SPECIAL MEETING
Wednesday
December 18, 2013
7:00 P.M.
MONTEREY PARK CITY HALL, CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
320 W. Newmark Avenue, Monterey Park, CA 91754

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.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON AGENDA ITEMS/ORAL AND WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS
Communication by the Public is an important part of the Local Government Process. Any individual wishing to address the Council under Oral and Written Communications needs to complete a Speaker Card provided by the City Clerk and then please return it the City Clerk before the City Council takes up the item.

Any member of the public wishing to address the City Council regarding any item on this Agenda will need to fill out a speaker card and then please return it to the City Clerk prior to the announcement of the Agenda Item. The City Clerk will call the public in the same order that the speaker cards are received except that the Clerk may group and present the speaker cards by first calling all persons in favor of an issue and all persons opposed, and finally those with neutral comments.

Speakers are generally provided five (5) minutes per individual on each published agenda item. The Public will be allowed consolidation with another speaker’s time not to exceed two (2) minutes for each speaker wishing to forego his or her opportunity. However in the interest of ensuring that all members of the Public have an equal opportunity to participate, a single speaker cannot speak for more than ten (10) minutes on the individual Agenda item. In the event that there are a large number of speakers on a particular agenda item, the Council may in the interest of being able to timely conduct business reduce the amount of time allotted to each speaker and/or limit the total amount time allowed for speakers to address the agenda item. At the conclusion of that period of time, the speaker will be asked to please conclude their remarks so that the next speaker may begin their comments.

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ROLL CALL
Peter Chan, Mitchell Ing, Hans Liang, Teresa Real Sebastian, and Anthony Wong

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NEW BUSINESS

1. DISTRICT VOTING

Earlier this year, the City Council asked that the City Attorney’s office research the question of how the City might implement district voting to elect persons to the City Council. The City currently utilizes “at large” voting to elect City Council Members.

Recommendations: The City Council should consider:

(a) determine whether it would like to move forward with drafting the documents needed for voters to consider district voting;

(b) if so, determine what method the City should utilize to create districts, e.g., hire a consultant or complete it “in house”;

(c) determine what kind of district voting would be appropriate, i.e., should the ballot measure be “by district” or “from district”;

(d) determine how many districts should be created;

(e) determine how the ballot measure would, if approved, transition “at large” voting to district voting; and

(f) take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

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