



Community Participation Commission of Monterey Park Agenda

Regular Meeting
Monterey Park City Hall Community Room 102
320 West Newmark Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91754

Tuesday, November 18, 2025
6:00 PM

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.

Land Acknowledgment

We would like to acknowledge that the land we inhabit today was once known as Tovangaar, the home of the Gabrieleño-Tongva people. We show our respect to the Gabrieleño-Tongva people, as well as all Indigenous people, past, present, and future, and honor their labor as original caretakers of this land. We commit to uplifting the Gabrieleño-Tongva people, invite you to acknowledge the history, and join us in caring for this land.

General Information

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Public Participation

You may speak up to 5 minutes on an Agenda item and 5 minutes total for Consent Calendar. The Chairperson, as confirmed by the Commission, may change the amount of time allowed for speakers. Written Communication will be accepted up to 24 hours before the meeting by completing an online form at www.montereypark.ca.gov/CBC_comm.

While all comments are welcome, the Brown Act does not allow the Commission to take action on any item not on the agenda. The Commission may briefly respond to comments after Public Communications is closed. Persons may, in addition to any other matter within the Commission's subject-matter jurisdiction, comment on Agenda Items during Public Communications. If you provide public comment on a specific Agenda item during Public Communications, however, you cannot later provide comments at the time the Agenda Item is considered.

1. Call to Order

Chairperson

2. Flag Salute

Chairperson

3. Roll Call

Oriana Chan, Caroucel Chuateco, Rosalyn Escobar, Sandy Hidalgo, Shirley Hwong, Fabian Raygosa, Carol Sullivan, Tiffany Truong, Isabel Wu, William Yen

4. Agenda Revisions and Additions

5. Public Communications

6. Presentation

7. Consent Calendar

All items under the Consent Calendar are considered by the Commission 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 Commission for separate consideration.

7.A. Community Participation Commission Minutes

It is recommended that the Community Participation Commission consider:

1. Approve the minutes for the regular meeting of October 21, 2025; and
2. Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

8. Old Business

9. New Business

9.A. Youth Member Application

It is recommended that the Community Participation Commission consider:

1. Approve the application submitted by Konnor Wong to be a Youth Member on the Community Participation Commission; and
2. Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

10. Commission Communications

11. Future Agenda Items

12. Adjournment



Community Participation Commission Staff Report

Date: November 18, 2025
Agenda Item Number: 7.A.

To: Community Participation Commission
From: Orlando Muro, Recreation Supervisor
Subject: Community Participation Commission Minutes

Recommendation:

It is recommended that the Community Participation Commission consider:

1. Approve the minutes from the regular meeting of October 21, 2025; and
2. Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Executive Summary:

None.

Background:

None.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Attachments:

1. Community Participation Commission Minutes October 21, 2025 (1)

**MINUTES
CITY OF MONTEREY PARK
COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
Tuesday, October 21, 2025**

The Community Participation Commission of the City of Monterey Park held a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, October 21, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

1.CALL TO ORDER:

Chairperson Shirley Hwong called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2.FLAG SALUTE:

Commissioner Carol Sullivan led the flag salute.

3.ROLL CALL:

Recreation Supervisor called the roll:

Commissioners' Present: Oriana Chan, Caroucel Chuateco, Shirley Hwong,
Fabian Raygosa, Carol Sullivan, Tiffany Truong,
Isabel Wu, William Yen

Commissioners Absent: Rosalyn Escobar, Sandra Hidalgo

Youth Members Present:

Youth Members Absent:

Staff Present: Orlando Muro, Recreation & Community Services Supervisor

4.AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTION

None.

5.PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

None.

6.PRESENTATIONS

None.

7.CONSENT CALENDAR

7A. Distribution: 2025 Commissioner Handbook and Annual Residency Verification

Forms were distributed to all commissioners; two printed copies of the handbook were made available, with digital versions to be shared by email. Commissioners were reminded that residency within the City of Monterey Park is required.

7B. Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting of August 19, 2025, Community Participation Commission Meeting.

Action Taken: The Commissioners approved the minutes from August 19, 2025, Regular Meeting.

