

**MINUTES
MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL
FINANCING AUTHORITY (MPFA)
HOUSING AUTHORITY (MPHA)
GEOLOGIC HAZARD ABATEMENT DISTRICT (GHAD)
SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SA)
REGULAR MEETING
JULY 6, 2022**

The City Council, the Financing Authority (MPFA), the Housing Authority (MPHA), the Geologic Hazard Abatement District (GHAD), and the Successor Agency (SA) 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, July 6, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Lo called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE:

The Monterey Park Fire Explorers led the Flag Salute.

ROLL CALL:

Deputy City Clerk Cindy Trang called the roll:

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

Council Members Absent: None.

ALSO PRESENT: City Treasurer Joseph Leon, City Manager Ron Bow, City Attorney Karl Berger, Assistant City Manager Inez Alvarez, Fire Chief Matt Hallock, Police Chief Kelly Gordon, City Librarian Diana Garcia, Director of Management Services Martha Garcia, Interim Director of Public Works Anthony Antich, Recreation Supervisor Guillermo Chavez, Police Lieutenant Paul Yniguez, Planning Manager Jessica Serrano, Deputy City Clerk Cindy Trang, Assistant Deputy City Clerk Helena Cho, Community Communications Coordinator Randy Ishino

VIRTUALLY PRESENT: City Clerk Vincent Chang, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Christine Tomikawa, Economic Development Manager Joseph Torres, Housing Consultant Debbie Sotteck, Housing Consultant Priscila Davita

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS

City Manager Bow announced additional Staff Communications from the Police Department and Management Services.

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

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

- Sarkis Antonian shared his concerns regarding traffic safety at the Marketplace. He also suggested that the Police Department should consider using electric vehicles.
- Nancy Arcuri suggested that City staff advise residents on the City's districts before the November election. She also inquired about adding a traffic light to the project site on New Avenue.
- Carol Sullivan on behalf of the Monterey Park Woman's Club thanked City staff for their contributions towards the Woman's Club Fashion Show on July 23rd and announced that it is a sold out event.
- Jason Dhing announced that the theme for the Woman's Club Fashion Show on July 23rd will be 100 years of fashion.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

- Recreation Supervisor Chavez gave an update on prior and upcoming City events.
- Police Lieutenant Yniguez invited City Council and the community to attend National Night Out on August 2nd at Barnes Park.
- City Librarian Garcia invited the community to attend the upcoming Community Workshops to hear from City leaders about City services and learn about the results of a recent priority survey.

1. PRESENTATION – None.

Matters listed under presentation are informational content and for discussion only.

2. OLD BUSINESS

2A. 2022 CITY HALL CARPET REPLACEMENT – REJECT ALL SUBMITTED BIDS AND ADOPT A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT WITH JJJ FLOOR COVERING, INC. WITHOUT THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL BIDDING TO COMPLETE THE CITY HALL CARPET REPLACEMENT PROJECT

On March 16th, 2022, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-R13 approving the design and plans for the City Hall Carpet Replacement Project and authorizing the solicitation of bids for the City Hall Carpet Replacement project. The public bid opening for this project was held on April 12, 2022. Only one bid was received from Empire Today LLC. Staff recommends rejection of all bids due to it being unresponsive. In order to minimize additional cost, staff is also

recommending that the City Council adopt a resolution authorizing the City Manager to execute a Public Works contract with JJJ Floor Covering, Inc. without the need for additional bidding to complete the City Hall Carpet Replacement project in the amount of \$189,910.09, plus 5% contingency.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):

Since the proposed work is a minor alteration to an existing public facility, this project is Class 1 Categorically Exempt pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA).

Action Taken: The City Council (1) rejected all submitted bids submitted pursuant to the solicitation authorized via Resolution No. 2022-R13; (2) adopted Resolution No. 2022-R51 authorizing the City Manager to execute a Public Works contract with JJJ Floor Covering, Inc., in the amount of \$189,910.09, without the need for additional bidding to complete the City Hall Carpet Replacement project; (3) authorized the Director of Public Works to approve change orders and contingency up to \$9,496, or 5% of the contract amount; and (4) appropriated an additional \$9,407 from the General Fund for this project.

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

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

Resolution No. 2022-R51:

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE A STANDARD PUBLIC WORKS AGREEMENT WITH JJJ FLOOR COVERING, INC. WITHOUT THE NEED FOR ADDITIONAL BIDDING TO COMPLETE THE CITY HALL CARPET REPLACEMENT PROJECT

3. CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS NOS. 3A-3J

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 approved and adopted Item Nos. 3A, 3B, 3E, 3G, 3H, 3I, and 3J on Consent Calendar, excluding Item 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 Council Member Chan and seconded by Council Member Liang, motion carried by the following vote:

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

3A. MINUTES

Approving the minutes from the regular and special meetings of May 18, 2022, and the special meeting of May 25, 2022.

