

**MINUTES
MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL
FINANCING AUTHORITY (MPFA)
HOUSING AUTHORITY (MPHA)
GEOLOGIC HAZARD ABATEMENT DISTRICT (GHAD)
SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SA)
OCTOBER 20, 2021**

The City Council, the Financing Authority (MPFA), the Housing Authority (MPHA) and the Geologic Hazard Abatement District (GHAD) of the City of Monterey Park held a Regular Teleconference Meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, October 20, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. The regular meeting was conducted pursuant to Assembly Bill No. 361. This meeting was conducted pursuant to Assembly Bill No. 361. This meeting was conducted pursuant to Government Code § 54953(e). 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 Government Code § 54953 (e) and guidance from the California Department of Public Health on gatherings, remote public participation was allowed in the following ways:

Via Email

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Via Telephone

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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

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.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Yiu called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE:

Mayor Yiu led the Flag Salute.

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, City Treasurer Joseph Leon, Assistant City Manager Inez Alvarez, Fire Chief Matt Hallock, City Librarian Diana Garcia, Director of Human Resources & Risk Management Christine Tomikawa, Director of Recreation & Community Services Robert Aguirre, Director of Management Services Martha Garcia, Interim Director of Community & Economic Development Steve Sizemore, Economic Development Manager Joseph Torres, Deputy City Attorney Joaquin Vazquez, Deputy City Clerk Cindy Trang, Assistant Deputy City Clerk Helena Cho, Community Communications Coordinator Randy Ishino, Senior Clerk Typist Viridiana Martinez

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS

None.

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

None.

Public Speaker Disclaimer: Meetings are held virtually and the information listed for the speakers may or may not reflect the correct spelling of their respective name.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

- Ron Bow, City Manager, introduced the new Interim Director of Community & Economic Development, Steve Sizemore. Mr. Sizemore shared his excitement to work for the City.

- Robert Aguirre, Director of Recreation & Community Service gave an update on upcoming City events.

1. PRESENTATION – None

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

2. OLD BUSINESS – None

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

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 Agenda Items Nos. 3A and 3B on the Consent Calendar, excluding Agenda Items Nos. 3C, 3D, 3E, 3F, and 3G 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 Council Member Chan motion carried by the following vote:

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

3A. MINUTES

Approve the minutes from the regular meeting of September 15, 2021.

Action Taken: The City Council approved the minutes from the regular meeting of September 15, 2021 on Consent Calendar

3B. MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2021

As of September 30, 2021 invested funds for the City of Monterey Park is \$84,956,569.03.

Public Speakers:

- Joseph Leon, City Treasurer, provided his input on City investments.

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

3C. WAIVE FURTHER READING AND ADOPT AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT (DA-21-XX) BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK AND RYKADAN 005, LLC. ENACTING THE BUSINESS RECOVERY DEVELOPMENT ZONE (BRDZ) OVERLAY ZONE PERMITTING AND DEVELOPMENT OF A 509,295 SQUARE FOOT MULTI STORY MIXED USE RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL PROJECT OVER THREE SUBTERRANEAN PARKING LEVELS LOCATED AT 114 E. GARVEY AVENUE

The ordinance was introduced on October 6, 2021. At that meeting, the City Council conducted the first reading of the ordinance. The staff report from the October 6, 2021 meeting is attached to the staff report for reference. Second reading and adoption of this ordinance is recommended; if adopted, the ordinance will take effect in 30 days.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council consider (1) Waiving the second reading and adopt draft proposed ordinance; or (2) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Action Taken: The City Council waived the second reading and adopted Ordinance No. 2215.

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

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

Action Taken: The City Council to reconsider the previous motion.

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

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

Action Taken: The City Council waived the second reading and adopted Ordinance No. 2215.

