



CITY OF MONTEBELLO CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 11, 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 5:33 p.m.

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

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

PUBLIC COMMENTS FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

None

CLOSED SESSION – 5:30 P.M.

Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne recessed the meeting into Closed Session at 5:27 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 – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**
Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)
Threat of litigation – One matter related to the CVRA

Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne reconvened the meeting at 6:31 p.m. During Closed Session the City Council received a briefing on Items 1, 2, and there was no direction or action taken. It was motioned

by Councilmember Jimenez, seconded by Councilmember Melendez to add Item 2b as a subsequent need matter pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(b)(2); motion carried unanimously. No action was taken on Item 2b.

REGULAR SESSION – 6:30 P.M.

INVOCATION – City Clerk Jimenez

FLAG SALUTE – Sergeant Armando Miranda, Air Force Veteran

CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA – CITY MANAGER

It was motioned by Councilmember Melendez, seconded by Councilmember Jimenez to add the following two below; motion carried unanimously:

- One (1) Presentation Item: **“RECOGNITION OF FATIMA RANJBAR OF ECOLOGICA ORGANIC SKIN CORP. AND COLLABORATING PARTNERS, ROSIE RIVERA AND CHISME EN VIVO”**
- One (1) Consent Calendar Item No. 24: **“APPROVE REFUND OF HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP) GRANT FUNDS TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$51,248”**

PRESENTATIONS

3. **CITIZEN OF THE MONTH – BETTY PERALTA** – Presented by Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne
4. **NATIONAL WELLNESS MONTH** – Presented by Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne
5. **CALIFORNIA VOTER RIGHTS ACT UPDATE** – Presented by City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (30 MINUTES)

The City Clerk’s office acknowledged four (4) 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

PUBLIC HEARING

6. **PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER APPROVING PROPOSED RESOLUTION NO. 21-75 NAMING THE LOG CABIN AT CITY PARK AFTER BILL WALTERS**

The City Clerk’s office acknowledged one (1) public comment submitted to the City’s public comment email address. Said comment is on file at the City Clerk’s office.

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

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council conduct a public hearing and consider the following:

- 1) Approval of proposed Resolution No. 21-75 naming the log cabin at City Park after Bill Walters; and
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Motion carried unanimously.

7. INTRODUCTION AND WAIVING FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2441 APPROVING A ZONE CODE AMENDMENT TO AMEND THE MONTEBELLO MUNICIPAL CODE TO ESTABLISH AN ART IN PUBLIC PLACES PROGRAM AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE, MODIFY SECTION 17.62.050 OF THE MONTEBELLO MUNICIPAL CODE TO REMOVE "MURALS" FROM THE LIST OF PROHIBITED SIGNS; ADOPT A CEQA EXEMPTION UNDER § 15061(B)(3)

Mayor Pro Tem Torres offered suggestions to be incorporate into the proposed Ordinance. It was motioned by Mayor Pro Tem Torres to table this item and bring it back for consideration of introduction after Staff incorporates the suggestions made to the repairs and alteration of number of units and for Staff to provide a red-line version of the recommended changes for City Council's review; seconded by Councilmember Peralta; motion carried unanimously.

REGULAR BUSINESS

8. ESTABLISH MILITARY AD HOC COMMITTEE

Councilmember Melendez motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Torres that the City Council appoint Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne and Councilmember Jimenez as members to the Ad Hoc and:

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Take action to establish a Military Ad Hoc Committee; and
- 2) Take action to appoint two members; and
- 3) Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

Motion carried unanimously.

9. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT FOR TWO (2) VACANT SEATS ON THE TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

The City Clerk's office acknowledged one (1) public comment submitted to the City's public comment email address. Said comment is on file at the City Clerk's office.

Councilmember Jimenez motioned, seconded by Councilmember Melendez that the City Council table this item to future meeting; motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT FOR TWO (2) VACANT SEATS ON THE FISCAL ACCOUNTABILITY AND INVESTMENT COMMITTEE

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Councilmember Jimenez motioned, seconded by Councilmember Melendez that the City Council table this item to future meeting; motion carried unanimously.

11. AUTHORIZATION TO HOST A DIA DE LOS MUERTOS COMMUNITY ALTAR

Councilmember Peralta motioned, seconded by Councilmember Melendez

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Authorize staff to schedule and host a Dia de los Muertos community altar; and
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Motion carried unanimously.