Action Taken: The City Council approved the minutes from the regular and special meetings of May 18, 2022, and the special meeting of May 25, 2022 on Consent Calendar.

3B. CITY OF MONTEREY PARK RATIFYING MEMBERSHIP IN PUBLIC RISK INNOVATION, SOLUTIONS, AND MANAGEMENT (“PRISM”) RISK MANAGEMENT POOL

City Council authorized the City Manager to move forward with negotiating quotes for the City’s excess insurance coverage and programs. On June 22, 2022, PRISM and City staff finalized coverage options and final quotes. The City of Monterey Park will participate in the PRISM joint powers risk management pool effective July 1, 2022.

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-R52 approving the City of Monterey Park’s membership in Public Risk Innovation, Solutions, and Management (“PRISM”) joint powers risk management pool on Consent Calendar.

Resolution No. 2022-R52:

A RESOLUTION JOINING THE PUBLIC RISK INNOVATION, SOLUTIONS AND MANAGEMENT (“PRISM”), A JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY OPERATING PURSUANT TO A JOINT POWERS AGREEMENT AS AMENDED JUNE 30, 2020 AND APPOINTING REPRESENTATIVES TO PRISM

3C. ACCEPTANCE OF A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$113,333.33 ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK FOR THE BRUGGEMEYER LIBRARY

Pursuant to Resolution No. 11776, the City Council may accept donations with a value estimated at \$25,000 or greater (Attachment 1 to the staff report). It is requested that the City Council accept a donation from the estate of Mr. Robert G.

Low in the amount of \$113,333.33 on behalf of the City of Monterey Park for the Bruggemeyer Library.

Action Taken: The City Council accepted a donation in the amount of \$113,333.33 of behalf of the City of Monterey Park for the Bruggemeyer Library; and authorized the City's Management Services Department to appropriate \$20,000 of this donation to the FY22-23 budget.

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

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

3D. PURCHASE OF TWO AUTOMATED LICENSE PLATE READER SYSTEMS FROM 2020 URBAN AREA SECURITY INITIATIVE GRANT

The Monterey Park Police Department was awarded \$76,252 in federal grant funding through the 2020 Urban Areas of Security Initiative (UASI) for the procurement and installation of two mobile automated license plate reader systems (ALPR). The City of Los Angeles, the UASI Administrative Agent, will reimburse the City of Monterey Park for the equipment and installation of the system.

Action Taken: The City Council waived bidding requirements pursuant to Monterey Park Municipal Code Section 3.20.050 (2) and (4), and authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement with Motorola Solutions, Inc., in a form approved by the City Attorney, not to exceed \$76,252.00 for the purchase of two Mobile Automated License Plate Reader Systems (ALPR).

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

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

3E. CANNABIS TAX FUND GRANT PROGRAM (CTFGP) FUNDING FISCAL YEAR 2022/2023

The City of Monterey Park Police Department was notified of an award of \$82,713.42 from the Department of California Highway Patrol (CHP) Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program (CTFGP). The police department will utilize the grant funding to reduce and mitigate the impacts of impaired driving in our community.

Action Taken: The City Council accepted grant funds and authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with the California Highway Patrol in the amount of \$87,173.42 for the Cannabis Tax Fund Grant Program (CTFGP); and authorized the City's Management Services Department to allocate \$82,713.42 in grant funding to the FY22-23 budget on Consent Calendar.

3F. A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF JULY AS "PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER" MONTH IN THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK

During the month of July, the Recreation and Community Services Department is celebrating "Parks Make Life Better" month. By designating July as "Parks Make Life Better" month, the City of Monterey Park, Recreation and Community Services Department urges all residents to enjoy and recognize the social, physical, mental, economic, environmental, and community benefits derived from our parks, which provide something of value to everyone. As we observe "Parks Make Life Better" month, we recognize the vital contributions of our employees and volunteers who contribute to making parks and recreation facilities a great place to visit. These dedicated staff and volunteers keep our parks clean and safe for visitors, coordinate and organize special events, childcare, summer day camp, swim lessons, educational classes, senior activities, and health and fitness programs. They ensure that parks and recreation facilities are safe and accessible places for all to enjoy.

