

**MINUTES  
MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL  
SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SA)  
OCTOBER 21, 2020**

The City Council of the City of Monterey Park held a Regular Teleconference Meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, October 21, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. The regular meeting was conducted pursuant to Section 3 of Executive Order No. N-29-20 issued on March 17, 2020. Accordingly, Council Members were provided a meeting login number and conference call number and were not physically present at Council Chambers.

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.

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

In accordance with Executive Order No. N-29-20 and guidance from the California Department of Public Health on gatherings, remote public participation was allowed in the following ways:

Via Email

Public comment were accepted up to 24 hours before the meeting via email to [mpclerk@montereypark.ca.gov](mailto:mpclerk@montereypark.ca.gov) and, when feasible, read into the record during public comment. Written communications are limited to not more than 50 words.

Via Telephone

Public comment may be submitted via telephone during the meeting, before the close of public comment, by calling (888) 788-0099 or (877) 853-5247 and entering Zoom Meeting ID: 929 1127 6786 then press pound (#). When prompted to enter participation ID number press pound (#) again. If participants would like to make a public comment they will enter "\*9" then the Clerk's office will be notified and you will be in the rotation to make a public comment. Participants are encouraged to join the meeting 15 minutes before the start of the meeting. You may speak up to 5 minutes on Agenda item. Speakers will not be allowed to combine time. The Mayor and City Council may change the amount of time allowed for speakers. As part of the virtual meeting protocols, anonymous persons will not be allowed to provide public comment.

**Important Disclaimer** – When a participant calls in to join the meeting, their name and/or phone number will be visible to all participants. Note that all public meetings will be recorded.

**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

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Chan called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

**FLAG SALUTE:**

Mayor Chan

**ROLL CALL:**

City Clerk Vincent Chang called the roll:

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

Council Members Absent: None

**ALSO PRESENT:** City Manager Ron Bow, City Attorney Karl Berger, Assistant City Manager Inez Alvarez, Fire Chief Matt Hallock, Police Chief Kelly Gordon, Director of Management Services Martha Garcia, Interim Director of Public Works Frank Lopez, City Librarian Diana Garcia, Interim Director of Human Resources Danielle Tellez, Economics Development Manager Joseph Torres, Recreation and Community Services Manager Robert Aguirre, Recreation and Community Services Supervisor Orlando Muro, Deputy City Clerk Cindy Trang, Assistant Deputy City Clerk Helena Cho

**AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

- Orlando Muro, Recreation and Community Services Supervisor, invited the public to the Candy Caravan event to be held on Thursday, October 29, 2020. He informed the public that the Candy Caravan will be held at 5 locations: Bruggemeyer Library, Garvey Ranch Park, Highlands Park, Hillview Ave, and Langley Senior Center. For more information on the event, the public can contact the Recreation and Community Services Department at (626) 307-1388 or visit the City's website at [www.montereypark.ca.gov](http://www.montereypark.ca.gov).
- Matt Hallock, Fire Chief, reported that the City participated in the Great Shakeout on October 15, 2020. He reminded the public that there is a disaster preparedness guide available on the City's website. He reported that a vendor has been selected for the Shopping Cart Retrieval Program and informed residents that they can go to the City's website to submit information about abandoned shopping carts throughout the city.
- Vincent Chang, City Clerk, informed the public that the first in person voting opportunity will be on Saturday, October 24, 2020, from 10:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m., at East Los Angeles College, 1301 Avenida Cesar Chavez, Monterey Park, CA 91754. He relayed that the Los Angeles County has begun picking up the Vote-By-Mail Ballot from the Official Ballot Drop Box on a daily basis.

**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 Agenda Items Nos. 3A, 3B, 3C, and 3F on Consent Calendar, excluding Agenda Items Nos. 3D and 3E 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 Liang and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Yiu motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Liang, Sornoso, Lo, Yiu, Chan

Noes: Council Members: None

Absent: Council Members: None

Abstain: Council Members: None

**3A. MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2020**

As of September 30, 2020 invested funds for the City of Monterey Park is \$84,542,167.50.

