

CITY OF MONTEREY PARK
ENVIRONMENTAL COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
COMMUNITY ROOM 102, CITY HALL
JUNE 11, 2013
MINUTES

Item 1– Meeting Called to Order: 6:07 p.m.

Item 2 – Roll Call:

Present: Commissioners: Ziping Gan, Courteney Lam, Thomas Wong, and William Wheeler.

Also Present: Amy Ho, Principal Management Analyst and Karl Wong, resident.

Item 3 – Approval of April 9, 2013 and May 14, 2013 meeting minutes:

The Commission unanimously approved both the April and May meeting minutes.

Item 4 – Oral Communications:

None.

Item 5 – Agenda Changes, Deletions, or Postponements:

None.

Item 6 – Old Business

A. CAP

Amy mentioned that the municipal facility improvements that were identified in the Energy Action Plan had been included in the FY 2013/14 budget that Council is considering for approval. Edison will assist in the financing of the projects through a rebate and 0% interest loan programs.

B. Transportation Summit

Thomas indicated that the turnout at the summit was better than expected. Metro staff presenters were pleased with the number of attendees.

C. Plastic Bag Ban

Thomas and William briefed the student commissioners on the plastic bag ban. The Commissioners discussed their concerns of a ban on Monterey Park businesses and the best approach at this time. They commented that the only city in the San Gabriel

Valley to adopt a ban is the City of Pasadena. Thomas agreed to draft a letter in response to Ms. Beverly Franco's May 6, 2013 letter. Council will be copied on the letter so that they can be apprised of the Commission's stand on the matter.

Item 7 - New Business

D. Donation to Mark Keppel High School Student Esther Suen

Thomas asked the student Commissioners to research any foundation or memorial donation program in memory of Esther Suen who had died from a fatal accident earlier this year. He would like the Commission to consider making a donation on her behalf.

Item 8 – Announcements

Thomas announced that he will be resigning. His last meeting will either be July or August.

Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 6:48 PM.