



CITY OF MONTEBELLO
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24, 2022 AT 5:00 P.M.

**CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1600 WEST BEVERLY BOULEVARD
MONTEBELLO, CALIFORNIA**

OPENING CEREMONIES

CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. in concurrence with the City Council Special Meeting of August 24, 2022.

ROLL CALL - Members present were Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne, Mayor Pro Tem Jimenez, Councilmember Peralta (arrived at 5:11 p.m.), Councilmember Melendez, and Councilmember Torres. City Clerk Jimenez and City Treasurer Gutierrez were also present.

STAFF PRESENT – City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman, City Manager René Bobadilla, Assistant City Manager Arlene Salazar, Senior Deputy City Clerk Alicia Fernandez, Deputy City Clerk Kimberly Guillen, and Records Coordinator Angelina Padilla.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

The Public Comment Section for Closed Session Items was held concurrently the City Council Special Meeting of August 24, 2022. The City Clerk's Office called three (3) members of the public wishing to address the City Council. Speakers were provided three minutes to address the City Council and said speaker cards are on file at the City Clerk's office.

CLOSED SESSION 5:00 P.M.

Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne recessed the meeting into Closed Session at 5:07 p.m. to consider the following closed session items:

- 1. THREAT TO PUBLIC SERVICES OR FACILITIES**

Government Code Section 54957
Consultation with City Manager, Police Chief, City Attorney and other related City officials

2. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Government Code Section 54956.8
Property: 901 Via San Clemente, Montebello CA
Agency's Negotiator: René Bobadilla, City Manager
Negotiating Party: Topgolf
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

3. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS

Government Code Section 54957.6
Agency Negotiators: René Bobadilla, Nicholas Razo
Employee Groups: MEMA

4. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Government Code Section 54956.8
Property: 701 West Whittier Boulevard, Montebello
Agency Negotiator: René Bobadilla, City Manager
Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

REGULAR SESSION NO LATER THAN 6:00 P.M.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne reconvened the meeting at 6:13 p.m. During Closed Session the City Council received a briefing on Item No. 3, no action taken; nothing to report. Item Nos. 1, 2, and 4 were discussed after the Regular Meeting.

Council recessed into Closed Session at 9:09 p.m. to discuss Item Nos. 1, 2, and 4. During Closed Session Council received a briefing on Item No. 4, no final action and there was nothing further to report.

INVOCATION – City Treasurer Gutierrez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Director of Human Resources Nicholas Razo

CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA CITY MANAGER – None

CEREMONIAL/PRESENTATIONS

5. EAST LOS ANGELES COLLEGE PRESENTATION – Presented by East Los Angeles President Alberto Roman, Vice-President of Student Services Miguel Dueñas, Deans of South Gate Campus Erica Mayorga and Al Rios. The City Council thanked the team and had

an opportunity to ask clarifying questions.

- 6. **RECOGNITION OF RUN MONTEBELLO RUN** – Presented by Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne
- 7. **RECOGNITION OF BEVERLY HOSPITAL NEW CATH LAB PROCLAMATION** – Presented by Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA AND AGENDA ITEMS (30 MINUTES)

The City Clerk’s Office called ten (10) members of the public wishing to address the City Council. Speakers were provided three minutes to address the City Council and said speaker cards are on file at the City Clerk’s office.

The City Clerk’s Office acknowledged nine (9) written public comments submitted to the City’s public comment email address. Said comments are on file at the City Clerk’s office.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS ON ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST – None

REGULAR BUSINESS

- 8. **INTRODUCTION AND FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2453 – ASSEMBLY BILL 481 ESTABLISHING A MILITARY USE POLICY**

Councilmember Melendez motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jimenez that the City Council:

- 1) Introduce and conduct the first reading of Ordinance No. 2453 establishing a Military Equipment Use Policy in compliance with Assembly Bill 481 (“AB 481”); and
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Councilmember Torres distributed copies of Military Use Policies from surrounding Cities.

City Manager Bobadilla stated that the Policy is compliant with State Law.

