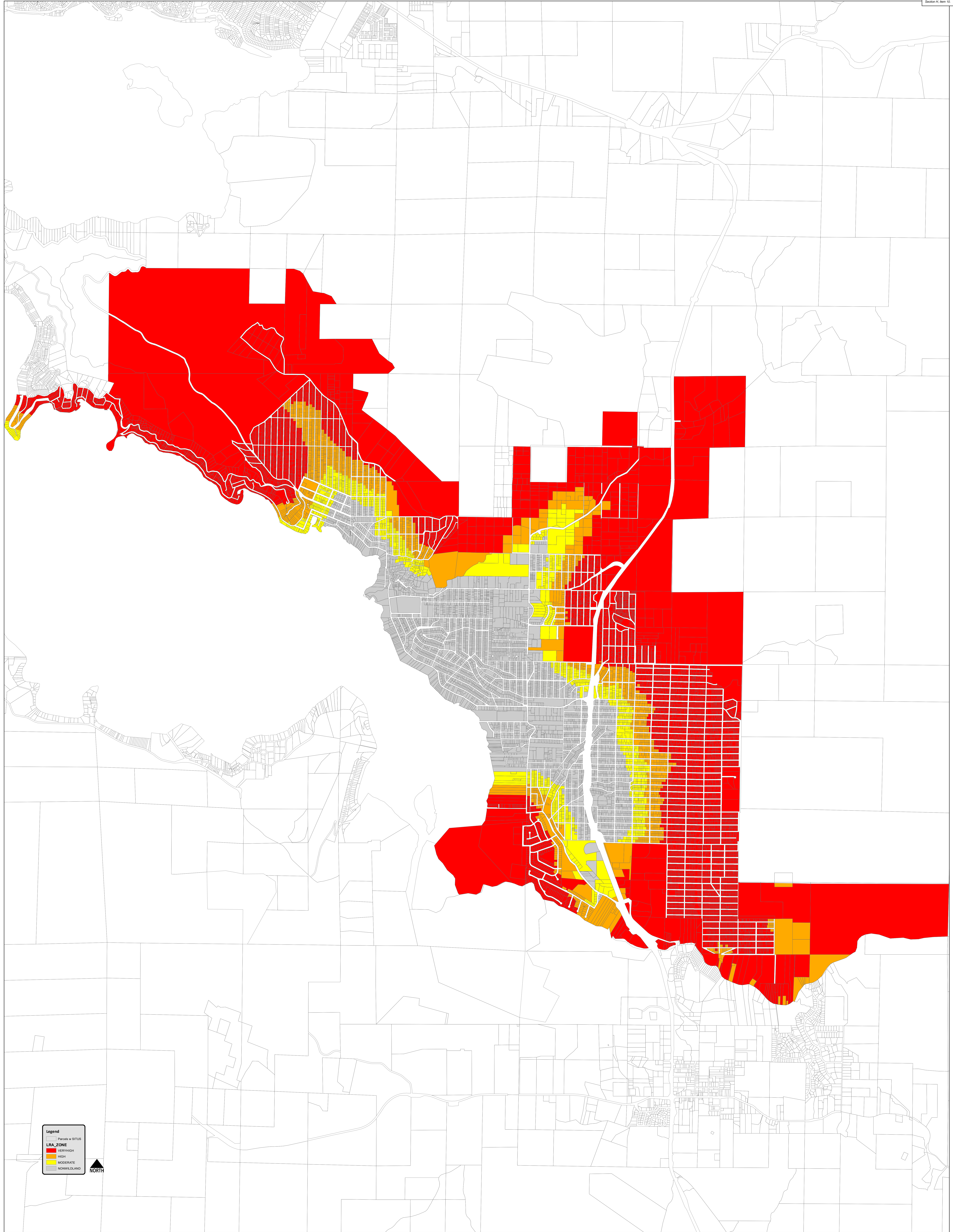
ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Melissa Swanson, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM

\_\_\_\_\_  
Dean Pucci, City Attorney





**Legend**

- Parcels w/ STATUS
- LRA\_ZONE**
- VERYHIGH
- HIGH
- MODERATE
- NOWHERE

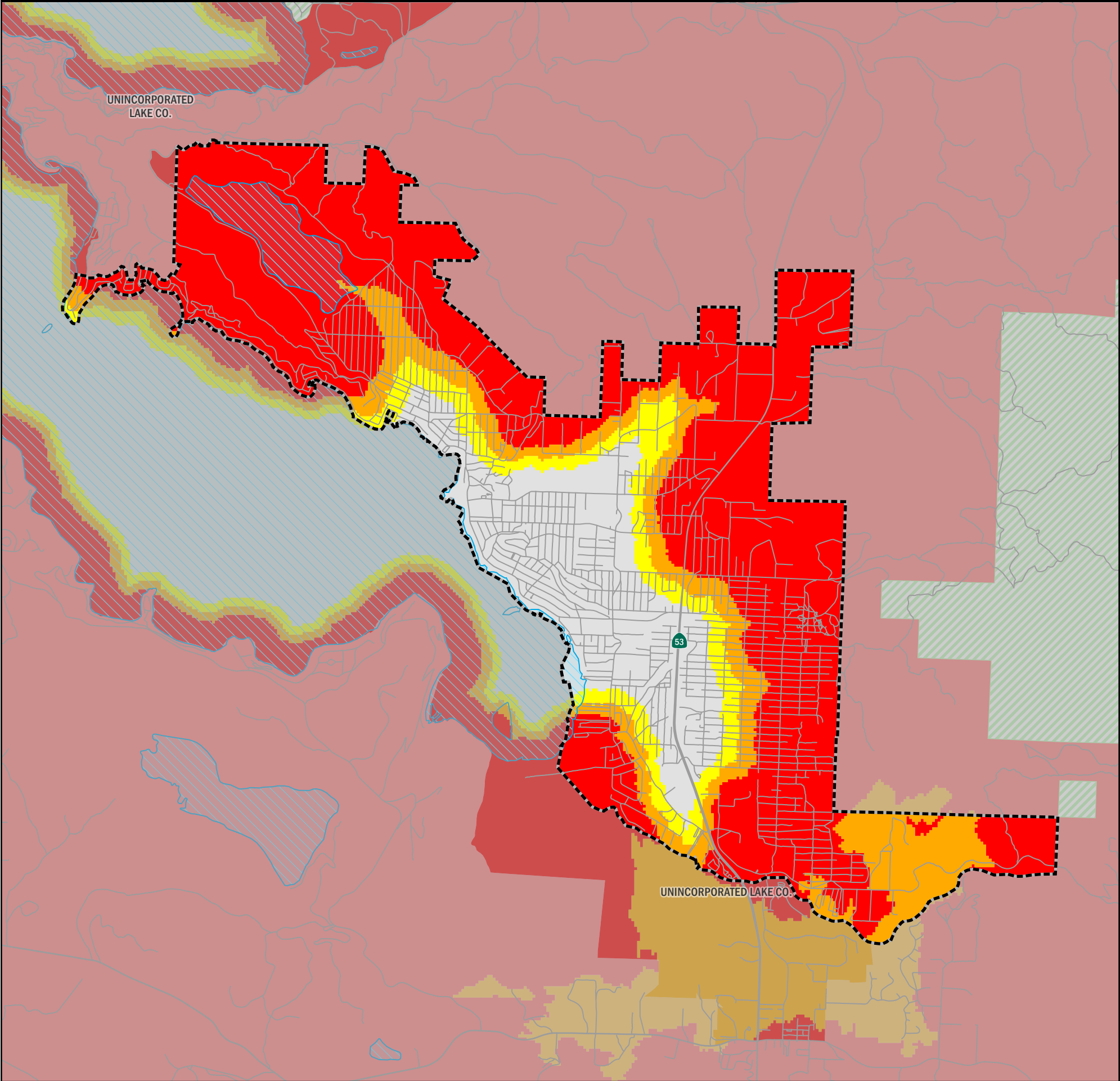






# Local Responsibility Area Fire Hazard Severity Zones

As Identified by the  
State Fire Marshal  
January 22, 2025

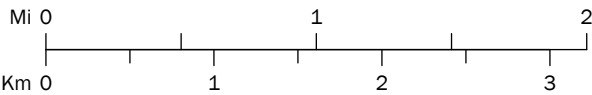


**Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZ) in Local Responsibility Area (LRA), as Identified by the State Fire Marshal**

■ Very High    ■ High    ■ Moderate

**Fire Hazard Severity Zones in State Responsibility Area (SRA), Effective April 1, 2024**

■ Very High    ■ High



Projection: NAD 83 California Teale Albers  
Scale: 1:45,000 at 11" x 17"

- Incorporated City
- Waterbody
- Unzoned LRA
- Federal Responsibility Area (FRA)

Government Code section 51178 requires the State Fire Marshal to identify areas in the state as moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones based on consistent

statewide criteria and based on the severity of fire hazard that is expected to prevail in those areas. Moderate, high, and very high fire hazard severity zones shall be based on fuel loading, slope, fire weather,

and other relevant factors including areas where winds have been identified by the Office of the State Fire Marshal as a major cause of wildfire spread.

