

**MINUTES
MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL
SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SA)
MARCH 17, 2021**

The City Council of the City of Monterey Park held a Regular Teleconference Meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, March 17, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. The regular meeting was conducted pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order No. N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020. Accordingly, Council Members were provided a meeting login number and conference call number and were not physically present at Council Chambers.

The minutes include items considered by the City Council acting on behalf of the Successor Agency of the former Monterey Park Redevelopment Agency, which dissolved February 1, 2012. Successor Agency matters will include the notation of "SA" next to the Agenda Item Number.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

In accordance with Executive Order No. N-29-20 and guidance from the California Department of Public Health on gatherings, remote public participation was allowed in the following ways:

Via Email

Public comment were accepted up to 24 hours before the meeting via email to mpclerk@montereypark.ca.gov and, when feasible, read into the record during public comment. Written communications are limited to not more than 50 words.

Via Telephone

Public comment may be submitted via telephone during the meeting, before the close of public comment, by calling (888) 788-0099 or (877) 853-5247 and entering Zoom Meeting ID: **989 6660 0822** then press pound (#). When prompted to enter participation ID number press pound (#) again. If participants would like to make a public comment they will enter **"*9"** then the Clerk's office will be notified, and you will be in the rotation to make a public comment. Press **"*6"** to unmute yourself when called upon to speak. Participants are encouraged to join the meeting 15 minutes before the start of the meeting. You may speak up to 5 minutes on Agenda item. Speakers will not be allowed to combine time. The Mayor and City Council may change the amount of time allowed for speakers. As part of the virtual meeting protocols, anonymous persons will not be allowed to provide public comment.

Important Disclaimer – When a participant calls in to join the meeting, their name and/or phone number will be visible to all participants. Note that all public meetings will be recorded.

MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the City of Monterey Park is to provide excellent services to enhance the quality of life for our entire community

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Yiu called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Yiu led the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL:

City Clerk Vincent Chang called the roll:

Council Members Present: Peter Chan, Hans Liang, Henry Lo, Fred Sornoso,
Yvonne Yiu

Council Members Absent: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Ron Bow, City Attorney Karl Berger, City Treasurer Joseph Leon, Assistant City Manager Inez Alvarez, Fire Chief Matt Hallock, Police Chief Kelly Gordon, Director of Management Services Martha Garcia, City Librarian Diana Garcia, Interim Director of Public Works Frank Lopez, Interim Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Danielle Tellez, Economic Development Manager Joseph Torres, Planning Manager Jason Moquin, Community Communications Coordinator Randy Ishino, Deputy City Clerk Cindy Trang, Assistant Deputy City Clerk Helena Cho

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS

The City Council requested Agenda Item No. 5B to be heard after Public Communications.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Public Speaker Disclaimer: Meetings are held virtually and the information listed for the speakers may or may not reflect the correct spelling of their respective name.

None.

1. **PRESENTATION**

None.

2. **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

3. **CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS NOS. 3A-3G**

Matters listed under consent calendar are considered to be routine, ongoing business and are enacted by one motion unless specified.

This item was heard after Agenda Item No. 5B.

Action Taken: The City Council and the City Council, acting on behalf of the Successor Agency, approved and adopted Agenda Items Nos. 3B, 3C, 3D, 3E and 3F on Consent Calendar, excluding Agenda Items Nos. 3A and 3G which were pulled for discussion and separate motion, reading resolutions and ordinances by the title only and waiving further reading thereof.

Motion: Moved by Council Member Liang and seconded by Council Member Chan motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Chan, Liang, Sornoso, Lo, Yiu
Noes: Council Members: None
Absent: Council Members: None
Abstain: Council Members: None

3A. MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT

As of February 28, 2021 invested funds for the City of Monterey Park is \$88,825,395.95.

Action Taken: The City Council received and filed the monthly investment report.

Motion: Moved by Council Member Chan and seconded by Council Member Liang motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Chan, Liang, Sornoso, Lo, Yiu
Noes: Council Members: None
Absent: Council Members: None
Abstain: Council Members: None

3B. MINUTES

Approve the minutes from the regular meetings of February 3, 2021 and February 17, 2021.