MOVED: Melendez	SECONDED: Jimenez	APPROVED: 4-0-0-1
AYES: Cobos-Cawthorne, Peralta, Jimenez, Melendez		
NOES: None		
ABSTAIN: None		
ABSENT: Torres		

CONSENT CALENDAR

Councilmember Torres and Councilmember Peralta pulled Item Nos. 9 and 10. Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne pulled Item Nos. 9, 10, and 13. Mayor Pro Tem Jimenez motioned, seconded by Peralta, that Item No’s. 11, 12, and 14 be approved. Motion approved unanimously.

9. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 22-71 APPROVING A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO AND THE MONTEBELLO EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION AND APPROVING AN AMENDMENT OF THE TABLE OF ORGANIZATION/MASTER CONTROL AND ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 22-72 TO APPROVE UPDATING THE COMPENSATION PLAN AND TABLE OF ORGANIZATION

Councilmember Peralta asked clarifying questions, shared her concerns, and spoke in opposition of the item.

City Manager Bobadilla provided clarification.

Councilmember Torres spoke and reiterated Councilmember Peralta’s concern and spoke in opposition of the item and asked clarifying questions.

Human Resources Director Razo provided clarification.

Councilmember Melendez spoke in favor of adding a provision on severance.

Councilmember Melendez motioned to approve the item with the added termination for cause provision for severance pay such as not receiving severance pay if being convicted of a felony, misdemeanor, and harassment; the motion was seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jimenez that the City Council:

- 1) Adopt Resolution No. 22-71 approving a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Montebello (City) and the Montebello Executive Management Association (MEMA); and
- 2) Approve an Amendment of the Table of Organization/Master Control adding the position of Director of Public Affairs – Information Technology; and
- 3) Adopt Resolution No. 22-72 updating the Compensation Plan and Table of Organization; and
- 4) Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

MOVED: Melendez	SECONDED: Jimenez	APPROVED: 3-2-0-0
AYES: Cobos-Cawthorne, Jimenez, Melendez		
NOES: Peralta, Torres		
ABSTAIN: None		
ABSENT: None		

Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne left the meeting at 9:00 p.m.

10. SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2452 UPDATING MONTEBELLO MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 2.16 – DIRECTOR OF FINANCE

Councilmember Peralta spoke in opposition of the item.

Councilmember Torres spoke in opposition of the item.

Councilmember Melendez motioned to table the item to the first meeting of September; seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Torres.

- 1) Waive Second Reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2452 Amending Montebello Municipal Code Chapter 2.16.020 – Director of Finance, Powers and Duties; and
- 2) Take such additional, related action(s) that may be desirable.

Motion approved unanimously.

11. TREASURER’S REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30, 2022

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Receive and file the Quarterly Treasurer’s Report for the quarter ending June 30, 2022.

12. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 22-68 AUTHORIZING THE DIRECTOR OF FINANCE TO SUBMIT A CLAIM FOR FUNDING PROVIDED BY THE TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT THROUGH THE LOCAL TRANSPORTATION FUND AND THE STATE TRANSIT ASSISTANCE FUND FOR FISCAL YEAR 2022-23

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Adopt Resolution No. 22-68 authorizing the Director of Finance to submit a claim for funding provided by the Transportation Development Act through the Local Transportation Fund and the State Transit Assistance Fund for Fiscal Year 2022-23; and
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

13. APPROVE A MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT NO. 22-16 BETWEEN THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO AND THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (SGVCOG) TO FUND THE MONTEBELLO COMMUNITY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

Mayor Pro Tem Jimenez stated that Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne pulled the item to speak in favor of it.

Councilmember Melendez motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Jimenez that the City Council:

- 1) Authorize the City Manager to execute a Memorandum of Agreement between the City of Montebello and the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) to

- receive funding up to \$50,000 for the Montebello Community Assistance Program (MCAP); and
- 2) Amend the Fiscal Year 2022-23 budget by increasing appropriations by \$50,000 in expenditure Account No. 265-85-852-6040.10 (Grants, Fire, SGVCOG Homeless Grant, Outside Contracts) and \$50,000 in revenue Account No. 265-99-4109.94 (Grants, Miscellaneous Grants, SGVCOG Homeless Grant); and
 - 3) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Motion approved unanimously.