**Action Taken:** The City Council received and filed the monthly investment report on Consent Calendar.

**3B. MINUTES**

Approve the Minutes for the Special and Regular meetings of September 2, 2020.

**Action Taken:** The City Council approved the minutes for the Special and Regular meetings of September 2, 2020 on Consent Calendar.

**3C. WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE (“MPMC”) CHAPTER 9.57 IN ITS ENTIRETY AND REPEALING SECTION 9.51.030 TO REGULATE SPECIAL EVENTS WITHIN THE CITY**

The first reading and introduction of the Ordinance took place at the October 7, 2020 City Council meeting. The original staff report (from October 7, 2020) is attached to the staff report for reference. Second reading and adoption of this Ordinance is recommended; it will take effect in 30 days.

**Action Taken:** The City Council waived second reading and adopted Ordinance No. 2195 on Consent Calendar.

**Ordinance No. 2195**, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 9.57 IN ITS ENTIRETY AND REPEALING SECTION 9.51.030 TO REGULATE SPECIAL EVENTS WITHIN THE CITY

**3D. RESOLUTION DECLARING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER AS “MOVEMBER” TO RAISE AWARENESS TO PROSTATE AND OTHER MALE CANCERS**

The Movember Foundation is the leading global organization committed to changing the face of men’s health. The Movember community has raised \$911 million to date and funded over 1,250 programs in 20 countries (<https://us.movember.com/>). This work is saving and improving the lives of men affected by prostate cancer, testicular cancer and mental health programs.

The Foundation challenges men to grow mustaches during Movember (formerly known as November), to spark conversation and raise vital funds for its men’s health programs. To date, over 5 million mustaches have been grown worldwide.

The mustaches are a symbol to promote awareness regarding men’s health issues and to encourage yearly checkups regarding prostate and testicular cancer. The growth of a new mustache prompts a conversation, which in turn generates awareness and educates people on the health issues men face.

The Vision of the Movember Foundation is to have an everlasting impact of the face of men’s health.

**Action Taken:** The City Council adopted Resolution No. 12206 declaring the month of November as “Movember”.

**Motion:** Moved by Council Member Sornoso and seconded by Council Member Liang motion carried by the following vote:

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

**Resolution No. 12206**, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK DECLARING THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER AS "MOVEMBER," AN ANNUAL EVENT INVOLVING MEN GROWING MUSTACHES DURING THE MONTH TO RAISE AWARENESS OF PROSTATE CANCER AND OTHER MALE CANCER AND ASSOCIATED CHARITIES

### **3E. CALIFORNIA LAW ENFORCEMENT RECORDS AND SUPPORT SERVICES DAY**

The Monterey Park Police Department is celebrating California Law Enforcement Records and Support Personnel Day on Tuesday November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020. This day, sponsored by the California Law Enforcement Association of Records Supervisors (CLEARs) is celebrated annually. It honors the thousands of men and women who are depended upon by law enforcement and the public for their vital role that they play to the law enforcement system. We are enlisting your support in the form of a resolution to honor these men and women for the work they do every day to protect the residents of Monterey Park.

**Action Taken:** The City Council adopted Resolution No. 12207 declaring Tuesday, November 10, 2020 to be Law Enforcement Records and Support Personnel Day.

**Motion:** Moved by Mayor Chan and seconded by Council Member Sornoso motion carried by the following vote:

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

**Resolution No. 12207**, entitled:

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA DECLARING TUESDAY NOVEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup>, 2020 LAW ENFORCEMENT RECORDS AND SUPPORT PERSONNEL DAY IN MONTEREY PARK

**3F. AWARD OF CONTRACT TO WATERLINE TECHNOLOGIES, TO PROVIDE CHEMICALS TO BARNES PARK POOL, GEORGE ELDER POOL AND CASCADES WATERFALL**

In September 2020, staff requested bids from pool chemical supply companies to provide and deliver pool chemicals to Barnes Park pool, George Elder Park pool and the Cascades Park waterfall.

Waterline Technologies submitted the lowest bid. Staff contacted references and all were satisfied with Waterline Technologies' level of service.

