

**MINUTES  
MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL  
SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SA)  
APRIL 21, 2021**

The City Council of the City of Monterey Park held a Regular Teleconference Meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, April 21, 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](mailto: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: **2892225995** 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, Fire Division Chief Ryan Weddle, Economic Development Manager Joseph Torres, Recreation and Community Services Manager Robert Aguirre, Community Communications Coordinator Randy Ishino, Deputy City Clerk Cindy Trang, Assistant Deputy City Clerk Helena Cho

**AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS**

None.

**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.

- Robert Aguirre, Recreation and Community Services Manager, reported that the Monterey Park Spring Egg Hunt was a huge success. He informed the public that the Cherry Blossom Festival was held virtually from April 16-23, 2021. He invited the public to participate in the Cinco de Mayo Drive-in Loteria event to be held on May 2, 2021. He advertised that the Recreation and Community Services department will be offering Mother's Day gift baskets that the public can purchase for a friend, neighbor, or family.
- Vincent Chang wished everyone Happy Earth Month. He spoke about increased plastic single use utensils that are filling up the landfills. He urged that City Council consider an Ordinance to require restaurants to provide single use utensils upon request.
- Ryan Weddle, Fire Division Chief, informed the public that the Fire Department is preparing a virtual Fire Service Day to be held on Saturday, May 15, 2021. He stated that more information will be provided at the next City Council meeting.

1. **PRESENTATION**

None.

2. **OLD BUSINESS**

None

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

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

**Action Taken:** The City Council and the City Council, acting on behalf of the Successor Agency, approved and adopted Agenda Items Nos. 3A, 3C, and 3F on Consent Calendar, excluding Agenda Items Nos. 3B, 3D, 3E, 3G, and 3H 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 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

**3A. MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT – MARCH 2021**

As of March 31, 2021 invested funds for the City of Monterey Park is \$84,580,395.95.

**Action Taken:** The City Council received and filed the monthly investment report on Consent Calendar.

**3B. FY 2020-2021 3RD QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT**

During Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21 and resulting from the COVID-19 economic impacts, the City Council implemented a quarterly financial review process. The purpose of this FY 2020-2021 3rd Quarter Financial Report is to provide City Council and the residents of Monterey Park transparency in areas of revenue projection updates, expenditures projection updates, revenues received to date, proposed budget adjustments, and a contingency plan if revenues received are below budget projections.

**Action Taken:** The City Council received and filed the FY 2020-2021 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Financial Report and authorized a budget appropriation of \$38,575 from the General Fund.

**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

**3C. RENEWAL OF THE ASSESSMENT DISTRICT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22 AND SCHEDULE A PUBLIC HEARING PURSUANT TO STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE §§ 22500, *ET SEQ.***

In 1993 the City formed a citywide benefit assessment district to finance the operation and maintenance of public street lighting and landscaping. The district was renewed each of the past 28 years and must be renewed for 2021-22 in order for the City to continue collecting assessments. To begin the district renewal, staff recommends a public hearing be held on June 2, 2021. Scheduling the public hearing is a required process and it does not automatically renew the district. The district renewal will follow the City Council's action at the conclusion of the June 2<sup>nd</sup> public hearing.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act)

The proposed action is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (Cal. Pub. Res. Code §§ 21000, *et seq.*; "CEQA") and CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs. tit. 14, §§ 15000, *et seq.*) because it establishes, modifies, structures, restructures, and approves rates and charges for meeting operating expenses; purchasing supplies, equipment, and materials; meeting financial requirements; and obtaining funds for capital projects needed to maintain service within existing service areas. The proposed action, therefore, is categorically exempt from further CEQA review under CEQA Guidelines § 15273.

**Action Taken:** The City Council adopted Resolution No. 12235 declaring the City Council's intent to levy and collect assessments for Fiscal Year 2021-22 in Citywide Maintenance District No. 93-1 pursuant to Streets and Highways Code §§ 22500, *et seq.* and setting a time and place for a public hearing on Consent Calendar.