Public Communication

- Deputy City Clerk Trang received, filed, and read into the record a written communication from Jon Chavira voicing his concerns regarding the lack of fruit bearing trees in City parks. He communicated that there are too many trees that produce pollen and urged the City Council to incorporate more fruit bearing trees throughout City Parks.

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2022-R53 declaring the month of July as "Parks Make Life Better" Month in the City of Monterey Park.

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

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

Resolution No. 2022-R53:

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK
DECLARING THE MONTH OF JULY 2022 AS PARKS MAKE LIFE BETTER
MONTH

**3G. AWARD OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO KIMLEY-HORN
FOR THE PREPARATION OF A LOCAL ROAD SAFETY PLAN (LRSP)**

The City was awarded grant funding from the California Department of Transportation for the Monterey Park Local Roadway Safety Plan (LRSP). The City released a Request for Proposals (RFP) and received one bid from Kimley-Horn for the preparation of the City's LRSP. Staff requests City Council approval to enter into an agreement with Kimley-Horn, in an amount not to exceed \$49,978, for the preparation of the City's LRSP.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with Kimley-Horn, in an amount not to exceed \$49,978, for the preparation of a Local Road Safety Plan (LRSP) on Consent Calendar.

**3H. TRAFFIC SIGNAL IMPROVEMENTS – RECEIVE AND APPROPRIATE
ADDITIONAL HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP) CYCLE 7
GRANT FUNDS AND ISSUE TASK ORDER TO TRANSTECH ENGINEERS**

The City was awarded a grant from Caltrans Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 7 for traffic signal improvements, CIP Project No. 96004. The City was recently awarded an additional \$100,000 from Caltrans for this project. Staff recommends receiving and appropriating the additional funding for construction phase. Additionally, staff recommends issuing a Task Order under the City's On-call Engineering Agreement 2282-A with Transtech Engineers, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, for the required Construction Engineering Services. Staff recommends transferring \$100,000 of Measure R Funds from construction phase to construction engineering phase to pay for the required services.

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 regards to traffic, noise, air quality or water quality.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to receive and appropriate an additional \$100,000 in Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) Cycle 7 Grant Funds; and authorized a Task Order to Transtech Engineers, in an amount not to exceed \$100,000, for Construction Engineering Services for the HSIP Cycle 7 Traffic Signal Improvement project on Consent Calendar.

3I. AWARD OF CONTRACT TO STETSON ENGINEERS, INC. FOR ANALYSIS AND REPORTING SERVICES RELATED TO POTABLE WATER TREATMENT

Stetson Engineers, Inc. has assisted the City in complying with regulations governing potable water treatment for over 25 years. Annual contracts were previously up to \$60,000. New California law, however, will require additional assistance from this Company. Staff is requesting a three-year Professional Services Agreement with Stetson Engineers, Inc. for an amount not to exceed \$80,000 annually.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a three-year Agreement, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with Stetson Engineers, Inc. for professional services in an amount not to exceed \$80,000 annually on Consent Calendar.

3J. APPROVAL OF THE SIXTH AMENDMENT TO SA ASSOCIATES' PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR THE CENTRALIZED GROUNDWATER TREATMENT SYSTEM

SA Associates has an agreement with the City to provide construction management services for the Centralized Groundwater Treatment System. The project was augmented to incorporate a polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) removal system which has extended the completion of the project. Staff is requesting the approval of the Sixth Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement to include additional construction management services for an amount not to exceed \$60,000.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute the Sixth Amendment, in a form approved by the City Attorney, to the Professional Services Agreement with SA Associates for construction management of the Centralized Groundwater Treatment System, for an amount not to exceed \$60,000 on Consent Calendar.

4. PUBLIC HEARING

4A. PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVAL OF THE 2022-2023 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN AS REQUIRED BY THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT, AND HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAMS

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development provides funding to states, counties and cities in the form of Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME) funds. Since the City of Monterey Park is an Entitlement City, the City is eligible to receive both CDBG and HOME funds which it has for many years.

Before Monterey Park can receive these funds, federal regulations require that a Consolidated Plan (i.e., five-year plan) be adopted by the City that serves as the federal planning document for those jurisdictions receiving CDBG and HOME Investment Partnerships HOME Program funds. The Consolidated Plan was adopted by the City Council in 2020. In addition, federal regulations also require the adoption of an Annual Action Plan to the Consolidated Plan that operates on a single program year established by the City (i.e., July 1, 2022 through June 30, 2023). As required by federal requirements, the City will submit its One Year Annual Action Plan to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) by the statutory deadline of August 16, 2022.