The State of California and the Department of Forestry and Fire Protection make no representations or warranties regarding the accuracy of data or maps. Neither the State nor the Department shall be liable under any circumstances for any direct, special, incidental, or consequential damages with respect to any claim by any user or third party on account of, or arising from, the use of data or maps.

Gavin Newsom, Governor, State of California  
Wade Crowfoot, Secretary for Natural Resources, CA Natural Resources Agency  
Joe Tyler, Director/Fire Chief, CA Department of Forestry and Fire Protection  
Daniel Berlant, State Fire Marshal, CA Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

Data Sources:  
CAL FIRE Fire Hazard Severity Zones (FHSZSRA23\_3, FHSZLRA\_25\_1)  
CAL FIRE State Responsibility Areas (SRA25\_1)  
City and County boundaries as of 10/22/24 (CA Board of Equalization)



# CITY OF CLEARLAKE

## City Council

### STAFF REPORT

**SUBJECT:** Resolution 2025-19 to Closeout CDBG Covid 2,3 Grant Funds for the Senior Community Center Upgrades

**MEETING DATE:** May 15, 2025

**SUBMITTED BY:** Bambi Cline, Management Analyst

**PURPOSE OF REPORT:** ☐ Information only ☒ Discussion ☒ Action Item

#### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend that the City Council accept the closeout of the CDBG-CV2-3 funded project for upgrades to the Senior Community Center and authorize the City Manager to submit the final closeout package to the California Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

#### BACKGROUND AND SUMMARY

The City of Clearlake received funding under the Community Development Block Grant Coronavirus Round 2-3 (CDBG-CV2-3) in the amount \$722,694.32 associated with Grant #20-CDBG-CV2-3-00365 and all subsequent amendments. The funding supported capital improvements at the Senior Community Center located at 3245 Bowers Ave, Clearlake, CA, intended to serve seniors and vulnerable populations impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic.

The City identified the need to improve the accessibility and functionality of its Senior Center facility to better serve the community's aging population. As part of its commitment to providing safe, inclusive, and ADA-compliant public spaces, the City applied for and was awarded Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds to undertake a comprehensive remodel of the Senior Center. The scope of work for this project includes the modification of existing bathrooms to meet increased safety standards, such as touchless fixtures. There was also a major renovation of the kitchen including a new walk-in cooler/freezer, new flooring, updated electrical and FRP paneling which were necessary to safely prepare and store food during and after the pandemic. Approximately 200 meals per day are prepared and distributed 5 days a week from the kitchen.

This project not only brings the facility into compliance with accessibility laws but also enhances the overall usability and safety of the Senior Center, ensuring that the space remains a vital resource for local seniors in the years to come.

**PROJECT BENEFIT**

The Senior Community Center serves a large segment of low-income and elderly residents. The upgrades funded by this grant were instrumental in providing a safe and accessible environment for program activities and services, particularly those supporting vulnerable individuals during and following the pandemic.

**FISCAL IMPACT:** All grant funds were fully expended. No funds remain to be disencumbered. All costs and claims have been paid, and there are no outstanding financial obligations related to the grant.

☒ None

☐ Yes

Budgeted Item?

☐ Yes

☒ No

Budget Adjustment Needed? ☐ Yes ☒ No

If yes, amount of appropriation increase:

Affected fund(s): ☐ General Fund ☐ Measure P Fund ☐ Measure V Fund ☐ Other:

**STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT:**

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- ☐ Goal #7: Support Economic Development

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Staff recommend that the City Council authorize the City Manager and staff to complete the closeout process for grant 20-CDBG-CV23-00365. The Senior Center Upgrades funded by this grant are fully complete. All reporting and documentation has been prepared and reviewed in compliance with HCD requirements and is ready for submission.