**Resolution No. 12235**, entitled:

RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY COUNCIL'S INTENT TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 IN CITYWIDE MAINTENANCE DISTRICT NO. 93-1 PURSUANT TO STREETS AND HIGHWAYS CODE § 22587 AND SETTING A TIME AND PLACE FOR A PUBLIC HEARING

### 3D. HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM

The City of Monterey Park Fire Department was notified by California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) of a formal invitation to submit a full subapplication for consideration of Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) funding. If the City is offered a grant award, the total proposed budget request is \$60,000.00, which includes a Federal Share Request of \$45,000.00 and a Required Applicant Match of \$15,000.00. The Subapplicant Activity Title is City of Monterey Park Local Hazard Mitigation Plan Update (MPK LHMP Plan Update).

Staff seeks City Council consideration and approval of the City of Monterey Park's HMGP subapplication, which also includes the authorization of funding the Required Applicant Match and adopting required Resolutions. The due date for the DR-4569 Subapplication is on May 1, 2021. When the grant award decision is made and if the grant award is received, staff will inform City Council.

**Action Taken:** The City Council (1) approved the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program (HMGP) subapplication for consideration of HMGP funding; (2) authorized the City's Management Services Director to allocate \$15,000.00 from the City budget to fund the required applicant match if the grant is awarded; (3) adopted the Designation of Applicant's Agent Resolution (Form 130) with the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program and Pre-Disaster Mitigation Program; and (4) authorized the City Manager, or designee, to apply for, receive, and appropriate grant funds for the Hazard Mitigation Grant Program.

**Motion:** Moved by Council Member Sornoso 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

### 3E. 2018 STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM – COST SAVINGS PROJECTS

The City of Monterey Park Fire Department was notified of an approved modification for an increase of \$25,952 for the 2018 State Homeland Security Grant Program (SHSP 2018 Grant). As per Resolution No. 11740 adopted by the City Council on May 6, 2015, staff is reporting to the City Council the type of money obtained and the project details.

**Action Taken:** The City Council received and filed the staff report.

**Motion:** Moved by Council Member Sornoso 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

**3F. ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA FIXING THE SALARY RATES AND BENEFITS FOR EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT**

If adopted, the draft resolution would establish baseline salaries and benefits for the eight unrepresented executive management employees. The proposed resolution represents the City Manager's recommendations to the City Council during closed session of the City Council on April 7, 2021.

**Action Taken:** The City Council adopted Resolution No. 12236 fixing the salary rates and benefits for the Executive Management Employees and authorized the expenditure of \$3,986 for Fiscal Year (FY) 20/21; and authorized expenditures in the FY 21/22 and FY 22/23 budgets accordingly.

**Resolution No. 12236**, entitled:

A RESOLUTION FIXING THE SALARY RATES AND BENEFITS FOR EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT EMPLOYEES

**3G. PROFESSIONAL MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK RESOLUTION**

The Office of the City Clerk is celebrating the week of May 2-8, 2021 as Professional Municipal Clerks Week. This week, sponsored by the International Institute of Municipal Clerk's (IIMC) and celebrated annually, honors and recognizes the Municipal Clerk profession as a vital part of local government celebrated throughout the world including the United States, Canada and 15 other countries. We are enlisting your support in the form of a resolution to honor Professional Municipal Clerks for providing supports to the Council, departmental staff, other agencies, and residents of Monterey Park.

**Action Taken:** The City Council adopted Resolution 12237 declaring the week of May 2 through 8, 2021 as Professional Municipal Clerks Week in Monterey Park.

**Motion:** Moved by Council Member Chan and seconded by Council Member Sornoso 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. 12237**, entitled;

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK DECLARING MAY 2-8, 2021, PROFESSIONAL MUNICIPAL CLERKS WEEK IN MONTEREY PARK

**3H. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA DECLARING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 2021 TO BE “DENIM DAY MONTEREY PARK”**

“Denim Day” was established in 1999 after the California Legislature’s Women’s Caucus learned of a protest of a court decision that occurred in Italy. Enraged by the verdict and the judge’s statement, within a matter of hours the women of the Italian Parliament launched into immediate action and protested by wearing jeans to work. This call to action motivated the California legislators to do the same. Peace Over Violence, a Los Angeles County based Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence victims’ advocacy organization promoted the idea and the first “Denim Day-L.A.” was created. “Denim Day” is now recognized throughout the United States.

**Action Taken:** The City Council adopted Resolution No. 12238 declaring Wednesday, April 28, 2021 as “Denim Day Monterey Park”.

