

**CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JANUARY 10, 2023 - 6:00 PM**

1. ROLL CALL

Mayor Olmos called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM

PRESENT: Councilmember(s): Angel, Bojorquez (via zoom), Delgado, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta, and Mayor Olmos

STAFF PRESENT: Rene Salas, Interim City Manager; Christy Lopez, Assistant City Attorney; Masami Higa, Interim Finance Director; Guillermo Arreola, Planning Manager, and Paola Lara, Deputy City Clerk.

STAFF ABSENT: Anthony R. Taylor, City Attorney and Donna G. Schwartz, City Clerk.

Councilmember Bojorquez requested Council approve his attendance via zoom due to contracting Covid. Councilmember Bojorquez announced there were no adults present in the room.

A motion was made by Councilmember Delgado, seconded by Councilmember Angel to approve Councilmember Bojorquez' request to attend the meeting via zoom. Motion carried 4-0, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

Zoom was provided for the Public to participate during public comment via teleconference.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Councilmember Richard Angel led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. INVOCATION – Mayor Gloria Olmos offered the invocation.

4. PRESENTATIONS

- 4.a.** Mayor Olmos and City Council presented Plaques to the 2022 Holiday Home Decoration Contest Winners.
- 4.b.** City Council received a report from Interim Finance Director Masami Higa on Fiscal Year 2022-23 Mid-Year Budget Review.

Councilmember Delgado recommended to staff to review and update the City's fees for code enforcement and parking citations.

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND WAIVER OF FULL READING OF ORDINANCES

Mayor Olmos requested to continue items 9.b, 9.c. and 9.d. to a future meeting.

A motion was made by Mayor Olmos, seconded by Councilmember Angel to approve the agenda as amended with items 9.b., 9.c., and 9.d continued to a future meeting. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Bojorquez, Delgado, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Olmos opened public comment.

- 1. Cindy Wu, Mountain View School District Board Member, thanked the City for hosting the first Lunar New Year celebration scheduled for January 18, 2023.

There being no further comment, Mayor Olmos closed public comment.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Councilmember Angel, seconded by Councilmember Delgado to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Bojorquez, Delgado, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

- 7.a.** Approved the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of December 13, 2022.

- 7.b.** Adopted Resolution No. 23-01, authorizing payment of City expenditures for the period of December 14, 2022, through January 10, 2023, totaling \$1,117,364.96.

- 7.c. Adopted Resolution No. 23-02, awarding a professional services agreement to Bucknam Infrastructure Group, Inc. for the Pavement Management Program (PMP) Update in the amount of \$24,890.00; approved \$24,890.00 in Prop C Funds for the requested services; and authorized Interim City Manager or designee to negotiate and execute the agreement.
- 7.d. Adopted Resolution No. 23-03, approving the appointment and temporary employment of Martha Castillo as the City's Interim Human Resources/Risk Manager.
- 7.e. Adopted Resolution No. 23-04, calling for a public hearing on February 14, 2023, to identify nonprofit organizations readily available to provide services for public transportation projects under the Federal Transit Administration section 5310 Enhanced Mobility of Seniors and Individuals with Disabilities Program.
- 7.f. Approved an RFP for design services for South El Monte Safe Routes to School Pedestrian Safety Project, ATP Cycle 5 Project and authorize staff to solicit proposals.
- 7.g. Adopted Resolution No. 23-05, approving the part-time employee salary schedule.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

9.a. SELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Acosta, seconded by Councilmember Delgado to nominate Councilmember Angel as Mayor Pro Tem.

Councilmember Rudy Bojorquez requested the motion be reconsidered to nominate Councilmember Delgado as Mayor Pro Tem. Assistant City Attorney Christy Lopez announced Councilmember Bojorquez can make a competing motion and City Council can vote on the competing motion if the first motion does not pass.

Councilmember Delgado called for the question on the motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Acosta.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Acosta, seconded by Councilmember Delgado to nominate Councilmember Angel as Mayor Pro Tem. Motion passed 4-1, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Acosta, Angel, Delgado, and Mayor Olmos
NAYS: Councilmember(s): Bojorquez

9.b. APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSIONERS

Item 9.b. was continued to a future City Council meeting under approval of agenda.

9.c. APPOINTMENT OF PATRIOTIC COMMISSIONERS

Item 9.c. was continued to a future City Council meeting under approval of agenda.

9.d. APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING COMMISSIONERS

Item 9.d. was continued to a future City Council meeting under approval of agenda.

9.e. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE NO. 1262, ESTABLISHING A COMMISSION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AND GIRLS AND ADDING CHAPTER 2.50, "COMMISSION FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF WOMEN AND GIRLS," UNDER TITLE 2, "ADMINISTRATION AND PERSONNEL" TO THE SOUTH EL MONTE MUNICIPAL CODE

Mayor Olmos announced the item.