The City of Monterey Park views the Annual Action Plan requirements as an opportunity to reassess its housing needs and priorities, as well as its programs and resources in a manner that will best meet the affordable housing and community development challenges of the Monterey Park community. The estimated City entitlement for FY 2022-23 is \$602,926 in CDBG funding and \$338,882 in HOME funding.

Action Taken: The City Council (1) opened the public hearing at 7:41 p.m. with no testimonial and documentary evidence being presented; closed the public hearing at 7:41 p.m; (2) approved the One-year Action Plan (Action Plan) for Fiscal Year 2022-2023 for the Community Development Block Grant ("CDBG"), and HOME Investment Partnerships ("HOME") Programs; (3) directed staff to prepare and transmit the final documents to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development ("HUD"); and (4) authorized the City Manager, or his designee, to take all actions necessary or desirable to implement the Annual Action Plan, and Subrecipient Agreements.

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

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

5. NEW BUSINESS

5A. INITIATIVE PETITION FOR HEALTHCARE WORKER MINIMUM WAGE ORDINANCE

On February 11, 2022, the City Clerk received a Notice of Intent to Circulate a Petition and a Request for Title and Summary for the proposed initiative filed by proponent Hortencia Armendariz, a Monterey Park resident. Subsequently, the Notice was published in the Monterey Park Progress and the proponent began circulation of the petition.

The signed Petition was filed with the City Clerk on May 11, 2022. Upon receiving the Petition, the City Clerk (as the City's Elections Official¹) forwarded it to the County of Los Angeles Registrar of Voters for verification of the signatures. The Elections Code allows the City Clerk up to thirty days "excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays" to examine the Petition for sufficiency.

Public Communications

- Paul Young, on behalf of the Hospital Association of Southern California, voiced his opposition to the Healthcare Workers Minimum Wage Ordinance and communicated that the language used in the ballot measure is misleading.
- Tony Ramirez voiced his support for the Healthcare Workers Minimum Wage Ordinance and asked the City Council to adopt the ordinance.
- Carla Nunez urged the City Council to vote yes on the Healthcare Workers Minimum Wage Ordinance.
- Alberto Lopez expressed his support for the Healthcare Workers Minimum Wage Ordinance and urged the City Council to pass the ordinance.
- Jesus Rodrate spoke in support of the Healthcare Workers Minimum Wage Ordinance.
- Esteban Viramontez urged the City Council to pass the Healthcare Workers Minimum Wage Ordinance.
- Paul Nino Miranda expressed his support for the Healthcare Workers Minimum Wage Ordinance.
- Rolando Calero voiced his support for the Healthcare Workers Minimum Wage Ordinance and urged the City Council to pass the ordinance.
- Jennifer Acosta said she is in support of the Healthcare Workers Minimum Wage Ordinance.

- Luis Portillo, President & CEO of San Gabriel Valley Economic Partnership, urged the City Council to refer Item No. 5A to the ballot and expressed his opposition for the Healthcare Workers Minimum Wage Ordinance.
- Deputy City Clerk Trang received, filed, and read into the record a written communication from Thomas W. Hiltachk of Bell, McAndrews & Hiltachk, LLP voicing the firm's objection to the Healthcare Workers Minimum Wage Ordinance.

Action Taken: The City Council directed the City Attorney to order an impacts report.

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

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

6. CITY COMMUNICATIONS (CITY COUNCIL)

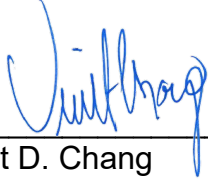
- Councilmember Yiu recognized the increase in interest rates and gave an update on bond investments in the City.
- Councilmember Chan appointed Bethelwel Wilson to the Recreation & Parks Commission. He thanked City staff for putting together the Independence Day Celebration on July 2nd.
- Councilmember Liang wished everyone a Happy Fourth of July and announced he was unable to attend any City events due to testing positive for COVID.
- Mayor Lo wished everyone a Happy Fourth of July and announced that he attended the City's Independence Day Celebration on July 2nd. He thanked the Chinese American Military Support (CAMS) for inviting him to their Independence Day Celebration on July 3rd. He also announced that he attended the Cambodia Ethnic Chinese Association's July 4th celebration. Mayor Lo invited the Community to the Friendly Fred Walk on July 16th at Bella Vista Park in recognition of former Councilmember Fred Sornoso.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

8. CLOSED SESSION (IF REQUIRED; CITY ATTORNEY TO ANNOUNCE) None.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.



Vincent D. Chang
City Clerk

Approved on September 7, 2022 at the Regular City Council Meeting