

SUMMARY ACTIONS
NOT OFFICIAL MINUTES

CITY COUNCIL OF MONTEREY PARK
THE CITY COUNCIL ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY OF THE FORMER
REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY, THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, THE MONTEREY PARK FINANCING
AUTHORITY AND THE MONTEREY PARK GEOLOGIC HAZARD ABATEMENT DISTRICT
AGENDA

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONTEREY PARK CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
320 W. NEWMARK AVENUE, MONTEREY PARK, CA 91754

Wednesday
November 15, 2023
6:30 p.m.

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.

LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

We would like to acknowledge that the land we inhabit today was once known as Tovangaar, the home of the Gabrieleño-Tongva people. We show our respect to the Gabrieleño-Tongva people, as well as all Indigenous people, past, present, and future, and honor their labor as original caretakers of this land. We commit to uplifting the Gabrieleño-Tongva people, invite you to acknowledge the history, and join us in caring for this land.

GENERAL INFORMATION

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You may speak up to 5 minutes on Agenda item. You may combine up to 2 minutes of time with another person's speaking. No person may speak more than a total of 10 minutes. The Mayor and City Council may change the amount of time allowed for speakers. Written Communication will be accepted up to 24 hours before the meeting via email to mpclerk@montereypark.ca.gov.

While all comments are welcome, the Brown Act does not allow the City Council to take action on any item not on the agenda. The Council may briefly respond to comments after Public Communications is closed. Persons may, in addition to any other matter within the City Council's subject-matter jurisdiction, comment on Agenda Items at this time. If you provide public comment on a specific Agenda item at this time, however, you cannot later provide comments at the time the Agenda Item is considered.

CALL TO ORDER Mayor at 6:38 p.m.
FLAG SALUTE The Monterey Park Police Explores
ROLL CALL Henry Lo, Vinh Ngo, Jose Sanchez, Thomas Wong, Yvonne Yiu

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS

MAYOR SANCHEZ ANNOUNCED THE APPOINTMENT OF INEZ ALVAREZ AS THE NEW CITY MANAGER

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS: THIS WAS HEARD AFTER ITEM NO. 6B

- Fire Department
- Police Department

[1.] PRESENTATION

1-A. MONTEREY PARK COMMUNITY HEALING FUND UPDATES

THIS ITEM WAS HEARD AFTER ITEM NO. 5B

[2.] OLD BUSINESS

2-A. AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE LEGISLATIVE SUBPOENAS REGARDING THE POTENTIAL REVOCATION OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT NO. CU-89-004 (AS AMENDED AND MODIFIED) HELD BY ATLANTIC SQUARE, LLC (CONTINUED FROM NOVEMBER 1, 2023)

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Adopting a Resolution authorizing the Mayor and City Clerk to issue legislative subpoenas for testimony and records related to the potential revocation of CUP No. CU-89-004 (as amended) that was originally approved via Resolution No. 9356, adopted August 29, 1989 (and subsequently modified/amended); and
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

THIS ITEM WAS HEARD AFTER ITEM NO. 4A

COUNCIL MEMBER NGO DECLARED A POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSION. THE COUNCIL CONTINUED THIS ITEM TO THE JANUARY 17, 2024 COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION BY: WONG					
SECONDED BY: LO					
COUNCIL MEMBERS	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent	Recusal
LO	X				
YIU	X				
NGO					X
WONG	X				
SANCHEZ	X				

MOTION TO EXTEND MEETING TO 11:30 P.M.

APPROVED

[3.] CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 3A-3L

All items under the Consent Calendar are considered by the City Council to be routine and will be enacted by one motion. Specific items may be removed from the Consent Calendar at the request of any member of the City Council for separate consideration.

