



City of Angels

City Council Monthly Update

January 2025



Vice Mayor Isabel Moncada

Councilmember Alvin Broglio, Councilmember Caroline Schirato, Councilmember Michael Chimento, Councilmember Scott Behiel

Significant Ongoing Projects

Major Projects:

Utica Park – Estimated Completion April 2025

Project Manager: Amy Augustine – Augustine Planning Associates

Eureka Oaks (Habitat) – Estimated Completion ~2027

Project Manager: Dave Richard (Unico) - Dewberry

Current CIP Project:

Mark Twain Road Looping Pipes – Engineering Plans Completed

Estimated Completion: Q3 2025

Project Manager: Dave Richards - Dewberry

Next CIP Project:

Vallecito Sewer Line Upgrade – Engineering Plans Submitted

Project Manager: Dave Richards - Dewberry

FY24/25 Noteworthy Accomplishments:

December – BFCO Michael Clarke

December – Ratified MOU for Fire/Misc/Exempt

December – Fulltime Fire Chief

December – Old City Hall Roof

December – City Officials Handbook

December – Angels Creek FEMA Grant

November – General Election

November – City Administrator Interview Panels

November – Negotiations Complete

October – First Use of Crack Sealing Machine

October – Measure “A” Goes into Effect

October – Downtown Benches/Trash Receptacles

September - Booster Way Sewer Upgrade Complete

September - Utica Park Playground Equipment Installed

September - Eureka Oaks (Habitat) Groundbreaking

September - Angel Creek Trail Environmental Review Completed

August - Received Boom Mower

August - Stop Signs & Crosswalks at Mark Twain School

July - Citywide Street Sign Replacement Complete

Administration

Interim City Administrator Steve Williams, City Clerk/HR Rose Beristianos

Current Vacancies/Recruitments:

- City Administrator
- Chief Plant Officer
- Fire Engineer
- Firefighter
- Police Officer
- Plant Operator in Training

New Hires in October:

- Michael Clarke – BFCO
- Krystina Storey – Police Officer

Projects:

- City Administrator Recruitment
- Fire Department Reorganization
- Water Rate Update
- Employee ID Cards
- Live Scan

Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Enterprise Fund

Plans Due By	Person Responsible	CIP Category	Project	Detail	Cost Estimate
10-01-24	Dave Richards	Water	Mark Twain Rd	Looping Pipes	\$ 680,000
11-01-24	Dave Richards	Wastewater	Vallecito Road	Pipe Replacement	\$ 990,000
04-01-25	Dave Richards	Wastewater	East Angels Trunk	Cure in Place	\$1,910,000

Start Date	Person Responsible	CIP Category	Project	Detail	Cost Estimate
10-01-24	Chris Oflinn	Water	Pressure Relief Valves	Replace all PVR	\$ 780,000
11-01-24	Chris Oflinn	Water	Automated Meter Readers	Install AMR's	\$ 400,000
01-01-25	Chris Oflinn	Wastewater	Scope Lines with CCTV	Data to Dewberry	\$ 75,000

Finance Department

Finance Director Michelle Gonzalez,

Audits in Progress

- Annual Financial Audit: We are addressing a few remaining questions. GASB reports have been completed and sent to the CPA for the audit. The CPA firm is still on schedule to submit the audit in January.
- Transportation Projects Audit with CCOG: This audit was completed in December. The audit firm is currently reviewing the data, and the final report should be prepared after the holidays.

AccuFund Software Implementation

- This month's focus has been on payroll setup as part of the ongoing system-wide planning phase.
- The chart of accounts has been restructured to enhance reporting clarity and detail.
- Implementation Timeline:
 - January 2025: Payroll mirroring begins, with plans to go live in February.
 - February 2025: General Ledger, Bank Reconciliation, Accounts Payable, Accounts Receivable, and Cash Receipts go live.
 - March 2025: Utility billing mirroring begins.
 - April 2025: Utility billing goes live.
 - May/June 2025: New system features will be rolled out.

Water/Wastewater Proposition 218

- Notices to Ratepayers: Mailed on December 20, 2024, to all landlords and tenants.
- Open House Preparation: Finance staff met to plan handouts and displays for the open house scheduled on January 29, 2025.

Code Enforcement and Building

Building – Completed in December

- **Number of Permits Issued** **20**
 - Solar 6
 - Re-Roofs 4
 - HVAC 4
 - Remodel Residential 3
 - Remodel Commercial 1
 - Concrete Slab 1
 - Wood Stove 1
- **Number of Inspections** **54**

Code Enforcement – Completed in December

Open cases on December 1 **12**

	New	Open
Violation Type		
Public Nuisance	2	6
Housing	1	4
Other	4	1
Building Construction		1
Dangerous Building		1
Zoning		

New Cases in December 7

Cases Closed in December 6

Open cases on December 31 **13**

Water / Wastewater / Public Works

Public Works Superintendent Chris Oflinn

Water – Completed in December

- Annual Flow Meter Calibrations
- Water Service Tie in for the MACT Building
- Installed New Fire Hydrant for the MACT Building
- Repaired Service Leak at 1182 Minna St
- Located Utilities for Eureka Oaks
- Repaired SC2100 Turbidimeter
- Received Final Quote for PRV Project

