MINUTES
MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL
SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SA)
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 17, 2013

The City Council of the City of Monterey Park held a Regular Meeting of the Council in the Council Chambers, located at 320 West Newmark Avenue in the City of Monterey Park, Wednesday, July 17, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

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.

CALL TO ORDER:
Mayor Real Sebastian called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE:
The Monterey Park Police Explorers led the flag salute.

ROLL CALL:
City Clerk Chang called the roll:
Council Members Present: Ing, Chan, Liang, Wong, Real Sebastian
Council Members Absent: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Talbot, City Attorney Hensley, City Treasurer Leon, Fire Chief Birrell, Police Chief Smith, Human Resources Director Cody, Recreation and Community Services Director Costley, City Librarian Arvizu, Interim Director of Public Works/Community Development Quintero, Controller Yaung, Support Services Manager Shay, Interim Director of Development Services Funk, Assistant City Engineer Alfonso, Economic Development Specialist Ramirez

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTION
None.

CONSENT CALENDAR ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS
None.

SUCCESSOR AGENCY CONSENT CALENDAR CONSISTS OF ITEM NOS. 1 - 2
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 acting on behalf of the Successor Agency of the former Monterey Park Redevelopment Agency approved and adopted Item Nos. 1 - 2 and reading resolutions and ordinances by title only and waiving further reading thereof.

Motion: Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Wong and seconded by Council Member Liang, motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Ing, Chan, Liang, Wong, Real Sebastian
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

1. SUCCESSOR AGENCY RESOLUTIONS, DEMANDS, PROGRESS PAYMENTS AND INTERFUND TRANSFERS

It is required that the City Council (acting on behalf of the Successor Agency) approve all disbursements.

Action Taken: The City Council approved the payment of warrants and adopted **Resolution No. SA – 45** of the Successor Agency (SA) to the former Monterey Park Redevelopment Agency allowing certain claims and demands per warrant register dated **July 17, 2013 totaling $393.75** and specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid on Consent Calendar.

Resolution No. SA – 45, entitled:
A RESOLUTION OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FORMER COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY (SA) ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS PER WARRANT REGISTER DATED **July 17, 2013 totaling $80.90** AND SPECIFYING THE FUNDS OUT OF WHICH THE SAME ARE TO BE PAID

2. SUCCESSOR AGENCY INVESTMENT REPORT AS OF JUNE 2013

In accordance with the City's Investment Policy, a monthly investment report is presented to the City Council disclosing types of investments, dates of maturities, amounts of deposits, rates of interest, and for securities with a maturity of more than 12 months, current market values.

Action Taken: The City Council (acting on behalf of the Successor Agency) received and filed the investment report as of June 2013 on Consent Calendar.

This is the end of Successor Agency (SA) items.

PRESENTATIONS:

(1) SR710 North Study presented by METRO
METRO Project Manager Michelle Smith and Communications Project Manager Vince Gonzalez presented a PowerPoint updating the council and residents of the SR-710 North Environmental Study and alternative analysis report. She invited the residents on behalf of Metro and Caltrans to participate in the community sessions to learn the five transit options and alternatives that will address reducing congestion for the East/Northeast Los Angeles and San Gabriel Valley region.

(2) Update on Beth Ryan Day/Mural at Langley Center
Recreation and Community Services Director Costley presented to the council and residents a brief staff report stating that a mural has been proposed to honor former Langley Senior Center Recreation Superintendent, Beth Ryan.

Public Speakers:

- Sam Park presented a petition to the council on behalf of 41 residents opposing the proposed mural to be added at Langley Senior Center. City Clerk Chang received, filed, and distributed the written petition.

- Frank Venti spoke on behalf of the Monterey Park Friends of the Senior organization stating that the proposed framed mural is a multicultural exhibit to be dedicated for all the residents of Monterey Park.