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| Waterline Technologies  | \$72,587/yr |
| HASA, Inc.              | \$79,538/yr |
| Lincoln Aquatics        | \$84,934/yr |
| Fuller Engineering Inc. | \$89,586/yr |

The annual cost is an estimate based on average use of chemicals when facilities are open at full programming capacity. The timely delivery of pool chemicals is essential to keeping the pool clean and operating safely.

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):

Since the proposed work is maintenance 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 awarded three (3) year contract (with an option to extend for an additional two (2) years) to Waterline Technologies, in the amount of \$72,587 per year, to provide necessary chemicals for two City pools and the Cascades waterfall and authorized the City Manager to execute a standard contract, in a form approved by the City Attorney, with Waterline Technologies on Consent Calendar.

**4. PUBLIC HEARING**  
None.

**5. NEW BUSINESS**

**5A. FY 2020-2021 1<sup>ST</sup> QUARTER FINANCIAL REPORT**

As a result of economic instability due to COVID-19, the City Council implemented a quarterly financial review process. The purpose of this FY 2020-2021 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Report is to provide City Council and the residents of Monterey Park transparency in areas of revenue projection updates, expenditures projection

updates, revenues received to date, proposed budget adjustments, and a contingency plan if revenues received are below budget projections.

**Recommendation:** That the City Council (1) receive and file the FY 2020-2021 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Report; (2) Lift the 5% General Fund expenditure hold (\$2,197,117) and authorize the City Manager to revise the budget in accordance with Section 4 of Resolution No. 12169, adopted June 17, 2020; (3) Authorize an additional budget appropriation of \$244,280 from the General Fund; and (4) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

**Action Taken:** The City Council (1) received and filed the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Financial Report; (2) authorized an additional budget appropriation of \$244,280 from the General Fund for the Election and other related matters; and (3) lifted the 5% General Fund Expenditure hold as amended to direct staff to make an analysis of the OPEB (Other Post-Employment Benefits) and UAL (Unfunded Accrued Liability) to determine whether it is more beneficial to pay or withhold the expenditure for consideration at a future City Council meeting.

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

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

**5B. CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO INTRODUCE AND WAIVE FIRST READING OF AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE § 16.01.040 AND ADDING §§ 16.12.020 AND 16.12.030 TO CHAPTER 16.12 (“EXISTING BUILDING CODE”) REGULATING SELF-CERTIFICATION, ALTERATIONS, AND CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY**

In response to the COVID-19 Pandemic, the City Council adopted Ordinance Nos. 2178, 2182, 2184, and 2185 which, collectively, constitute the Monterey Park Business Recovery Program. Among other things, the program establishes temporary regulations affecting Title 16 of the Monterey Park Municipal Code (“MPMC”) which governs the construction of buildings in accordance with California law. Accordingly, this Ordinance will amend MPMC Chapter 16.12 to help facilitate not just temporary recovery efforts, but also to improve economic growth even after the immediate emergency concludes by implementing a self-certification process by which applicants could self-certify their building plans.

**CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):**

The proposed Ordinance was reviewed pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code §§ 21000, *et seq.*, “CEQA”) and the

regulations promulgated thereunder (14 Cal. Code of Regulations §§15000, *et seq.*, the “CEQA Guidelines”). Based upon that review, this Ordinance is exempt from further review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15269(a) because the protection of public and private property is necessary to maintain service essential to the public, health and welfare.<sup>1</sup> Additionally, this Ordinance is exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the Ordinance, by itself, may have a significant effect on the environment. Any project utilizing the 2020 Monterey Park Business Recovery Program will undergo separate CEQA review.

**Action Taken:** The City Council introduced and waived first reading of an Ordinance.

**Motion:** Moved by Council Member Lo and seconded by Council Member Liang motion carried by the following vote:

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

**Ordinance, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading**, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE § 16.01.040 AND ADDING §§ 16.12.020 AND 16.12.030 TO CHAPTER 16.12 (“EXISTING BUILDING CODE”) REGULATING SELF-CERTIFICATION, ALTERATIONS, AND CHANGE OF OCCUPANCY

## **5C. EXTENDING TIME FOR IMPLEMENTING THE 2020 MONTEREY PARK BUSINESS RECOVERY PROGRAM**

On July 1<sup>st</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>, the City Council adopted ordinances implementing the 2020 Monterey Park Business Recovery Program (the “Program”). At that time, the City Council determined it would be in the public interest for the Program to automatically expire on December 31, 2020 unless extended by additional City Council action.