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

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

Ordinance No. 2215, entitled:

AN ORDINANCE APPROVING A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BY AND BETWEEN THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK AND RYKADAN 005, LLC, TO FACILITATE DEVELOPMENT OF A MULTI-STORY MIXED USE DEVELOPMENT; AND TO ACTIVATE THE BUSINESS RECOVERY DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT ZONE ("BRDZ") IN MONTEREY PARK MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 21.45

3-D. PUBLIC HEARING FOR CONSIDERATION OF A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK, CALIFORNIA CONFIRMING THE 2021 ANNUAL REPORT AND THE LEVY OF ASSESSMENTS FOR DOWNTOWN BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2022

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.

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 Committee to the BID requested that the City Council set a public hearing to consider the 2022 Levy of Assessment Fees. The BID Advisory Committee is not seeking an increase in assessments for the 2022 program year to help the businesses in the BID weather the financial burdens brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Annual revenue and expenditures may be found within the 2021 Annual Report attached as Attachment 1 in the Staff Report or at the City Clerk's office where it is available for viewing.

This item was heard after Agenda Item No. 4A.

Action Taken: The City Council received and filed the 2018 Annual Report with the City Clerk; and adopted Resolution No. 12274 of Intent and set the Public Hearing for November 17, 2021, for consideration of the 2022 BID assessments as amended to correct the typographical errors noted in the various annual reports and directed staff to provide the actual expenditures for the various annual reports at the November 17, 2021 public hearing.

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

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

Resolution No. 12274, entitled:

A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY OF MONTEREY PARK'S INTENT TO LEVY AND COLLECT ASSESSMENTS WITHIN BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 1 FOR PROGRAM YEAR 2022 AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING

3-E APPROVAL OF RESPONSE LETTER TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CIVIL GRAND JURY'S REPORT ENTITLED "A DIET FOR LANDFILLS: CUTTING DOWN ON FOOD WASTE"

On July 31, 2020, the Los Angeles County Grand Jury (Grand Jury) issued the report entitled "A Diet for Landfills: Cutting Down on Food Waste" (Report). In the Report, the Grand Jury identified several opportunities for supportive public policies that can incentivize and create avenues to increase food waste recycling and organic waste diversion rates. At the conclusion of the Report, the Grand Jury requested a response from the City of Monterey Park (City) to Recommendations 1.1, 1.3, 1.8, and 1.14. To ensure that the City met the deadlines established by the Grand Jury, the City Manager sent the attached response letter. As noted in that letter, the information in the letter is subject to City Council consideration and approval.

Action Taken: The City Council adopted Resolution No. 12275 approving the City of Monterey Park's response letter to the Los Angeles County Civil Grand Jury's report entitled "A Diet for Landfills: Cutting Down on Food Waste".

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

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

Resolution No. 12275, entitled:

A RESOLUTION RATIFYING A RESPONSE TO THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY CIVIL GRAND JURY REGARDING ITS REPORT ON FOOD WASTE

3-F. 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. 12276 declaring the month of November as "Movember".

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

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

Resolution No. 12276, 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.

3-G. TREE MEMORIAL PROGRAM NOMINATIONS

At the September 15, 2021 City Council meeting, City Council nominated William R. Sanchez and John C. Thompson for the Tree Memorial Program for their dedication and service to the community. Tree Memorial honorees are nominated based on the criteria established in Resolution 10485 and 11484 (Attachment A).

Subsequently, the Tree Memorial Program Committee consisting of three Community Participation Commissioners and two Recreation and Parks Commissioners met to review the nomination of William R. Sanchez and John C. Thompson and discussed their consideration for a Tree Memorial Program.

After reviewing each nominee's brief biography the committee voted unanimously to recommend City Council approves to honor William R. Sanchez and John C. Thompson with Tree Memorials for their service and positive impact on the Monterey Park Community.

Action Taken: The City Council approved to honor William R. Sanchez with a memorial tree and approved to honor John C. Thompson with a memorial tree.

