

MINUTES
MONTEREY PARK CITY COUNCIL
FINANCING AUTHORITY (MPFA)
HOUSING AUTHORITY (MPHA)
GEOLOGIC HAZARD ABATEMENT DISTRICT (GHAD)
SUCCESSOR AGENCY (SA)
SPECIAL MEETING
MAY 24, 2023

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 Council Chamber, located at 320 West Newmark Avenue in the City of Monterey Park, Wednesday, May 24, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sanchez called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

City Clerk Maychelle Yee called the roll:

Council Members Present: Henry Lo, Vinh Ngo, Jose Sanchez, Thomas Wong,
Yvonne Yiu

Council Members Absent: None

ALSO PRESENT: City Treasurer Amy Lee, City Manager Ron Bow, Assistant City Manager Inez Alvarez, Fire Chief Matt Hallock, Police Chief Scott Wiese, Director of Human Resources and Risk Management Christine Tomikawa, Director of Management Services Martha Garcia, Director of Recreation and Community Services Robert Aguirre, City Librarian Diana Garcia, Director of Public Works Shawn Igo, Director of Community Development Serrano, Police Captain Gustavo Jimenez, IT Manager Stanley Ardon, Principal Management Analyst Andrew Lee, Principal Management Analyst Xochitl Tipan, Principal Management Analyst Angela Loera, Senior Accountant Terry Kim, Recreation and Community Services Manager Christine Alatorre, Recreation and Community Services Supervisor Guillermo Chavez, Recreation and Community Services Supervisor Orlando Muro, Deputy City Clerk Cindy Trang

VIRTUALLY PRESENT: Laura Borjon, Finance Manager; Lieutenant Gabriel Escarsega, Investigations Clerk Isabella Goeders, Housing Consultant Debbie Sottek

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

- Molly Rhodes, representative of the Service Employees International Union (SEIU) 721, requested for a fair agreement. She stated that the State's minimum wages is lower than the Los Angeles County's minimum wage standard and that there is a need to do better to keep people out of poverty.

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

- City Clerk Yee received and filed seven written communications from Lina Nguyen, Jose R. Garcia, Michael Le, Deborah Takahashi, Jesus Hernandez, Joel Toro, and John Lieu, requesting Council's support for the SEIU labor negotiation and encouraging the approval of employees' wage increase.

NEW BUSINESS

1. FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 BUDGET

Consideration and possible action regarding the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget. Staff will present a brief overview of policy issues, financial prospect and economic development, challenges/solutions, goals and strategies associated with the budget including, without limitation, the following matters

- City 2023-2024 spending plan overview;
- Proposed staffing changes to reflect efficient core staffing mix;
- Proposed capital improvement projects;
- Goals and Objectives presented by all departments.

Council may raise other development, policy, capital project and potential budget adjustment items for consideration as part of the Budget.

RECESSED AND RECONVENED

The City Council recessed at 8:04 p.m. and reconvened with all Council Members present at 8:14 p.m.

Action Taken: The City Council received and filed the Preliminary Budget documentation for Fiscal Year 2023-2024.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business for consideration, the meeting was adjourned at 9:42 p.m.



Maychelle Yee
City Clerk

Approved on July 19, 2023, at the Regular City Council Meeting