

Nydia Romero, Chair
Victor Montiel, Vice Chair
Blanca Figueroa, Commissioner
Abraham Flores Rojo, Commissioner
Naomi Lopez, Commissioner



Jayson Perez, Commission Secretary

CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE REGULAR MEETING OF THE SOUTH EL MONTE PATRIOTIC COMMISSION

AGENDA

October 22, 2025, 6:00 PM
1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, CA 91733

GENERAL COMMENT

Those wishing to participate during Public Comment may do so in person at the South El Monte City Hall Council Chambers, or may submit written public comments by emailing jperez@soelmonte.org. Emailed public comments are due by 5:00 p.m., and should be limited to no more than 250 words. Written public comments will be provided to the Patriotic Commission and will be part of the record but will not be read aloud.

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MEETINGS

The Patriotic Commission holds regular meetings on the fourth Wednesday of every month. Regular meetings start at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, California. Special and Adjourned Regular meetings start time are to be determined.

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Regular meeting agendas will be posted at least 72 hours before the meeting (GC 54954(a)(1)).

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ISSUES RELATED TO AGENDA

For issues related to the agenda, including a disability-related accommodation necessary to participate in this meeting, please contact:

Jayson Perez, Community Services Manager/Commission Secretary
Ph (626) 652-3109

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1. ROLL CALL

Commissioners: Figueroa, Flores Rojo, Lopez, Vice Chair Montiel, and Chair Romero

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Commissioner Figueroa

3. PRESENTATIONS

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

By motion of the Patriotic Commission, this is the time to notify the public of any changes to the agenda, remove items from the consent calendar for individual consideration and/or rearrange the order of the agenda.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers may provide public comments on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Patriotic Commission, including items on the agenda. Each speaker will be limited to five minutes. Unless a majority of the Commission objects, the Chair may provide speakers more or less time to speak. All comments or queries shall be addressed to the Commission as a body and not to any specific member thereof. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(2), the Ralph M. Brown Act, no action or discussion by the Patriotic Commission shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except to briefly provide information, ask for clarification, provide direction to staff, or schedule a matter for a future meeting.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the consent calendar are considered to be routine and customary and are enacted by a single motion with the exception of items previously pulled by a member of the Patriotic Commission during "Approval of the Agenda" for individual consideration. Any items pulled shall be individually considered immediately after taking action on the Consent Calendar.

6.a. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR PATRIOTIC COMMISSION MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2025.

Staff is requesting approval of the Minutes of the September 24, 2025, Patriotic Commission Meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff is requesting approval of the Minutes of the September 24, 2025, Patriotic Commission Meeting.

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.a. CONTINUED FROM THE SEPTEMBER 24, 2025, REGULAR PATRIOTIC COMMISSION MEETING — VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

The Patriotic Commission will review and discuss the report provided by staff summarizing the event details of the 2025 Veterans Day Ceremony.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the Patriotic Commission discuss and review the 2025 Veterans Day Ceremony report and program.

7.b. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PROPOSED DARK PATRIOTIC COMMISSION MEETING DATE FOR HOLIDAYS

Staff requests the Patriotic Commission consider “going dark” on the fourth Wednesday in November and December due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the Patriotic Commission approve going dark on Wednesday, November 26, 2025, and Wednesday, December 24, 2025, due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

8. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS

AB 1234, section 53232.3(d) requires Members of a legislative body to provide brief reports on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency (i.e., Conferences, seminars, training etc.) at the next regular meeting of the legislative body.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

10. COMMISSIONERS AGENDA

10.a. COMMISSIONER FIGUEROA

1. Discuss and consider raising funds to purchase and install a statue of a soldier in front of City Hall and draft a donation letter that can be distributed to local businesses for contributions to fund the project.

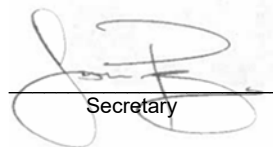
11. ADJOURNMENT

NEXT REGULAR PATRIOTIC COMMISSION MEETING:

Wednesday, November 26, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I, Jayson Perez, Secretary of the City of South El Monte Patriotic Commission, or my designee, hereby certify under penalty of perjury that a true, accurate copy of the foregoing agenda was posted on this DATE, 2025, seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting per Government Code 54954.2 at the following locations: City of South El Monte City Hall, Senior Center and Community Center and made available at www.cityofsouthelmonte.org.


Secretary



Commission Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 6.a.

DATE: October 22, 2025

TO: Honorable Chair and Members of the Patriotic Commission

FROM: Jayson Perez , Community Services Manager

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR PATRIOTIC COMMISSION MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 24, 2025.

SUMMARY: Staff is requesting approval of the Minutes of the September 24, 2025, Patriotic Commission Meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff is requesting approval of the Minutes of the September 24, 2025, Patriotic Commission Meeting.

FISCAL/FINANCIAL IMPACT: None.

DISCUSSION: None.

ATTACHMENT(S):

A. DRAFT September 24, 2025, Minutes

CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE
REGULAR PATRIOTIC COMMISSION MEETING – MINUTES
Wednesday, September 24, 2025 – 6:00 PM
1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, CA 91733

Chair Romero called the meeting to order at 6:04 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Commissioner(s): Figueroa, Flores Rojo, Lopez, Vice Chair Montiel, and Chair Romero

ABSENT: Commissioner(s): None

STAFF PRESENT: Jayson Perez, Community Services Manager, Elizabette Miranda Administrative Assistant, and Noelia Saucedo, Senior Recreation Leader

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Chair Romero led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PRESENTATION - None

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion by Vice Chair Montiel, seconded by Chair Romero to approve the agenda. Motion passed 5-0, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Figueroa, Flores Rojo, Lopez, Vice Chair Montiel, and Chair Romero

NAYS: Commissioner(s): None

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

Chair Romero opened Public Comment. There being none, Chair Romero closed Public Comment.

6. CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion by Vice Chair Montiel, seconded Commissioner Flores Rojo to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion Passed 5-0, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Figueroa, Flores Rojo, Lopez, Vice Chair Montiel, and Chair Romero

NAYS: Commissioner(s): None

7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7a. VETERANS DAY CEREMONY

Mr. Perez provided the Patriotic Commission with information regarding the Veterans Day Ceremony scheduled for Tuesday, November 11, 2025, and requested that the Commission nominate an additional veteran to be honored during the ceremony.

8. COMMISSIONERS REPORTS, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS

Commissioner Lopez announced she attended the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony.

Chair Montiel has nothing to report at this time.

Commissioner Flores Rojo announced he attended the September Night Market.

Chair Romero announced she attended the following: Active SGV Zumba fitness class, September Night Market, and the 9/11 Memorial Ceremony.

Commissioner Figueroa announced she attended the following: August Birthday Social, Grandparents Day Luncheon and Health Fair, Sheriff's Meet and Greet, Red Hat Social, Senior Center: Craft Class, 9/11 Memorial Ceremony, Mexican Independence Day Luncheon, and the Hispanic Heritage Social.

9. CORRESPONDENCE – None

10. COMMISSIONERS' AGENDA

10a. Commissioner Lopez

1. Consideration of establishing an application process to maintain parking permits to designated Veteran's parking stall.

Commissioner Lopez summarized her item and requested input from the Commission.

No action was taken on this item.

10b. Commissioner Figueroa

1. Consideration to publish the pictures and biography of one South El Monte veteran from each military branch: Army, Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Space Force.

Commissioner Figueroa summarized her item and requested input from the Commission.

Motion by Commissioner Figueroa, seconded by commissioner Flores Rojo to publish a photograph and biography of a South El Monte resident veteran in the City newsletter, contingent upon confirmation of an honorable discharge. Motion Passed **4-1**, by the following vote:

AYES: Commissioner(s): Figueroa, Flores Rojo, Vice Chair Montiel,
and Chair Romero
NAYS: Commissioner(s): Lopez

11. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:36 p.m. Chair Romero adjourned the meeting to a regular Patriotic Commission meeting on October 22, 2025, at 6:00 p.m.

Jayson Perez, Community Services Manager

Nydia Romero, Chair

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Commission Agenda Report Agenda Item No. 7.a.

DATE: October 22, 2025

TO: Honorable Chair and Members of the Patriotic Commission

FROM: Jayson Perez , Community Services Manager

SUBJECT: **CONTINUED FROM THE SEPTEMBER 24, 2025, REGULAR PATRIOTIC COMMISSION MEETING — VETERANS DAY CEREMONY**

SUMMARY: The Patriotic Commission will review and discuss the report provided by staff summarizing the event details of the 2025 Veterans Day Ceremony.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the Patriotic Commission discuss and review the 2025 Veterans Day Ceremony report and program.

FISCAL/FINANCIAL IMPACT: None

DISCUSSION: The Veterans Day Ceremony is scheduled for Tuesday, November 11, 2025, and will be held on the City Hall front lawn. The program will begin at 11:00 a.m. and conclude with a complimentary lunch provided to all in attendance. Commissioners are invited to attend, set up a booth promoting City military programs, and distribute promotional items.

The program includes the presentation of colors, a live performance of the national anthem, a guest speaker, acknowledgment of the 2025 Veterans Honorees, the celebration of 250 years from the Army, Marines, and Navy and concluding with remarks by elected officials.

The Patriotic Commission may nominate veterans to receive the Veteran Honoree award at the 2025 Veterans Day Ceremony.

ATTACHMENT(S):

- A. Veterans Day Ceremony Program



City of South El Monte Veteran's Day Ceremony

Tuesday, November 11, 2025

11:00 A.M.



Call to Order

Mayor Gloria Olmos

Presentation of Flags

Greater El Monte Veterans of Foreign Wars Post #10218

Pledge of Allegiance

Commander Mark Tavera

National Anthem

Dean L. Shively Middle School Band

Invocation

Pastor Frank Hernandez U.S. Army Veteran

Army, Navy, & Marine Corps 250 year Anniversary

TBD

Guest Speaker

Command Sergeant Major Karen Y. Rivera 155 Combat Sustainment Support Battalion

Veterans Day Ceremony Honoree Robert Delgado

Presented By Patriotic Commission Chair Nydia Romero

WELCOMING

Mayor Gloria Olmos

Introduction of Guest

Mayor Gloria Olmos

Remarks

City Council / Guest

Presentation of Wreath

City Council

Veteran's Photo

City Council and Veterans

Refreshments and Band Performance

Dean L. Shively Middle School Band





Commission Agenda Report

Agenda Item No. 7.b.

DATE: October 22, 2025

TO: Honorable Chair and Members of the Patriotic Commission

FROM: Jayson Perez , Community Services Manager

SUBJECT: CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF PROPOSED DARK PATRIOTIC COMMISSION MEETING DATE FOR HOLIDAYS

SUMMARY: Staff requests the Patriotic Commission consider “going dark” on the fourth Wednesday in November and December due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends the Patriotic Commission approve going dark on Wednesday, November 26, 2025, and Wednesday, December 24, 2025, due to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

FISCAL/FINANCIAL IMPACT: None

DISCUSSION: Traditionally, the Patriotic Commission takes a recess and does not hold meetings for the months of November and December. This year, the fourth Wednesday in November lands on November 26, 2025, which is the day prior to the Thanksgiving holiday. While the fourth Wednesday in December lands on December 24, 2025, which is Christmas Eve. If needed, a special meeting may be held during either month.

ATTACHMENT(S):

None