



CITY OF MONTEBELLO REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2024 AT 6:00 PM

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

OPENING CEREMONIES

CALL TO ORDER - 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Peralta called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Members present were Mayor Peralta, Mayor Pro Tem Melendez, Councilmember Jimenez, Councilmember Tamayo, and Councilmember Torres. City Clerk Jimenez and City Treasurer Matanga were also present.

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman, City Manager Raul Alvarez, Assistant City Manager Arlene Salazar, Senior Deputy City Clerk Kimberly Guillen, Management Analyst Samantha Nevarez; Department Directors: Michael Solorza, Joseph Palombi, Cesar Roldan, David Sosnoski, Chief Pelaez and Chief Espinosa were present.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

City Attorney Alvarez-Glasman announced the Closed Session Item. He further stated that there was an item that came after the posting of the agenda that required immediate direction.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Melendez to add Closed Session Item 1b.; the motion was approved unanimously.

Item No. 1b.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

City of Montebello vs. Carl's Jr. Restaurants, LLC

Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. Case No. 2STCV44248

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

At this time, the public may submit a speaker card to the City Clerk staff for Closed Session items, prior to the beginning

of this statement. Speakers will be called in the order received. Please be aware that the maximum time allotted for members of the public to speak on Closed Session items shall not exceed three (3) minutes per person. State Law prohibits the City Council from taking action or entertaining extended discussion on a topic not listed on the agenda. Please show courtesy to others and direct all of your comments to the Mayor and City Council.

None.

CLOSED SESSION

The City Attorney shall provide a briefing on the item listed for Closed Session as follows:

Mayor Peralta recessed the meeting into Closed Session at 6:03 p.m. to consider the following Closed Session item and Item 1b:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

Navarro vs. City of Montebello, et al.

Case No. ADJ13310066, ADJ2613081, ADJ2548565, ADJ15539383, ADJ7472140, ADJ7964720, ADJ2654347, ADJ10708805, ADJ3507314, ADJ6779197, ADJ12495501, ADJ2613081, ADJ10708805, ADJ6773842

REGULAR SESSION - IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Mayor Peralta reconvened the meeting at 6:47 p.m.

All five members were present to discuss all Closed Session items. City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman provided the following report to the City Council: Item No. 1, a briefing was provided to City Council, no action was taken, and nothing further to report; Item No. 1b, the City Council unanimously accepted the settlement that was offered by Carl's Jr. to reimburse the City a total of \$170,000, for payments made on behalf of a worker's compensation matter and directed the City Manager to execute the Settlement Agreement.

INVOCATION

Led by City Clerk Jimenez

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Councilmember Torres.

CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA - CITY MANAGER

City Manager announced the following changes to the agenda:

Item No. 4 was moved to the following meeting.

Item No. 6 was pulled from the Consent Calendar for a presentation by the City Treasurer Matanga.

Mayor Peralta changed the order of the agenda to the following:

- *Presentations*
- *Public Comments*
- *Item No. 8 will be pulled from the Consent Calendar for Council discussion.*
- *Regular Business*
- *Consent Calendar*

CEREMONIAL ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS

2. CARE SOLACE PRESENTATION

Anita Ward, Chief Growth Officer from Care Solace, provided a presentation on the trends.

Councilmember Torres asked about the calls they'd received, noting that some were members residing in different zip codes. He further asked about advertising on Montebello Buses and including pamphlets.

Assistant City Manager Salazar stated that the City has not advertised on the buses but has advertised through other outlets. However, the City does anticipate creating additional advertising materials.

Councilmember Torres asked about the services that have been provided to individuals without insurance.

Chief Growth Officer Ward stated that the program connects those individuals with cost-beneficial providers.

3. FIRE ACADEMY AND ORIENTATION PINNING

Presented by Mayor Peralta and Fire Chief Pelaez.

4. RECOGNITION OF NEW POLICE DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEES

This Item was moved to a future meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS (30 MINUTES)

At this time, the public may submit speaker card(s) to the City Clerk staff, for both agenda and non-agenda items, prior to the beginning of this statement; Public Hearing items do not require a speaker card.

The City Council will address non-agenda items during this section and speakers will be called in the order received. Those persons not accommodated during this 30-minute period will have an opportunity to speak under "Public Comments – Continued", after all scheduled matters have been considered. **Public Hearing, Regular Business and/or Consent Calendar items will be addressed at the time that matter of business is heard, in the order received.**

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Mayor Peralta suggested decreasing the speakers' time to two minutes per individual to allow all speakers an opportunity to address the City Council. There were no objections from the Council to change the time.

