MINUTES
MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL
FINANCING AUTHORITY (MPFA)
HOUSING AUTHORITY (MPHA)
GEOLOGIC HAZARD ABATEMENT DISTRICT (GHAD)
SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SA)
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 19, 2025

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, February 19, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:
Mayor Ngo called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.

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

ROLL CALL:
Deputy City Clerk Cindy Trang called the roll:

Council Members Present:	Henry Lo, Vinh Ngo, Jose Sanchez, Thomas Wong, Elizabeth Yang
Council Members Absent:	None

ALSO PRESENT: City Treasurer Amy Lee, City Manager Inez Alvarez, City Attorney Karl Berger, Assistant City Manager Diana Garcia, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Christine Tomikawa, Director of Community Development Jessica Serrano, City Librarian Kristin Olivarez, Director of Public Works Shawn Igoe, Director of Recreation and Community Services Robert Aguirre, Fire Battalion Chief Ryan Weddle, Police Captain Bill Cuevas, Engineering Manager and Transtech Consultant Ziad Mazboudi, Public Works Manager Xochitl Tipan, Planning Manger Beth Chow, Police Sergeant Randy Esparza, Senior Planner Eliana Munoz, Recreation Supervisor Orlando Muro, Police Officer Kenneth Tam, Police Officer Samantha Corona, Police Officer Sadrash Gonzalez, Police Officer Angel Pena, Code Compliance Supervisor Rey Lozano Office Assistant II Michelle Martinez

VIRTUALLY PRESENT: Deputy City Attorney Solange Fortenbach

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS: None.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS:

Following Staff Communications, the City Council authorized reopening Public Communications for a late submission.

- Andrea Terraza expressed her frustrations alleging her unlawful eviction from her home and her interactions with the Monterey Park Police Department (MPPD). She conveyed her disappointment with MPPD and is seeking housing assistance.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS:

- Police: Police Captain Cuevas alongside Police Officer Pena presented a PowerPoint presentation on the Monterey Park Explorers Post 300 program. Police Officer Pena outlined details about the program. Police Captain Cuevas presented certificates to the Police Explorers in attendance for their outstanding achievements and to Police Officer Tam, Police Officer Gonzalez, Police Officer Corona, and Police Officer Pena for their guidance and supervision.

- Public Works: Manger Tipan announced Monterey Park’s Free Mulch and Compost Giveaway event in partnership with Ware Disposal on Saturday, March 8, 2025 from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at Garvey Ranch Park.

- Recreation and Community Services: Director of Recreation and Community Services Aguirre announced the official launch of the community engagement voting survey for the “Greetings from Monterey Park” mural project. He encouraged residents to vote online for various representations of our city's landmarks, historical figures, and cultural events.

1. **PRESENTATION:** None.

2. **OLD BUSINESS**: None.

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

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.

Action Taken: The City Council approved and adopted Agenda Item Nos. 3A, 3B, 3C, 3D, 3E, 3F, 3G, 3H, 3I, 3I, 3J, 3K, 3L, and 3M on Consent Calendar. Mayor Ngo declared a potential Conflict of Interest on Agenda Item No. 3J as his property is within 500 feet of the proposed project site and did not participate on the item. Mayor Pro Tem Yang declared a potential Conflict of Interest on Agenda Item No. 3G as her property is within 1,000 feet of the proposed project site and did not participate on the item.

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

Ayes:	Council Members:	Wong, Sanchez, Lo, Yang, Ngo
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None
Recusal:	Council Members:	Yang for Agenda Item No. 3G Ngo for Agenda Item No. 3J

3-A. MINUTES

It is recommended that the City Council consider approving the minutes from the regular meetings of December 4, 2024, December 18, 2024 and the special meetings of December 10, 2024 and December 18, 2024.

Action Taken: The City Council approved the minutes from the regular meetings of December 4, 2024, December 18, 2024 and the special meetings of December 10, 2024 and December 18, 2024 as amended to correct the names of the Mayors on the December 10, 2024 and December 18, 2024 meetings, on Consent Calendar.