THIS ITEM WAS HEARD AFTER ITEM NO. 1A

MOTION BY: NGO					
SECONDED BY: YIU					
COUNCIL MEMBERS	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent	Recusal
LO	X				
YIU	X				
NGO	X				
WONG	X				
SANCHEZ	X				

APPROVED/ADOPTED ON CONSENT CALENDAR ITEM NOS. 3A-3L, AND EXCLUDING ITEM NOS. 3E, 3F & 3J WHICH WERE PULLED FROM SEPARATE DISCUSSION. ITEM NO. 3I WAS PREVIOUSLY HEARD. COUNCIL MEMBER NGO DECLARED A CONFLICT OF INTEREST FOR ITEM NO. 3I AND DID NOT PARTICIPATE IN DISCUSSION

3-A. MINUTES

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Approving the minutes from the regular meeting of September 6, 2023 and the special meetings of September 6, 2023 and September 26, 2023; and
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

3-B. AMENDING RECORDS RETENTION SCHEDULE

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Adopting a Resolution amending the City's Records Retention Schedule for City documents; or
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

APPROVED/ADOPTED ON CONSENT CALENDAR RESOLUTION NO. 2023-R90

3-C. MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT – OCTOBER 2023

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Receiving and filing the monthly investment report; and
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

RECEIVED AND FILED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

3-D. RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE RECOGNIZED OBLIGATION PAYMENT SCHEDULE AND ADMINISTRATIVE BUDGET FOR JULY 1, 2024 – JUNE 30, 2025

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Adopting a resolution approving the Recognized Obligation Payment Schedule (ROPS 24-25 A&B) for the period between July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025; and
- (2) Approving the Successor Agency Administrative Budget for July 1, 2024 – June 30, 2025;
- (3) Directing staff to post and transmit the ROPS and Administrative Budget to the appropriate public agencies; and
- (4) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

APPROVED/ADOPTED ON CONSENT CALENDAR RESOLUTION NO. SA-188

3-E. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION TO AUTHORIZE OPEN MARKET BOND REPURCHASE OF A PORTION OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK OUTSTANDING TAXABLE PENSION OBLIGATION BONDS, SERIES 2021

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Adopting a Resolution of the City Council of the City of Monterey Park:
 - a. authorizing the Open Market Bond Repurchase of a Portion of its Outstanding Taxable Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2021;
 - b. approving a Repurchase Agent and authorizing the City Manager to execute an agreement, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with Samuel A. Ramirez & Co., Inc.; and
 - c. authorizing certain additional actions in connection therewith.
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

MOTION BY: WONG					
SECONDED BY: NGO					
COUNCIL MEMBERS	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent	Recusal
LO	X				
YIU	X				
NGO	X				
WONG	X				
SANCHEZ	X				

APPROVED RECOMMENDATION RESOLUTION NO. 2023-R92 AS AMENDED TO DELEGATE THE AUTHORITY DECISION TO THE CITY INVESTMENT POLICY TEAM AND TO REPORT BACK TO COUNCIL ON THE POTENTIAL SAVING

3-F. CONSIDERATION OF ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION DIRECTING THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO TAKE ACTIONS NECESSARY TO FINANCE WATER FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENTS TO THE WATER SYSTEM

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Adopting Resolution No. _____ directing the Interim City Manager to take actions necessary to finance water facilities and improvements to the Water System; and
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

MOTION BY: SANCHEZ					
SECONDED BY: YIU					
COUNCIL MEMBERS	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent	Recusal
LO	X				
YIU	X				
NGO	X				
WONG	X				
SANCHEZ	X				

APPROVED RECOMMENDATION RESOLUTION NO. 2023-R93

RECESSED – 9:34 P.M.
RECONVENED – 9:46 P.M.

3-G. APPROVE REVISED FY2023-2024 CITY OF MONTEREY PARK COMPREHENSIVE SALARY SCHEDULE

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Approve a revised City of Monterey Park Comprehensive Salary Schedule; and
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

APPROVED/ADOPTED ON CONSENT CALENDAR RESOLUTION NO. 2023-R91

3-H. SAN GABRIEL VALLEY MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT OPPORTUNITY FOR WATER LEADERSHIP (OWL) GRANT FISCAL YEAR 2023/24

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Accepting \$3,000 in San Gabriel Valley Municipal Water District grant funding to purchase items for the Library collection and host a family-friendly event; and
- (2) Augmenting the FY 2023-2024 to allocate the \$3,000 in grant funds; and
- (3) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