The City Clerk's Office acknowledged twelve(12) members of the public wishing to address the City Council. Speakers were provided two minutes to address the City Council, and said speaker cards are on file at the City Clerk's office.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS ON ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

City Manager Alvarez introduced the new Public Works Director, Cesar Roldan. He also announced the upcoming Budget Workshops and invited the community to participate. Lastly, he announced the upcoming Traffic and Safety Commission Meeting.

REGULAR BUSINESS**5. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 24-05 SUPPORTING THE DESIGNATION OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE MARTYRS MONUMENT AS A CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL LANDMARK**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve Resolution No. 24-05 Supporting the Designation of the Armenian Genocide Martyrs Monument as a California State Historical Landmark; and
2. Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

Mayor Peralta reconvened the meeting at 8:47 p.m.

Director of Planning and Community Development Joe Palombi provided an overview of the item.

Councilmember Torres asked about the financial obligations for ADA access.

Director Palombi stated that there are no developmental changes to the site. Therefore, there were no financial obligations for ADA access.

Councilmember Jimenez motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Melendez, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine. Any items a member wishes to discuss, including any items the public submitted speaker cards for, should be designated at this time. All other items may be approved in a single motion. Such approval will also waive the reading of any Ordinance.

Item No. 6 was pulled for a presentation by the City Treasurer, and Item No. 8 was previously discussed and approved.

Mayor Peralta pulled Item Nos. 11 and 14.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Melendez, that Items No. 7, 9, 10, 12, 13, and 15-18 be approved; the motion passed unanimously.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Receive and file the Quarterly Treasurer's Report for the quarter ending December 31, 2023 (Second Quarter of Fiscal Year 2023-24).

City Treasurer Matanga provided a presentation of the item.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Councilmember Tamayo, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

7. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-01 APPROVING THE ADOPTION OF CALIFORNIA LABOR CODE SECTION 3363.5 EXTENDING THE CITY OF MONTEBELLO'S WORKERS' COMPENSATION PROGRAM TO VOLUNTEERS

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 24-01 Adopting California Labor Code Section 3363.5 Extending Coverage of Volunteers by the City of Montebello's Workers' Compensation Program.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Melendez, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

8. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 24-06 FOR AN IMMEDIATE CEASEFIRE IN GAZA

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider the adoption of Resolution No. 24-06 for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza; and
2. Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

The City Clerk's Office acknowledged seventeen (17) members of the public wishing to address the City Council. Speakers were provided two minutes to address the City Council, and said speaker cards are on file at the City Clerk's office.

The Council spoke in support of the Resolution.

Councilmember Torres requested that the Resolution be updated to reflect the current number of deaths from 24,000 to 25,000.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Mayor Peralta, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Peralta announced a recess at 8:42 p.m.

9. WAIVE THE SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2471 AMENDING MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 12.24 "CONDUCT IN PUBLIC PARKS"

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Waive the Second Reading and Adopt Ordinance No. 2471 (Attachment "A") to amend Municipal Code Chapter 12.24; and
2. Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Melendez, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

10. AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP 24-10) FOR MASTER PLAN AND DESIGN OF PARK AT THE MONTEBELLO MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize staff to issue a Request for Proposals (RFP 24-10) for Master Plan and Design of a Park at the Montebello Municipal Golf Course; and
2. Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Melendez, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

11. AWARD PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT NO. 4174 FOR GOLF COURSE MANAGEMENT AND MAINTENANCE SERVICES (RFP NO. 24-1) TO TROON GOLF

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Award Professional Services Agreement No. 4174 to Troon Golf for an amount not to exceed One Million Nine Hundred Forty-Six Thousand Four Hundred Seventy-Eight Dollars (\$1,946,478) for the initial year of a five-year (5-year) term for Golf Course Management, Maintenance and Operation Services at the Montebello Golf Course; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to take actions necessary to execute and finalize an agreement on behalf of the City of Montebello; and
3. Amend the Fiscal Year 2023-24 budget by increasing appropriations by a total of \$1,946,478 in Account No. 610-99-6040.10; and
4. Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

Mayor Peralta requested a presentation of the item.

Director of Parks and Community Services, David Sosnowski, provided an overview of the item.

