



CITY OF MONTEBELLO
REGULAR PARKS AND RECREATION MEETING

MINUTES

THURSDAY, JUNE 20, 2024 AT 5:30 P.M.

**CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1600 WEST BEVERLY BOULEVARD
MONTEBELLO, CALIFORNIA 90640**

OPENING CEREMONIES

CALL TO ORDER – Chairperson Santana called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL – Members present were Chairperson Santana, Vice Chairperson Olaf Luevano, Commissioner Carlin, Commissioner Takeyama, and Commissioner Jimenez.

STAFF PRESENT – Director of Recreation and Community Services David Sosnowski, Recreation Manager Veronica Ramirez, and Management Analyst Laurie Aguilar

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Commissioner Carlin

CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA – DIRECTOR – none.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – Staff acknowledged eleven (11) members of the public wishing to address the Parks and Recreation Commission. Speaker as provided three minutes to address the Commission, and said speaker cards are on file at the City Clerk's office.

NEW BUSINESS

1. ACUNA DOG PARK PRESENTATION

RECOMMENDATION: N/A

A representative from Mark Thomas & Company, the contracted vendor for architectural design of the proposed Acuna Park Dog Park, provided a project overview presentation to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

Commissioner Jimenz thanked residents for their input and asked about the consideration of other parks for the project and updated costs for the project. Commissioner Carlin asked about where funds for the project have been identified to come from.

CONSENT ITEM

2. **UTILITY BOX BEAUTIFICATION PROGRAM ARTWORK RECOMMENDATIONS**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission approve artwork recommendations made by the Arts & Culture Ad-Hoc Committee for the Utility Box Beautification Program.

Director David Sosnowski gave an overview of the program. Commissioner Jimenez expressed his excitement for the program and thanked those who made submissions. Commissioner Carlin thanked those who submitted artwork and made a motion to propose changing the program rule that requires artists to be Montebello residents and modify it to allow for all students who attend Montebello Unified School District.

Commissioner Carlin motioned to approve the item and modify the program rules, seconded by Commissioner Jimenez. The item was approved unanimously.

MINUTES

3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES: APRIL 18, 2024, REGULAR PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION MEETING**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the Parks and Recreation Commission approve said minutes as is.

Commissioner Calin motioned to approve the minutes, seconded by Commissioner Jimenez. The minutes were approved unanimously.

COMMISSION ORALS

1. **Chairperson Santana** – recognized recent City events, encouraged continued participation at Commission and City Council meetings, and congratulated 2024 graduates.
2. **Vice Chairperson Luevano** – thanked meeting participants and encouraged continued participation.
3. **Commissioner Carlin** – recognized importance of civic engagement, encouraged continued participation,
4. **Commissioner Takeyama** – recognized importance of dialogue and participation, encouraged more inclusive programming.
5. **Commissioner Jimenez** – recognized importance of civic engagement, thanked participants, and requested to adjourn the meeting in honor and memory of Rolando Walter, owner of the Montebello Barnyard Zoo.

STAFF ORALS

Recreation Manager Veronica Ramirez shared upcoming programs and events including Independence Day Spectacular, Downtown Street Fest, Aquatics program, USDA Summer Lunch Program, and Summer Camp. Director David Sosnowski provided updates about Measure A Annual Allocation projects.

ADJOURNMENT

Commissioner Jimenez motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Commissioner Takeyama. The motion was carried unanimously and the meeting was adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

THE MINUTES OF JUNE 20, 2024 ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 17th DAY OF OCTOBER 2024.



Laurie Aguilar, Management Analyst

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CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No.

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SPEAKER CARD

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

Opposed ☐ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 6/20/24 TIME RECEIVED: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Antonio Salang PHONE: _____
(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: Institute for Public Strategies
(Optional)

NOTES: Smoke Free Outdoor Areas

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☒ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: Laurie Aguilar

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

CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No.

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SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT: Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☐

AGENDA ITEM NO.

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Opposed ☐

In Support ☒

Neutral ☐

TOPIC:

MEETING DATE:

06/20/24

TIME RECEIVED:

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME:

JOSE Luis Lara Jr

PHONE:

323 803 8622
(Optional)

ADDRESS:

1428 Beach St

MTB CA
(Optional)

90640

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED:

NOTES:

ACCOMMODATIONS:

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language:

RECEIVED BY STAFF:

Laurie Aguilar

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Request No. 3



SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT: Closed Session ☐ Non-Agenda Item ☐ AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Opposed ☒ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 6/20/24 TIME RECEIVED: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Susan Karapetian PHONE: 323 947 7905

ADDRESS: 632 N 18TH ST Montebello Ca 90640
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: Dog Park

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: Laurie Aguirre

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Request No. 4



SPEAKER CARD

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Opposed ☐ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 6/20/24 TIME RECEIVED: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Will Cervantes PHONE: _____
(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: Laurie Aguilar

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Request No. 5



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Opposed ☐ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 6/20/24 TIME RECEIVED: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Tila Gregorian PHONE: _____
(Optional)

ADDRESS: on file _____
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: Laune Aguilar

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Request No. 6



SPEAKER CARD

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

Opposed ☐ In Support ☒ Neutral ☐ TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 06/20/2024 TIME RECEIVED: 5:30 pm

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Sally Hawkrige

PHONE: 310 721 0132
(Optional)

ADDRESS: 585 Hay St Montebello CA 90640
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☒ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: Laine Aguilar

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

CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. 7



SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT: Closed Session ☐ Non-Agenda Item ☐ **AGENDA ITEM NO.** 1

Opposed ☐ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ **TOPIC:** Doc Park

MEETING DATE: 06/20/24 **TIME RECEIVED:** 5:25pm

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Joel Alvarez **PHONE:** (323) 359-3279
(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____
(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: Laurie Aguilar

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

CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. 8



SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT: Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☐

AGENDA ITEM NO. Dog Park

Opposed ☐ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 6/20/24

TIME RECEIVED: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Anna B. Jurado

PHONE: _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: Lanie Aguirre

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

CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No.

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SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT: Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☐

AGENDA ITEM NO.

DOG
Park

Opposed ☐ In Support ☐ Neutral ☐ TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 6/20/24

TIME RECEIVED: _____

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Linda Nicklas

PHONE: _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: Laurie Aguirre

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Request No. 10



SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT:

Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☐

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 6/20/24

TIME RECEIVED: 5:24

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Julie Puente

PHONE: 626 318-7149

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: Laurie Aguilar

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

CITY OF MONTEBELLO

Request No. 11



SPEAKER CARD

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TYPE OF COMMENT:

Closed Session ☐

Non-Agenda Item ☐

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1

Opposed ☐

In Support ☐

Neutral ☐

TOPIC: _____

MEETING DATE: 10/20/24

TIME RECEIVED: 5:59

SPEAKER'S FULL NAME: Darlene Alcala

PHONE: _____

(Optional)

ADDRESS: _____

(Optional)

ORGANIZATION REPRESENTED: _____

NOTES: _____

ACCOMMODATIONS: _____

TRANSLATION NEEDED: No ☐ Yes ☐ Language: _____

RECEIVED BY STAFF: Louise Aguilar