3-I. AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO EXTEND THE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH CHINATOWN SERVICE CENTER FOR USE OF THE SIERRA VISTA COMMUNITY CENTER AS THE TEMPORARY SITE OF THE MPK HOPE RESILIENCY CENTER

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Authorizing the Interim City Manager, or designee, to extend the license agreement, in a form approved by the City Attorney with Chinatown Service Center for use of the Sierra Vista Community Center as the temporary MPK Hope Resiliency Center; and
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

THIS ITEM WAS HEARD AFTER STAFF COMMUNICATION

MOTION BY: WONG					
SECONDED BY: YIU					
COUNCIL MEMBERS	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent	Recusal
LO	X				
YIU	X				
NGO					X
WONG	X				
SANCHEZ	X				

COUNCIL MEMBER NGO DECLARED A POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND RECUSED HIMSELF

APPROVED STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

3-J. AUTHORIZE THE INTERIM CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH CARNIVAL MIDWAY ATTRACTIONS TO PROVIDE AMUSEMENT RIDES, GAMES, AND CONCESSIONS AT THE ANNUAL HAPPY BIRTHDAY MONTEREY PARK, PLAY DAYS CARNIVAL

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Authorizing the Interim City Manager, or designee, to execute a license agreement, in a form approved by the City Attorney with Carnival Midway Attractions to provide amusement rides, games, and concessions at the annual Happy Birthday Monterey Park, Play Days Carnival; and
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

MOTION BY: WONG					
SECONDED BY: SANCHEZ					
COUNCIL MEMBERS	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent	Recusal
LO	X				
YIU	X				
NGO	X				
WONG	X				
SANCHEZ	X				

APPROVED RECOMMENDATION

3-K. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF AN INTERAGENCY MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK AND THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY METROPOLITAN TRANSPORTATION AUTHORITY AS THE ADMINISTRATOR OF THE REGIONAL INTEGRATION OF INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEMS

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (LACMTA), in a form approved by the City Attorney, for the Regional Integration of Intelligent Transportation System (RIITS); and
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):

The proposed action is exempt from the requirements of the California Environmental Quality Act (Pub. Res. Code §§ 21000, *et seq.*: “CEQA”) and CEQA Guidelines (Cal. Code Regs. Title 14, §§ 15000, *et seq.*) in accordance with CEQA Guidelines § 15305 (Class 5 – Minor Alterations in Land Use Limitations). The project involves a negligible expansion of use; there is only a minor change in the operation of an existing use. The project would not result in significant effects related to traffic, noise, air quality, or water quality and it can be adequately served by all required utilities and public services.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

3-L. 2023 RESIDENTIAL STREET REHABILITATION – AWARD OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT TO ALL AMERICAN ASPHALT

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Authorizing the Interim City Manager to execute a public works contract, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with All American Asphalt in the contract amount of \$1,200,000 for the 2023 Residential Street Rehabilitation Project; and
- (2) Authorizing the Director of Public Works to approve change orders and contingency up to \$180,000, or 15% of the contract amount; and
- (3) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):

It is recommended that the City Council find that the proposed work is exempt from additional environmental review under the California Environmental Quality Act (“CEQA”) pursuant to CEQA Guidelines (14 Cal. Code of Regs. § 15000, *et seq.*) § 15301(c) (Existing Facilities) which exempts the operation, repair, maintenance, alteration of existing public or private structures which involve negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. Subsection (c) of Section 15301 notes that repair of existing highways and streets, sidewalks, gutters, and bicycle and pedestrian trails—like the proposed work—are exempt from CEQA if additional automobile lanes are not created.

APPROVED ON CONSENT CALENDAR

[4.] PUBLIC HEARING

4-A. PUBLIC HEARING TO APPROVE THE 2023 ANNUAL REPORT AND THE LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS FOR DOWNTOWN BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2024.