14. PAYMENT OF BILLS: ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 22-70 APPROVING THE CITY WARRANT REGISTER OF DEMANDS DATED AUGUST 24, 2022

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Adopt Resolution No. 22-70 approving the Warrant Register dated August 24, 2022.

AB 1234 TRAVEL REPORTS

Councilmember Melendez reported attending the ICA Conference.

Council recessed into Closed Session at 9:09 p.m. to discuss Item Nos. 1, 2, and 4. The City Attorney provided the following report: all members with the exception of the Mayor were present and Council received a briefing only on Item No. 4, direction was provided to the Agency's negotiator but there was no final action and there was nothing further to report. Item No. 1 and 2 were not discussed.

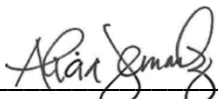
COUNCIL ORALS

- **Salvador Melendez, Councilmember**
- **Scarlet Peralta, Councilmember**
- **Angie M. Jimenez, Mayor Pro Tem**
- **David N. Torres, Councilmember**
- **Kimberly A. Cobos-Cawthorne, Mayor**
 - a. **Montebello Fire , MCAP, Montebello Police and Building and Safety**

ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Torres adjourned in the memory of his grandmother Conchita. Mayor Pro Tem Jimenez adjourned the meeting at 9:21 p.m.

THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 24, 2022 ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 16TH DAY OF NOVEMBER 2022.



Alicia Fernandez, Senior Deputy City Clerk

CLOSED SESSION SPEAKER CARDS

Regular Closed

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. _____



SPEAKER CARD

Please Note: Address and phone number are optional and not required to speak. Public Comment/Speaker Card must be submitted to City Clerk's Office prior to 5:00 p.m. for live meetings or in accordance with Assembly Bill 361 for video/audio meetings.

Type of Comment: Closed Session Non-Agenda Item AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Meeting Date: _____ Time Received: _____ Date Received: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: William Cerver PHONE: _____
(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

Opposed In Support Neutral TOPIC: closed session

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

Translation Needed: No Yes Language: _____

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. _____



SPEAKER CARD

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Type of Comment: Regular meeting
Closed Session Non-Agenda Item AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Meeting Date: _____ Time Received: 5:10 Date Received: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: MAR GOT EISER PHONE: 323 723 7066

ADDRESS: Via San Delaros, Montebello (Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

Opposed In Support Neutral TOPIC: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

Translation Needed: No Yes Language: _____

Received by Staff _____ Received Via: Email Phone In Person

AGENDA & NON-AGENDA SPEAKER CARDS

Regular Meeting

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No.



SPEAKER CARD

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Type of Comment: Closed Session Non-Agenda Item AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Meeting Date: 8/24/22 Time Received: _____ Date Received: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Esther Burgoin PHONE: (323) 399-9105
(Optional)

ADDRESS: 2201 W. Lincoln Ave
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

Opposed In Support Neutral TOPIC: _____

NOTES: Traffic safety Lincoln & Wilcox intersection

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

Translation Needed: No Yes Language: _____

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Request No. 2



SPEAKER CARD

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Type of Comment: Closed Session Non-Agenda Item AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Meeting Date: 8/24/22 Time Received: _____ Date Received: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Stella Barnakian PHONE: (323) 646-2884
(Optional)

ADDRESS: 2205 W. Lincoln Ave
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

Opposed In Support Neutral TOPIC: _____

NOTES: Traffic Safety Lincoln & W. Cox intersection

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

Translation Needed: No Yes Language: _____

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No.



SPEAKER CARD

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Type of Comment: Closed Session Non-Agenda Item AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Meeting Date: _____ Time Received: _____ Date Received: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: LEVAN PROTHERO PHONE: 323-821-8625
(Optional)

ADDRESS: 845 SO 4TH ST MONTEBELLO
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

Opposed In Support Neutral TOPIC: _____

NOTES: Drugs in Montebello

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

Translation Needed: No Yes Language: _____

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. _____



SPEAKER CARD

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Type of Comment: Closed Session Non-Agenda Item AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Meeting Date: 8/24/22 Time Received: _____ Date Received: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Leonard Mendoza PHONE: ⁽³²³⁾ 599-6858
(Optional)

ADDRESS: 2317 Hepworth Ave

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: Individual (Optional)

Opposed In Support Neutral TOPIC: Candidate for Central Basin Water District
Division 3

NOTES: N/A

ACCOMMODATIONS: N/A

Translation Needed: No Yes Language: _____

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Agenda Item #2

Regular Meeting

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No.