A motion was made by Councilmember Delgado, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Angel to waive first reading and introduce Ordinance No. 1262, Establishing a Commission for the Advancement of Women and Girls and Adding Chapter 2.50, "Commission for the Advancement of Women and Girls," under Title 2 "Administration and Personnel" and set for adoption at the next regular city council meeting. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Acosta, Bojorquez, Delgado, Mayor Pro Tem
Angel and Mayor Olmos
NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

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9.f. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF URGENCY ORDINANCE NO. 1263, ESTABLISHING A 45-DAY TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OR EXPANSION OF CAR WASHES WITHIN CITY LIMITS DURING THE PENDENCY OF THE CITY'S REVIEW AND ADOPTION OF PERMANENT ZONING REGULATIONS FOR SUCH USES

Mayor Olmos announced the item and Planning Manager Guillermo Arreola presented the staff report.

A motion was made by Councilmember Delgado, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Angel to waive further reading, and adopt Urgency Ordinance No. 1263, Establishing a 45-day temporary moratorium on the establishment or expansion of car washes within City limits during the pendency of the City's review and adoption of zoning regulations for such uses; and authorize Interim City Manager to direct the Planning Division and Planning Commission review the development standards for Car Washes, and survey development standards for Car Washes in other cities. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Acosta, Bojorquez, Delgado, Mayor Pro Tem
Angel and Mayor Olmos
NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS

Councilmember Acosta announced his attendance at the South El Monte Community Outreach Angel Tree event, City's Annual Santa Sleigh event, Senior Center's Christmas and New Years Eve Luncheons, and City's Annual Christmas Wish Toy Giveaway.

Councilmember Delgado announced his attendance and the Senior Center's Christmas Luncheon, and El Monte/South El Monte Emergency Resources Christmas Basket Drive.

Mayor Pro Tem Angel announced his attendance at the South El Monte Community Outreach Angel Tree event, Senior Center's Christmas and New Years Eve Luncheons, and City's Annual Santa Sleigh event.

Councilmember Bojorquez announced his attendance at the City's Swearing in Ceremony, Planning Commission meeting, City's Annual Christmas Wish Toy Giveaway, Senior Center's Christmas and New Years Eve Luncheons, El Monte/South El Monte Chamber of Commerce Lunch, Sheriff Robert Luna Meet & Greet, and meeting with Townsend Public Affairs for Merced Project.

Mayor Olmos announced her attendance at the City's Annual Christmas Wish Toy Giveaway, City's Annual Santa Sleigh event, San Gabriel Valley Council of Government's Christmas Luncheon, El Monte/South El Monte Chamber of Commerce Luncheon, virtually attended the Planning Commission meeting, and announced SEACCA has adoption opportunities.

11. CORRESPONDENCE

11.a. LETTER FROM THE MONTEBELLO BREWERS BASEBALL CORPORATION REQUESTING A LONG TERM RESERVATION, APPROVAL TO HOST TWO BASEBALL TOURNAMENTS, AND FEE WAIVER FOR THE USE OF FIELDS AT NEW TEMPLE AND SHIVELY PARK

Mayor Olmos announced the item and Interim City Manager Rene Salas presented the staff report.

City Council entered into a discussion with regard to approving the fee waiver in whole or in part.

Mayor Pro Tem Angel made a motion, seconded by Councilmember Delgado to approve the request by the Brewers for a long-term reservation, and approval to host two (2) baseball tournaments and a fee waiver in the total amount of \$61,150.00.

A second motion was made by Councilmember Bojorquez, seconded by Mayor Olmos to approve the request by the Brewers for a long-term reservation, and approval to host two (2) baseball tournaments and suggested waiving half the fee in the amount of \$30,575.00. Motion failed 2-3, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Bojorquez and Mayor Olmos
NAYS: Councilmember(s): Acosta, Delgado, Mayor Pro Tem Angel

City Council voted on the first motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Angel, seconded by Councilmember Delgado to approve request by the Brewers for a long-term reservation, and approval to host two (2) baseball tournaments and a fee waiver in the total amount of \$61,150.00. Motion passed 4-1, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Acosta, Angel, Delgado, and Mayor Olmos
NAYS: Councilmember(s): Bojorquez

12. COUNCILMEMBERS' AGENDA - None

13. CLOSED SESSION

At 7:12 p.m. City Council recessed into closed session.

13.a. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)

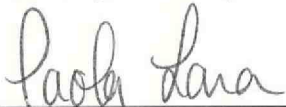
Title: Interim City Manager

At 7:52 p.m. Mayor Olmos reconvened the meeting with all Councilmembers present.

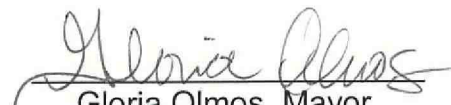
Assistant City Attorney Christy Lopez, announced City Council discussed item 13.a. No action taken, nothing to report.

14. ADJOURNMENT

At 7:53 p.m. Mayor Olmos adjourned the meeting in memory of Mrs. Linda Taylor, mother of City Attorney Anthony R. Taylor, Mr. Juan Castaneda, long-time resident, and Tina Bernard, long-time resident, to a Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 24, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

for 

Donna G. Schwartz, CMC, City Clerk



Gloria Olmos, Mayor