

**MINUTES
MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL
SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SA)
APRIL 3, 2019**

The City Council of the City of Monterey Park held a Regular Meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber, located at 320 West Newmark Avenue in the City of Monterey Park, Wednesday, April 3, 2019 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 Chan called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE:

The Monterey Park Fire Explorers

ROLL CALL:

City Clerk Vincent Chang called the roll:

Council Members Present: Peter Chan, Mitchell Ing, Stephen Lam, Hans Liang,
Teresa Real Sebastian

Council Members Absent: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Ron Bow, City Attorney Mark Hensley, City Treasurer Joseph Leon, Fire Chief Scott Haberle, Police Chief Jim Smith, Director of Management Services Annie Yaung, Director of Public Works Mark McAvoy, Director of Recreation & Community Services Inez Alvarez, Director of Human Resources & Risk Management Tom Cody, Acting City Librarian Diana Garcia, Assistant City Engineer Frank Lopez, Economic Development Project Manager Tom Welch, Principle Management Analyst Bonnie Tam, Economic Development Specialist Donna Ramirez, Deputy City Clerk Cindy Trang

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS

None.

ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

- Jesus Ortiz, thanked the supporters and sponsors, and invited the community to the 37th Annual Cinco de Mayo event.
- Sarkis Antonian, spoke against spending \$50,000 on district voting expressing concerns of dilution, and alleged excessive absentee voting in Precinct 22 in 1995.

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

- Inez Alvarez, Director of Recreation and Community Services, announced and invited the community to attend the upcoming Cherry Blossom event on April 27 & 28, 3 Causes 1 Walk on May 4, and thanked Garfield Medical Center, Monterey Park hospital, Athens Services, Police Officers Association, Firefighters Association, Transtech KOA, Professional Chief Officers Association, Mid-Management Association, Albertson, Police Officers Mid-Management Association for their sponsorships.
- Delario Robinson shared that his daughter won the South California Conference in the Hephthalon and that his son will be graduating from the University of Nebraska. He said he has been a commissioner for a long time and is here to help. In regards to districts, he expressed he favors Map Nos. 18 and 19, because there is less gerrymandering.
- Grace Young said she is asking for a dog park in the City and welcome any feedbacks to begin the process.
- Chris and Elizabeth Strain spoke in favor of a dog park in this community and expressed interest in getting involved.

1. **PRESENTATION**

None.

2. **OLD BUSINESS**

None.

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

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 Items Nos. 3A, 3B, and 3E on Consent Calendar, expect for Items Nos. 3C, 3D, and 3F which were pulled for discussion and separate motion, reading resolutions and ordinances by the title only and waiving further reading thereof.

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

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

3A. WARRANT REGISTER FOR THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK OF APRIL 3, 2019

Disbursements will be made from the funds referenced in the attached Resolution in Warrants numbered 323113-323262 and ACH numbered 000354-000387.

Action Taken: The City Council approved payment of warrants and adopted Resolution No. 12069 allowing certain claims and demands per Warrant Register dated April 3, 2019 totaling \$999,459.64 specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid on Consent Calendar.

Resolution No. 12069, entitled:

A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Monterey Park, California allowing certain claims and demands per Warrant Register dated April 3, 2019 totaling \$999,459.64 specifying the funds out of which the same are to be paid

3B. CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Approve the minutes from the regular meeting of February 20, 2019.

Action Taken: The City Council approved the minutes from the regular meeting of February 20, 2019 on Consent Calendar.

3C. 2018 PAVEMENT MANAGEMENT PROGRAM REPORT

Staff has completed an update to the City's Pavement Management Program and is presenting the final report's findings and recommendations. Staff is requesting that the City Council receive and file the report for reference.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):

The Pavement Management Program is exempt from review under the California Environmental Quality Act (California Public Resources Code §§ 21000, *et seq.*, "CEQA") and CEQA regulations (14 California Code of Regulations §§ 15000, *et seq.*) because the project is the preparation of a plan. The Pavement Management Program does not involve any commitment to a specific project which could result in a potentially significant physical impact on the environment and will not result in direct or indirect physical changes to the environment.

Public Speakers:

- Peter Bucknam, City Consultant and President of Bucknam Infrastructure Group, Inc., said he is the Project Manager and presented a summary of the study. He was available to answer questions.

Action Taken: The City Council received and filed the 2018 Pavement Management Program Report and directed staff to provide a PCI Index report from lowest to highest and to look into funding sources for alleys.