Special Council

SPEAKER CARD

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Type of Comment: Closed Session [] Non-Agenda Item [x] AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Meeting Date: 8/24 Time Received: _____ Date Received: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Alexandra Briseno PHONE: _____ (Optional)

ADDRESS: 847 N. Vail Ave (Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

Opposed [] In Support [] Neutral [] TOPIC: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

Translation Needed: No [] Yes [] Language: _____

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Regular Session

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No.



SPEAKER CARD

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Type of Comment: Closed Session Non-Agenda Item AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Meeting Date: 8-24 Time Received: _____ Date Received: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: BILL PAOLISSO PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: 505 ALIEN DR
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

Opposed In Support Neutral TOPIC: The LAST Council Meeting

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

Translation Needed: No Yes Language: _____

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Reg Mtg CLOSED SESSION 5

CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. _____



SPEAKER CARD

OPEN

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Type of Comment: Regular meeting
Closed Session Non-Agenda Item



AGENDA ITEM NO. 2

Meeting Date: _____ Time Received: 5:10 Date Received: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: MAR GOT EISER PHONE: 323 723 7066

ADDRESS: Via San Delaros, Montebello
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

Opposed In Support Neutral TOPIC: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

Translation Needed: No Yes Language: _____

Received by Staff _____ Received Via: Email Phone In Person



SPEAKER CARD

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Type of Comment: Closed Session Non-Agenda Item AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Meeting Date: _____ Time Received: _____ Date Received: 5:43

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Anda Nicklas PHONE: _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

Opposed In Support Neutral TOPIC: _____

NOTES: Community Concerns

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

Translation Needed: No Yes Language: _____

Received by Staff [Signature] Received Via: Email Phone In Person



SPEAKER CARD

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for live meetings or in accordance with Assembly Bill 361 for video/audio meetings.

Type of Comment: Closed Session Non-Agenda Item AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Meeting Date: 8/24/22 Time Received: 5:59pm Date Received: 8/24/22

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: ROSA TAMAYO PHONE: 323 774-6099
(Optional)

ADDRESS: 500 S. Montebello Blvd #4c MTB CA. 90641
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

Opposed In Support Neutral TOPIC: General Comment

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

Translation Needed: No Yes Language: Spanish to english

Received by Staff Kim Emiller Received Via: Email Phone In Person



SPEAKER CARD

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Type of Comment: Closed Session Non-Agenda Item AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Meeting Date: 0/24/22 Time Received: _____ Date Received: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Stephanie Chavez PHONE: (323) 719-4352
(Optional)

ADDRESS: 3525 Via San Delarro
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

Opposed In Support Neutral TOPIC: Lack of Trees

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

Translation Needed: No Yes Language: _____

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AGENDA & NON-AGENDA COMMENTS

Padilla, Angelina

From: Socorro Martinez <socorro.martinez1962@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2022 12:29 PM
To: comment, ccpublic
Subject: [External Email] Increase

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

It is outrageous to say the least to count other years of employment towards longevity. Montebello pays the price. Who are these people making such decisions? They found their golden goose. Apathy from the community and greediness on their part. Such a shame that politicians take advantage of small communities. I oppose this increase and this longevity clause. !

Sent from my iPhone

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Padilla, Angelina

From: Southland Watch <southlandwatch@gmail.com>
Sent: Tuesday, August 23, 2022 5:24 PM
To: comment, ccpublic; Mooradian, Ashod; Jimenez, Angie; Torres, David; Peralta, Scarlet; Melendez, Salvador
Subject: [External Email] Tomorrow's Agenda

In accordance with the California Constitution, California Public Records Act & Ralph M. Brown Act, please provide the following writings immediately.

As in right now.

One would only presume that these writings have been distributed to the council members.

