



CITY COUNCIL MEETING

AGENDA

7:00 PM - Tuesday, May 13, 2025
via Videoconference and In Person

PARTICIPATION: Members of the public may participate by being present at the Los Altos Council Chamber at Los Altos City Hall located at 1 N. San Antonio Rd, Los Altos, CA during the meeting. Public comment is accepted in person at the physical meeting location, or via email to PublicComment@losaltosca.gov.

RULES FOR CONDUCT: Pursuant to Los Altos Municipal Code, Section 2.05.010 "Interruptions and rules for conduct": Understanding that the purpose of the city council meetings is to conduct the people's business for the benefit of all the people, in the event that any meeting of the city council is willfully interrupted by a person or group of persons so as to render the orderly conduct of the meeting impossible, the mayor, mayor pro tem, or any other member of the city council acting as the chair may order the removal of the person or persons responsible for the disruption and bar them from further attendance at the council meeting, or otherwise proceed pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.0 or any applicable penal statute or city ordinance.

REMOTE MEETING OBSERVATION: Members of the public may view the meeting via the link below, but will not be permitted to provide public comment via Zoom or telephone. Public comment will be taken in-person, and members of the public may provide written public comment by following the instructions below.

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SUBMIT WRITTEN COMMENTS: Prior to the meeting, comments on matters listed on the agenda may be emailed to publiccomment@losaltosca.gov. Emailed public comments sent directly to the City Council, either as a group, or individually, will not be included in the agenda packet but may be disclosable as part of a public records request. Emails sent to publiccomment@losaltosca.gov will be included in the appropriate agenda packet and are also disclosable as part of a public records request.

Please note: Personal information, such as e-mail addresses, telephone numbers, home addresses, and other contact information are not required to be included with your comments. If this information is included in your written comments, they will become part of the public record. Redactions and/or edits will not be made to public comments, and the comments will be posted as they are submitted. Please do not include any information in your communication that you do not want to be made public.

Correspondence submitted in hard copy/paper format must be received by 2:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting to ensure distribution prior to the meeting. Comments provided in hard copy/paper format after 2:00 p.m. will be distributed the following day and included with public comment in the Council packet.

The Mayor will open public comment and will announce the length of time provided for comments during each item.

AGENDA

CALL MEETING TO ORDER

ESTABLISH QUORUM

PLEDGE ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

CHANGES TO THE ORDER OF THE AGENDA

COUNCIL/STAFF REPORTS AND DIRECTIONS ON FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Present Awards to the 2025 Margaret Thompson Essay Contest Winners

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Members of the audience may bring to the Council's attention any item that is not on the agenda. The Mayor will announce the time speakers will be granted before comments begin. Please be advised that, by law, the City Council is unable to discuss or take action on issues presented during the Public Comment Period. According to State Law (also known as "The Brown Act") items must first be noted on the agenda before any discussion or action.

CONSENT CALENDAR

These items will be considered by one motion unless any member of the Council or audience wishes to remove an item for discussion. Any item removed from the Consent Calendar for discussion will be handled at the discretion of the Mayor.

1. Approval of Meeting Minutes

Approve the Draft Special and Regular Meeting Minutes of April 22, 2025

2. Accept COPS Grant Funding

Accept grant funding from the Citizens Option for Public Safety/Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund (COPS/SLESF) and authorize revenue and allocate it to the Supplemental Law Enforcement Services Fund for Fiscal Year 2024–25

3. Adoption of Resolution - Special Event Sponsorship

Adopt a Resolution Repealing Resolution No. 2015-23 and Approve Special Event Sponsorship Levels Pursuant to Los Altos Municipal Code Section 9.25.100

4. Adoption of Resolution - Special Event Sponsorship Policy

Adopt a Resolution Creating a Special Events Sponsorship Policy and Process

5. Adoption of Resolution - Solid Waste Collection Rates

Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the increase of Solid Waste Collection Rates by 4.86%, effective July 1, 2025. The adoption of increased rates is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15273(a), in that CEQA does not apply to actions to set rates, tolls, fares, or other charges