3-B. AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH CSG CONSULTANTS TO DEVELOP LAND USE REGULATIONS FOR THE SATURN PARK INNOVATION/TECHNOLOGY ZONE

On October 2, 2024, City Council directed the City Manager and City Attorney to draft proposed land use regulations to expand allowed uses within Saturn Park. These would allow mixed use developments, including residential uses, and neighborhood serving commercial uses.

The City received a proposal from CSG Consultants in the amount of $220,725 for drafting regulations, and related work, to implement the City Council’s direction. This firm was determined to be the most qualified due to the thoroughness of the proposal and this firm’s prior experience with similar projects.

Because CSG Consultants' proposal for the SPARC process exceeds the City Manager's signature authority, City Council authorization is requested to authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with CSG Consultants to perform this work. Consequently, the Community Development Director requests that the City Council authorize a budget appropriation not to exceed $160,725 for CSG Consultants' services.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute an agreement with CSG Consultants, in a form approved by the City Attorney, for the scope of services described in Attachment 1 (to the staff report), in an amount not to exceed $220,725 and authorized a budget appropriation of $160,725 from the General Fund for the 2024-2025 fiscal year, on Consent Calendar.

3-C. AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT NO. 2454-AA WITH SVT FLEET SOLUTIONS, LLC

Currently, the Fire Department has a maintenance contract with SVT Fleet Solutions, LLC for the maintenance and repairs of the Department's emergency vehicles in an amount not to exceed $58,000 for FY 2024-25. However, due to unforeseen circumstances, the Department has multiple emergency vehicles that need routine maintenance and repairs, and the Fire Chief ("Chief") is requesting an amendment to the contract to ensure the vehicles can receive service.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute an amendment to Agreement No. 2454-AA with SVT Fleet Solutions, in a form approved by the City Attorney, for maintenance and repair of fire engines, quint and other emergency vehicles for an amount not to exceed $125,000, on Consent Calendar.

3-D. PURCHASE OF A LAW ENFORCEMENT VAN FOR THE NEIGHBORHOOD ENGAGEMENT TEAM (NET)

In the spring of 2020, the Police Department launched the Neighborhood Engagement Team (NET) to provide outreach services to the City's unsheltered population. Its primary focus is on facilitating rapid rehousing navigation and delivering ongoing support services. In the summer of 2021, the City employed a housing navigator/case manager to assist individuals experiencing homelessness in accessing essential services. This support includes transportation to social service centers for obtaining state-issued identification, attending shower events, participating in medical appointments and accessing shelters.

Today, NET has transformed into a comprehensive service team comprised of specially trained officers and professional staff devoted entirely to assisting the unhoused community. A dedicated van will be exclusively utilized for outreach services to these individuals. This vehicle will be distinctly branded for NET, ensuring it does not resemble any patrol or enforcement vehicles.

Action Taken: The City Council waived additional bidding requirements pursuant to Monterey Park Municipal Code § 3.20.050(2) and authorizing the City to execute a contract with National Auto Fleet Group for the purchase of a 2025 Ford Transit van, and authorized the City Manager to execute an Agreement with National Auto Fleet Group, in a form approved by the City Attorney, for the purchase of a 2025 Ford Transit van for homeless outreach transportation within the NET Team in the amount of $87,496.27 for a total not to exceed $120,000.00 from the Police Department's Permanent Local Housing Allocation Grant Year, on Consent Calendar.

3-E. ENTER INTO A 5-YEAR RENEWED AGREEMENT WITH LENSLOCK INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF $755,446.75 FOR IN-CAR CAMERAS, BODY WORN CAMERAS, VIDEO & DATA STORAGE SERVICES.