Action Taken: The City Council and the City Council (acting on behalf of the Successor Agency) approved the minutes from the regular meetings of February 3, 2021 and February 17, 2021 on Consent Calendar.

3C. WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT AN OMNIBUS ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REPEALING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE AS SPECIFIED, TO CODIFY PORTIONS OF THE MONTEREY PARK BUSINESS RECOVERY PROGRAM AND REPEAL REGULATIONS GOVERNING FORTUNETELLING

The City Council waived second reading and adopted ordinance at the March 3, 2021 meeting. Through inadvertence, however, Exhibits A and B to the ordinance were not included with the staff report. In an abundance of caution, therefore, the City Clerk's office asks that the City Council again adopt the ordinance with all exhibits.

Other than the inclusion of the attached exhibits there are no other changes from the first reading that occurred on February 1, 2021.

The original staff report (from February 17, 2021) is attached to the staff report for reference. Second reading and adoption of this Ordinance is recommended. If adopted, the Ordinance will take effect in 30 days.

The proposed amendments are to further enact and make permanent procedural changes that further implement and carry out the city's goals and policies established by the Monterey Park Business Recovery Program ("BRP"). As part of the BRP, various elements of the Monterey Park Municipal Code ("MPMC"), specifically Title 21 as it relates to variances, conditional use permits, minor modifications, and administrative use permits warranted further refinement to establish consistency amongst the aforementioned sections including, without limitation, processing procedures, public hearing requirements, standards and expirations.

Additionally, the ordinance would repeal regulations governing fortunetelling within the MPMC. A series of court cases over the past decade made it plain that the practice of fortunetelling constitutes a First Amendment activity as both an exercise of religion and free speech. Most recently, an individual seeking to open a fortunetelling business in Monterey Park threatened litigation in December 2020. The matter was resolved, in part, by the City agreeing to propose amendments to the MPMC to reflect current federal and California law governing fortunetelling activities. These changes were vetted, among other City departments, with the Monterey Park Police Department. There were no objections to the changes.

Action Taken: The City Council waived the second reading and adopted Ordinance No. 2203 on Consent Calendar.

Ordinance No. 2203, entitled:

AN OMNIBUS ORDINANCE AMENDING AND REPEALING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE AS SPECIFIED

3D. RESOLUTION TO AGREEMENT EXTENSION FOR INTERIM EMPLOYMENT (DANIELLE TELLEZ)

As a result of the continued vacancy for the position of Director of Human Resources and Risk Management, the City and Danielle Tellez are desirous to extend a retired annuitant employment agreement pursuant to Government Code § 21221(H) and Executive Order No. N-25-20.

Action Taken: The City Council approved Resolution No. 12229 authorizing the City Manager to execute an employment agreement with Danielle Tellez to extend part-time employment for the position of Interim Director of Human Resources and Risk Management pursuant to Government Code § 21221(H) and Executive Order No. N-25-20 on Consent Calendar.

Resolution No. 12229, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, EXTENDING AN AGREEMENT WITH “RETIRED ANNUITANT” DANIELLE TELLEZ PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE § 21221(H) AND EXECUTIVE ORDER NOS. N-25-20 AND N-84-20

3E. CONSIDERATION OF FINAL MAP. NO. 77195 FOR A SINGLE LOT SUBDIVISION (CONDOMINIUM PURPOSES) TO FACILITATE AN EIGHT-UNIT RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT, LOCATED AT 2011 POTRERO GRANDE DRIVE

On April 24, 2018, the Planning Commission approved Tentative Map No. 77195 via Resolution No. 07-18 for an eight-unit residential condominium development at 2011 Potrero Grande Drive (the “Project”).

The proposed final map was reviewed by the City Engineer for compliance with applicable law. Except for the required public improvements, the final map meets all legal requirements. A subdivision improvement agreement must be executed by the applicant to complete approvals for the final map.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):

On April 24, 2018, the Planning Commission found that the Project was categorically exempt from the requirements of CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15315 and 15332 as a Class 15 categorical exemption (Minor Land Divisions) and Class 32 categorical exemption (Infill Development). The findings and conclusions made by the Planning Commission are incorporated into the attached Resolution to the staff report by reference.