☐ Attachments:

N/A



# CITY OF CLEARLAKE

City Council

## STAFF REPORT

<b>SUBJECT:</b> Public Hearing to Consider Adoption of Fees Related to Ordinance No. 280-2025, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Clearlake Authorizing Bingo Games for Charitable Purposes Only; Resolution No. 2025-20	<b>MEETING DATE:</b> May 15, 2025
<b>SUBMITTED BY:</b> Melissa Swanson, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk	
<b>PURPOSE OF REPORT:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Information only <input type="checkbox"/> Discussion <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Action Item	

### WHAT IS BEING ASKED OF THE CITY COUNCIL/BOARD:

The City Council is being asked to hold a Public Hearing to adopt fees related to Ordinance No. 280-2025, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Clearlake Authorizing Bingo Games for Charitable Purposes Only, which was adopted by the City Council on April 17<sup>th</sup>. The ordinance repealed Section 6-8 of the Clearlake Municipal Code, which previously addressed Remote Caller Bingo Games, and replaced it with a new Section 6-8 that authorizes bingo games for charitable purposes only. This action was necessary because Remote Caller Bingo Games have been deemed illegal by the State of California.

The ordinance includes provisions to ensure strict compliance with regulations, protect the community's peaceful atmosphere, and prevent illegal gambling activities. It defines "bingo," sets forth general provisions for conducting bingo games, specifies which organizations are authorized to conduct bingo games and how proceeds must be used, and establishes regulations for licensing, operation, and violations.

### BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

Within the Ordinance are guidelines for applications for a Bingo Game License, including the application fees.

*Section 6-8.2.7 Only an organization licensed by the Police Department may conduct bingo games. Application for licenses shall be made to the Police Department on forms provided by that office. In the discretion of the Police Department any person in an organization who expects to or does participate in*



*the conduct of the games shall submit to being fingerprinted and photographed by the Police Department. The license shall be renewed annually.*

*Section 6-8.2.9(a) An annual license fee in the amount set forth below shall be payable upon application for the license and on the date of each annual renewal thereof:*

<i>More than two (2) games per month</i>	<i>\$50.00</i>
<i>Two (2) games per month</i>	<i>35.00</i>
<i>One game per month</i>	<i>25.00</i>
<i>Less than one game per month</i>	<i>15.00</i>

*6-8.2.9(b) If an application for a license is denied, one-half (1/2) of any license fee paid shall be refunded to the organization.*

Bingo games can only be conducted by organizations exempt from the bank and corporation tax under specific sections of the Revenue and Taxation Code, mobile home park associations, charitable organizations affiliated with a school district, and senior citizen organizations. The proceeds must be used exclusively for charitable purposes. Licenses are annual, with fees varying based on the frequency of games. If a license application is denied, half of the fee is refunded.

**OPTIONS:**

1. Hold the public hearing, hear public testimony, close the public hearing by voice vote, and move to adopt Resolution No. 2025-20.
2. Other direction.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

☐ None      ☒ \$50 anticipated annual license fee      Budgeted Item? ☐ Yes ☒ No  
Budget Adjustment Needed? ☐ Yes ☒ No      If yes, amount of appropriation increase: \$  
Affected fund(s): ☒ General Fund   ☐ Measure P Fund   ☐ Measure V Fund   ☐ Other:  
Comments:

**STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT:**

- ☐ Goal #1: Make Clearlake a Visibly Cleaner City  
☐ Goal #2: Make Clearlake a Statistically Safer City  
☒ Goal #3: Improve the Quality of Life in Clearlake with Improved Public Facilities  
☒ Goal #4: Improve the Image of Clearlake  
☐ Goal #5: Ensure Fiscal Sustainability of City  
☐ Goal #6: Update Policies and Procedures to Current Government Standards  
☒ Goal #7: Support Economic Development

**SUGGESTED MOTIONS:**

Move to adopt Resolution No. 2025-20.