Mayor Peralta motioned, seconded by Councilmember Jimenez, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

12. ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-07 AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (OES) EMERGENCY OPERATIONS CENTER (EOC) GRANT PROGRAM AGREEMENT

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 24-07 authorizing the City Manager to execute the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) Fiscal Year 2023 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant Program Application; and
2. Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Melendez, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

13. APPROVE SUBMISSION OF AN APPLICATION TO THE FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (FEMA) GRANT PROGRAMS DIRECTORATE (GPD) FISCAL YEAR 2023 ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTER GRANT PROGRAM (AFG)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve submission of a grant application to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Grant Programs Directorate (GPD) Fiscal Year 2023 Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Grant; and
2. Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Melendez, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

14. APPROVE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT PROPOSAL APPLICATION FOR THE LISTOS CALIFORNIA (LC) COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (CERT) SUPPORT GRANT PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE CALIFORNIA OFFICE OF EMERGENCY SERVICES (Cal-OES)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve the submission of a grant proposal application to the California Office of Emergency Services (Cal-OES) for the Listos California (LC) Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) Support Grant Program ; and
2. Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

Mayor Peralta requested a presentation of the item.

Fire Chief Pelaez provided an overview of the item.

Mayor Peralta motioned, seconded by Councilmember Jimenez, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

15. APPROVAL TO SUBMIT APPLICATION FOR THE CALIFORNIA INTERAGENCY COUNCIL ON HOMELESSNESS (CAL ICH) ENCAMPMENT RESOLUTION FUNDING PROGRAM ROUND 3, ROLLING APPLICATION (ERF-3-R)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve submission of a grant proposal for the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the California Interagency Council on Homelessness Encampment Resolution Funding Program, Round 3, Rolling Application (ERF-3-R); and
2. Take such additional, related action that may be desirable.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Melendez, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

16. WAIVE THE SECOND READING AND ADOPT ORDINANCE NO. 2473 AMENDING CHAPTER 2.44 "TRAFFIC AND SAFETY COMMISSION" OF THE MONTEBELLO MUNICIPAL CODE TO UPDATE AND DEFINE THE ROLES, DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF COMMISSION MEMBERS

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Waive the Second and Adopt Ordinance No. 2473 amending Chapter 2.44 "Traffic and Safety Commission" of the Montebello Municipal Code to update and define the roles, duties, and responsibilities of commission members; and
2. Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Melendez, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

17. AWARD A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR ADMINISTRATION OF HOME/CDBG PROGRAMS (RFP NO. 24-4)

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Award a Professional Services Agreement to Advanced AVANT-GARDE Corporation ("Avant Garde") in an amount not-to-exceed \$276,760 over the course of a two (2) year term for Professional Support Services for the Administration of HOME/CDBG Programs; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute the proposed Professional Services Agreement with Advanced AVANT-GARDE Corporation; and
3. Take such additional, related, action that may be desirable.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Melendez, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

18. PAYMENT OF BILLS: ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 24-04 APPROVING THE CITY WARRANT REGISTER OF DEMANDS DATED JANUARY 24, 2024

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt Resolution No. 24-04 approving the Warrant Register dated January 24, 2024.

Councilmember Torres motioned, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Melendez, to approve the item; the motion passed unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS - CONTINUED

AB 1234 TRAVEL REPORTS

Members will provide a brief report on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency as required by Government Code Section 53232.3(d).

Mayor Peralta stated that she attended the US Mayors Conference and had the opportunity to speak to Mayors from across the nation to discuss similar issues that other communities are facing.

COUNCIL/AGENCY ORALS

Announcements and requests for future agenda items.

- **Angie M. Jimenez, Councilmember**

- **Georgina Tamayo, Councilmember**

- **David N. Torres, Councilmember**

- **Salvador Melendez, Mayor Pro Tem**

- **Scarlet Peralta, Mayor**

CLOSED SESSION - CONTINUED

ADJOURNMENT

The City of Montebello will adjourn to the next **Regular Meeting on February 14, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.**, which can be live-streamed at <https://www.montebellocal.gov> (Click on Live Stream).

I, Kimberly Guillen, Senior Deputy City Clerk for the City of Montebello, hereby certify that a copy of this agenda has been posted on or before **Sunday, January 21, 2024, no later than 6:00 p.m.**



Kimberly Guillen, Senior Deputy City Clerk

Mayor Peralta asked for a moment of silence for Dora Baca Haro.