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Opening the public hearing, receiving both written and oral comments, and closing the public hearing; and
- (2) Adopting the resolution confirming the 2023 Annual Report and the levy of assessments for Business Improvement District No. 1 for program year 2024; and
- (3) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

THIS ITEM WAS HEARD AFTER ITEM NO. 3J

MOTION BY: WONG					
SECONDED BY: NGO					
COUNCIL MEMBERS	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent	Recusal
LO	X				
YIU	X				
NGO	X				
WONG	X				
SANCHEZ	X				

**PUBLIC HEARING HELD
APPROVED RECOMMENDATIONS
RESOLUTION NO. 2023-R94**

[5.] NEW BUSINESS

5-A. PROVIDE AN UPDATE AND RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING THE MONTEREY PARK REWARDS PROGRAM

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Discussing several options regarding the continued use of a shop local rewards program; and
- (2) If desirable, providing additional staff direction; and
- (3) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

THIS ITEM WAS HEARD AFTER ITEM NO. 3I

MOTION BY: WONG					
SECONDED BY: SANCHEZ					
COUNCIL MEMBERS	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent	Recusal
LO	X				
YIU	X				
NGO	X				
WONG	X				
SANCHEZ	X				

APPROVED OPTION NO. 2 TO TERMINATE MPK REWARDS PROGRAM AND DIRECTED STAFF TO RESEARCH OPTIONS FOR A NEW PROGRAM IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN AND TO BRING BACK FOR COUNCIL CONSIDERATION

5-B. AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE (“MPMC”) REGULATING PERMIT PARKING

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Introducing and waiving first reading of an Ordinance adding Chapter 10.68 to the Monterey Park Municipal Code (“MPMC”) regulating preferential parking permit districts; and
- (2) Scheduling a second reading and adoption for December 6, 2023; and
- (3) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):

The City reviewed the environmental impacts of the Project under the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code §§ 21000, et seq. “CEQA”) and the regulations promulgated thereunder (14 Cal. Code of Regs. §§ 15000, et seq., the “CEQA Guidelines”). CEQA Guidelines §§ 15060(c)(2), 15061(b)(3), and 15378 exempt activities that will not result in a direct or reasonably foreseeable indirect physical change in the environment, activities where there is possibility that it may have a significant effect on the environment, and activities that do not constitute a “project” as defined, respectively. This Ordinance is for general policies and procedure-making. Any request for preferential parking districts pursuant to this ordinance will be evaluated separately under the CEQA Guidelines. Accordingly, this Ordinance is exempt from further review.

MOTION BY: WONG					
SECONDED BY: NGO					
COUNCIL MEMBERS	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent	Recusal
LO	X				
YIU	X				
NGO	X				
WONG	X				
SANCHEZ	X				

APPROVED/ADOPTED RECOMMENDATION AS AMENDED TO IMPLEMENT A CITY POLICY REGARDING PERMIT PARKING – THE CITY’S TRAFFIC COMMISSION MAY CONSIDER PERMIT PARKING WHEN TIMING IS FEASIBLE, BUT ALLOWING THE BYPASS OF THE TRAFFIC COMMISSION AND FOR COUNCIL TO TAKE ACTION TO EXPEDITE THE APPROVAL PROCESS
ORDINANCE – 1ST READING

[6.] CITY COMMUNICATIONS (CITY COUNCIL)

6-A. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2023 FAMILY COURT AWARENESS MONTH (Requested by Mayor Sanchez)

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Adopting a Resolution declaring the month of November 2023 Family Court Awareness Month; and
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

THIS ITEM WAS HEARD AFTER PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

MOTION BY: SANCHEZ					
SECONDED BY: NGO					
COUNCIL MEMBERS	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent	Recusal
LO	X				
YIU	X				
NGO	X				
WONG	X				
SANCHEZ	X				

APPROVED RECOMMENDATION RESOLUTION NO. 2023-R88

6-B. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA, DECLARING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2023 NATIONAL HOMELESS YOUTH AWARENESS MONTH (Requested by Mayor Sanchez)

It is recommended that the City Council consider:

- (1) Adopting a Resolution declaring the month of November 2023 National Homeless Youth Awareness Month; and
- (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

MOTION BY: SANCHEZ					
SECONDED BY: YIU					
COUNCIL MEMBERS	Aye	No	Abstain	Absent	Recusal
LO	X				
YIU	X				
NGO	X				
WONG	X				
SANCHEZ	X				

**APPROVED RECOMMENDATION RESOLUTION
NO. 2023-R89**

[7.] FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

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

ADJOURNED – 11:27 P.M.