6. Approval of Ad-Hoc Committee

Approve the formation of a City Council Ad-Hoc Committee for a Firearms Buyback Program

7. Adoption of Resolution - Household Hazardous Waste Collection Program

Adopt a Resolution Authorizing the City Manager to execute the First Amendment to the Agreement for Countywide Household Hazardous (HHW) Waste Collection Program and Countywide AB 939 Implementation Fee with the County of Santa Clara on behalf of the City. Approval of the First Amendment to the Agreement for Countywide HHW Collection Program is exempt from environmental review under the Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15273(a) of the CEQA Guidelines because CEQA does not apply to the establishment, modification, structuring, restructuring, or approval of rates, tolls, fares, and other charges by public agencies which the public agency finds are for the purpose of meeting operating expenses

8. Adoption of Resolution - Reject All Bids for Sanitary Sewer Video Inspection Project

Adopt a Resolution to Reject all bids for the Sanitary Sewer Video Inspection, Project WW-0101, at the City Council's direction and authorize the City Manager to direct staff to rebid project. The proposed project is categorically exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines Section 15301.b, involving the operation, repair, maintenance, permitting, leasing, licensing, or minor alteration of existing public sewerage involving negligible or no expansion of existing or former use

9. Introduction of Ordinance - Fire Hazard Severity Zones

Waive First Reading and Introduce an Ordinance to Designate Fire Hazard Severity Zones

10. Status Update - Gas Powered Leaf Blowers

Receive status update regarding gas-powered leaf blower use within the City of Los Altos

PUBLIC HEARINGS

11. Introduction of Ordinances - Sherwood Specific Plan

Three separate actions for Council consideration:

Waive first reading and Introduce Ordinances, and consider the unanimous recommendation of the Los Altos Planning Commission April 3, 2025 decision of:

- a. An Ordinance of the Los Altos City Council of the City of Los Altos Amending Chapter 14.50 of the Los Altos Municipal Code; and
- b. An Ordinance of the Los Altos City Council of the City of Los Altos Repealing in its Entirety the Sherwood Gateway Specific Plan of the Los Altos Municipal Code; and
- c. An Ordinance of the Los Altos City Council of the City of Los Altos Amending Chapter 14.88 of the Los Altos Municipal Code and Rezoning Certain Parcels Located along San Antonio Road and El Camino Real in the City of Los Altos to Commercial Thoroughfare (CT) Zoning District; and

Find that the proposed zone change and amendments are exempt from environmental review pursuant to Section 15183 of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines since the zone change and amendments are consistent with the adopted General Plan

DISCUSSION ITEMS

12. Non-Profit and Civic Organization Contributions FY 25-26

Review non-profit and civic organization contribution applications and direct staff to incorporate funding into the budget for FY25-26

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS ONLY

There will be no discussion or action on Informational Items

13. Tentative Council Calendar and Housing Element Update Implementation Calendar

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ADJOURNMENT

(Council Norms: It will be the custom to have a recess at approximately 9:00 p.m. Prior to the recess, the Mayor shall announce whether any items will be carried over to the next meeting. The established hour after which no new items will be started is 11:00 p.m. Remaining items, however, may be considered by consensus of the Council.)

SPECIAL NOTICES TO THE PUBLIC

In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, the City of Los Altos will make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting. If you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact the City Clerk 72 hours prior to the meeting at (650) 947-2610.

All public records relating to an open session item on this agenda, which are not exempt from disclosure pursuant to the California Public Records Act, and that are distributed to a majority of the legislative body, will be available for public inspection at the Office of the City Clerk's Office, City of Los Altos, located at One North San Antonio Road, Los Altos, California at the same time that the public records are distributed or made available to the legislative body.

If you wish to provide written materials, please provide the City Clerk with 10 copies of any document that you would like to submit to the City Council for the public record.