Mayor Pro Tem Melendez motioned, seconded by Councilmember Jimenez, to adjourn the meeting at 9:16 p.m.

THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 24, 2024, ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 28TH DAY OF FEBRUARY 2024.

EXHIBIT - CITY OF MONTEBELLO FORECASTED AGENDA

Please note, the attached exhibit is a draft version that is to be used for reference purposes only; agenda items, information, and dates are subject to change. The exhibit will be placed at the end of the Agenda Packet.

• **CITY OF MONTEBELLO FORECASTED AGENDA**

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. 1



SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT:

Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☒

AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC:

Library

MEETING DATE:

1/24/24

TIME RECEIVED:

5:58pm

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME:

Fiona Reimers

PHONE:

(Optional)

ADDRESS:

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED:

Chet Holifield (Optional)

NOTES:

ACCOMMODATIONS:

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐

Language:

RECEIVED BY STAFF:

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. 2



SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT: Closed Session ☐ Non-Agenda Item ☒ AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Opposed ☐ In Support ☒ Neutral ☐ TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24/24 **TIME RECEIVED:** 6pm

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Tina Guizar **PHONE:** _____
(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. _____



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Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☒

AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE:

01-24-2024

TIME RECEIVED:

6:01

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME:

Rosa Tamayo

PHONE

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No.



SPEAKER CARD

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Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☒

AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE:

1/24

TIME RECEIVED:

5:50

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME:

Raul Hurtado

PHONE: _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No.

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Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☒

AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE:

1/24/24

TIME RECEIVED: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME:

BRIAN CITE

PHONE: _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No.



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TYPE OF COMMENT:

Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☒

AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE:

1/24/24

TIME RECEIVED: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME:

PATRICK CITEE

PHONE: _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No.



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TYPE OF COMMENT: Closed Session ☐

~~Non-Agenda Item~~ ☒

AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24/24

TIME RECEIVED: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: DUDLEY CHIE

PHONE: _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. 8



SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT: Closed Session ☐ Non-Agenda Item ☒ **AGENDA ITEM NO.** _____

Opposed ☐ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ **TOPIC:** _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24/24 **TIME RECEIVED:** _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: MICHAEL CITEE **PHONE:** _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: _____

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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. _____

Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE:

1/24/24

TIME RECEIVED:

6:27

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME:

Joella Valdez

PHONE: _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: _____

PLEASE NOTE: A SEPARATE CARD MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH ITEM

CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. 10



SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT: Closed Session ☐ Non-Agenda Item ☒ **AGENDA ITEM NO.** _____

Opposed ☐ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ **TOPIC:** _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24 **TIME RECEIVED:** 6:58

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: ANNA JURADO **PHONE:** _____
(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ **Language:** _____

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. 11



SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT:

Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☒

AGENDA ITEM NO. _____

Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24

TIME RECEIVED: 6:58

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Linda Nicklas

PHONE: _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: _____

PLEASE NOTE: A SEPARATE CARD MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH ITEM

CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. 12



SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT: Closed Session ☐ Non-Agenda Item ☒ **AGENDA ITEM NO.** _____

Opposed ☐ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ **TOPIC:** _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24/24 **TIME RECEIVED:** 1901 6:59

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Bregory Gonzalez **PHONE:** _____

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ **Language:** _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: _____

PLEASE NOTE: A SEPARATE CARD MUST BE SUBMITTED FOR EACH ITEM



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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No.



SPEAKER CARD

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Non-Agenda Item ☐

AGENDA ITEM NO.

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Opposed ☐

In Support ☒

Neutral ☐

TOPIC:

MEETING DATE:

8/28/24

TIME RECEIVED:

5:50

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME:

Aaron Reveles

PHONE:

(Optional)

ADDRESS:

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED:

SELA for Palestine

NOTES:

ACCOMMODATIONS:

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language:

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Opposed ☐ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ **TOPIC:** _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24/2024 **TIME RECEIVED:** 5:57 PM

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Abraham Coutin **PHONE:** _____
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ADDRESS: _____
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ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

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Non-Agenda Item ☐

AGENDA ITEM NO.