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 12230 approving Final Map No. 77195 and approved and authorized the City Manager to execute a Subdivision Improvement Agreement for Final Map No. 77195 in a form approved by the City Attorney on Consent Calendar.

Resolution No. 12230, entitled:

A RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL MAP NO. 77195 FOR AN EIGHT-UNIT RESIDENTIAL CONDOMINIUM PROJECT AT 2011 POTRERO GRANDE DRIVE

3F. AWARD OF CONTRACT TO RINCON CONSULTANTS INC., FOR CONSULTING SERVICES TO PREPARE THE 2021-2029 HOUSING ELEMENT, UPDATE THE SAFETY ELEMENT AND ESTABLISHMENT OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ELEMENT OF THE GENERAL PLAN AND ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW TO FULFILL THE CITY'S HOUSING OBLIGATIONS

The City of Monterey Park, along with all jurisdictions throughout the State, is mandated by California State Law to prepare a Housing Element update for State certification. The new Housing Element must be adopted and reviewed by HCD by October 15, 2021. The Housing Element is a part of the General Plan and includes goals, policies, and quantified objectives to further the development and preservation of housing. Funding is provided via two reimbursable grants that have been awarded to the city in the combined amount of \$610,000 and fully fund the new Housing Element including updates to the city's Safety Element and establishes a newly mandated Environmental Justice Element.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with Rincon Consultants Inc., in the amount of \$397,743 on Consent Calendar.

3G. HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP) CYCLE 9

The City of Monterey Park was awarded \$537,200 federal funds with no local match required. This funding amount includes all phases of the project including preliminary engineering, construction and construction engineering. Staff recommends that the City Council authorize the City Manager to accept and appropriate funds received from Caltrans for Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 9 for Garfield Avenue Traffic Signal Improvements. There is no fiscal impact to the General Fund.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):

The proposed project is categorically exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to 14 California Code of Regulations § 15301 as a Class 1 categorical exemption (Existing Facilities). The Project results in minor alterations to existing public facilities involving no significant expansion of the existing use. The Project is not anticipated to have any significant impacts with regard to traffic, noise, air quality or water quality.

Action Taken: Mayor Yiu declared a property-related conflict of interest as she has ownership of 120 West Hellman Avenue and did not participate on the agenda item. The City Council adopted Resolution No. 12231 authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to apply for, receive, and appropriate \$537,200 in Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) funds for Garfield Avenue Traffic Signal Improvements.

Motion: Moved by Council Member Chan and seconded by Council Member Liang motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Chan, Liang, Sornoso, Lo
Noes: Council Members: None
Absent: Council Members: None
Abstain: Council Members: None

Mayor Yiu did not participate on the agenda item due to a property-related conflict of interest.

Resolution No. 12231, entitled:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO RECEIVE AND APPROPRIATE \$537,200 IN HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP) CYCLE 9 FUNDS IN FISCAL YEAR (FY) FY 2020-21 FOR GARFIELD AVENUE TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS

4. PUBLIC HEARING

4A. A PUBLIC HEARING TO INTRODUCE AND CONSIDER AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT (DA-20-01) BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK AND BR CASTER CORP. TO FACILITATE DEVELOPMENT OF A STRUCTURE FOR SELF-STORAGE UNITS; TO ACTIVATE THE BUSINESS RECOVERY DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT ZONE (“BRDZ”) IN MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 21.45; AND TO AMEND THE ZONE MAP

This matter was previously considered at a public hearing conducted on February 17, 2021. A copy of the staff report from that meeting is attached for reference (without its attachments) to the staff report.

Second reading and adoption was scheduled for March 3, 2021. Through inadvertence, the item did not get placed onto that agenda; ordinances may only be adopted at a regular meeting.

When the issue was identified on March 1st, there was insufficient time (agendas must be posted 72 hours in advance of a regular meeting) to amend the already posted agenda. Accordingly, this matter must be again considered for introduction and first reading.