12. AUTHORIZATION TO HOST A PET CARE FAIR AND PET VACCINATION CLINICS

Councilmember Peralta motioned, seconded by Councilmember Melendez

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Authorize staff to schedule and host a Pet Care Fair in January of 2022; and
- 2) Authorize staff to schedule and host quarterly pet vaccination clinics beginning in January of 2022; and
- 3) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Motion carried unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR

One member of the public submitted a written comment on Item No's 14, 16, and 17. Councilmember Jimenez motioned that Item No's. 13, 15, and 18-23 be approved, seconded by Councilmember Melendez; motion carried unanimously.

13. SECOND READING – AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO ADDING CHAPTER 2.10 TO THE MONTEBELLO MUNICIPAL CODE ESTABLISHING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION LIMITS FOR CITY ELECTIVE OFFICE

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Approve the Second Reading and adoption Ordinance No. 2440 establishing a maximum campaign contribution limit of \$5,000 per year for candidates for elective City office; and
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be required for the adoption of this Ordinance.

14. INTRODUCTION AND WAIVING FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2442 AMENDING CHAPTER 10.32 - "STOPPING, STANDING AND PARKING" OF THE MONTEBELLO MUNICIPAL CODE AUTHORIZING ISSUANCE OF MONTHLY, OVERNIGHT AND WEEKEND PARKING PERMITS AT CITY OWNED OR OPERATED OFF-STREET LOTS AND PARKING FACILITIES

The City Clerk's office acknowledged one (1) public comment submitted to the City's public comment email address. Said comment is on file at the City Clerk's office.

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

- 1) Introduce, and waive First Reading of an Ordinance amending Chapter 10.32 – "Stopping, Standing and Parking" of the Montebello Municipal Code authorizing issuance of monthly, overnight, and weekend parking permits for residents at City-owned or operated off-street lots and parking facilities; and
- 2) Authorize, the City Manager or his designee(s), to erect the required signage per California Vehicle Code sections 21113 and 22519 giving notice of special conditions, regulations, prohibitions, restrictions and/or regulations ushered in by the proposed Ordinance; and
- 3) Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

Motion carried unanimously.

15. AWARD A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT TO SALLY SWANSON ARCHITECTS, INC. FOR THE PREPARATION OF THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITY ACT (ADA) SELF-EVALUATION AND TRANSITION PLAN (RFQ 21-18)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Award a Professional Services Agreement to Sally Swanson Architects, Inc. for the Preparation of the Americans with Disability Act (ADA) Self-Evaluation and Transition Plan (RFQ 21-18) in a not-to-exceed amount of \$162,345; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager to execute and Agreement on behalf of the City (Attachment A); and
- 3) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

16. CONCOURSE AVENUE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (CP NO. 880) - AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR CONSTRUCTION

The City Clerk's office acknowledged one (1) public comment submitted to the City's public comment email address. Said comment is on file at the City Clerk's office.

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

- 1) Approve the Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PS&E) for the Concourse Avenue Improvement Project (CP No. 880); and
- 2) Authorize the City Clerk to publish the Notice Inviting Bids (Attachment A); and
- 3) Approve the Notice of Exemption (Attachment B) for the subject project and authorize the City Clerk to file the Notice of Exemption with Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder; and
- 4) Approve the Total Project Budget (Attachment C).

Motion carried unanimously.

17. VARIOUS STREETS IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (CP NO. 881) - AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR CONSTRUCTION

The City Clerk's office acknowledged one (1) public comment submitted to the City's public comment email address. Said comment is on file at the City Clerk's office.

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

- 1) Approve the Plans, Specifications, and Estimate (PS&E) for the Various Streets Improvement Project (CP No. 881); and
- 2) Authorize the City Clerk to publish the Notice Inviting Bids (Attachment A); and
- 3) Approve the Notice of Exemption (Attachment B) for the subject project and authorize the City Clerk to file the Notice of Exemption with Los Angeles Registrar-Recorder; and
- 4) Approve the Total Project Budget (Attachment C).

Motion carried unanimously.

18. APPROVE AMENDMENT NO. 2 TO AGREEMENT NO. 3697 WITH AVAIL TECHNOLOGIES, INC., FOR MAINTENANCE AND SUPPORT OF MONTEBELLO BUS LINES' INTELLIGENT TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM AND FIXED ROUTE PASSENGER INFORMATION SYSTEM

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Approve Amendment No. 2 to Agreement No. 3697 with Avail Technologies, Inc. (Avail), to extend software maintenance and support services for a one-year term with Montebello Bus Lines (MBL) for its Intelligent Transportation System (ITS) and Fixed Route Passenger Information System; and
- 2) Authorize the City Manager and/or designee to execute Amendment No. 2 on behalf of the City; and
- 3) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

19. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-69 APPROVING MONTEBELLO BUS LINES' FREE FARE SCHEDULE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-22

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Adopt Resolution No. 21-69 approving Montebello Bus Lines' (MBL) Free Fare Schedule for Fiscal Year 2021-22; and
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

20. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-72 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 2021-22

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Adopt Resolution No. 21-72 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 2021-22; and
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

21. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 21-73 AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION FOR THE FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION AREAS OF PERSISTENT POVERTY COMPETITIVE GRANT

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Adopt Resolution No. 21-73 authorizing the submission of an application for the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) Areas of Persistent Poverty Competitive Grant (Grant); and
- 2) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

22. APPROVAL OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND UTILITIES COST SAVINGS AGREEMENT WITH PROCURE AMERICA

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

- 1) Approve a cost sharing agreement with Procure America for conducting a comprehensive review of the City's telecommunications and utilities billings and finding ongoing cost savings. The identified and confirmed annual savings are approximately \$115,000 for utilities (e.g., electric, gas, water) and \$150,000 for telecommunications. The annual cost sharing amount is calculated at fifty percent (50%) of the savings amount, which would be approximately \$57,500 for utilities and \$75,000 for telecommunications annually, for a period of three years.

23. PAYMENT OF BILLS: RESOLUTION NO. 21-74 APPROVING THE CITY WARRANT REGISTER OF DEMANDS DATED AUGUST 10, 2021

Councilmember Jimenez motioned, seconded by Councilmember Melendez that the City Council adopt the proposed Resolution approving the Warrant Register dated August 10, 2021; motion carried unanimously.

24. APPROVE REFUND OF HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM (HSIP) GRANT FUNDS TO THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$51,248

This item was added to the agenda during "Corrections to the Agenda". It was motioned by Councilmember Melendez, seconded by Councilmember Jimenez to add the item; motion carried unanimously.

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

- 1) Approve a refund payment to the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) in the amount of \$51,248 for HSIP grant fund expenses deemed disallowed in the November 2020 Incurred Cost Audit; and
- 2) Amend the Fiscal Year 2021-22 adopted budget by increasing appropriations by \$51,248 in Account No. 100-30-330-7050 (General Fund, Public Works, Engineering, Miscellaneous Expense); and
- 3) Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Motion carried unanimously.

ORAL COMMUNICATIONS - CONTINUED IF NECESSARY

COUNCIL ORALS

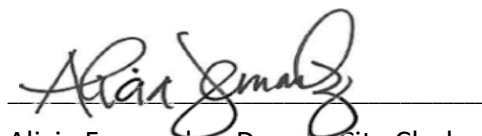
Council member announcements; requests for future agenda items; conference/meetings reports.

1. Councilmember Melendez – None
2. Councilmember Jimenez – None
3. Councilmember Peralta – None
4. Mayor Pro Tem Torres – None
5. Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne – None

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:43 pm., seconded by Councilmember Melendez; motion carried unanimously.

THE MINUTES OF AUGUST 11, 2021 ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 23RD DAY OF FEBRUARY 2022.



Alicia Fernandez, Deputy City Clerk

GENERAL COMMENTS

Guillen, Kimberly (Admin)

From: Julian Cepeda <j.cepeda1296@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2021 3:59 PM
To: comment, ccpublic
Subject: Public Comment 7/28

Dear Honorable Mayor and City Council:

The Rio Hondo Channel is a recreation space used for walking, running, and biking by people and pets of all ages. I have been sad to see the high amount of illegal dumping that happens there. I understand it is an ongoing battle, and that the city and the county have taken many steps to address issues there. Sadly, it is not enough. Trash is dumped daily, and clean up efforts offer only temporary relief.

That is why I am excited to see and participate in a resident-driven movement to clean up the area. I want to step up for my community where there is a need, and with the city's help volunteers can be empowered to take ownership and responsibility for keeping our own natural resources clean.

I understand that there are concerns about dangers in the area. They have been explained to me and I can see why there may be some hesitancy to endorse such a project. However, I believe with strict safety measures, rules, and guidelines, that volunteers can have a safe and fun experience while changing our community for the better.

Please vote in favor of directing the city to research liability coverage for a Rio Hondo Channel volunteer cleanup.

Sincerely,
Julian Cepeda

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Guillen, Kimberly (Admin)

From: Carlos Carrillo <Carlos.Carrillo.461773895@p2a.co>
Sent: Friday, July 30, 2021 8:26 AM
To: comment, ccpublic
Subject: New Legislation Undermines Local Control

Dear Local Elected Official,

I'm writing to make you aware of a proposal by the California state legislature which would significantly undermine local control.

