



CITY OF MONTEBELLO REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2025 AT 6:00 PM

**QUIET CANNON
901 VIA SAN CLEMENTE
MONTEBELLO, CALIFORNIA**

OPENING CEREMONIES

CALL TO ORDER - 6:00 P.M.

Mayor Melendez called the meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

ROLL CALL

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

City Attorney Arnold Alvarez-Glasman, City Manager Raul Alvarez, Assistant City Manager Angelica Palmeros, Management Analyst Samantha Nevarez, and Department Directors Kimberly Guillen, Michael Solorza, Joseph Palombi, Ramon Figueroa, John Soria, David Sosnowski, Cesar Roldan, Fire Chief Pelaez, and Police Chief Lopez were present.

CLOSED SESSION - NONE

REGULAR SESSION - IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION

INVOCATION

Led by City Clerk Jimenez.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by City Treasurer Matanga.

CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA - CITY MANAGER

None.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS/PRESENTATIONS

1. PRESENTATION TO AND COMMENTS BY OUTGOING MAYOR SALVADOR MELENDEZ

Mayor Pro Tem Tamayo thanked Mayor Melendez for his dedication and presented him with gifts. She then invited the following dignitaries and Councilmembers from the surrounding cities to present Certificates of Recognition to outgoing Mayor Melendez:

- Senator Bob Archuleta
- Office of US Congresswoman Linda Sanchez - District Director Griselda Ortiz
- Office of Supervisor Hilda Solis - Field Deputy Maria Ponce and District Director Antonio Chapa
- City of Monterey Park - Councilmember, Jose Sanchez
- Mayor Hector Sosa and Councilmember Horacio Ortiz from the City of Downey
- Montebello Chamber of Commerce - Executive Director Adriana Dugan
- President Zachary Humber, Vice President Rodriguez, and Vice President Carbajal with the Montebello Firefighters Association
- Montebello Fire Chief Fernando Pelaez

Mayor Pro Tem Tamayo recognized certificates from neighboring cities that were not in attendance: the City Council from the City of Commerce and the Superintendent's Office from the Montebello Unified School District.

Mayor Pro Tem Tamayo recognized several Commissioners in attendance. She also recognized Montebello reporter and Rotary Club President-Elect, Sarkis.

Mayor Melendez thanked Mayor Pro Tem Tamayo for the presentations and the guests in attendance. He further thanked the community, community stakeholders, the City Council, and City Staff.

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.**

Please be aware that the maximum time allotted for members of the public to speak shall not exceed three (3) minutes per speaker. 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.

The City Clerk's Office acknowledged 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 the speaker's card is on file at the City Clerk's office.

STAFF COMMUNICATIONS ON ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

None.

REGULAR BUSINESS**2. CITY COUNCIL SELECTION OF MAYOR AND MAYOR PRO TEMPORE POSITIONS UNDER MONTEBELLO MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 2.08.010, "REORGANIZATION"**

RECOMMENDATION: It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Move to designate one of its members as Mayor and Mayor Pro Tempore as called for in Section 2.08.010 of the Montebello Municipal Code.

Mayor Melendez requested nominations for the position of Mayor. Councilmember Romero nominated Mayor Pro Tem Georgina Tamayo for Mayor; the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Tamayo accepted the role of Mayor and expressed her gratitude for the opportunity.

Mayor Tamayo requested nominations for the position of Mayor Pro Tem. Councilmember Peralta nominated Councilmember Danielle Romero for Mayor Pro Tem; the motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Pro Tem Romero accepted the role and expressed heartfelt thanks to her colleagues for selecting her.

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).

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The City of Montebello will adjourn to the next **Regular Meeting on January 14, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.**, which can be live-streamed at <https://www.montebellocal.gov> (Click on Live Stream).

I, Kimberly Guillen, Director of City Clerk Services for the City of Montebello, hereby certify that a copy of this agenda has been posted on or before **Sunday, December 7, 2025, no later than 6:00 p.m.**



Kimberly Guillen, Director of City Clerk Services

Mayor Tamayo adjourned the meeting at 7:42 p.m.

THE MINUTES OF DECEMBER 9, 2026, ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON THIS 28TH DAY OF JANUARY 28, 2026.