Motion: Moved by Commissioner Sullivan and seconded by Vice-Chair Raygosa, the motion was approved unanimously with the following changes and by the following vote:

Change Fabian Raygosa Chairperson to **Fabian Raygosa Vice-Chair**
Oriana Chang absent at the August 19, 2025 Meeting

AYES: Commissioners: Oriana Chan, Caroucel Chuateco
Shirley Hwong, Fabian Raygosa, Carol
Sullivan, Tiffany Truong, Isabel Wu,
William Yen

NOES: Commissioners: None

ABSENT: Commissioners: Rosalyn Escobar, Sandy Hidalgo,

ABSTAIN: Commissioners: None

8. OLD BUSINESS

8A. HOLLYWOOD BOWL TRIP RECAP

Commissioners reported the trip was well-organized and the concert was enjoyable. Bus drivers were praised for safety and professionalism. Seating arrangements were satisfactory. A miscommunication occurred regarding the water order (extra sandwiches were purchased instead). For future trips: ensure the correct refreshment order, including fruit, and sufficient water.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9A. YOUTH COMMISSION RECRUITMENT – NO ACTION – DISCUSSION ONLY

Commissioners discussed eligibility for youth commissioners to be limited to high school students; graduating members may serve for up to six months before resigning. Due to limited capacity, the Commission recommended targeted outreach rather than large-scale recruitment. Goal: maintain representation across multiple grades to ensure continuity. Outreach ideas: engage the Monterey Park Alliance, student governments, and consider incentives for current members who help recruit. Staff will confirm with Helena whether youth commissioners must reside within Monterey Park. It was noted that some students from Monterey Park attend "SHER."

9B. MURAL POSTCARD CAMPAIGN AND MERCHANDISE

A November postcard campaign will invite community members to take a photo at the mural and bring it to Langley Center for a printed postcard (500 available). Goal: increase public engagement and mural visibility. The Commission discussed potential new mural locations. Interest was expressed in city shirts or merchandise; staff will coordinate with Robert regarding future availability.

10.COMMISSION AND COMMUNITY COMMUNICATIONS

Community and City Events presented by Orlando Muro, Recreation Supervisor::

- Snow Village: December 4 at Barnes Park, 4:00–8:00 p.m.
- Langley Center Day of the Dead Altar: On display throughout October; public invited to participate.
- Electric Park & Monster Mash Events: Successful community turnout reported.
- MPPD Car Show: Sunday October 26, 9:00 a.m.–2:00 p.m.

Carol Sullivan - Library Foundation Fundraiser held on October 10) was a successful event with 40 tables (400 attendees). Funds raised are to support library programs and future bookmobile. Honorees included the Cherry Blossom Committee and Peter Chan his contributions to the community

Shirley Hwong - American Chinese Dance Association held on October 19) where Commissioner Tiffany Truong performed and was recognized on stage with Mayor Elizabeth Yang. Also, planning of the Holiday Dinner is underway, with the preferred venue at Luminarias and tentative date, Wednesday, December 11 at 6:00 p.m. There will be a gift Exchange/White Elephant, with a \$25 maximum value.

Commissioners asked staff about the policy regarding staff gifts and discussion to consider skipping December's meeting if there are no major agenda items.

William Yen - added the following community Notices: LA County Asian American Employee Association Banquet: November 6 at 88 Seafood Dim Sum (\$90 per ticket) and the City Chamber Events: Coffee with the Chamber (Nov 10, 10:00 a.m.)

Tiffany Truong - added the following upcoming events: Chinese New Year Banquet scheduled for February 10, 2026 and the Monterey Park Night Market - launching December 11.

Fabian Raygosa - shares that the "Ravello Astoria" restaurant was named top eatery under the "Shop and Dine" initiative.

William Yen - proposed that the Commission consider a Community Board Game Night wither monthly or biweekly game nights from 6:00–9:00 p.m.. A "bring your own games" format with the purpose to encourage community engagement and Youth Commission participation. Next Steps: Add to next agenda for discussion of logistics and venue (suggested: Farmer's Market night).

11.FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Youth Commissioner residency clarification
- Mural postcard campaign progress
- Holiday dinner confirmation
- Board game night logistics

12.ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m. The next regular meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 18, 2025.

Orlando Muro, Recreation & Community Services Supervisor



Community Participation Commission Staff Report

Date: November 18, 2025
Agenda Item Number: 9.A.

To: Community Participation Commission
From: Orlando Muro, Recreation Supervisor
Subject: Youth Member Application

Recommendation:

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2. Taking such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Executive Summary:

None.

Background:

None.

Fiscal Impact:

None.

Attachments:

1. Youth Member Application_Wong, Konner Youth CPC 10-28-2025_Redacted

[Print](#)**Application for City Commissions/Boards/Committees - Submission #3866****Date Submitted: 10/24/2025****Application for City Commissions/Boards/Committees**

The Monterey Park City Council seeks citizens to serve on duly constituted Boards, Commissions, and Committees to assist and advise City Council on specific assigned matters. No citizen may serve on more than one standing Board, Commission, or Committee at one time. Applications will be kept on file for one (1) year from the date received. For certain boards, annual residency verification is required in accordance to MPMC 2.82 and certain boards may be required to file a Statement of Economic Interest Form (Form 700). This is a public document and is subject to disclosure.