Other than changing the dates in the draft documents, there are no other changes from the February 17, 2021 meeting.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):

The Project is categorically exempt from additional environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15332 as a Class 32 categorical exemption (In-Fill Development Projects). The Project consists of constructing a self-storage facility on a vacant 0.93 acre triangular shaped lot surrounded by existing development. Other than activating the BRDZ via the draft Development Agreement, there are no proposed changes to the General Plan nor the zoning. The Project site has no value as habitat for endangered, rare or threatened species. The technical studies prepared for the Project demonstrate there will not be any significant environmental effects relating to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality. Finally, the Project can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services.

Public Speaker:

- Brian Caster, representing BR Caster Corp., stated that he was available to answer any questions.

Action Taken: The City Council (1) opened the public hearing at 9:15 p.m.; (2) received documentary and testimonial evidence; (3) closed the public hearing at 9:16 p.m.; and (4) introduced and waived first reading of an ordinance adopting DA-20-01. Second reading and adoption would occur on April 7, 2021. The DA would become effective May 7, 2021.

Motion: Moved by Council Member Chan and seconded by Mayor Yiu motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Chan, Liang, Sornoso, Lo, Yiu
Noes: Council Members: None
Absent: Council Members: None
Abstain: Council Members: None

Ordinance, 1st Reading, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK AND BR CASTER CORP. TO FACILITATE DEVELOPMENT OF A STRUCTURE FOR SELF-STORAGE UNITS; TO ACTIVATE THE BUSINESS RECOVERY DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT ZONE ("BRDZ") IN MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 21.45; AND TO AMEND THE ZONE MAP

5. NEW BUSINESS

5A. CONSIDERATION OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH PARKING REQUIREMENTS FOR RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION AFFILIATED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN ACCORDANCE WITH CALIFORNIA LAW AND CODIFY PARKING REGULATIONS FROM THE MONTEREY PARK BUSINESS RECOVERY PROGRAM

AB (Assembly Bill) 1851, effective January 1, 2021, limits the number of parking spaces a local agency may require in connection with a “religious institution affiliated housing development project” (“RIAHD”), as defined. AB 1851 also requires a local agency to allow for the elimination of up to 50% of the existing parking spaces serving a place of worship in connection with the approval of a RIAHD and prohibits a local agency from requiring replacement of parking spaces that the developer of a RIAHD proposes to eliminate. An amendment to the MPMC is required to bring it into conformance with California law.

Additionally, the Ordinance would codify the parking regulations adopted by the City Council in 2020 as part of the Monterey Park Business Recovery Program.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (Pub. Res. Code § 21000, et seq.; “CEQA”) and CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs. tit. 14, § 15000, et seq.) staff determined that the Ordinance is exempt from additional environmental review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15305 because it consists only of minor alterations in land use limitations necessary to implement a state law mandate (AB 1851) and does not portend new development. Furthermore, staff finds that it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the ordinance may have a significant effect on the environment. Consequently, it is exempt from additional environmental review per CEQA Guidelines § 15061(b)(3).

Action Taken: The City Council introduced and waived first reading of an Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Monterey Park adding Sections 21.22.040 (Religious Institution Affiliated Housing Development Project; Parking Requirements) and 21.22.050 (application of Chapter) to the Monterey Park Municipal Code and codifying the parking regulations adopted as part of the 2020 Monterey Park Business Recovery Program (the “Program”).

Motion: Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Lo and seconded by Council Member Chan motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Chan, Liang, Sornoso, Lo, Yiu
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

Ordinance, 1st Reading, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK ADDING SECTIONS 21.22.040 (RELIGIOUS INSTITUTION AFFILIATED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS; PARKING REQUIREMENTS) AND 21.22.050 (APPLICATION OF CHAPTER) TO THE MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE

5B. SR-710 NORTH MOBILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS FUNDING AGREEMENTS

The SR-710 Mobility Improvement Projects are the result of reallocated Measure R Funds for the SR-710 North Project to new mobility improvement projects within the San Gabriel Valley subregion. These projects are consistent with the purpose and need of the Gap Closure Project to relieve congestion on local streets along the SR-710 alignment between Interstates 10 and 210, with the highest priority for projects proximate to the Interstate 10 freeway. As part of the SR-710 North Mobility Improvements Projects, the City's Engineering consultant prepared funding applications for various projects, and the City received a total allocation of \$100,300,000 from Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):

This action is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code §§ 21000, et seq., "CEQA") and the regulations promulgated thereunder (14 California Code of Regulations §§ 15000, et seq., the "CEQA Guidelines") because it constitutes funding activity of the City that will not result in direct or indirect physical changes in the environment. Accordingly, it is not a "project" that has the potential to cause significant physical effects on the environment and is not subject to CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §§ 15061 and 15378. Any use of the funds for a particular project will require separate CEQA review.