These documents are to be available for Public Inspection at the time the writings were distributed to all, or a majority of all, are not available for public inspection:

1. Council Member Torres has submitted over 160 separate requests which have been processed via this communication method.
2. The Mayor, the City Manager and City Attorney have been requested to bring forth a resolution expressing the City Council's dissatisfaction with the behavior of Council Member David Torres.
3. The Investigative Report submitted by Ms. Doumanian.
4. Public criticism of the Staff via his social media platforms or during his comments while at City Council meetings and elsewhere.

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Padilla, Angelina

From: Miguel Cervera <mcserveraortiz9@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2022 1:38 AM
To: comment, ccpublic
Cc: info@empoweryolo.org; sd@shepherddoor.org; wccs@dvshelter.org; info@womenshelterlb.org; info@laclj.org; info@peaceoverviolence.org
Subject: [External Email] City Council Public Comment

I'd like to exercise my 1st Amendment right and please read this message, in its entirety. Mr. City Attorney, please do not summarize my public comment, I want the comment to be read as I have written it. This is an issue of public safety.

To the City Council Members of Montebello,
I am a long-time resident of Montebello. I reside on the border of Montebello and East L.A, near our beloved golf course. I was hesitant to submit this letter because I am afraid and concerned about the safety of my community. At the last council meeting, a public comment was made regarding the violent actions of a resident. At first, I questioned the intent of the public comment so I decided to look up the police report and I found some chilling details. To protect the privacy of the victim and resident, I have omitted their names. The police report states the following: "she (the victim) recalled being pushed to the ground and seeing the defendant's face and feeling him strangling her. She believed he was trying to kill her". This does not match up with the resident's account on his Facebook live, he lied. The report also states the following: "the defendant pushed the victim to the ground, stood over her, and severely beat her until she was unconscious and lifeless. He repeatedly punched her in the face. He also strangled her. The victim thought defendant was going to kill her". I made the decision to speak out for all victims of domestic violence. It was truly sickening to read these words and then witness the resident and other residents on "You Know You're From Montebello", including the moderator and his wife, defending his actions. How can these actions be defended? The punishment for the act has been debated and dismissed by some. The real issue is the fact that the resident beat the victim to the point where she appeared lifeless. This is also not the first violent offense committed by the resident, another instance of domestic violence occurred in 2014.

The City Council has remained silent on this. The resident is allowed to attend council meetings. He is allowed to spin the story to downplay his violent actions. I am asking the city council to condemn domestic violence and stand up for the countless women who suffer in silence and who are manipulated by their abusers.

For any person suffering from domestic violence, please seek help: <https://www.domesticshelters.org/>

With a heavy heart,
Miguel

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Padilla, Angelina

From: Robert Hernandez <robertmiguelhernandez66@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2022 2:06 AM
To: comment, ccpublic
Subject: [External Email] Public Comment for Council Meeting

Ladies and Gentlemen of the Montebello City Council,

I am deeply concerned about the recent home purchase of Councilwoman Peralta. Something about the home purchase does not appear to be right. In 2019, CM Peralta made \$27,820. In 2020, CM Peralta made \$8,460. In a September 2020 article published by the New York Times, it is noted that the councilwoman's boyfriend assumed financial responsibility for her. I state these facts as the basis of my concern because CM Peralta does not have the financial history to suddenly afford a home that is valued close to \$700,000. Lenders require a minimum of 2 years of financials and also, an income that can sustain the mortgage payment on a \$700,000 home. In addition, the title of the home is in the name of CM Peralta and her mother, the boyfriend is not included. To afford such a home, the CM would need to earn more than \$10,000 a month, and that is being very lenient on a lender's requirements to qualify. Where did the money come from? The CM's current job does not pay a salary of over \$100,000 annually. Could it be that the CM is soliciting funding to subsidize her lifestyle through her LLC, Sohara Enterprises LLC? Is this an attempt to keep money off the books? CM Peralta, do you understand that this is a crime and many politicians have been convicted for suddenly acquiring a lavish lifestyle well-beyond their financial means while in office? How much has serving on the council actually made you? Why would a current council member need to establish an LLC in April 2021? Corruption is a major problem in politics and surrounding oneself with the likes of disgraced former Mayor Christina Cortez (the wife of a convicted drug dealer and Peralta's mentor) raises serious concerns. Who is covering the mortgage of CM Peralta? What does your "enterprise" actually do? Why aren't residents expressing concern? CM Peralta, these questions need to be addressed immediately.