- Rita Miller spoke in favor of the proposed mural and expressed her appreciation to former Recreation Superintendent Beth Ryan's dedication and service to the City and residents.

(3) Strategic Plan Update
City Manager Talbot updated the Council and residents on the City's strategic plan highlighting the City's objectives and goals stating that: (1) the City has closed the recruitment filing period for the Director of Public Works/Assistant City Manager and applications will be reviewed; (2) a City appreciation luncheon will be held on July 31, 2013 at the Service Clubhouse for all City employees; (3) the Sewer Master Rate Plan study has been completed and staff will present recommendations to the Council for approval; (4) exterior painting for City Hall has been awarded and will be completed by the end of the month; (5) a joint city discussion with surrounding Fire Departments will be presented to the Council for staff direction on effectively reorganizing and sharing the City's fire services; and (6) staff will present a report to the Council in September to receive input and direction on oversized vehicle parking on City streets.

ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

- Marta Escanuelas, Executive Director of MERCI spoke on Agenda Item No. 11. She addressed the council and read aloud a written communication on behalf of MERCI board member, Keith Breskin recommending that the City consider use of the CHDO funds to complete the MERCI project on Chandler Avenue. City Clerk Chang received, filed, and distributed the written communication.

- Nancy Arcuri spoke of her recommendations and concerns to reorganizing the City's fire services.

- Rita Miller informed staff that the Langley Senior Center air conditioning is not operating effectively.

- Sarkis Antonian spoke briefly of his recommendations to increase sales tax revenue and to provide City bus services for residents on Potrero Grande.

CITY OF MONTEREY PARK CONSENT CALENDAR CONSISTS OF ITEMS 3 - 8
Matters listed under consent calendar are considered to be routine, ongoing business and are enacted by one motion unless specified.

Action Taken: Council Members approved and adopted Item Nos. 3 - 8, except for Item Nos. 6, 7, and 8 which was pulled and reading resolutions and ordinances by 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:	Ing, Chan, Liang, Wong, Real Sebastian
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

3. RESOLUTIONS, DEMANDS, PROGRESS PAYMENTS AND INTERFUND TRANSFERS

It is required that the City Council approve all disbursements.

Action Taken: The City Council approved payment of warrants and adopted **Resolution No. 11593** allowing certain claims and demands per Warrant Register dated **July 17, 2013 Totaling $617,043.78** and specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid on Consent Calendar.

Resolution No. 11593, entitled:
A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS PER WARRANT REGISTER DATED **July 17, 2013 Totaling $617,043.78** AND SPECIFYING THE FUNDS OUT OF WHICH THE SAME ARE TO BE PAID

4. INVESTMENT REPORT AS OF JUNE 2013

In accordance with the City's Investment Policy, a monthly investment report is presented to the City Council disclosing types of investments, dates of maturities, amounts of deposits, rates of interest, and for securities with a maturity of more than 12 months, current market values.

Action Taken: The City Council received and filed the investment report as of June 2013 on Consent Calendar.

5. RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AUTHORIZED AGENTS OF FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE UNDER THE NATIONAL DISASTER ACT

Staff is updating the City's authorized agents for Federal or State financial assistance under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act. The list must be adopted by Resolution and submitted to the California Emergency Management Agency.

Action Taken: The City Council adopted **Resolution No. 11594** designating the City Manager or Management Services Director or Public Works Director, or City Controller to act as the agent for the City to apply for Federal and State Financial Assistance under the National Disaster Act on Consent Calendar.

Resolution No. 11594, entitled:
A RESOLUTION DESIGNATING THE CITY MANAGER; THE DIRECTOR OF MANAGEMENT SERVICES; THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC WORKS; OR THE CITY CONTROLLER TO ACT AS THE AGENT FOR THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK FOR THE PURPOSE OF APPLYING FOR FEDERAL AND STATE FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PURSUANT TO 42 usc ss 5121, Er sEQ.