(8)

Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC:

Ceasefire Resolution

MEETING DATE:

1/24/24

TIME RECEIVED:

6:10

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME:

George Habash

PHONE:

(Optional)

ADDRESS:

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED:

NOTES:

ACCOMMODATIONS:

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language:

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Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☐

AGENDA ITEM NO. (8)

Opposed ☐

In Support ☒

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: Ceasefire Now

MEETING DATE: 1/24/24

TIME RECEIVED: 6:22

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Amy Tannerbaum

PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: Jewish Voice for Peace LA

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

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Non-Agenda Item ☐

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Opposed ☐

In Support ☒

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24/24

TIME RECEIVED: 6:23

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Nenile Roratan

PHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

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Opposed ☐ In Support ☒ Neutral ☐ **TOPIC:** Cease Fire

MEETING DATE: 1/29/24 **TIME RECEIVED:** 6:24

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: FERNANDO DECERRA-RIOS

PHONE: _____
(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☒ Yes ☐ **Language:** English

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AGENDA ITEM NO.

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Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC:

MEETING DATE:

1/24/24

TIME RECEIVED:

6:27

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME:

Joella Valdez

PHONE:

(Optional)

ADDRESS:

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED:

NOTES:

ACCOMMODATIONS:

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language:

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Opposed ☐

In Support ☒

Neutral ☐

TOPIC:

Amelia Wade Closed

MEETING DATE:

1/24/24

TIME RECEIVED:

6:30

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME:

Amelia Wade

PHONE:

ADDRESS:

[Redacted Address]

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED:

NOTES:

ACCOMMODATIONS:

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language:

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Non-Agenda Item ☐

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Opposed ☐

In Support ☒

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24

TIME RECEIVED: 6:31

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: ABIGAIL KUHN

PHONE: _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

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TYPE OF COMMENT: Closed Session ☐ Non-Agenda Item ☐ **AGENDA ITEM NO.** 8

Opposed ☐ In Support ☒ Neutral ☐ **TOPIC:** Classroom

MEETING DATE: 12-12-24 **TIME RECEIVED:** 6:36

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Ryta Hamida **PHONE:** _____
(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: Latino Muslim Unity

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

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SPEAKER CARD

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Opposed ☐ In Support ☒ Neutral ☐ **TOPIC:** _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24 **TIME RECEIVED:** 1:00

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: NASSER HAMIDAH **PHONE:** _____

ADDRESS: _____ (Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☒ Yes ☐ **Language:** _____

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Request No. 12



SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT: Closed Session ☐ Non-Agenda Item ☐ AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Opposed ☐ In Support ☒ Neutral ☐ TOPIC: Cease Fire

MEETING DATE: 1/24/2024 TIME RECEIVED: 1:01

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Christine Rodriguez PHONE: 141

ADDRESS: [REDACTED] (Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: Economic Benefits

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☒ Yes ☐ Language: _____

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Request No. 13



SPEAKER CARD

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Opposed ☐ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ **TOPIC:** _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24/24 **TIME RECEIVED:** 7:24

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Andre Sanchez **PHONE:** _____
(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: _____

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Request No. 9/18/14



SPEAKER CARD

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Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☐

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8

Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24/24

TIME RECEIVED: 7:26

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Sameera Saba

PHONE: _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: _____

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Request No.



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Opposed ☐ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ **TOPIC:** _____

MEETING DATE: 1/24 **TIME RECEIVED:** 1:25

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Cessofire Now - **PHONE:** _____

Anonymous

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ **Language:** _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: _____

Beginning Ukelele for Teens



Wednesdays, Jan 31, Feb 14, 28, Mar 13, 27, 2024, 4 - 5 pm

Impress your friends with newfound ukelele skills. Learn three easy chords and master a handful of songs in a relaxing environment along with other beginners. All equipment will be provided.

Attendance is limited and advance registration is required. To sign up, see library staff, or register online at **Visit.LACountyLibrary.org/Events** and filter by location or event date.

For ages 13 - 18

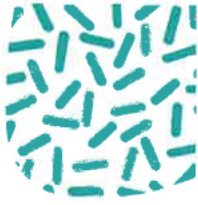
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Teen Advisory Board (TAB)



Wednesday, February 7, 2024, 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Are you a teen interested in making a difference in your library and community? Join the Teen Advisory Board! You will have the opportunity to voice your opinion and provide suggestions for new programs and services, while working with teens that share your interests in the library, and helping the community. You can even earn community service hours while you have fun. New participants are always welcome--bring a friend!

Next, get creative and transform a mason jar into a work of art using household items and a bit of science.