Concerned resident,
R. Hernandez

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Padilla, Angelina

From: Stella Barnakian <come2god@sbcglobal.net>
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2022 9:17 AM
To: comment, ccpublic
Subject: [External Email] Lincoln/Wilcox Intersection

For many years now, we have witnessed endless car accidents as well as fatalities at the intersection of Lincoln and Wilcox Avenues.

We've gone from the old days where 4 Stop signs were posted at this intersection, to traffic lights, to widening Wilcox Avenue to four lanes, which has given drivers carte blanche to rush the Lincoln and Wilcox intersection day or night. This has made it very dangerous, since we get all the traffic going to and from the Pomona freeway and to and from Schurr High School and Wilcox Elementary School.

This is also become very dangerous for the parents walking with their children to/from Wilcox Elementary School, as well as the high school students that are walking to/from Schurr High School.

This is also made it very dangerous for the pedestrians in the neighborhood, who are trying to take morning, afternoon or evening walks through the neighborhood.

This is also made it very dangerous for me, since I live on the hill on Lincoln Avenue, and it has been very tricky for me to try to make a right turn into my driveway, since none of the cars coming down the hill bother to stop and try to rush around me, without giving me a chance to pull into my driveway.

Also the cars that are making a right turn from Wilcox Avenue onto Lincoln Avenue, don't bother to slow down to see what's around the corner, and have almost hit me from behind, after I've backed out of my driveway.

Over countless years, all of our neighbors that live on Lincoln Avenue have been affected in some way, shape, or form, either by having a family member hit trying to cross this intersection, or barely missing getting hit themselves while crossing the street at this intersection or by having cars slam into the walls of our front yard properties, or getting their cars hit along Lincoln Avenue.

We need speed bumps on Lincoln and Wilcox Avenues or photo enforced traffic lights, to deter people from rushing this intersection and causing major accidents and fatalities.

Enough is enough!

Thank you.
Stella Barnakian
2205 West Lincoln Avenue
Montebello
323-646-2884
Come2God@sbcglobal.net

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Padilla, Angelina

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It has become apparent now to the community at large, that a resident who presents himself as an enlightened one on subjects far ranging and wide, has he himself committed an atrocity. An atrocity so grave and carried out with such vigor and impunity that it casts doubt and shadow upon the many revelations he has so frequently and carelessly carried out. This resident, is, of course, Will Cervera, who by the virtue of his own hands and mind and body has committed the atrocity of attempted murder - one that sharply violates not only the earthly laws upon which he is bound, but also the spiritual code of mankind that we must all withhold.

1 John 3:15 declares, "Whosoever hateth his brother is a murderer: and ye know that no murderer hath eternal life abiding in him." The Old and New Testament speak of several unforgivable sins, the most potent of which is the human act of spilling another's blood by one's own hands - an act so devious that even an attempt shall be punished with eternal damnation in the eyes of the Lord.

It is not in the power of mortal man to enact the ultimate vengeance or carry out upon other mortal men acts only the Lord can enact. Council, I request you to take up your own personal cross and act as servant leaders guiding with fresh eyes, pure hearts and kind minds - cast aside such shadows as Will Cervera, impugn his frequent statements as he himself has committed atrocity. David and Scarlett, in particular, your connection to such an eternally damned man should cause grave concern - your path forward now relies upon your cleansing of evil and casting aside shadow. Come into the light.

Remember, Council, as Revelations 21:8 illuminates us similarly of the ramifications - they are eternal. "But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone, which is the second death."

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From: Jesse Perez <jesseperez82@proton.me>
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Subject: [External Email] Council Comment August 24 2022

William Paul Cervera Jr also known as Will Cervera also known as “The Montebello Bullshitter” who professes to know and understand everything in the City and beyond and loves to pontificate as such, but only knows enough to be dangerous, and hostile with anger issues hating on Montebello leaders, some Councilmembers, and Community Members. This is the same man who has a felony in Orange County California of assault with force to produce great bodily harm. He pleaded down from attempted murder. He tried to murder his girlfriend.