The FY 2024-25 budget allocates $155,000 under account #1013115-5254 for in-car cameras, bodyworn cameras, and video and data storage services. During the fiscal year budget process, staff researched available options and determined that Lenslock Inc. best met the needs of the Police Department for both in-car and body-worn camera solutions.

Action Taken: The City Council waived bidding requirements pursuant to Monterey Park Municipal Code § 3.20.050 (2) and authorized the City Manager to amend a contract (Agreement # 2154-A) with Lenslock Inc. in a form approved by the City Attorney, for the purchase of in-car cameras, body-worn cameras, video & data storage services, on Consent Calendar.

3-F. CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR ALCOHOL CONSUMPTION PERMITS AND PERMIT FEE WAIVERS ALLOWING THE ALHAMBRA EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION TO CONDUCT ALCOHOL SALES AT THE PLAY DAYS CARNIVAL AND ELECTRIC PARK EVENTS

The City of Monterey Park traditionally celebrates its "birthday" each May with a four-day celebration in Barnes Park, "Happy Birthday Monterey Park, Play Days." The festivities include carnival rides, games, food trucks, and live entertainment. Separately, the City also hosts the Electric Park music event, a growing annual celebration of electronic music that fosters community engagement and cultural enrichment.

Building on the success of the first Play Days beer garden in 2024 and the Electric Park beer garden, the City aims to continue this feature in 2025. Beer gardens at both events were well received by the community, providing a safe and enjoyable experience while raising valuable funds for the Alhambra Educational Foundation. Given the success of events, the Alhambra Educational Foundation has confirmed their interest in hosting the beer garden at both events in 2025. The Foundation, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization, is confident that this opportunity will continue to generate additional funds to support and enhance the educational programs of the Alhambra Unified School District.

Action Taken: The City Council (1) approved an Alcohol Consumption permit allowing the Alhambra Educational Foundation to conduct alcohol sales at the Play Days Carnival, May 8-11, 2025; (2) approved an Alcohol Consumption permit allowing the Alhambra Educational Foundation to conduct alcohol sales at the Electric Park event on October 4, 2025; and (3) approved an Alcohol Consumption permit fee waiver of $250 per event, on Consent Calendar.

3-G. S. ATLANTIC BLVD AND S. GARFIELD AVE PHASE VI WATER MAIN IMPROVEMENTS – AWARD OF CONTRACT

Capital Improvements Project (“CIP) No. 99032 – S. Atlantic Blvd and S. Garfield Ave Phase VI Water Main Improvements (“Project”) consists of the installation of water main along S. Atlantic Blvd, S. Garfield Ave, and Harding Ave, including the construction of water service line replacement, installation of new fire hydrants and laterals, fire services lines, and appurtenances, valves, abandonment of existing water mains, tie-in to existing systems, and trench repair restoration. In addition, the project will include the installation of fiber optic conduits and related infrastructures. This task is part of the City’s CIP No. 99032, Adaptive Traffic Project. However, to avoid cutting the street again after the water project is complete, staff is incorporating this work as part of the water project and trenching for the installation of the fiber optic at the same time as the water line. This will result in cost savings and efficient work, lessening the inconvenience to the public. Pursuant to Resolution No. 2024-R48, the Public Works Director (“Director”) solicited bids for the S. Atlantic Blvd and S. Garfield Ave Phase VI Water Main Improvements project (Specification No. 2024-010).

The public bid opening for the S. Atlantic Blvd and S. Garfield Ave Phase VI Water Main Improvements project was held on January 14, 2025. Eight bids were received: J.A. Salazar, Big Ben Engineering, Stephen Doreck, CEM Construction, Ferreira Construction, Dominguez General Engineering, W.A. Rasic Construction, and Toro Enterprises. It is recommended that City Council authorize the City Manager to execute a Public Works contract with J.A. Salazar Construction & Supply Corp., for the Project in the amount of $3,467,275, plus a contingency amount not to exceed $173,364. Supporting services includes a contract for construction management and construction inspection, with SA Associates for $230,000 and geotechnical services with Terracon Consultants for $67,000.