For ages 13 - 18

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Library Lovers' Day Celebration



Monday, February 12, 2024, 2 - 4 pm

Did you know February 12th is Library Lovers' Day? Celebrate by listening to a story and creating pinwheels, bookmarks, and more with upcycled book covers. All participants will go home with a free book.

For ages 5 - 12

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All-Abilities Art with Claudia Hindu



Thursday, February 15, 2024, 10:30 - 11:30 am

Anyone can create art! In this all-abilities program, Claudia Hindu will teach you how to create your own masterpiece with acrylic and canvas.

Attendance is limited and advance registration is required. To sign up, see library staff, or register online at **Visit.LACountyLibrary.org/Events** and filter by location or event date.

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FREE Vaccine Clinics

LA County Department of Public Health is partnering with LA County Library to provide FREE flu vaccinations and the updated 2023-24 COVID-19 vaccine. Health insurance is not required but will be requested if insured.



Friday, February 23, 1 - 3 pm
Chet Holifield Library
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Montebello, CA 90640



- Make an appointment online at your preferred library location to avoid longer wait times. Appointments are available on myturn.ca.gov. Search by zip code.
- Vaccine clinics are open for walk-ins. Vaccines available while supplies last. Vaccine brands are subject to availability, and we are unable to guarantee them at this time.
- The updated 2023-24 COVID-19 vaccine is available to all persons 6 months of age and over. LA County Department of Public Health recommends flu vaccinations for all persons 6 months of age and older, including healthy children and adults.

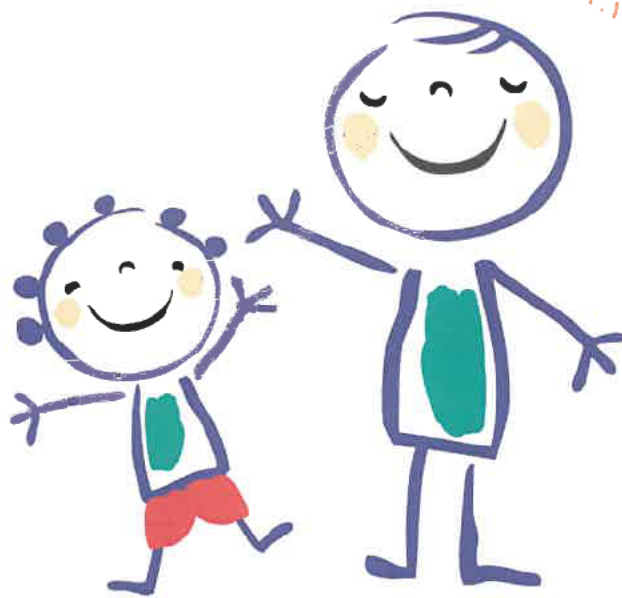
For more info on vaccines, please visit: publichealth.lacounty.gov/vaccines

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SMARTY PANTS Storytime

Tuesday, January 30 - March 5, 2024, 5 - 5:30 pm

Let's get ready for school! Enjoy books, songs, rhymes, and movement while learning school readiness skills and having fun. For ages 2 – 5 with their parent or caregiver.

Attendance is limited and advance registration is required. To sign up, see library staff, or register online at **Visit.LACountyLibrary.org/Events** and filter by location or event date.

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Good evening

Mayor, City council and City staff

My name is Tina Guizar, and I come here today to talk about my dear friend Corporal Enrique Rojas. Two months ago, Enrique's family invited my family and I to attend his retirement send off which was to occur on Friday November 10th. Several of Enrique's family, relatives, friends and Officers who retired from the Montebello Police Department were to gather in front of the station to celebrate his 25 years working for the city. But not only were his friends, family and fellow officers going to be present, but his son who took military leave from Guam flew half way across the world to witness this momentous occasion. I was told this was a tradition the department has done to recognize and celebrate an officer and/or a police employee's retirement. I was told everyone would gather and at the end of the shift, dispatch would alert Officers of a special announcement and the dispatcher would relay Enrique's career accomplishments and assignments. I have seen many YouTube videos of such send offs. I was so

excited and privileged to be invited to witness this recognition send off for my friend Enrique. But the night before the event I received a phone call from Enrique's wife (Kathy) to inform me the Police Department would not be allowing the ceremony to play out. And what amazed me the most, was that it was the Police Chief Espinosa who cancelled the event!