Please direct questions to the City Clerk's office at mpclerk@montereypark.ca.gov.

First Name*

Konnor

Last Name*

Wong

Commission/Committee or Board on which you want to serve (You may select more than one):*

- ☐ Commission on Aging
- ☐ Business Improvement District Advisory Committee
- ☒ Community Participation Commission
- ☐ Design Review Board
- ☐ Economic Development Advisory Commission
- ☐ Environmental Commission
- ☐ Library Board of Trustees
- ☐ Personnel Board
- ☐ Planning Commission
- ☐ Recreation & Parks Commission
- ☐ Traffic Commission

Prior Community Involvement/Activities:*

Over the past years, I've been actively involved in several volunteer and community service projects across Southern California. I regularly participated in Heal the Bay and Surfrider Foundation beach cleanups in Redondo Beach, Venice Beach, Huntington Beach, and Whittier, helping protect our coastlines and raise awareness about environmental conservation. I also volunteered as part of the LA Marathon Volunteer Crew, assisting with event operations and supporting participants.

Beyond environmental causes, I have also taken part in humanitarian efforts, such as donating to the Midnight Mission and preparing and personally handing out food to people in need on Skid Row together with my family. These experiences have deepened my understanding of community challenges and the importance of compassion and service.

At school, I am an active member of STEMsters, where I volunteered at local elementary schools such as Northrup and Marguerita to encourage younger students' interest in science and technology. In addition, I participate independently and won the competitions for International Leadership Foundation (ILF), Asian American Advocacy Alliance, and the Lions Club Speech Competitions, which have helped me build leadership, civic awareness, and public speaking skills outside of my school activities.

Provide a brief review of your background, qualifications, education and your interest in serving the City:*

I would like to join as a youth member of the community participation committee.

I am currently a high school student at Mark Keppel High School, where I maintain straight A's as part of the Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) program. I am also on the swim team, a member of the speech and debate team, and have studied piano for ten years. These experiences have strengthened my discipline, teamwork, and communication skills.

Beyond school, I actively participate in community-focused organizations such as the International Leadership Foundation (ILF) and the Lions Club Speech Competitions, where I've developed confidence, leadership, and civic engagement skills. Through these experiences, along with my volunteer work and environmental activities, I have gained a strong sense of responsibility to give back to my community.

As a proud Monterey Park resident, I would like to play a more active role in connecting and uplifting our community. I'm particularly interested in helping plan and promote events like the Summer Movies in the Park and the Annual Hollywood Bowl Trip, as well as encouraging youth participation in local programs. Joining the Community Participation Commission would allow me to contribute my energy, creativity, and leadership to help bring Monterey Park residents together through meaningful and inclusive community experiences.

Have you ever been convicted of a felony?*

☐ Yes

☒ No

If yes, please state the nature of offense, state and disposition on a separate sheet of paper. Convictions will not necessarily result in automatic disqualification, however, failure to give complete and accurate information may be grounds for rejection and/or removal from office. Please email your statement to mpclerk@montereypark.ca.gov with the subject line: Commission: Your Name.

Home Address:***City***

Monterey Park

Zip*

91755

Phone Number***Email Address*****If you are a resident of the City, how long have you resided in Monterey Park?****Occupation:***

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High School Student

Business Name:**Business Address:**

If Applicable

If Applicable

Business Zip Code:**Business Phone Number:**

If Applicable

If Applicable

List Two References Below**First Reference Name:***

Elizabeth Yang

Reference Phone Number:***Reference Email Address:*****2nd Reference Name:***

Oriana Chen

Reference Phone Number:***Reference Email Address:***

I declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that all statements contained in this application and any accompanying documents is true and correct, with full knowledge that all statements made in this application are subject to investigation and that any false or dishonest answer to any question may be grounds for denial or subsequent revocation of commission. I further acknowledge that information contained in this application is a public record and may be subject to disclosure and I may be required to file a Statement of Economic Interests Form (Form 700).

After submittal of your application, please email your proof of residency such as a utility bill with your name and address or a copy of a government issued ID such as your driver license to mpclerk@montereypark.ca.gov. MPMC § 2.82.

Signature*

Konnor Wong

Date*

10/24/2025

Proof of Residency:

- ☐ Government Issued ID
- ☐ Utility Bill
- ☐ Voter Registration
- ☒ Other

Reviewed By:

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Date Reviewed:

10/28/2025