

**MINUTES
MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL
SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SA)
SPECIAL MEETING
SEPTEMBER 11, 2017**

The City Council of the City of Monterey Park held a Special Meeting of the Council in Room 266, Second Floor of City Hall, located at 320 West Newmark Avenue in the City of Monterey Park, Wednesday, September 11, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Real Sebastian called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m.

FLAG SALUTE:

Led by City Librarian Norma Arvizu

ROLL CALL:

City Clerk Vincent Chang called the roll:

Council Members Present: Peter Chan, Mitchell Ing, Stephen Lam arrived at 6:15 p.m., Hans Liang, Teresa Real Sebastian

Council Members Absent: None

Also Present: City Manager Ron Bow, City Manager and City Librarian Norma Arvizu

AGENDA ADDITIONS, DELETIONS, CHANGES AND ADOPTIONS

None.

ORAL & WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. REQUEST FOR THE CITY COUNCIL TO MAKE TWO APPOINTMENTS TO THE LIBRARY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Library Board of Trustees is an administrative body established pursuant to the California Education Code and Monterey Park Municipal Code ("MPMC"). The Library Board of Trustees is responsible for administering the Monterey Park Bruggemeyer Library. The Library Board of Trustees also administers all library trust funds received by gift, bequest or devise.

Education Code § 18910 provides that

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

“[t]he public library shall be managed by a board of library trustees, consisting of five members, to be appointed by the mayor ... with the consent of the legislative body of the municipality.”

This is reflected in MPMC § 2.80.020 which provides that

“[t]here is created and established a board of library trustees consisting of five members appointed by the mayor with the approval of the city council.”

Accordingly, the Mayor appoints persons with the approval of the City Council. Note that the Library Board is specifically exempted from the general requirements that are ordinarily applicable to the City’s boards and commissions (see MPMC § 2.82.030(b)). Consequently, some legal requirements that are ordinarily applicable to the City’s boards and commissions do not apply to the Library Board (e.g., residency requirements). MPMC Chapter 2.80 regulates the Library Board (in addition to applicable California law).

Discussion: The City Council conducted interviews with the following candidates for the Library Board of Trustees; David Barron, Andrew Yam, Gustavo Reynoso and Anthony Felix Jr. In regards to the motion to appoint Andrew Yam, Mayor Real Sebastian stated that she sees the library board as a quasi council and library should be the primary responsibility of that member. She said she is concerned with time commitment and potential conflict between school and serving on the board. She encouraged Andrew to finish his study first and serve on the board at a later date.

Action Taken: The City Council interviewed the candidates and made a motion to appoint Gustavo Reynoso to service on the Library Board of Trustees.

Motion: Moved by Mayor Real Sebastian and seconded by Council Member Ing, motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Ing, Real Sebastian
Noes:	Council Members:	Liang, Chan
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	Lam

Action Taken: The City Council interviewed the candidates and made a motion to appoint Andrew Yam to service on the Library Board of Trustees.

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

Ayes:	Council Members:	Ing, Liang, Chan, Lam
Noes:	Council Members:	Real Sebastian
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

Action Taken: The City Council interviewed the candidates and made a motion to appoint David Barron to service on the Library Board of Trustees.

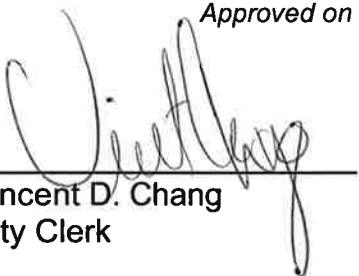
Motion: Moved by Council Member Chan and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Lam
Council Member Ing, motion failed by the following vote:

Ayes:	Council Members:	Ing, Liang, Chan, Lam, Real Sebastian
Noes:	Council Members:	None
Absent:	Council Members:	None
Abstain:	Council Members:	None

RECONVENE & ADJOURNMENT

The City Council reconvened from Closed Session with all Council Members present.
The meeting was adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Approved on October 18, 2017 at the Regular City Council Meeting



Vincent D. Chang
City Clerk