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

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

4. PUBLIC HEARING

4-A. PUBLIC HEARING TO RECEIVE TESTIMONY REGARDING REDRAWING COUNCIL DISTRICT BOUNDARIES PURSUANT TO ELECTIONS CODE § 21601

In 2019, the City transitioned to district-based elections. In accordance with the Fair and Inclusive Redistricting for Municipalities and Political Subdivisions (FAIR MAPS) Act (Elections Code § 21601-21609), following the federal decennial census every ten years, districts boundaries must be redrawn so that each district is substantially equal in population. It is important in ensuring that each City Councilmember represents about the same number of constituents. The maps must meet certain requirements and has a total deviation of less than 10% difference.

The U.S. Census Bureau released the 2020 Census data on August 12, 2021, and the Statewide Database adjusted its dataset and released its Adjusted Census data on September 22, 2021. Demographer, National Demographics Corporation

(NDC) performed the “Still Balance Analysis” and finds that the existing district map meet the FAIR MAPS Act criteria with a deviation of 2.84%.

The City Council may choose to adopt the existing district map after having the statutory hearings and that will conclude the redistricting process or choose to redraw the election areas or districts if it desires to do so. The City Council held the first public hearing on July 21, 2021. This is the second public hearing. The City Council will need to schedule two additional public hearings to meet the statutory requirement of four public hearings.

This item was heard promptly at 7:02 P.M. after Agenda Item No. 3C.

Public Speakers:

- City Clerk Chang received, filed, and play a prerecorded audio comment from Bill Lam resident and student, who expressed that he is in favor of Option B, redrawing of council district boundaries
- Dr. Justin Levitt, Vice President of National Demographic Corporation, gave a presentation and was available for questions.

Recommendation: It is recommended that the City Council consider (1) Conducting a Public hearing to receive testimony on redrawing council district boundaries pursuant to Elections Code § 21601; (2) Providing direction regarding whether to choose Option A – to accept the existing council district map **OR** Option B – redrawing of council district boundaries pursuant to Elections Code § 21601; (3) Receiving and filing the mayoral rotation schedule or provide direction regarding the mayoral schedule; and (4) Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Action Taken: The City Council (1) opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m., received testimony on redrawing council district boundaries pursuant to Elections Code § 21601, and closed the public hearing at 7:34 p.m.; (2) provided direction to staff to choose Option A – to accept the existing council district map; and (3) received and filed the mayoral rotation schedule and to provide direction at the end of the meeting for additional discussion regarding the mayoral rotation.

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

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

5. NEW BUSINESS – None.

6. CITY COMMUNICATIONS (CITY COUNCIL)

Council Member Chan announced that he attended the Metro Service Council Meeting where they established a Youth Council for ages 14 to 17. He conveyed that this would be a great opportunity for young Monterey Park residents and mentioned that the application period opened October 18th. He reported that he was present at the Boy Scouts of America banquet to honor two distinguished citizens: Margaret Finlay and John Fasana. He also relayed that he attended the Vincent Price Art Museum at East Los Angeles College.

Council Member Liang had nothing to report.

Council Member Sornoso expressed that he is looking forward to the City's Monster Mash event on October 21 at Barnes Park. He reported that he took a tour of Athens Services Material Recovery Facility. He announced that he will sit on the Committee for the Laura Scudder Scholarship, which is awarded to community college students majoring in Nursing, Culinary Arts, or Business. He indicated that he is looking forward to attending the ceremony honoring Police Chief Gordon at El Encanto. He conveyed that he has been strolling by Station 62 and asked Fire Chief Hallock to give an update on the status of the station's grand opening.

Mayor Pro Tem Lo announced that on Sunday, October, 24th, he will be attending the 150th Year Commemoration of 1871 Los Angeles Chinatown Massacre. He reported that the Chinese American Museum will be hosting this event with the Friends of Chinese American Foundation.

Mayor Yiu reported that she attended her former classmate's fashion show.

7. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Mayor Yiu proposed a discussion on the Mayoral Rotation.

Mayor Pro Tem Lo proposed a discussion on the new California Assembly Bill, AB-1276, Single-use foodware accessories and standard condiments.

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

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 8:31 p.m.



Vincent D. Chang
City Clerk

Approved on November 17, 2021 at the Regular City Council Meeting