6. **INCLUSION OF PROPERTIES WITHIN THE CITY'S JURISDICTION IN THE CALIFORNIA HERO PROGRAM TO FINANCE DISTRIBUTED GENERATION RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCES, ENERGY AND WATER EFFICIENCY IMPROVEMENTS AND ELECTRIC VEHICLE CHARGING INFRASTRUCTURE AND APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO A CERTAIN JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT**

The City's participation in the California HERO Program will enable property owners to finance permanently fixed renewable energy, energy and water efficiency improvements and electric vehicle charging infrastructure on their properties.

This item was pulled for separate discussion.

Action Taken: The City Council (1) adopted **Resolution No. 11595** authorizing the City Manager to execute a Joint Powers Agreement with the Western Riverside Council of Governments (Authority) to Participate in the California Hero Program; (2) authorized the Authority to take action for including property within the City's jurisdiction in the Hero Program; and (3) authorized the City Manager or designee to execute such documents needed to implement this resolution.

Resolution No. 11595, entitled:
RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT WITH THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS("AUTHORITY") TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CALIFORNIA HERO PROGRAM; AUTHORIZING THE AUTHORITY TO TAKE ACTION FOR INCLUDING PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY'S JURISDICTION IN THE HERO PROGRAM; AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER, OR DESIGNEE, TO EXECUTE SUCH DOCUMENTS NEEDED TO IMPLEMENT THIS RESOLUTION

Motion: Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Wong and seconded by Council Member Liang, motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Ing, Chan, Liang, Wong, Real Sebastian
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

7. AWARD OF CONTRACT FOR SPIRIT BUS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Staff has solicited proposals through a request for proposal (RFP) for the operation and maintenance of the City's Spirit Buses and is recommending award of contract to Transportation Concepts to start September 1, 2013.

This item was pulled for separate discussion.

Public Speakers:

- Judie Smith, Regional Vice President of MV Transportation Inc. stated her disagreement to staff's recommendations to the proposed agreement. She addressed concerns stated in the staff report and requested that the council reconsider staff's recommendations and award the contract to MV Transportation.

- Randy Johnson, Vice President of Business Development for MV Transportation Inc. spoke against staff's recommendations to award the proposed contract to Transportation Concepts. He stated that as the current provider and lowest bidder, MV Transportation Inc. is recommending that the council re-evaluate staff's proposal.

- Sharad Agarwal, Director of Business Development for First Transit, Inc. read a written statement to the council in response to a letter received from the City regarding the proposed contract of the City's transit operations. He informed the council that First Transit is not requesting to file an official protest however is requesting additional clarification from staff regarding the City's concerns with First Transit operations and services. City Clerk Chang received, distributed and filed the written communication on behalf of First Transit, Inc.

Action Taken: The City Council approved to continue this item to a future council meeting and directed staff to bring back additional information to the council for further discussion and review.

Motion: Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Wong and seconded by Mayor Real Sebastian, motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Ing, Chan, Liang, Wong, Real Sebastian
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

8. ANNUAL RETIREMENT LEVY FOR 2013-14

The City is annually required to establish a tax rate to generate the retirement property tax based on the assessed valuation established by the County Assessor's Office. Monterey Park's assessed valuation subject to the retirement levy for 2013-14 is approximately $4.8 billion. The projected retirement tax revenue is approximately $5.6 million for 2013-14. The revenue and monies from the General Fund transfer will be sufficient to fund the projected retirement costs of $6.7 million for 2013-14. The City is required to submit a Resolution establishing the 2012-13 Retirement Tax Rate to the County before the end of August.

This item was pulled for separate discussion.

Action Taken: The City Council adopted **Resolution No. 11596** identifying the amount of tax revenue required to fulfill the voter's intent in funding the City's Retirement System during Fiscal Year 2013-2014 and authorizing the levy of appropriate taxes.