**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

**Resolution No. 12238** entitled;

A RESOLUTION DECLARING APRIL 28, 2021 TO BE “DENIM DAY MONTEREY PARK”, SUPPORTING SEXUAL ABUSE AWARENESS AND THE BELIEF THAT THERE IS NO EXCUSE AND NEVER AN INVITATION TO RAPE

**4. PUBLIC HEARING**

None.

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

**5A. INTRODUCING AND WAIVING THE FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING THE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR THE 2020 MONTEREY PARK BUSINESS RECOVERY PROGRAM FROM JULY 1, 2021 TO DECEMBER 30, 2022**

Since March 11, 2020, the City (and the nation) has been in a declared state of local emergency due to the COVID-19 pandemic (the “Emergency”). This Emergency has had a devastating effect on the City’s battered restaurant industry, risking permanently losing businesses, jobs, and community assets. Following staff’s analysis of the overwhelming effect this Emergency has had on our City’s restaurant community, staff has determined that it is in the City’s best interest to extend the outdoor dining and events permit regulations (the “Program”) to December 30, 2022. This will give the City Manager additional time to recommend appropriate changes to the Monterey Park Municipal Code that will help promote the City Council’s intent to assist local businesses recover from the Emergency.

**Action Taken:** The City Council introduced and waived the first reading of an ordinance extending the effective date for the 2020 Monterey Park Business Recovery Program from July 1, 2021 to December 30, 2022.

**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, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2020 MONTEREY PARK BUSINESS RECOVERY PROGRAM AND EXTENDING ITS EFFECTIVE DATE TO DECEMBER 30, 2022

**5B. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK CALIFORNIA APPOINTING COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES TO SPECIFIC ORGANIZATIONS**

The City Council generally appoints representatives to various regional and community organizations annually. Appointments are recommended by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

**Action Taken:** The City Council adopted Resolution No. 12239 appointing representatives to specific organizations.



**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

**Resolution No. 12239**, entitled:

A RESOLUTION ASSIGNING CITY COUNCILMEMBERS TO SPECIFIC ORGANIZATIONS

## 6. CITY COMMUNICATIONS (CITY COUNCIL)

### COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Chan thanked the Fire Department for hosting a Covid-19 vaccination site at Garvey Ranch Park. He reported that he attended the Spring Cleaning Day event held on April 10, 2021. He stated that he attended the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) monthly meeting and reported that the SGVCOG passed a Resolution to Condemn Racism, Xenophobia, and Intolerance Against Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders. He relayed that the SGVCOG held a presentation regarding Vehicles Miles Traveled.

Council Member Liang appointed Tomas Wong to the Economic Development Advisory Committee. He mentioned that it is Administrative Professional Day. He reported that he attended the Spring Cleaning Day event held on April 10, 2021.

Council Member Sornoso reported that he attended the Spring Cleaning Day event held on April 10, 2021. He thanked staff for all their creative ways of reaching out and engaging the public.

Mayor Pro Tem Lo stated that he attended the Garvey School District Board meeting and reported that the Garvey School District Board presented the City of Monterey Park with an award recognizing the City for its collaboration with Herald Christian Center and the Alhambra Unified School District on providing vaccination sites to the public.

Mayor Yiu reported that she attended the East Los Angeles College Leadership Conference as a speaker and shared her secret of how to get your dream job.

**7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

This item was heard after Closed Session.

**Discussion:** By consensus, the City Council directed staff bring back for City Council consideration an agenda item regarding city Commission and Board Member's term limits. The City Council also requested an agenda item to discuss the option of requiring restaurants to provide single use plastic utensil upon request.

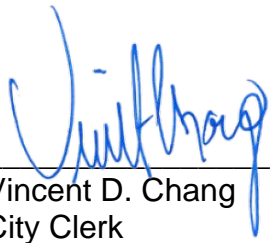
**8. CLOSED SESSION (IF REQUIRED; CITY ATTORNEY TO ANNOUNCE)**

This item was heard after City Communications.

City Attorney Berger announced that there was no Closed Session item for consideration.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 8:03 p.m.



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Vincent D. Chang  
City Clerk

*Approved on May 19, 2021 at the Regular City Council Meeting*