

**MINUTES
MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL
FINANCING AUTHORITY (MPFA)
HOUSING AUTHORITY (MPHA)
GEOLOGIC HAZARD ABATEMENT DISTRICT (GHAD)
SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SA)
SPECIAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2024**

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 Special Meeting of the Council in the Council Chamber, located at 320 West Newmark Avenue in the City of Monterey Park, Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sanchez called the meeting to order at 6:08 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE:

The Monterey Park Police Color Guard led the flag salute.

NATIONAL ANTHEM:

Sophia On Yee Cheong sang the National Anthem.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Civic Superstar Emari Campell led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

City Clerk Maychelle Yee called the roll:

Council Members Present: Henry Lo, Vinh Ngo, Jose Sanchez, Thomas Wong,
Yvonne Yiu

Council Members Absent: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Treasurer Amy Lee, City Manager Inez Alvarez, City Attorney Karl Berger, Assistant City Manager Diana Garcia, City Librarian Kristin Olivarez, Public Works Director Shawn Igoe, Finance Director Martha Garcia, Interim Fire Chief Christopher Thompson, Police Chief Scott Weise, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Christine Tomikawa, Recreation and Community Services Director Robert Aguirre, Community Development Director Jessica Serrano, Deputy City Clerk Cindy Trang

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS

None.

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

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PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Congratulatory and Recognition certificates and well wishes were presented to Outgoing Mayor Sanchez, Incoming Mayor Pro Tem Ngo, Incoming Mayor Wong from the Honorable Congressmember Judy Chu; Los Angeles County Assessor Jeff Prang; Alex Avanesyan, District Representative for Senator Susan Rubio; Jennifer Tang, District Director for Assembly Member Mike Fong; Frank Lu, Representative for the Los Angeles Board of Supervisors; Former State Assemblymember Mike Eng; Bob Gin and Kenneth Tang, Alhambra Unified School District Board Members; Jeffrey Koji Maloney and Sasha Renee Perea, City of Alhambra Council Members; Pedro Pizarro, Caroline Choi, Larry Chung, and Zanku Armenian, Representatives of Southern California Edison.

City Clerk Yee recognized special guests in attendance, including elected officials and current and former leaders of the community: South Pasadena Council Member Michael Cacciotti, Monterey Park Former Council Members Hans Liang, Peter Chan, Stephen Lam, David Lau, Lily Chen, Anthony Wong, Former City Clerk Vincent Chang, Former City Manager Ron Bow.

1. NEW BUSINESS**1-A. OUTGOING ADDRESS BY MAYOR SANCHEZ**

Mayor Sanchez gave his outgoing speech.

1-B. PRESENTATION TO OUTGOING MAYOR SANCHEZ**1-C. REORGANIZATION OF MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL**

Appointing the Mayor and the Mayor Pro Tem in accordance with City Council policy established by Resolution No. 11507.

Action Taken: The City Council appointed Thomas Wong as Mayor and Vinh Ngo as Mayor Pro Tem in accordance with City Council policy established by Resolution No. 11507.

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

Ayes:	Council Members:	Lo, Yiu, Ngo, Wong, Sanchez
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None
Recusal:	Council Members:	None

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1-D. MAYOR PRO TEM INSTALLATION OF VINH NGO

Oath of Office – The Oath of Office for incoming Mayor Pro Tem Vinh Ngo was conducted by the Honorable Judge Ed Chau.

Presentation of Name Badge and Business Cards – Mayor Pro Tem Ngo's niece and nephew presented the name badge and business cards.

Presentation of Certifications

Comments by Mayor Pro Tem – Mayor Pro Tem Ngo made a few brief comments.

1-E. MAYORAL INSTALLATION OF THOMAS WONG

Oath of Office – The Oath of Office for incoming Mayor Thomas Wong was conducted by California Assembly Member and Former California State Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon.

Presentation of Name Badge and Business Cards – Mayor Wong's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wong, presented the gavel, name badge, and business cards.

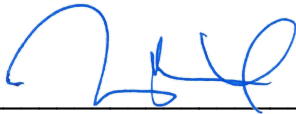
Presentation of Certifications

1-F. MAYOR'S ADDRESS

Mayor Wong gave his incoming Mayor address.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 7:48 p.m.



Maychelle Yee
City Clerk

Approved on April 17, 2024, at the Regular City Council Meeting