Resolution No. 11596, entitled:
A RESOLUTION IDENTIFYING THE AMOUNT OF TAX REVENUE REQUIRED TO FULFILL THE VOTERS' INTENT IN FUNDING THE CITY'S RETIREMENT SYSTEM DURING FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 AND AUTHORIZING THE LEVY OF APPROPRIATE TAXES

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

Ayes:	Council Members:	Ing, Chan, Liang, Wong, Real Sebastian
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

The City Council recessed at 10:11 p.m. and reconvened with all Council Members present at 10:22 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING

9. IDENTIFICATION SIGNS FOR NON-RESIDENTIAL PROPERTIES

On May 1, 2013, the City Council adopted the comprehensive Title 21 Zoning Code Amendment. City Council requested regulations relating to the use of English in signage. The Ordinance would require all businesses to have at least one sign utilizing the Modern Latin Alphabet.

Action Taken: None. This item was not heard and continued to the adjourned meeting of July 22, 2013.

10. CONGESTION MANAGEMENT PROGRAM (CMP) LOCAL DEVELOPMENT REPORT AND SELF-CERTIFICATION RESOLUTION (CMP 12-13)

The Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (MTA) requires the City to submit the 2012/13 CMP Local Development Report and Self-Certification Resolution to maintain compliance with the Congestion Management Program (CMP).

Action Taken: None. This item was not heard and continued to the adjourned meeting of July 22, 2013.

EXTENSION OF COUNCIL MEETING

Action Taken: The City Council extended the meeting to 11:30 p.m.

Motion: Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Wong and seconded by Council Member Ing, motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Ing, Chan, Liang, Wong, Real Sebastian
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

EXTENSION OF COUNCIL MEETING

Action Taken: The City Council extended the meeting to 12:00 a.m.

Motion: Moved by Mayor Real Sebastian and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Wong, motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Ing, Chan, Liang, Wong, Real Sebastian
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

11.CONSIDER APPROVING SITE TO COMMIT HOME FUNDS TO A CERTIFIED COMMUNITY HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ORGANIZATIONS (CHDO'S) FOR DEVELOPMENT OF AFFORDABLE HOUSING

The City of Monterey Park received an annual allocation of HOME program funds from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HOME Program requires cities to set aside a minimum of 15 percent of their HOME allocations for housing development activities in which qualified CHDO's are the owners, developers and/or sponsors of the affordable housing project.

This item was heard after Item No. 8.

Public Speakers:

- Nancy Arcuri spoke of her concerns of the untimely deadline and recommended that staff return the HOME program funds or certify an agreement with Oldtimers Housing Development.

- Irene Muro spoke on behalf of Oldtimers Housing Development addressing the council of their support to acquire affordable housing development in the City for low-income seniors and working families.

- Suny Lay Chang, Senior Vice President of LINC Housing addressed the council stating that with over 30 years of experience, she presented a brief report of LINC Housing's proposal that: (1) there is a need in the City for affordable housing development; (2) operational and risk management will be transferred from the City; and (3) will increase City revenue from the sale of the parking lot and building improvements.

Action Taken: None. This item was continued to the adjourned meeting of July 22, 2013.

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND MAYOR/COUNCIL AND AGENCY MATTERS

Council communications and committee reports from Council Representatives of. specific organizations.

Mayor Real Sebastian invited the residents to: (1) a community meeting by Metro and Caltrans on July 23, 2013 at the Langley Senior Center discussing the 710 North Study from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.; (2) Saint Thomas Aquinas Church will be having groundbreaking for the new parish hall on Saturday, July 20, 2013 and (3) the next Walk with the Mayor will be held on Saturday, August 3, 2013 at Sunnyslope Park at 8:00 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS
None.

CLOSED SESSION
None.

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 11:50 p.m. to Monday, July 22, 2013 at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall, Council Chambers.

Vincent D. Chang
City Clerk

Approved on October 2, 2013 at the regular City Council Meeting