In its current form, SB 12 imposes a series of new and burdensome regulations on businesses, threatens thousands of housing-related jobs, and would increase the already high cost of living in Southern California.

SB 12 creates more state oversight and regulations on new housing construction, jeopardizing Governor Newsom's 1.3 million homes for the Southern California region. At a time when the state is facing a housing crisis of historic proportions, SB 12 would only worsen the situation.

The homebuilding industry has presented reasonable amendments to SB 12, which need to be incorporated into the bill. As such, I would respectfully request that your local government ask Governor Newsom and your respective state legislative delegation members to oppose SB 12 unless these necessary amendments are included in the bill.

I appreciate your consideration and thank you for your efforts to help end California's housing crisis.

Regards,
Carlos Carrillo

*****Attached is a list of names that submitted the same comment.*****

General Comments - New Legislation

#	Name
1	Sherry Stephenson
2	Jana Van-Dyck
3	Lela Fernandez
4	Sheryl Sutterfield
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Guillen, Kimberly (Admin)

From: mde4peace <mde4peace@gmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 11, 2021 1:11 PM
To: comment, ccpublic
Subject: Public Comments to be read at Montebello City Council Meeting Wednesday, August 11, 2021

To: Montebello City Council, staff, commissioners et al.

From: Margot Eiser, concerned citizen, person, resident, taxpayer voter.

Please have these comments read out loud and put into the Public Record. Responses would be appreciated and useful.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

Good evening.

I don't know if you are aware of this, but Montebello has been officially designated as a park poor city! As far as an alleged housing shortage, it is quite obvious that there are already lots of people living in existing houses, apartments and condos complexes, though many are probably deliberately being left vacant for tax credit or investment. Instead of more condos, apartments or investment housing, we the people of Montebello should have more parks and open space to protect our health and meet our recreational needs and the needs of threatened and endangered species that live in the Hills and to counteract catastrophic climate change. This parkland /open green space deficit should be remedied now by YOU as our representatives using your powers for our benefit . You should immediately consult an unbiased outside attorney familiar with hazardous developments and environmental matters, to stop the oil field condo project at its current phase to find out how recent legislation could allow you to modify an agreement that doesn't consider a number of hazardous elements that weren't addressed significantly in the Environmental Impact Report. Addressing a different park/open space deficiency problem, PLEASE don't let more buildings be put on to OUR Golf Course!

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Guillen, Kimberly (Admin)

From: Michael W. Popoff <madrussian90640@yahoo.com>
Sent: Wednesday, August 11, 2021 2:55 PM
To: comment, ccpublic; Linda Strong
Subject: City Council Comments

Please read the following during the Public Comment section of tonight's city council meeting.

Hello Honorable Mayor, councilmembers and city staff.

I would like to call your attention to the fact that this city has a very large parkland deficit and a very large, dangerous, and costly to the city budget hilltop oilfield condo development pending. With all the new and upcoming legislation and rules changes in regards to the placement of residences close to operating oil and gas wells, I believe it is time for you to retain an outside unbiased land use attorney to see if all the substantial irregularities associated with Toll Brothers grading, wildlife killing and development in the hills give you any leverage to make the proposed oilfield condo development into something that might actually benefit the current residents of Montebello. With all the questionable and costly contracts made by the City Manager in the last year, it should be no problem to pay \$10,000 to get an expert second opinion on the largest development in Montebello history. Of course, that assumes that you have the best interests of Montebello residents as a priority. Your decision regarding this matter will show whether or not that is true. It may be possible to greatly increase the amount of open space parkland from the paltry 1% of the development area it currently envisions.

As far as I know, the issue of Environmental Justice has never been addressed in regards to any Montebello development, and it is high time that it was. The ability of moneyed, out of town interests to come into lower economic communities of color and ride roughshod over the needs of the residents to enrich corporations needs to be addressed, and this development is a great place to start.

Your truly, Michael W. Samarin-Popoff, 54+ year resident

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ITEM NO. 6 - Naming the Log Cabin

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To: comment, ccpublic
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**ITEM NO. 9 & 10 -
Appointments to Committees**

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**ITEM NO. 14 -
Ordinance No. 2442**

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parked on the designated day, I was told that parking enforcement is only done two days a week! Unless this is changed, there might be a problem enforcing the proposed new parking restrictions etc. Considering that revenue can be gained by issuing tickets in all locations in the city, it would be worth paying someone to be a full time employee who actually works to meet the needs of residents.

2) For best results, the decisions about location and content of signs should be made by a person or people who actually live in the City!!!!

Item 16:

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