



# Council Adopted Goals for Fiscal Year 2025-2026

## Adopted April 1, 2025

| <b>Goals</b>   |
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| <b>I. Provide Quality Public Service</b>   |
| 1. Plan the Green Stormwater Infrastructure project required by State law.   |
| 2. Review and amend City of Monte Sereno Financial Policies: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Review and amend, if required, the City of Monte Sereno’s investment policy.</li> <li>b. Develop and implement timely updates to the financial transparency system for residents.</li> </ul>  |
| 3. Implement a cloud-based, fully integrated financial reporting and human resource information system for government entities to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Improve financial reporting and human resources management at the City of Monte Sereno.</li> <li>b. Utilize time reporting functionality for all personnel and support human resources requirements.</li> <li>c. Address and resolve internal control weaknesses.</li> <li>d. Develop, document, and implement financial accounting policies and procedures with the new financial reporting system.</li> <li>e. Convert and migrate minimal, yet sufficient, data to the new financial reporting system and human resources information system.</li> </ul> |
| 4. Increase civic engagement and resident involvement in the community, including possible partnership with leadership Los Gatos.  |
| 5. Review and improve the City of Monte Sereno website with easier access to historical minutes and recordings.  |
| <b>II. Maintain Community Character</b>  |
| 1. Update the General Plan.  |
| 2. Continue to implement programs in the adopted Housing Element.  |
| <b>III. Enhance Mobility for Residents</b>   |
| 1. Improve walkability throughout the City.  |



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| <b>IV. Maintain Community Safety</b>  |
| 1. Improve wildfire prevention and preparedness:  |
| A. Establish evacuation routes, inform the community of these locations, and plan for their maintenance.  |
| B. Increase awareness of fire danger due to poorly maintained vegetation and promote the importance of defensible space around structures.  |
| C. Work with Saratoga, Los Gatos, and elected officials to coordinate efforts to reduce fire hazard risks on Highway 9.   |
| D. Consider requiring any eucalyptus trees on a property to be removed when an application for a new house is received.   |
| E. Consider expanding the exterior home hardening requirements of the California Residential Code to apply to all properties in the City and not just those within the High or Very High Fire Hazard Severity Area. |
| F. Adopt an updated Annex to the Santa Clara Wildfire Protection Plan to plan for programs in Monte Sereno.   |
| G. Recruit 10 additional CERT members, with a focus on residents that live near City Hall.  |
| H. Consider outfitting the shed at City Hall to serve as an NICP.   |
| I. Consider establishing a commission or committee to work on wildfire prevention and preparedness issues.  |
| 2. Install of Flock cameras citywide.   |
| 3. Finalize the agreement with Los Gatos for law enforcement services.  |
| <b>V. Enhance Environmental Sustainability</b>  |
| A. Promote low-water and low-fire landscaping alternatives for residents.   |
| B. Encourage water conservation and support the move to lower carbon emissions in Monte Sereno.   |