**Attachments:**

- 1) Ordinance No. 280-2025
- 2) Resolution No. 2025-20

*Section H, Item 12.*

**CITY OF CLEARLAKE**

**ORDINANCE NO. 280-2025**

**ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEARLAKE  
REPEALING SECTION 6-8, REMOTE CALLER BINGO GAMES, AND  
ADDING SECTION 6-8, AUTHORIZING BINGO GAMES FOR  
CHARITABLE PURPOSES ONLY**

**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEARLAKE HEREBY ORDAINS  
AS FOLLOWS:**

**Section 6-8.1. Purpose.**

Being fully aware of the problems which may arise in Clearlake from authorizing bingo, a form of lottery otherwise prohibited by law, this article is adopted with the view to ensuring strict compliance with its provisions. In order to protect the peaceful atmosphere in the community restrictions are enacted regarding proper hours of operation. To ensure observance of laws and to prevent encroachment by illegal gambling interests provision is made for monitoring operations by the Police Department. Unless these safeguards are adopted and enforced, the original purpose of authorizing bingo games for charitable purposes only, will be jeopardized to the detriment of the peace, safety and welfare of the people in Clearlake. Further, as Remote Caller Bingo Games have been deemed illegal by the State of California, Section 6-8, Remote Caller Bingo Games, is hereby repealed, and the following provisions shall replace the said section.

**Sec. 6-8.2. General Provisions.**

6-8.2.1 As used in this article, "bingo" means a game of chance in which prizes are awarded on the basis of designated numbers or symbols on a card that are marked or covered by the player on a tangible card in the player's possession and that conform to numbers or symbols, selected at random and announced by a live caller. The game of bingo includes tangible cards having numbers or symbols which are concealed in a manner providing for distribution of prizes. Electronics or video displays shall not be used in connection with the game of bingo, except in connection with the caller's drawing of numbers or symbols and the public display of that drawing. The winning cards shall not be known prior to the game by any person participating in the playing or operation of the bingo game. All preprinted cards shall bear the legend, "for sale or use only in a bingo game authorized under California law and pursuant to local ordinance." Only a covered or marked tangible card possessed by a player and presented to an attendant may be used to claim a prize.

6-8.2.2 Bingo games shall be conducted only by organizations exempted from the payment of the bank and corporation tax by Sections 23701(a), 23701(b), 23701(d), 23701(e), 23701(f), 23701(g) and 23701(l) of the Revenue and Taxation Code and by mobile home park associations, charitable organizations affiliated with a school district and senior citizens organizations; provided the proceeds of such games are used only for charitable purposes.

6-8.2.3 An organization authorized to conduct bingo games pursuant to Section 6-8.2, shall conduct a bingo game only on property owned or leased by it, or property whose use is donated to the organization, and which property is used by such organization for an office or for performance of the purposes for which the organization is organized. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed to require that the property owned or leased by the organization be used or leased exclusively by such organization.

6-8.2.4 A bingo game shall be operated and staffed only by members of the authorized organization which organized it. Such members shall not receive a profit, wage, or salary from any bingo game. Only the organization authorized to conduct a bingo game shall operate such game, or participate in the promotion, supervision, or any other phase of such game. This section does not preclude the employment of security personnel who are not members of the authorized organization at such bingo games by the organization conducting the game. All bingo games shall be open to the public, not just to the members of the authorized organization.

6-8.2.5 No individual corporation, partnership, or other legal entity except the organization authorized to conduct a bingo game shall hold a financial interest in the conduct of such bingo game.

6-8.2.6(a) With respect to organizations exempt from payment of the bank and corporation tax by Section 23701(d) of the Revenue and Taxation Code, all profits derived from a bingo game shall be kept in a special fund or account and shall not be commingled with any other fund or account. Such profits shall be used only for charitable purposes. With respect to other organizations authorized to conduct bingo games pursuant to this section, all proceeds derived from a bingo game shall be kept in a special fund or account and shall not be commingled with any other fund or account. Such proceeds shall be used only for charitable purposes, except as follows:

- (1) Such proceeds may be used for prizes.
- (2) A portion of such proceeds, not to exceed 20 per cent of the proceeds before the deduction for prizes, or three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) per month increased annually by the annual average percentage in the California Consumer Price Index for the preceding calendar year, whichever is less, may be used for rental of property, overhead, including

the purchase of bingo equipment, administrative expenses, security equipment, and security personnel.

(3) Such proceeds may be used to pay license fees.

6-8.2.6(b) By the fifth day of each month a copy of the records of receipts, disbursements and special fund balance for the preceding month's games shall be delivered to the Clearlake Police Department in Lakeport. If games are held less frequently than at least once per month the above records shall be delivered not later than ten (10) days following the games. All records and bank accounts pertaining to the bingo games shall be open to inspection by the Police Department at all reasonable times.