Since July, the City processed 43 different permits for Restaurants and Personal Service establishments. And, the City Council adopted a series of additional ordinances that codified certain portions of the Program. To ensure that the ongoing efforts for restarting the local economy continue smoothly (and are monitored closely), it seems that the Program should be extended until at least 2021. This will give the City additional data to determine which parts of the Program are most effective and allow the City Council to conscientiously consider whether regulations

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<sup>1</sup> CEQA findings regarding an anticipated imminent emergency are valid (*see CalBeach Advocates v. City of Solana Beach* (2002) 103 Cal.App.4th 529).

from the Program should be codified into the Monterey Park Municipal Code ("MPMC").

CEQA (California Environmental Quality Act):

The proposed Ordinance was reviewed pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (Public Resources Code §§ 21000, *et seq.*, "CEQA") and the regulations promulgated thereunder (14 Cal. Code of Regulations §§15000, *et seq.*, the "CEQA Guidelines"). Based upon that review, this Ordinance is exempt from further review pursuant to CEQA Guidelines § 15269(a) because the protection of public and private property is necessary to maintain service essential to the public, health and welfare.<sup>1</sup> Additionally, this Ordinance is exempt pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3) because it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the Ordinance, by itself, may have a significant effect on the environment. Any project utilizing the 2020 Monterey Park Business Recovery Program will undergo separate CEQA review.

**Action Taken:** The City Council received and filed a progress report from the City Manager and Economic Development Manager regarding recovery of the local economy and progress with the 2020 Monterey Park Business Recovery Program and introduced and waived first reading of an Ordinance extending the effective date for the 2020 Monterey Park Business Recovery Program from December 31, 2020 to June 30, 2021.

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

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

**Ordinance, 1<sup>st</sup> Reading, entitled:**

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE 2020 MONTEREY PARK BUSINESS RECOVERY PROGRAM AND EXTENDING ITS EFFECTIVE DATE TO JULY 1, 2021

**6. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS AND MAYOR/COUNCIL AND AGENCY MATTERS**

Council Member Liang reported that he recently had a medical biopsy and stated that his result was benign.

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Council Member Sornoso reported that he purchased a pink patch from the Police Department to support Breast Cancer Awareness. He encouraged the City Council to volunteer at the Candy Caravan and challenged the other Council Members to grow a moustache for Movember.

Council Member Lo reported that he purchased a pink patch from the Police Department to support Breast Cancer Awareness. He encouraged the public to go out and vote.

Mayor Pro Tem Yiu stated that October is also Domestic Violence Awareness month and encouraged the public to look out for each other.

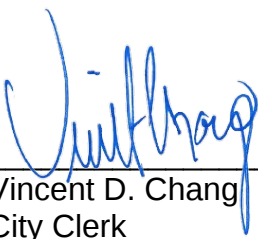
Mayor Chan reported that he attended the League of California Cities Annual Conference & Expo 2020 and joined seminars on how to deal with COVID-19 and Homelessness. He reported that the San Gabriel Valley Metro Service Council is considering a fare-less program as 70% of riders are from very low-income. He announced that the SGVCOG (San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments) Traffic Committee has elected Jason Pu, from the City of San Gabriel, as Chair and Ed Reece from the City of Claremont, as Vice Chair. He reported that SGVCOG received an email from the City Manager voicing the concerns of the City regarding excessive trash and the homeless encampment between the Atlantic ramp and State Route 60 freeway.

**7. CLOSED SESSION (IF REQUIRED; CITY ATTORNEY TO ANNOUNCE)**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 8:14 p.m.

  
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Vincent D. Chang  
City Clerk

*Approved on November 18, 2020 at the Regular City Council Meeting*