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

Action Taken: The City Council (1) authorized the City Manager to execute a public works contract, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with J.A. Salazar Construction & Supply Corp., in the amount of $3,467,275 for the S. Atlantic Blvd and S. Garfield Ave Phase VI Water Main Improvements, Specification No. 2024-010; (2) authorized the Director of Public Works to approve change orders and contingency up to $173,364 or 5% of the contract amount; (3) authorized City Manager to execute a Task Order to On-call Agreement 2452-AA, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with Terracon Consultants in the not to exceed amount of $67,000 for geotechnical services; and (4) authorized the City Manager to execute a Task Order to On-call Agreement 2455-AA, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with SA Associates., in the not to exceed amount of $230,000 for construction management and construction inspection services, on Consent Calendar. Mayor Pro Tem Yang declared a potential Conflict of Interest on Agenda Item No. 3G as her property resides 1,000 feet of the project site and did not participate on the item.

3-H. 2024-25 CONCRETE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT – AWARD OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT TO CT&T CONCRETE PAVING, INC.

Capital Improvement Project (“CIP”) No. 96054 – 2024-25 Concrete Improvement Project includes curb ramp construction at various street intersections, sidewalk, and curb and gutter improvements. Pursuant to Resolution No. 2025-R3, the Public Works Director received a quote from CT&T Concrete Paving, Inc. for concrete related work for this project. Their prices are competitive and are lower than recently received bids for similar work. It is recommended that City Council waive the bidding requirements pursuant to Resolution No. 2025-R3 and approve an award of contract to CT&T Concrete Paving, Inc. in the amount of $230,957 for the 2024-25 Concrete Improvement Project.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):
The City reviewed the environmental impacts of the proposed Ordinance pursuant to 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 Guideline § 15301(c) (Existing Facilities) exempts the operation, repair, maintenance, alteration of existing public or private structures which involve negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The proposed work will occur entirely within an existing structure. Accordingly, no further environmental review is required.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a public works contract, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with CT&T Concrete Paving, Inc. in the contract amount of $230,957 for the 2024-25 Concrete Improvement Project and authorized the Director of Public Works to approve change orders not to exceed $34,644 over the total contract amount, on Consent Calendar.

3-I. AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT 2379-AA WITH WONDRIES FAMILY COLLISION CENTER

Wondries Family Collision Center is one of the City's vendors for autobody repair and painting services. Due to an increase in unanticipated incidents and costs for repairs, it is recommended that the current three-year contract be increased from $36,000 to $145,000 for actual and anticipated services through June 30, 2026.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute an Amendment to Agreement No. 2379-AA with Wondries Family Collision Center, in a form approved by the City Attorney, for autobody repair and painting services on City-owned vehicles for total amount of $145,000, on Consent Calendar.

3-J. CONSIDERATION OF FINAL MAP NO. 82607 FOR A SUBDIVISION OF 2.8 ACRES LOT INTO TWO PARCELS TO DEVELOP 63 TWO STORY TOWNHOME UNITS, LOCATED AT 126 NEW AVENUE

The proposed Final Map was reviewed by the Public Works Director for compliance with applicable law. Except for the required public improvements, it meets all legal requirements. Because the subdivider is proposing to execute a subdivision improvement agreement, the Final Map must be approved by the City Council per Monterey Park Municipal Code § 20.22.220.

<u>CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):</u>
Pursuant to 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"), the Project is consistent with the Mitigated Negative Declaration and Mitigation Monitoring Program adopted by City Council on July 21, 2021 per Resolution No. 12259. No additional environmental review is necessary.

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-R8 approving Final Map No. 82607 and authorized the City Manager to execute a Subdivision Improvement Agreement for Final Map No. 82607 in a form approved by the City Attorney, on Consent Calendar. Mayor Ngo declared a potential Conflict of Interest on Agenda Item No. 3J as his property resides within 1,000 feet of the project site and did not participate on the item.

