



- With the current 8% UUT, the City is relying on its reserves in order to balance the current year's budget. The current year's deficit is \$530,000 and is expected to increase to \$994,000 in the next fiscal year. Continually using reserves to balance the budget is not sustainable.
- A 6% UUT will require the City Council to cut the current General Fund by 11%, (another million dollars) on top of the \$2 million cuts made in the past 5 years.
- A 10% UUT will stabilize the current service levels for a few years while the City Council continues to explore ways to achieve long term financial stability.

Election Day is April 12, 2016

For more information visit:

www.cityofsierramadre.com/uut

The Basic Facts:

- The current UUT rate is 8%
- From July 2009 - June 2015 the UUT was 10%
- Measure UUT on the April 12th ballot proposes to increase the UUT to 10%
- If 50% + 1 of voters vote "yes" on Measure UUT, it will increase the UUT to 10% on July 1, 2016
- If Measure UUT fails, the UUT rate will go to 6% July 1, 2016

A 6% UUT rate will require the City Council to balance the budget by making \$1M in reductions to services funded by the General Fund including:

- Outsourcing Police, Fire and/or Paramedics; and/or
- Reducing Library and/or City Hall public hours.



WHAT DOES A 10% UUT PROVIDE?

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Community Services

1% of the General Fund

Senior Services: lunch program, fitness classes, bingo, movies, health screenings, legal services, and excursions | Parks & Facilities: six parks and two community centers | Community Garden | Community Newsletter | Coordinating Council | Special Event Permits | Contract Services: Aquatics, Enrichment Classes, After School Youth Programs | Special Events: Huck Finn, Mount Wilson Trail Race, 4th of July, Summer Fun in the Park, Concerts in the Park, Movies in the Park, Halloween | Community Services & Senior Community Commissions

Public Works

6% of the General Fund

Parks & Facility Maintenance | Reviews Building Plans | General administration for: streets, water & sewer utility, sidewalks & street repairs, street sweeping

Planning & Community Preservation

6% of the General Fund

Process Development Applications: new construction, remodels, additions | Conducts Environmental Review | Reviews Plans | Conducts site inspections | Issues Permits | Oversees Film Production | Manages Mills Acts Contracts | Historic Preservation Programs | Code Enforcement | Planning Commission

Library

8% of the General Fund

Borrow books and DVDS | Access to current and historical information | Titles to Go | Third Thursday Book Club | Summer Reading Programs | Barks & Books | Preschool Storytime | Baby Rhyme Time | Parent Child Workshops | Reference & Research | Teen Docents | Teen Summer Reading Volunteers | Teen Book Club | Local History | One Book One City | Library Board of Trustees



Fire

18% of the General Fund

Fire Prevention | Fire Control | Emergency Medical Services (Paramedics) | Paramedic Subscription Program | Weed Abatement | Public Education | Inspection Services | Reviews Building Plans

Police

41% of the General Fund

Overall Public Safety | Crime Prevention | Traffic Safety | Investigates Crimes | Enforces Parking Restrictions | Neighborhood Watch | Business Watch | School Visits | Reserve Officers | Vacation Checks | Ride-A-Longs | Public Safety Committee

Administration (1%), Elected & Appointed (4%), and General Overhead (15%) make up the remaining 20% of the General Fund

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10am - 12noon
Fire Station

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