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

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

3D. CONSIDERATION OF BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 (BID) 2018 ANNUAL REPORT AND THE RESOLUTION OF INTENT TO SET THE PUBLIC HEARING DATE TO CONSIDER THE 2019 ASSESSMENTS (COUNCIL ACTION)

The Business Improvement District No. 1 (BID) was established in 1986 in accordance with the Parking and Business Improvement Area Law of 1989 (Streets and Highways Code § 36000-36004). The BID in the following discussion is business based meaning that an assessment is collected from businesses based upon fees rather than real property. Businesses subject to the BID are identified on Exhibit A of the BID 2018 Annual Report.

California law requires the BID to file an annual report with the City Clerk summarizing its activities and expenditures for the past year and proposing its budget for the upcoming year. The law also requires the BID assessments to be renewed annually after conducting a public hearing. The Advisory Board to the BID requested that the City Council set a public hearing to consider the 2019 Levy of Assessment Fees.

Due to several years of expenditures exceeding the annual revenue, a request to increase the assessment is also being proposed by the Business Improvement District Advisory Committee; the BID is an advisory board to the City Council. Annual revenue and expenditures may be found within the 2018 Annual Report attached as Attachment 2 to the staff report or at the City Clerk's office where it was available for viewing.

Because the BID Advisory Committee seeks an increase in assessments, the City must comply with Government Code § 54954.6. That Section requires that all businesses subject to the increased assessment be provided written notice of the proposed increase; how the new assessment was calculated; and the general purposes for which the assessment monies will be spent. The City Council must hold one public meeting and then a public hearing to consider evidence regarding the proposed increased assessment.

Action Taken: Council Member Lam did not participate in this item due to a potential conflict of interest as his spouse works in one of the businesses in the BID area.

The City Council received and filed the 2018 Annual Report with the City Clerk; and adopted the Resolution of Intent No. 12070 and set the Public Hearing for April 17, 2019 for consideration of the 2019 BID assessments.

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

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

Resolution No. 12070, entitled:

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK'S INTENT TO LEVY AND COLLECT INCREASED ASSESSMENTS WITHIN BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2019 AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING.

3E. NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK RESOLUTION

The Monterey Park Police Department is celebrating the week of April 14-20, 2019 as National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week. This week, sponsored by the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) International and celebrated annually, honors the thousands of men and women who respond to emergency calls, dispatch emergency professionals and equipment, and render life saving assistance to the citizens of the United States. We are enlisting your support in the form of a resolution to honor these men and women in our area for the work that they do every day to protect the residents of Monterey Park.

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 12071 declaring the week of April 14th, 2019 through April 20th, 2019 to be National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week in Monterey Park on Consent Calendar.

Resolution No. 12071, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA DECLARING APRIL 14th 2019 – APRIL 20th 2019 NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK IN MONTEREY PARK

3F. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA DECLARING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24, 2019 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. 12072 declaring Wednesday, April 24, 2019 as “Denim Day Monterey Park”.

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

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

Resolution No. 12072, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA DECLARING APRIL 14th 2019 – APRIL 20th 2019 NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK IN MONTEREY PARK

4. PUBLIC HEARING

4A. PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE INPUT FROM THE COMMUNITY REGARDING THE CREATION OF A CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT-BASED ELECTORAL SYSTEM PURSUANT TO ELECTIONS CODE §10010

On November 7, 2018, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 12043 declaring its intent to transition from at-large to district-based elections for City Council members, commencing with the General Municipal Election in March 2020. Elections Code § 10010 requires that the City conduct four public hearings to receive community input on district boundaries and maps for the formation of City Council districts.

The City Council conducted Public Hearings on December 5, 2018, December 19, 2018, February 20, 2019 and March 20, 2019. Community input regarding the composition of district boundaries for the March 20, 2019 is summarized in Attachment 1 of the staff report.

Based on public input, the City Council's direction, and other legally required criteria, the City's Demographer evaluated and submitted the proposed draft maps for public review and comments. It is recommended that the City Council provide the City Demographer with direction regarding which final map product, with any necessary modifications, the City Council would like to consider at its April 17, 2019 meeting. The Council has the authority to arrange the districts and arrange the order of the various districts' elections in 2020 and 2022 based upon any rational basis that "give[s] special consideration to the purposes of the California Voting Rights Act of 2001" and "take[s] into account the preferences expressed by members of the districts" (Elections Code Section 10010(b)), so long as it does not impermissibly dilute the voting strength of Latinos or any other protected class.