Resolution No. 2025-R8
A RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL MAP NO. 82607 FOR A 63-TWO STORY TOWNHOME UNITS PROJECT AT 126 NORTH NEW AVENUE

3-K. 2024-25 STREET OVERLAY AT VARIOUS LOCATIONS – AWARD OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT TO ONYX PAVING COMPANY, INC.

Capital Improvement Project ("CIP") No. 96049 – 2024-25 Street Overlay at Various Locations (the "Project") includes the application of Asphalt Rubber Hot Mix and AC Overlay. Pursuant to Resolution No. 2025-R3, the Public Works Director ("Director") obtained proposals from three different paving contractors: All American Asphalt, Onyx Paving Company, and Hardy & Harper, for the Project. It is recommended that City Council waive the bidding requirements pursuant to Resolution No. 2025-R3 declaring a local emergency, and authorize the City Manager to execute a Public Works contract with Onyx Paving Company, Inc. in the amount of $4,146,240 for the 2024-25 Street Overlay at Various Locations project and authorize the Director to approve change orders not to exceed $216,152 over the total contract amount.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):
The City reviewed the environmental impacts of the proposed Ordinance pursuant to 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 Guideline § 15301(c) (Existing Facilities) exempts the operation, repair, maintenance, alteration of existing public or private structures which involve negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The proposed work contemplates the maintenance of City streets. Accordingly, no further environmental review is required.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a public works contract, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with Onyx Paving Company, Inc. in the contract amount of $4,146,240 for the 2024-25 Street Overlay project at Various Locations City-wide and authorized the Director of Public Works to approve change orders not to exceed $216,152 over the total contract amount, on Consent Calendar.

3-L. AUTHORIZING VIA TRANSPORTATION INC. TO USE OFFICIAL CITY SEAL AND LOGOS FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF ON-DEMAND TRANSIT SERVICE

On November 6, 2024 City Council approved an agreement with Nomad Transit, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Via Transportation, Inc. ("Via"), for a one-year pilot program of on-demand transit services. Staff has been working with Via on the implementation of the program including the development of a smartphone application, marketing campaign, and community engagement. To successfully market the service, Via requests permission to use the City's signs, trademarks and logos through third party app providers such as the Google Play store and Apple App store.

Monterey Park Municipal Code ("MPMC") Chapter 1.12 governs the use of the City seal. MPMC § 1.12.020 provides that the seal may be used on "official documents"; it does not specify whether the seal may be used in other contexts. California law provides that the City Council generally controls the depiction of the seal (see, e.g., Government Code § 34501).

In this instance, the City seal and logos are intended to be used for a public service. Accordingly, it is recommended that City Council authorize Via to use the City's signs, trademarks, and logos, including its City seal for the implementation of the on-demand transit service.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute authorization form(s), in a form approved by the City Attorney, for the use of City seal, signs, trademarks and logos by Nomad Transit, LLC, a wholly owned subsidiary of Via Transportation, Inc. for the implementation of on-demand transit service, on Consent Calendar.

3-M. AWARD OF PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACT TO TANK SPECIALTIES, INC. DBA TANK SPECIALIST OF CALIFORNIA FOR UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK REMOVAL AND ABOVE GROUND STORAGE TANK INSTALLATION

Capital Improvement Project ("CIP") No. 95042 - Underground Storage Tank Removal & Replacement, includes the removal of underground waste oil tanks and the installation of above ground waste oil tanks at the City Yard and Fire Station 1 facilities to upgrade the tanks to comply with State Water Resources Control Board's overfill prevention equipment (OPE) requirements. It is recommended that City Council authorize the City Manager waive the bidding requirements pursuant to Resolution No. 2025-R3 and execute a Public Works contract with Tank Specialties, Inc. dba Tank Specialists of California to upgrade the storage tanks at both facilities in the amount of $98,200, with a contingency amount of 15% of the contract amount.