This item was heard after Public Communications.

Public Speakers:

- Edith Gonzalez, representing Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda Solis, stated that Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transit Authority (Metro) Board of Directors will meet to consider releasing revised guidelines for Measure R and Measure M highway funding for public review. Ms. Gonzalez offered the assistance of Supervisor Hilda Solis's office to discuss the City's SR-710 North Mobility Improvement Projects scopes of work with Metro staff and to explore opportunities to revise project scopes, if so desired.

- Edwin voiced his opposition to the agenda item. He stated that the funding agreements would jeopardize the City's ability to secure state funding for major state programs. He implored City staff to explore alternative use of the Measure R funds and urged the City Council to vote no on the funding agreements until the City has made significant efforts to explore non-automobile uses of the funds.
- Johnny Thompson, chair of Business Improvement Development Advisory Committee, conveyed his support for the agenda item.
- Paul Lee requested that the City Council reconsider moving forward with the agenda item until a future date after discussing and gathering more input from the community.
- Alvin encouraged the City Council to come up with alternative solutions to improve the quality of life of the residents and secure the funding.
- Jennifer Tang stated that the proposal would make the roads more dangerous and would do nothing in the long term of solving traffic concerns. She mentioned that the Metro Board will vote on more flexible guidelines on how the City can spend the Measure R funds. She appealed that the City Council vote no or delay the agenda item until a future date so that the City can renegotiate a proposal that is more community driven.
- Melissa Chu expressed her concerns on creating parking structures and expanding the street. She implored City Council to listen to community input before making a decision.
- Jeshow Yang beseeched the City Council to renegotiate the Measure R funding agreements and explore ways of improving lanes to allow for multi-modal roads.
- Connie stated that she is disappointed to learn that the agenda item is up for vote with no public outreach. She encouraged the City Council to take the assistance of Los Angeles County Supervisor Hilda Solis's office and engage with the residents to ensure that the Measure R funds spent is suitable for everyone.
- Eric Sunada conveyed that there was not enough adequate background information or public input for the agenda item.
- Janice Yiu communicated her opposition to the agenda item and urged the City Council to reconsider approving the proposal and engage the community to decide the best use of how the Measure R funds can be used.
- Laura Gallegos spoke in opposition of the agenda item. She articulated that any changes to downtown streets must first consider the elderly, children, and mobility impaired residents. She stated that she supports the idea of making the streets safer for pedestrian, bicyclist, the young, and the old.

- Megan Chea voiced that the proposal would increase risk to the elderly as it would make the streets more dangerous. She suggested that City Council oppose the agenda item and reconsider the negative implication that would come from agreeing to the proposal.
- Megan Lam implored that the City Council to vote no on the agenda item. She expressed that creating more lanes would not relieve the congestion and will in turn create more traffic.
- Michelle Li appealed that the City Council reject the proposal on spending measure R sales tax funds on parking structures and widening lanes. She expressed that road expansion would increase the level of danger for families and air pollution.
- Maribel Castillon voiced her opposition to the agenda item. She conveyed that widening lanes and building a parking structure will increase pollution and climate change.
- Teresa Real Sebastian explained that these Measure R funds are different from the traditional Measure R fund. She encouraged the City Council to meet with Supervisor Hilda Solis's office to find out about the revise changes affecting how the Measure R funds can be spent.
- Katie communicated that it is important that the street feels safe. She urged the City Council to not move forward with the proposal.
- Ariel Broadus voiced her opposition to the agenda item and stated that expanding the street may not be the most effective thing to do.
- Kathy Ko stated that the City should try to reduce parking structure development. She encouraged the City Council to explore ways to develop the city to be more environmental friendly to reduce greenhouse gases.
- Anna expressed her opposition to allocating Measure R funds to widening the streets of Garvey and Atlantic. She encouraged the City Council to reconsider the proposal.
- Howard voiced his support for the agenda item and stated he hopes that the City Council can revitalize the downtown area.
- Irma Gorrocino urged the City Council to reconsider and postpone the item for a later time.