Public Works – Completed in December

- Removed Old “Welcome to Angels Camp” Sign
- Finished Crack Sealing on Gardner Lane
- Traffic Control for Christmas Parade
- Installed Signs at Old City Hall
- Cleaned up Fallen Tree at Altaville School
- Cleaned up Fallen Limb at Museum
- Storm Preparation – Cleaned Drains and Ditches
- Fixed Railing on Vallecito Bridge

Wastewater – Completed in December

- Quarterly Intermediate Pump Station Cleaning
- Completed Repairs at Holman Reservoir S/W Side
- Annual Flow Meter Calibrations
- Sewer Tie in for MACT Building
- Hydroflush Problem Sewer Lines
- Repaired Sewer Plug at 1902 Centennial
- Replaced Water Pump on the Dodge Truck

Looking Ahead

- Install Radar Feedback Signs
- Pressure Relief Valve Replacement Project
- Automated Meter Reader Project
- Explore Birds Way
- Speed Tables on Gardner Ln

Planning Department

Amy Augustine – Contract City Planner

Planning – Completed in December

- **Utica Park Project Oversight** - A Planning Committee meeting was held 12/4/24 and approved a draft landscaping plan. A lighting plan was received and reviewed. A final landscaping and irrigation plan was received and reviewed. Park benches made from black walnut trees rotting on site were delivered.
- **Relocate House 79 South Main** – A form AT&T request for an engineer’s estimate was submitted and is pending a response for relocating AT&T facilities for the move.
- **PRICE Grant** – Staff contacted the granting agency. They anticipate announcements by 12/31/24 on the results of the \$11,672,000 grant
- **Foundry Lane** – A Caltrans appraisal is scheduled for completion by the end of January. The item is tentatively scheduled for the California Transportation Commission in May 2025.
- **GIS** –ParcelQuest is expecting to open the city gateway in early January and provide a non-subscription source of online zoning information for the public.
- **All Hazards (Zoning Code Updates)** – A public open house for the project was held 12/12/24 from 3-5 p.m. with no participants. Due to poor attendance and poor outreach, another meeting has been scheduled for 1/16/25.

Planning – Looking Ahead

- **Utica Park** - Outdoor gym equipment is scheduled to ship to the City on 1/15/25. Change orders for additional costs associated with a new irrigation system and additional lighting is scheduled for the City Council 1/7/25.
- **PG&E Resilience Grant** – Staff will be preparing a grant application for kitchen and lighting improvements at Utica Park. The grant is due 1/31/25 for up to \$100,000.
- **Calaveras Public Power Agency (CPPA) Grant** – Staff is pursuing a grant to assist with park lighting of up to \$30,000 in January, 2025.
- **Conditional Use Permit for a Church School** off Depot Road is scheduled for a February Planning Commission hearing.
- **General Plan Amendment and rezone** for two parcels off Murphys Grade Road from Business Attraction and Expansion to Residential is scheduled for a Planning Commission hearing on 1/9/25.
- **Property purchase** – Staff continued coordination with Zita Johnson to purchase a small parcel adjacent to Tryon Park. In early January, final documents are anticipated.

Engineering Department

Aaron Brustatori – Contract City Engineer

Engineering – Completed in December

- **Eureka Oaks (Habitat)** – Correspondence regarding changes in curbs.
- **Foundry Lane Extension** – Participate in Landowner Meeting.
- **Angels Camp Museum** – Pre-storm Inspection and Recommendations for Drainage

Engineering – Looking Ahead

- **Pickle Porch Public Parking** – Provide Cost Estimate for Improving 14 Spaces
- **Murphys Grade Drainage** – Final review of plans. Preparation for bid for June 2025 construction.
- **Eureka Oaks (Habitat)** – Recommendations Regarding Maintenance Agreements.
- **MACT Museum** – Continue as-needed Support
- **Old Napa Site** – Provide Conceptual Options for Parking Facility

Fire Department (Not Updated in December)

Chief John Rohrbaugh

Responses in November 2024

Total	86
Emergency Medical	51
Cancelled prior to arrival	14
Public Service	11
Other Investigative	4
Structure Fire	3
Vehicle Accident	2
Vegetation Fire	1

Notable Calls in November 2024:

- Vehicle Accident w/Extrication 49/Carson Hill
- Two Structure Fires in Murphys
- Chimney Fire on Lee Lane
- Stabbing at Big Horn Mobile Home Park

Additional Info in November 2024:

- Started Recruitment for Engineer and Firefighter
- Participate in City Administrator Interviews
- Public Education Events Head Start & St. Patrick's Church
- State Fire Inspection at Bret Harte High School
- Ordered Personal Protective Equipment
- Serviced SCBA Fill System

Scheduled in December 2024:

Interviews for Fulltime Firefighters and Fire Engineer

Move Fire Chief Officer to Vallecito Station

Police Department

Chief Scott Ellis

Activity in December 2024

Total Incidents	320
Total Reports	36
Total Traffic Stops	37
Total Arrests	12

Types of Calls:

• Disturbance	21
• Theft	7
• Traffic Collisions	4
• Assault and Battery	2
• DUI	1
• Domestic Violence	1

Additional Info in December 2024

- Police Officer Krystine Storey Sworn in and Began Field Training
- Police Officer Resigned
- Christmas Parade
- Maintenance on Two Patrol Vehicles
 - Chevy Tahoe
 - Dodge Charger
- Volunteers Donated 44.5 Hours

Looking Ahead

- Follow up with Flock Safety and Caltrans Regarding ALPR