6-8.2.7 Only an organization licensed by the Police Department may conduct bingo games. Application for licenses shall be made to the Police Department on forms provided by that office. In the discretion of the Police Department any person in an organization who expects to or does participate in the conduct of the games shall submit to being fingerprinted and photographed by the Police Department. The license shall be renewed annually.

6-8.2.9(a) An annual license fee in the amount set forth below shall be payable upon application for the license and on the date of each annual renewal thereof:

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6-8.2.9(b) If an application for a license is denied, one-half (1/2) of any license fee paid shall be refunded to the organization.

6-8.2.10 No person shall be allowed to participate in a bingo game, unless the person is physically present at the time and place in which the bingo game is being conducted. No minor shall be allowed to participate in any bingo game. A minor is a person under the age of eighteen (18) years.

6-8.2.11 No bingo game shall be conducted between the hours of 12 midnight and 10 a.m.

6-8.2.12 The total value of prizes awarded during the conduct of any bingo games shall not exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) in cash or kind, or both, for each separate game which is held.

**Sec. 6-8.3. Violations.**

6-8.3.1 Any person who receives or pays a profit, wage, or salary from any bingo game authorized by this article is guilty of a misdemeanor and is punishable by a fine not to exceed ten thousand dollars (\$10,000.00) which fine shall be deposited in the general fund of Clearlake.

6-8.3.2 Any other violation of any of the provisions of this ordinance is a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500.00) or by imprisonment in the County Jail for not more than six months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

6-8.3.3 Any violation of the provisions of this ordinance shall be cause for immediate suspension or revocation of the license pursuant to Section 6-8.4.

#### **Sec. 6-8.4. Suspension or Revocation Hearing.**

6-8.4.1 The Chief of Police is authorized to temporarily suspend or revoke the license of any licensee under this section whenever it appears to him/her that the licensee shall have violated any of the provisions of this article.

6-8.4.2 Upon suspension or revocation the Chief of Police shall within ten (10) days, file with City Council written charges against the licensee.

6-8.4.3 The City Council shall set the matter for hearing and notify the licensee at least ten (10) days before the hearing.

6-8.4.4 The City Council shall have the power to revoke or temporarily suspend the license for any such period as it may deem proper, as the facts may warrant.

#### **Secs. 6-8.5—6-8.10. Reserved.**

**Section 6-8.11.** If any section, subsection, clause, sentence, work or phrase of this title is for any reason held to be invalid and/or unconstitutional by a court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of the title. The City Council declares that it would have passed and adopted this ordinance and each of the provisions thereof irrespective of the fact that any one or more such provisions be declared invalid and/or unconstitutional.

**Section 6-8.12.** This ordinance shall take effect on the 17<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2025 and before the expiration of fifteen (15) calendar days after its passage it shall be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation in the City of Clearlake.

**INTRODUCED** by the City Council of the City of Clearlake, County of Lake, State of California on the 3<sup>rd</sup> day of April, 2025 and **PASSED AND ADOPTED** on this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2025 by the following vote:


**AYES:** Mayor Cremer, Vice Mayor Slooten, Council Members Downey, Hooten and Wilson

**NOES:** None

**ABSENT OR NOT VOTING:** None

  
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Mayor, City of Clearlake

**ATTEST:**

  
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City Clerk, City of Clearlake



RESOLUTION NO. 2025-20

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEARLAKE  
ADOPTING FEES RELATED TO ORDINANCE NO. 280-2025, AN ORDINANCE  
OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CLEARLAKE AUTHORIZING  
BINGO GAMES FOR CHARITABLE PURPOSES ONLY

WHEREAS, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 280-2025, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Clearlake Authorizing Bingo Games for Charitable Purposes Only, on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2025; and

WHEREAS, the Council has considered application and license fees related to said ordinance and contained therein at a duly noticed public hearing.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the City Council of the City of Clearlake that the application and license fees related to said ordinance in Section 6-8.2.9(a) are hereby adopted and shall be added to the City’s Schedule of Fees as follows:

An annual license fee in the amount set forth below shall be payable upon application for the license and on the date of each annual renewal thereof:

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PASSED AND ADOPTED on May 15, 2025 by the following vote:

AYES:  
NOES:  
ABSTAIN:  
ABSENT:

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Mayor, City of Clearlake

ATTEST:

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City Clerk, City of Clearlake





# CITY OF CLEARLAKE

## City Council

### STAFF REPORT

**SUBJECT:** Discussion and Consideration of Letter(s) of Opposition of SB 226 (Cabaldon) Community College Territory Transfers

**MEETING DATE:** May 15, 2025

**SUBMITTED BY:** Melissa Swanson, Administrative Services Director/City Clerk

**PURPOSE OF REPORT:** ☐ Information only ☒ Discussion ☒ Action Item

#### WHAT IS BEING ASKED OF THE CITY COUNCIL/BOARD:

The City Council is being asked to discuss and approve letter(s) and authorize the Mayor to sign.

#### BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

Current California law outlines specific procedures for reorganizing Community College (CCC) districts through territory transfers between existing districts. This process typically begins with a petition filed with the relevant county superintendent of schools. The petition requires signatures from either at least 25% of registered voters in the affected territory or a majority of the governing board members of each district involved.

Before a public hearing on such a petition, the county committee is obligated to provide comprehensive information to the public, the affected governing boards, and the Board of Governors. This information includes a description of the proposed transfer and a detailed report analyzing various aspects. These aspects include the employment rights of employees in the affected districts, the financial implications of the transfer for each district, and whether any of the districts involved are governed by city charter provisions and, if so, how.

The existing law grants the county committee the authority to approve a transfer petition only under specific conditions. For uninhabited territory transfers, approval is contingent upon the consent of the territory owner(s) and the governing board of the receiving district. For inhabited territory transfers, additional conditions must be met, including the receiving district's governing board consenting to all transfer conditions via a signed agreement and the county committee determining that the transfer will not increase costs to the state. Furthermore, the law addresses situations involving territory spanning multiple counties, requiring inter-county coordination in the reorganization process. The Board of Governors also plays a role, providing notice of approval or disapproval after considering input from interested parties and furnishing written reasons for any rejection.

The proposed law introduces a significant exception to these existing procedures, specifically targeting the transfer of territory from a CCC district meeting particular criteria. These criteria include being located in a county divided among three or more CCC districts where most of each district's population resides in other counties, and the territory being transferred (wholly or partially) to one of these qualifying districts. In such cases, the bill would bypass existing district transfer procedures, granting the Board of Governors the authority to approve the transfer either on its own initiative or upon receiving a petition from a district's governing board or the relevant county committee. The bill mandates that the Board of Governors ensure any approved transfer and related agreements comply with existing laws concerning employee rights, record disposition, finances, property, and obligations

during district reorganization. Notably, any territory transfer approved by the Board of Governors new provisions would be deemed approved under existing district reorganization law without requiring an election.

**OPTIONS:**

1. Move to approve the letter of opposition and authorize the Mayor to sign.
2. Other direction

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

☒ None      ☐ \$      Budgeted Item? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Budget Adjustment Needed? ☐ Yes ☐ No      If yes, amount of appropriation increase: \$

Affected fund(s): ☐ General Fund ☐ Measure P Fund ☐ Measure V Fund ☐ Other:

Comments:

**STRATEGIC PLAN IMPACT:**

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- ☐ Goal #7: Support Economic Development

**SUGGESTED MOTIONS:**

No action necessary. This item is to receive and file.

☒ **Attachments:**      1) Proposed letter of opposition



## City of Clearlake

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May 15, 2025

TO: Honorable Mike McGuire, California Senate President Pro Tempore

RE: SB 226

Senator McGuire:

SB 226 poses a serious threat to the autonomy of local community college districts. By granting a state board the power to redraw district lines over the objections of local boards, the bill undermines local control.

This legislation appears tailored to the narrow interests within the Yuba Community College District, to the detriment of the broader student population and communities it serves. The resulting realignment would be a monumental undertaking, consuming immense time, energy, and likely costing numerous districts tens of millions of dollars.

This unnecessary distraction would divert vital resources away from their primary purpose: supporting students' educational goals and the economic growth of the Yuba district. The fact that amendments requiring local district approval for any realignment, previously passed by the Senate Education Committee, are no longer part of the bill is deeply troubling and signals a potential disservice to the majority of our students.

It is our understanding that the Senate Education Committee previously approved amendments to the bill, ensuring local district approval for any realignment. The fact that these amendments are not currently included in the bill's progression is a significant concern for us.

We respectfully request the opportunity to discuss this pressing issue with you. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Russ Cremer  
Mayor