- City Clerk Chang received, filed, and read into the record one hundred fifty written communications. One hundred forty-one written communications were in opposition from: Tara Kwan, Austin Phung, Jennifer Katan, Andrew Luu, Lili Ye, Thomas Wong, Jennifer Cao, Valarie Dao, Matt Tsang, Andy Fung, Angel Arredondo, Kiong Han, Marlene Buenrostro, Sophie Chen, Catherine Peng, Linda Huynh, Diane Velez, Edwin Sun, Matthew Phan, Andrew Yip, Maria Alejandra Santillan, Boschal Lee, Megan Lam, Megan Chea, Melissa Chea, Lisa Chea, Han Dao, Jennifer Van, Tracy Ou, Stefanie Dare, Darren Braden, Lauren Orozco, Karen Thai, Susan Martinez, Hagar Benitez, Doris Han, Ray Dang, Naqi Jaffery, Chris Hansen, Topher Mathers, Bill Luong, Kim Matsuda, Claudia Nario, Theodore Chou, Glenda Mutakami, Elizabeth Duenas, Carol Leung, Destiny Avila, Moses Lim, Nicolas Tran, Catherine Peng, Grant Lao, Asha Lew, Kevin Kartanata, Kimberly Navarro, David Phung, Shawn Gong, Katherine Guevarra, Kiong Han, Danny Chu, Tony Wu, Jennifer Leu, Anna Yeh, Allison Hirata, Giovanni & Maricruz Tlatenchi, Lisa Luu, Victor Luo, Barbara Ngai, Malvina Rincon, Elena Lee, Jeff Schwartz, Veronica Paez, Tiffany Katanyoutanant, Danny Woo, Jim Phit, Thomas Wong, Calvin Truong, Jean Wong, Natalie Sanchez, Margaret Cheng, Thomas Lo & Janis Wong-Lo, Kimberly Alvarado, Jaime Rodriguez, Jessica Jinn, Jonathan Yiu, Emily Pham, Esteban T. Jr., Kyle Tsukahira, Debra Maldonado, Audre Jung, Elena Diaz, Shirley Tatsuno, Michelle Li, Janice Chang Yu, Vivian Fuller, Irma Gorrocino, Angela Yang, Harry Li, Tony Truong, Catherine Tang, Jaime Rodriguez, Ariel, Lisa Marko, Monica Hernandez, Jean Park, Stanley Chu, Raquel Morales, Laura Gallegos, Jany Wang, Rose Scobie, Craig Takahashi, Roni Cisneros, Keith Lee, Brisa Aviles, Leilani Commons, Anthony Truong, Phyllis Thai, Michael Siegel, Richard A. Chavira & Barbara L. Chavira, Jazmin Navarro, Dan Huynh, Connie Cheung, Cathy Ta, Milt Deherrera, Mark Ces, Sin Fong & Po Lin Han, Katelyn Millette, Linda Bonilla, Rose Boubion, Cliff Bender, Ricky Rodriguez, Briana Liu, Sydney Zheng, Paul Tchen, Joyce Yu, Kelly Ta, Felix, Amy J. Wong, Maribel Castillon, and Jennifer Lizcano Do. Nine written communications had suggested alternatives to the plans and requested to continue the agenda item to a future date from: Philip Chang, Reanna Liaw, Tad A Kato, Bryan Matsumoto, Carlos Wong, Andrea Lofthouse-Quesada, Tommy Hoong, Emily Francis, and Bill Lam.

Recommendation: That the City Council consider: (1) Authorizing the City Manager to execute the remaining three Funding Agreements, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Authority (LACMTA) for the SR-710 North Mobility Improvements Projects for Garvey Avenue Capacity Improvements, Parking Structures Construction, and Adaptive Traffic/Traffic Responsive Control System Project; (2) Authorizing the City Manager to appropriate projects funds for the Garvey Avenue Capacity Improvements, Parking Structures Construction, and Adaptive Traffic/Traffic Responsive Control System projects per the project funding schedule included in the terms and conditions of the Funding Agreements to be received by the City; and (3) Taking such additional, related, action that may be necessary.