Enrique Rojas has worked for this city for over 25 years, he had to retire due to an injury that he sustained on duty! Enrique worked as a patrol Officer, Detective and he was a Field Training Officer. Officers whom I met informed me, Enrique trained a quarter of the Officers who are currently working at Montebello PD. Many of those same Officers also had planned on attending the ceremony to show their respects and thank Enrique and his family for his service.

If this type of ceremony was Montebello PD tradition, how can the Chief Espinosa not allow it. How can the Leaders of this city allow for this to happen? Maybe you all were not aware of this planned event. But a few months ago and early

this month, all of you along with the Chief of Police celebrated the retirement of two police K9 dogs. The K9 dogs were here in the same council chambers and the dogs were recognized. I'm not against celebrating both dogs police career but ask your self, how can you all give a publicized ceremony to two animals and snub a human police officer, one who provided 25 years of service. HOW? I do not understand. Chief, how can you lead the police department with this kind of decision making. What can possibly be the reason for this debacle? I strongly believe the Chief discriminated against Enrique because he injured himself while on the job. To add, the Chief is from LAPD and is new to Montebello. How does he just stop the police department traditions. The way Enrique was treated was a disgrace and this shows the lack of respect the chief has for his Officers. I don't think there is anything that can be done to make up for what this chief has done. How do you make up for it? For all of Enrique's family and friend's to be invited and celebrate his retirement and to be told the night before that it was cancelled.

And just to remind you again Chief Espinosa, his son took military leave just to be able to witness this

special occasion that they spoke of for years and you just took it without any justification. That is something that they will never get back. He sacrificed so much for this city and his family for almost 30 years and for you to cancel his send off. All he wanted was just 30 seconds of radio air time that's it!!! You of all people should know Police Officers across the nation work their whole careers to be able to experience this! I pray no other Police Officer in the future gets treated this way. Chief Espinosa you should be ashamed of yourself.

Mayor and council you should also know that there's been 5 other police officers whom have recently retired and were never recognized for their dedication for years of service to this city. You should hold Chief Espinosa accountable for his actions!

Thank you for your time and Good night!

My name is Dudley Chee. Michael Chee is my oldest son. I have four sons. One of them and my grandsons live here in Montebello. I have had the pleasure of celebrating many celebrations and milestones with my family in Montebello. I am also a veteran of the US Army, serving as a paratrooper in the 82nd Airborne Division. Although retired, I was a lifelong union man and supporter as member of Glaziers and Glassworker Local 636.

On the morning of March 21, 2023, Michael's mother and my wife of more than 50 years passed away at home with me and my sons at her side. That same morning, Michael came to work here in Montebello to manage the news media and public attention regarding the tornado that struck the city. I watched him on the news that day and was very proud of the professionalism he displayed given the circumstances.

It's hard for me to understand why he was targeted and mistreated by the people in front of me. I raised him, I know who he is, and I know better than all of you that he is honorable and professional. I was even more disappointed to learn that as represented employee of the city, he was unceremoniously dismissed without cause. This kind of action was unconscionable in my working days, especially among union workers like me.

I am here to express my disappointment in the actions of this council. My grandsons were born, raised and schooled in this city and my family lives here. It is upsetting at my age to see such disturbing behavior and lack of respect. It is upsetting to see how unfairly and poorly my son has been treated. The city deserves better and I hope you all do better for its residents.

January 24, 2024

Good evening

I would ask this Council when you consider adopting the resolution for an immediate ceasefire in Gaza, please add the request for the release of over 102 innocent hostages. They have been held since October 17, 2023, with no information if they are still alive.

Regarding item 17 the services contract awarded to Avant Garde for Administration of Home/CDBG programs, was it put out to bid? If yes what was the date?

I am not sure if this Council is aware of a travel budget that was voted on by the previous city council members, limiting each council member to \$2,500.00 per year for travel and attendance of conferences.

When reporting your travel information please provide how much the total costs incurred were. Such as airfare, hotels, conference costs, and stipends received. Maybe in the future, it can be posted itemized on the city website.

During your trip, Madame Mayor neither you nor Torres last year should have attended the Elected Mayor conference held in Washington D.C.

The City of Montebello does not qualify for membership because our city mayor is not a voted position like in the cities of El Monte and Whittier.

The position of Mayor revolves every year and Pro tem then becomes mayor.

FYI neither Pro Tem Melendez when he was Mayor , nor former Mayor Cobos Cawthorne attended that conference and did not cost the city thousands of dollars. That is what responsible leadership does, not waste our taxpayer money on unnecessary conferences our city should not attend.