<u>CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):</u>
The City reviewed the environmental impacts of the proposed Ordinance pursuant to 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 Guideline § 15301(c) (Existing Facilities) exempts the operation, repair, maintenance, alteration of existing public or private structures which involve negligible or no expansion of existing or former use. The proposed work will occur entirely within an existing structure. Accordingly, no further environmental review is required.

Action Taken: The City Council authorized the City Manager to execute a public works contract, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with Tank Specialties, Inc. dba Tank Specialists of California for the removal of underground waste oil tanks and the installation of above ground waste oil tanks at the City Yard and Fire Station 1 facilities for the amount of $98,200 and authorized the Director of Public Works to approve change orders and contingency up to $14,730 (15%) of the contract amount, for a total project cost of $112,930, on Consent Calendar.

4. <u>PUBLIC HEARING:</u> None.

5. <u>NEW BUSINESS</u>

5-A. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2025-R9 A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE RECORDING OF A NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR NUISANCE ABATEMENT AGAINST THE OWNER OF 803 LOMA VERDE STREET (APN 5262-020-014).

During the past several years, the property located at 803 Loma Verde, APN 5262-020-014 ("Property") has consistently been in a state of blight, among other violations of the Monterey Park Municipal Code ("MPMC") amounting to public nuisances. On June 19, 2024, City staff engaged in abatement of public nuisances on the Property, the costs for which the City is entitled to recoup.

The City Attorney accordingly recommends that the City Council adopt a Resolution authorizing the recording of a public nuisance abatement lien on the Property in order to recoup by special tax assessment the City's costs of abating violations of the BMC.

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2025-R9 to authorize the recording of a notice of special assessment for nuisance abatement on the owner of 803 Loma Verde Street.

Resolution No. 2025-R9
A RESOLUTION TO RECORD A NOTICE OF SPECIAL ASSESSMENT FOR NUISANCE ABATEMENT 803 LOMA VERDE STREET (APN 5262-020-014)

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

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

6. CITY COMMUNICATIONS (CITY COUNCIL)

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Council Member Sanchez spoke about Mark Keppel High School taking second place at the Los Angeles County Academic Decathlon and acknowledged two former students who were in the audience for their Political Science class.

Council Member Lo discussed his attendance as a representative in last week's San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments Transportation Committee meeting and provided updates on the Los Angeles County Transit Signal Priority Program which includes the encouragement of public transportation and ensuring there is no interference with Monterey Park's own Transit Signal Priority Program.

Mayor Pro Tem Yang announced the upcoming ribbon-cutting ceremony for VCA Engineers, Inc., a new business in Monterey Park on March 13, 2025, and reminded the public to fill out the Housing and Urban Development Survey before February 28, 2025.

Mayor Ngo mentioned his attendance to the Small Business Fair at the Barnes Park Service Clubhouse and the Career Day event held at Ynez Elementary. He spoke about his collaboration with the Chinese Community in Southern California to gather $160,000 set to be divided between the Los Angeles Firemen's Relief Association and the Regional Training Group. Mayor Ngo talked about his participation in the Housing Rights Conference Seminar for landlords and tenants at Sierra Vista Park, his attendance to a few Lunar New Year Festivals and spoke in appreciation to the City Commissioners and volunteers who will be honored at the City's Volunteer Dinner on February 20, 2025.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Council Member Wong requested an update on the property located at 795 West Garvey Avenue.

Council Member Sanchez requested a Resolution recognizing the month of March as Women's History Month and to invite Mark Keppel's Academic Decathlon team to recognize their second-place win at the Los Angeles County Academic Decathlon.

Council Member Lo requested to invite the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments Transportation Committee to provide an update on the Transit Feasibility Study.

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

ADJOURNMENT
There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Maychelle Yee
City Clerk

Approved on April 16, 2025, at the Regular City Council Meeting