But, there’s a second count besides attempted murder brought against Slick Willy. Another felony - he willfully and unlawfully committed an assault upon his girlfriend by means of force likely to produce great bodily injury. Yes, that means he meant to kill her.

That’s the same Will Cervera that’s running loose in our Montebello community who admitted in writing and pleaded guilty to such charges. But here’s what’s worse...Slick Willy’s sidekick Councilmember David Torres was recently found to be harassing City staff members including departmental leaders. What’s next for Angry Dave and his harassment of City employees?

We’ve been told through credible sources that Angry Dave was forced to resign from the Los Angeles City Attorney’s office to avoid prosecution. Imagine actually having to resign from the City of Los Angeles. Christ, how bad do you have to be to leave a cush government job or be prosecuted. We can’t even remove homeless from public streets - imagine the cockroaches of government having to be removed from their seats! That’s pretty low, even by Angry Dave’s standards.

Not Slick Willy Cervera low, but still, low. We think Angry Dave Torres should be transparent on his own issues, not just others, and have him authorize the City of Los Angeles to release his employment files. After all, why would a so-called vibrant young man be unemployed during the peak of his career? It doesn’t make any sense! Unless City Council is really that lucrative.

Councilmember Torres, disclose the information like you claim to nitpick and disclose everything else that comes across the dias.

Heaven help us if Slick Willy the failed killer and Angry Dave Torres teamed up together on Council now that Will’s girlfriend is running. Actually, heaven help his girlfriend if she loses. He’d probably kill her! Literally.

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From: Anna Estrada <annaestrada741@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 24, 2022 2:01 PM
To: comment, ccpublic; Bobadilla, Rene
Subject: [External Email] \$353,000 missing

Good evening;

Honorable Mayor, Council and all others

I read today's headline in the Whittier Daily Newspaper about the \$353,000.00 HUD money missing. Since Councilman Torres continues to attack and criticize the current City Manager Mr. Bobadilla and his staff, which are in fact the ones that found out our city was missing those funds.

Maybe he should show transparency and have his Step Father Richard Torres come before this Council and you Torres ask him what he did with the \$353,000.00 missing. He was in fact the City Administrator then, and may I add no wonder you Torres are so disrespectful and treat the staff so horrible, your Step Dad did the same thing to employees back when he was running the city finances.

Thank you Mr. Bobadilla and your staff, please ignore the morons on FB, just look at who they are?

A Convicted felon charged with Attempted Murder of a Minor girl, he beat her so viciously he broke her eyesocket, then went back to the concert. That is a very sick and dangerous man.

Please do not give Torres my email, I have no doubt he'd give to that man Cevera Convicted Felon.

Thank you,

Anna Estrada

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From: David J Gutierrez <davidjgutierrez8@gmail.com>
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Good evening Madame Mayor, Council, Chiefs and staff;

Tonight I would like to address Mayor Pro Tem Angie Jimenez, regarding the Restraining Order vs Will Cevera. If Cevera acted so aggressively in front of 100 plus people, what would you think he'd do to you if you had been alone? I would suggest you take that case file of Convicted Felon found guilty of Attempted Murder of a minor Jane Doe.

No Court would ever deny you protection from that convicted Felon, anyone that believes him is ignorant. Reading the report it says Will Paul Cevera Jr. has `` Borderline personality Disorder" which is a Psychotic personality. After he beat that poor young girl he cleaned up and went back to the concert, eye witnesses reported him 99% sure it was him.

Report states he beat the minor so severely he broke her orbital bone, which means he hit so hard he broke her eye socket, and strangled her till he thought she was dead. When Paramedics found her she was lifeless, If that was your child would you still believe him?

I saw on FB his ridiculous video, hey moron they did not need DNA when they had 3 eye witnesses plus the young girl.

Mayor Pro Tem have the Sheriffs do a criminal background check on him. My bet is he has more. Bet with his drunken temper he's beaten his girlfriend too.

Also I am not Torres' Grandfather the Pedofile that raped an 8 year old child for the record. We unfortunately have the same name.

Sincerely,
David J Gutierrez

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