Action Taken: The City Council (1) authorized the City Manager to execute a Funding Agreement, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA) for the SR-710 North Mobility Improvements Projects for Adaptive Traffic/Traffic Responsive Control System Project; (2) authorized the City Manager to appropriate project funds for Adaptive Traffic/Traffic Responsive Control system project per the project funding schedule included in the terms and conditions of the Funding Agreement to be received by the City; and (3) to table the Garvey Ave Capacity Improvement Project and the Parking Structure Construction until a further date after receiving additional input from LACMTA regarding new guidelines for the project.

Motion: Moved by Council Member Liang and seconded by Mayor Yiu motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Chan, Liang, Lo, Yiu
Noes: Council Members: Sornoso
Absent: Council Members: None
Abstain: Council Members: None

Discussion: Council Member Liang recommended to staff to investigate forming an Ad Hoc committee of residents to provide input on the Garvey Avenue Capacity Improvements project and Parking Structure Construction. Mayor Yiu agreed to the Ad Hoc committee and suggested online surveys and town hall meetings so that everyone can participate.

RECESSED AND RECONVENED

The City Council recessed at 8:54 p.m. and reconvened with all council members present at 9:00 p.m.

6. CITY COMMUNICATIONS (CITY COUNCIL)

6A. A RESOLUTION DECLARING APRIL 4, 2021 – APRIL 10, 2021 AS NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK (REQUESTED BY COUNCIL MEMBER CHAN)

This item was heard after Agenda Item No. 5A.

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 12232 declaring April 4, 2021 – April 10, 2021 as National Library Week.

Motion: Moved by Council Member Chan and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lo motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Chan, Liang, Sornoso, Lo, Yiu
Noes: Council Members: None
Absent: Council Members: None
Abstain: Council Members: None

Resolution No. 12232, entitled:

A RESOLUTION DECLARING APRIL 4, 2021 – APRIL 10, 2021 AS NATIONAL LIBRARY WEEK

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Chan stated that on March 8, 2021 he attended the Barnes Park Playground and Fitness Court red ribbon cutting ceremony. He reported that the Metro Service Council discussed the Fareless System Initiative. He relayed that Metro has a program called “On the Move Riders Club” that is available for senior citizens. He informed that the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governors Transportation Committee is considering a study for an extension of the express/carpool lane on the Interstate 10 Freeway.

Council Member Liang reported that he attended the Barnes Park Playground and Fitness Court red ribbon cutting ceremony. He wished everyone a happy St. Patrick’s day.

Council Member Sornoso reported that he attended the Barnes Park Playground and Fitness Court red ribbon cutting ceremony. He stated that he completed the exercises to become an ambassador of the fitness court. He shared that he toured the new Courtyard Marriott.

Mayor Pro Tem Lo spoke about the unfortunate incident in Atlanta, regarding a shooting at massage parlors/spas. He directed staff to consider a resolution condemning anti Asian hate and xenophobia for the next City Council meeting.

Mayor Yiu reported that she attended two Asian hate crime discussions. She stated that racial discrimination is always unacceptable. She inquired from the Police department if there were any hate crimes reported to the Police department. She communicated that she attended the Community Participation Committee (CPC) meeting and informed the City Council that they have the opportunity to appoint two commissioners to this committee. She encouraged the Council to work on getting one more commissioner for the CPC.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

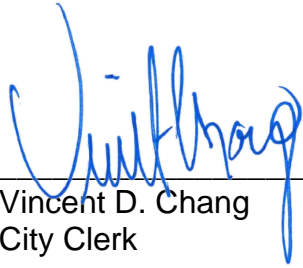
None.

8. CLOSED SESSION (IF REQUIRED; CITY ATTORNEY TO ANNOUNCE)

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 9:43 p.m.



Vincent D. Chang
City Clerk

Approved on May 5, 2021 at the Regular City Council Meeting