

APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
EL MONTE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
OF MARCH 14, 2023

MEETING JOINTLY AND REGULARLY WITH THE EL MONTE HOUSING AUTHORITY; EL MONTE PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY; EL MONTE PARKING AUTHORITY; EL MONTE WATER AUTHORITY; SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE FORMER EL MONTE COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY; HOUSING SUCCESSOR AGENCY; AND, FROM TIME TO TIME, SUCH OTHER BODIES OF THE CITY WHOSE MEMBERSHIP IS COMPOSED EXCLUSIVELY OF THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE CITY COUNCIL

1. CALL TO ORDER: **6:06 p.m.**

2. ROLL CALL FOR CITY COUNCIL AND AUTHORITY BODIES:

Jessica Ancona, Mayor/Chair – **present**  
Martin Herrera, Mayor Pro Tem/Authority Member – **present**  
Marisol Cortez, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**  
Victoria Martinez Muela, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**  
Alma D. Puente, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**  
Richard Rojo, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**  
Julia Ruedas, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

**m) Councilmember Martinez Muela**  
**s) Councilmember Puente**

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4. CLOSED SESSION:

The City Council and the various legislative bodies whose membership is composed exclusively of the membership of the City Council will attempt to address and complete all Closed Session business between 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. In the event the City Council is unable to address or complete all agendized Closed Session items by 7:00 p.m., the City Council will hear all such remaining items toward the end of the meeting, immediately following Council Communications. Should any member of the public wish to address the City Council on any *agendized* Closed Session matter, the City Council shall allow such person to address the City Council on such matter(s) prior to going into Closed Session, provided that all persons wishing to address the Council on an agendized Closed Session matter shall (i) submit a speaker card in the manner prescribed in this agenda above, above, prior to the City Council going into closed session; and (ii) be subject to a single speaker time allotment of three (3) continuous minutes total per speaker to address the City Council on any or all closed session items of business.

**Mayor Ancona invited members of the public to address the City Council on Closed Session Item 4.1. Mayor Ancona and the City Council recessed into Closed Session at approximately 6:07 p.m. Mayor Ancona and the City Council reconvened from Closed Session at approximately 7:00 p.m.**

**Assistant City Attorney Lloyd Pilchen reported out of Closed Session with respect to Item 4.1.**

4.1 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 – Conference with Labor Negotiators.

Bargaining Units Subject to Negotiations: El Monte General Unit (SEIU Local 721); El Monte General Mid-Management Unit (SEIU Local 721); El Monte Police Officers Association; El Monte Police Mid-Manager's Association; and All Unrepresented Employees of City Executive Team.

City's Designated Negotiator: Alma Martinez, City Manager and Rigoberto Gutierrez, Acting Human Resources/Risk Management Director.

**No final reportable action taken.**

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OPEN SESSION PROCEEDINGS

(Commencing 6:00 p.m. as soon thereafter as the City Council reconvene from Closed Session/Short Recess).

5. INVOCATION: **Councilmember Martinez Muela.**

6. FLAG SALUTE: **Mayor Ancona.**

7. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT: **None**

This time has been set aside for members of the public to directly address the City Council on agenda items of business (other than those agenda items that are public hearing or closed session items). Each speaker will be limited to a single allotment of three (3) continuous minutes total to address the Council on any or all matters covered by this section. As explained more specifically under the Public Hearing portion of this agenda, members of the public wishing to offer comment on items of business agenda items under the Public Hearing portion of the agenda shall have a separate allotment of three (3) continuous minutes per speaker per public hearing item. Except as otherwise provided under the Brown Act (Gov. Code Section 54950 et seq.), the Council may not deliberate or take action upon any matter not listed on this posted agenda but may order that any such matter be placed on the agenda for a subsequent meeting. The Council may also direct staff to investigate certain matters for consideration at a future meeting. Persons wishing to address the Council on matters covered under General Public Comment shall submit a speaker card in the manner prescribed in this agenda, above, by or before the General Public Comment portion of the agenda is closed. The City Council shall be under no obligation to entertain comments from speakers who submit cards to speak on matters covered by the section after the General Public Comment portion of the agenda is closed.

8. REGULAR AGENDA:

8.1 A Strategic Study Session of the City Council.

8.2 Discussion and Action to Make Appointments of City Council Members to Ad Hoc Committees and Advisory Committees: Development, Fiscal and Parks, Recreation and Community Services

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Appoint three (3) members to the Standing Development Advisory Committee:

MEMBER: **Councilmember Rojo**

MEMBER: **Mayor Pro Tem Herrera**

MEMBER: **Councilmember Ruedas**

2. Appoint three (3) members to the Standing Fiscal Advisory Committee:

MEMBER: **Councilmember Martinez Muela**

MEMBER: **Councilmember Rojo**

MEMBER: **Councilmember Cortez**

3. Appoint three (3) members to the Standing Parks, Recreation and Community Services Advisory Committee:

MEMBER: **Councilmember Ruedas**

MEMBER: **Mayor Pro Tem Herrera**

MEMBER: **Councilmember Martinez Muela**