At the March 20, 2019 Council Meeting the issue was raised as to whether the City's term limit ballot measure/code would allow for either Mayor Chan or Mayor Pro Tem Liang to run for a council seat in a 2020 district election. The City Attorney has reviewed this issue and is of the opinion that neither the Mayor nor Mayor Pro Tem can run for City Council in 2020 or 2022 regardless of whether there is district based voting or not.

Public Speakers:

- Robert McEntire, City Consultant and representative of the National Demographics Corporation (NDC) team, stated that this is the 5th Public Hearing and presented a summary of eleven focused maps and suggested Council narrow down to several maps for further consideration. He was available to answer questions.
- City Clerk Chang announced there were no registered speakers and no written communication received.

Discussion: City Attorney Hensley explained that the term limits ordinance would prevent the Mayor and Mayor Pro Tem from running in the 2020 election.

Action Taken: The Mayor opened the Public Hearing at 8:45 p.m. to receive public testimony and closed the Public Hearing at 8:45 p.m. on the composition of districts for a district-based electoral system pursuant to Elections Code § 10010. The City Council directed staff to move forward Map Nos. 4, 9 and 23 for consideration at the April 17, 2019 Public Hearing.

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

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

RECESSED AND RECONVENED

The City Council recessed at 9:20 p.m. and reconvened with all council members present at 9:30 p.m.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5A. APPOINTMENT OF COMMISSION, BOARD AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS FOR A ONE-YEAR TERM BEGINNING MAY 1, 2018 AND ENDING APRIL 30, 2019

In 2013, the City Council added Chapter 2.82 to the Monterey Park Municipal Code ("MPMC") restructuring the establishment of the Commissions, Boards and Committees, and redefines the appointment procedures. In accordance with the MPMC, each Council member appoints his/her respective representative(s) to the nine commissions to serve a one-year term beginning on May 1st and ending April 30th. Commissioners may serve not more than eight consecutive one-year terms on the same Commission, Board or Committee.

Historically, certain commissions/boards/committees are more difficult to fill, making it challenging for certain Commissions, Boards and Committees to establish and/or maintain a quorum. Because the 2018-2019 term will be ending on April 30th, Staff recommends making the necessary changes as soon as possible before the new term takes effect. Accordingly, Staff is seeking direction from Council to consider eliminating, consolidating or revising the Commission's/Board's/Committee's responsibilities.

Action Taken: The City Council discussed the possibility of consolidation and/or elimination of certain commissions, boards and committees and consented to leaving the commission structures as is and clarified that the member terms automatically rollover unless any members express an opinion to the contrary.

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

Pursuant to Section VIII of the City Council's Policies and Procedures, the City Council generally appoints representatives to various regional and community organizations each July. Appointments are recommended by the Mayor and confirmed by the City Council.

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 12073 appointing representatives to specific organizations as amended to add the LAX Roundtable as a new assignment with a representative to be determined and directed staff to bring for the airplane flight route issue for discussion at a future council meeting.

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

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

Resolution No. 12073, entitled:

A RESOLUTION ASSIGNING REPRESENTATIVES TO SPECIFIC ORGANIZATIONS IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION VIII OF THE CITY COUNCIL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

6. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND MAYOR/COUNCIL AND AGENCY MATTERS

6A. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA COMMEMORATING SENATE BILL S-1050, THE CHINESE-AMERICAN WORLD WAR II VETERAN CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL ACT (REQUESTED BY MAYOR CHAN)

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution. No. 12074 commemorating Senate Bill S-1050, the Chinese-American World War II Veteran Congressional Gold Medal Act.

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

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

Resolution No. 12074, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA COMMEMORATING SENATE BILL S-1050, THE CHINESE-AMERICAN WORLD WAR II VETERAN CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL ACT

COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Lam has nothing to report.

Council Member Real Sebastian has nothing to report.

Council Member Ing said he was in Canada and he and his sisters made the tough decision to place their mom in a dependent care facility, and that she is doing well.

Mayor Pro Tem Liang said he was away with his wife to celebrate their 16th year anniversary.

Mayor Chan announced that tickets for the Library's 2nd Annual High Tea event on April 6 is sold out and invited the community to the Burmese Water Festival and New Year on April 14.

7. CLOSED SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 10:00 p.m.



Vincent D. Chang
City Clerk

Approved on July 3, 2019 at the Regular City Council Meeting