

**Minutes
 Monterey Park City Council
 Financing Authority (MPFA)
 Housing Authority (MPHA)
 Geologic Hazard Abatement District (GHAD)
 Successor Agency (SA)
 Special Meeting, State of the City Address
 August 26, 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 Special Meeting of the Council in the First Floor Ballroom at the Holiday Inn and Suites located at 400 N. Atlantic Blvd, Monterey Park CA 91754 on Wednesday, August 26, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

Call to Order

Mayor Ngo called the meeting to order at 6:10 p.m.

Roll Call

City Manager Alvarez called the roll:

Council Members Present: Henry Lo , Vinh Ngo, Jose Sanchez arrived at 6:37 p.m.,
 Thomas Wong, Elizabeth Yang
 Council Members Absent: None.

Also present:

City Treasurer Amy Lee
 Assistant City Manager Diana Garcia
 Director of Finance Martha Garcia
 Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Christine Tomikawa
 Director of Public Works Shawn Igoe
 Director of Recreation and Community Services Robert Aguirre
 Director of Community Development Timothy Hou
 Acting City Librarian LV Frazier
 Police Chief Scott Wiese
 Fire Battalion Chief Jonathan Gin
 Fire Battalion Chief Adam Malouf
 Planning Manager Beth Chow
 IT Manager Martin Dinh
 Recreation and Community Services Manager Christina Alatorre
 Library Manager Linda Vera
 Finance Manger Laura Borjon
 Risk Management Manager Julie DeZiel
 Economic Development Manager Joseph Torres
 Senior Librarian Leonie Jordan
 Senior Planner Eliana Muñoz
 Economic Development Specialist Janice Huang
 Principal Management Analyst Rebecca Bojorquez
 Adult Literacy Coordinator Victor Castellanos

Mission Statement

The mission of the City of Monterey Park is to provide excellent service, foster growth and opportunity, and create a joyous and collaborative environment.

I. Welcome

II. The public is invited to the City of Monterey Park State of the City Address with Mayor Vinh Ngo. Topics will include Monterey Park's major accomplishments, progress updates of capital projects and future goals of the City.

Mayor Ngo delivered a PowerPoint presentation outlining the City Council's 2025 Strategic Plan and provided a summary of the City's departmental achievements over the past year.

III. "Love Monterey Park" Community Choice Awards presented by Mayor Vinh Ngo

Mayor Ngo presented the "Love Monterey Park" Community Choice Awards to Holiday Inn & Suites Monterey Park for Business Partner Award; Ravello Osteria for Favorite Restaurant; Daiso for Favorite Retailer; Math Clinic for Favorite Service Provider and Chinatown Service Center for Favorite Nonprofit Organization.

Alfred Ramirez, manager of Ravello Osteria, provided words of appreciation to the residents.

Jennifer Meas, district manager of Daiso in the Monterey Park area, shared comments of gratitude to the residents for receiving the award.

Jeremy Yuk, manager of Math Clinic, shared his acknowledgements to the City for receiving the award.

Peter Ng, CEO of Chinatown Service Center depicted comments of admiration for obtaining the award for Favorite Nonprofit Organization.

IV. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 6:41 p.m.



Maychelle Yee
City Clerk

Approved on September 17, 2025, at the Regular City Council Meeting