



CITY OF MONTEBELLO CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 28, 2021 AT 5:30 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 5:31 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Members present were Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne, Mayor Pro Tem Torres, Councilmember Jimenez, Councilmember Melendez, Councilmember Peralta, City Clerk Jimenez, and City Treasurer Gutierrez.

STAFF PRESENT – City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman, Assistant City Manager Arlene Salazar, Deputy City Clerk Alicia Fernandez, Assistant to Deputy City Clerk Kimberly Guillen.

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman acknowledged three (3) public comments submitted to the City's public comment email address. Said comments are on file at the City Clerk's office

CLOSED SESSION – 5:30 P.M.

Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne recessed the meeting into Closed Session at 5:36 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 LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**
Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1)
Gutierrez v. City of Montebello, et al.
LA Superior Court Case No. 21STCV13376

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)

One matter of threat of litigation regarding CVRA

Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne reconvened the meeting at 6:31 p.m. The City Attorney. During Closed Session the City Council (Council) received a briefing on Items Nos. 1, 2, and 3 there was no direction or action taken. Item No. 3 will be presented during regular session at a future meeting for Council consideration.

REGULAR SESSION – 6:30 P.M.**INVOCATION** – Greg Welch, Risher Mortuary & Cremation Services**FLAG SALUTE** – Transit Dispatch Supervisor Gerry Bravo

CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA – CITY MANAGER – Assistant City Manager Salazar announced one correction for the agenda. The Staff Report for Item #11 should reflect that, “The City of Montebello is eligible to receive LCTOP Funding Allocations in accordance with the Department of Transportation Guidelines. However, due to delinquent issues on prior reports the City will not receive funding allocations until all items have been resolved.”

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (30 MINUTES)

Ms. Kimberly Guillen, Assistant to the Deputy City Clerk, called one (1) member of the public wishing to address the City Council. The Speaker was provided three minutes to address the City Council and said speaker card is on file at the City Clerk’s office.

Ms. Alicia Fernandez, Deputy City Clerk, read forty-eight (48) public comments submitted to the City’s public comment email address. Said comments are on file at the City Clerk’s office.

PRESENTATIONS**4. RECOGNITION OF RISHER MORTUARY** – Presented by Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne**5. RECOGNITION OF DONATE LIFE MONTH** – Presented by Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne

6. CITY FACILITIES REOPENING PLAN – Presented by Director Sosnowski and Nicholas Razo. Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne directed staff to add the Reopening Plan Presentation and the Yard Sale Schedule to the City Site and social media platforms.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS ON ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

The Montebello Fire Department and the American Red Cross will be partnering to host the Sound the Alarm Event on May 8, 2021 at Chet Holifield Park. The Organizations and City Staff will be identifying community members in need of smoke detectors and home fire education.

PUBLIC HEARING – NONE**OLD BUSINESS** – NONE

REGULAR BUSINESS – NONE**CONSENT CALENDAR**

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine. Any items a Councilmember wishes to discuss should be designated at this time. All other items, with the exception of an item upon which a member of the public or City Council has requested to speak on, may be approved in a single motion. Such approval will also waive the reading of any ordinance.

Councilmember Jimenez pulled Item No. 13 for discussion. Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne pulled Item No. 13 for discussion.

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman read one (1) public comment submitted to the City's public comment email address for Item #8. Said comments is on file at the City Clerk's Office.

Councilmember Melendez motioned that all items be approved in a single motion with the exception of Item Nos. 8 and 13, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Torres. Such approval will also waive the reading of any ordinance. Motion carried unanimously.

7. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2437 ADDING CHAPTER 9.70 TO TITLE 9 OF THE MONTEBELLO MUNICIPAL CODE FOR THE COLLECTION OF EVICTION DATA IN THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO, SECOND READING

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

- 1) Review the attached the Ordinance Adding Chapter 9.70 to Title 9 of the Montebello Municipal Code for the Collection of Eviction Data in the City of Montebello; and
- 2) Waive Second Reading of the Ordinance in its entirety and adopt Ordinance No. 2437.

Motion carried unanimously.

8. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-23 GRANTING A NON-EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT TO SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WATER COMPANY FOR PIPELINES FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING WATER SERVICES TO THE MONTEBELLO HILLS PROJECT AREA

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

- 1) Adopt a Resolution No. 21-23 (Attachment A) granting the San Gabriel Valley Water Company a Grant of a Non-Exclusive Easement for the purpose of installing, operating and maintaining pipelines to service the Montebello Hills Project area; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager, or his designee, to sign the Grant of a Non-Exclusive Easement for Pipelines to the San Gabriel Valley Water Company on behalf of the City; and
- 3) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. APPROVE A CHANGE ORDER TO THE CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT WITH MANHOLE ADJUSTING, INC. FOR C.P. #878 – PAVING THE WAY (PHASE 2)

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

- 1) Approve a Change Order, in the amount not-to-exceed \$383,896, to the construction contract with Manhole Adjusting, Inc. (MAI) for C.P. #878 – Paving the Way (Phase 2). The authorized total contract amount increases to \$6,084,396; and
- 2) Amend the Fiscal Year 2020-21 budget by increasing appropriations by \$182,000 in Measure R Funds (Account No. 220-99-711).

Motion carried unanimously.

10. AWARD A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO RL CONTROLS, LLC, FOR THE BUS CAMERA SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM, REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL NO. 21-23

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

- 1) Award a Professional Services Agreement to RL Controls, LLC, for the Bus Camera Surveillance System, Request For Proposal No. 21-23; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to take action necessary to execute and finalize a contract on behalf of the City of Montebello (City) with RL Controls, LLC; and
- 3) Amend the Fiscal Year 2020-21 budget by increasing appropriations by \$10,993 in the Transit Grant Fund, Account No. 270-9042-2018-089 and \$201,344 in Account No. 270-9042-2018-014 (Public Transportation Modernization, Improvement and Service Enhancement Account, PTIMSEA); and
- 4) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Motion carried unanimously.

11. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-24 RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 19-36, WHICH ACCEPTED LOW CARBON TRANSIT OPERATION PROGRAM FUNDING FROM THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION, AND AUTHORIZE THE FUNDING ALLOCATION UNDER THE SAID PROGRAM TO BE PASSED TO FOOTHILL TRANSIT AS A CONTRIBUTING SPONSOR

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

- 1) Adopt Resolution No. 21-24 rescinding Resolution No. 19-36, which accepted Low Carbon Transit Operations Program (LCTOP) funds from the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans); and
- 2) Authorize the City of Montebello (City) to pass its LCTOP funding allocation to Foothill Transit as a Contributing Sponsor; and

- 3) Authorize the City Manager or his designee to sign a letter of agreement to pass funding in the amount of \$242,512 (allocated amount: \$236,440 + accrued interest: \$6,072), to Foothill Transit; and
- 4) Amend the Fiscal Year 2020-21 budget by increasing appropriations by \$242,512 in Account No. 270-9002-2018-104-7050 (Transit Grant Fund, LCTOP, Miscellaneous Expense); and
- 5) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Motion carried unanimously.

12. REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR PURCHASE OF BODY WORN CAMERAS (BWC) AND MOBILE AUDIO VIDEO EQUIPMENT AND SUPPORTING SOFTWARE

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

- 1) Authorize Staff to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for the purchase of Body Worn Cameras (BWC) and Mobile Audio Video Equipment (MAV) systems, supporting maintenance, and software configuration; and
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Motion carried unanimously.

13. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-25 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE BLOOMBERG PHILANTHROPIES ASPHALT ART INITIATIVE GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE UTILITY BOX BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM

Councilmember Jimenez expressed her excitement in seeing this project go into fruition. She requested that the City allocate \$25,000 toward this project in the event that the City is not awarded the grant. Additionally, she requested that the City allow adults to participate in the Utility Box Beautification Project.

Assistant City Manager Salazar stated that the City can modify the program to allow all ages to participate.

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

- 1) Approve a Resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the Bloomberg Philanthropies Asphalt Art Initiative Grant Program; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to direct staff to move forward with implementation of the Utility Box Beautification Program; and
- 3) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Motion carried unanimously.

14. REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) FOR LANGUAGE INTERPRETATION/TRANSLATION SERVICES

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

- 1) Authorize Staff to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP) for Language Interpretation/Translation Services.

Motion carried unanimously.

15. PAYMENT OF BILLS: ADOPT RESOLUTION NO 21-26 APPROVING THE CITY WARRANT REGISTER OF DEMANDS DATED APRIL 28, 2021

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

Adopt the proposed Resolution approving the Warrant Register dated April 28, 2021.

Motion carried unanimously.

16. APPROVAL OF CITY COUNCIL MINUTES – MARCH 24, 2021

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

Approve said minutes as written.

Motion carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - CONTINUED IF NECESSARY

Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne reconvened the Public Comment Section.

Ms. Alicia Fernandez, Deputy City Clerk, read four (4) public comments submitted to the City's public comment email address. Said comments are on file at the City Clerk's office.

COUNCIL ORALS

Council member announcements; requests for future agenda items; conference/meetings reports.

1. Councilmember Melendez

- a. Council Oral #1
- b. Council Oral #2

Councilmember Melendez recognized Admiral Rodriguez and Officer Chris Tyni for going above and beyond to help the community.

Councilmember Melendez invited the public to join the Run Montebello Run Group on Tuesdays at 6:40 p.m.

2. Councilmember Peralta

- a. Letters of support from the City of Montebello for two ACE projects submitted to Rep. Linda Sanchez' office for consideration for Congressionally directed funding
- b. Revisit and establish action steps for the launch of Montebello's Utility Box Beautification Program
- c. Consideration for Development Impact Fee Study and Program

Councilmember Peralta asked Council to review the letters of support that were provided by City Staff to receive funding for the Montebello Corridor Grade Separation.

Councilmember Peralta expressed her excitement to launch the Montebello's Utility Box Beautification Program.

Lastly, Councilmember Peralta requested consensus from the Council to direct staff to develop a Community Development Impact Fee Program for new development in the City.

3. Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne

- a. Orange Tier Update
- b. Montebello Rotary Club Upcoming Golf Tournament Fundraiser Event
 - i. Scheduled on Friday, May 21, 2021 at the Montebello Golf Course
 - ii. Details about sponsor and player opportunities for a good community cause are posted on **montebellorotaryclub.org**

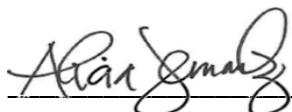
Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne announced that the City of Montebello Reopening Plan be posted to the City Website.

The Mayor invited the public to attend the Montebello Rotary Club – Golf Tournament Fundraiser Event on Friday, May 21, 2021.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Cobos-Cathorne adjourned the meeting in the memory of the Apollo 11 Crew Member Michael Collins who passed away April 28, 2021. Councilmber Jimenez adjourned the meeting in memory of Montebello Resident, Ralph Palazian aka Papa Joe who passed away April 4, 2021. Councilmember Perlata motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilmember Jimenez. Motion carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

THE MINUTES OF APRIL 28, 2021 ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 28TH DAY OF JULY 2021.



Alicia Fernandez, Deputy City Clerk