

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
EL MONTE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
OF JULY 17, 2018

MEETING JOINTLY AND REGULARLY WITH THE EL MONTE HOUSING AUTHORITY; EL MONTE PUBLIC FINANCING AUTHORITY; EL MONTE WATER AUTHORITY; EL MONTE PARKING 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: **6:02 p.m.**

2. ROLL CALL FOR CITY COUNCIL AND AUTHORITY BODIES:

Andre Quintero, Mayor/Chair – **present**
Juventino “J” Gomez, Mayor Pro Tem/Authority Member – **present**
Norma Macias, Councilmember/Authority Member – **absent**
Victoria Martinez, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**
Jerry Velasco, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

WITH THE FOLLOWING EDITS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

Item 14.2 will be continued to the meeting of August 7, 2018.

SPECIALLY ADDED AGENDA ITEM:

CLOSED SESSION ITEM:

4.6 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(e)(1) - Conference with Legal Counsel to Discuss Facts and Circumstances which may create exposure to litigation – One (1) Matter.

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Martinez 4-0 (Councilmember Macias absent)

4. CLOSED SESSION (6:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.):

The City Council and the various Authority Bodies whose membership is composed exclusively of the membership of the City Council (collectively, the “Council”) will attempt to address and complete all Closed Session business between 6:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. If the Council completes all Closed Session business prior to 7:00 p.m., the Council will take a short recess and commence all Open Session proceedings promptly at 7:00 p.m.

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In the event the City Council is unable to address or complete all agendaized Closed Session items by 7:00 p.m., the 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 Council on any *agendaized* Closed Session matter, the Council shall allow such person to address the Council on such matter prior to going into Closed Session, provided that all persons wishing to address the Council on an agendaized Closed Session matter shall fill out a speaker card and be subject to a speaker's time limit of 3 minutes per speaker and further provided that the Council shall be under no obligation to respond to or deliberate upon any specific questions or comments posed by a speaker or take action on any issue raised by a speaker beyond such action as the City Council may be lawfully authorized to take on an agendaized Closed Session matter pursuant to the Brown Act (Govt. Code Section 54950 et seq.).

Mayor Quintero invited members of the public to address the City Council on Closed Session Items 4.1 through 4.6.

Mayor Quintero and the City Council recessed into Closed Session at approximately 6:03 p.m. Councilmember Macias joined the City Council in Closed Session at approximately 6:05 p.m. and participated in all matters of Closed Session.

Mayor Quintero and the City Council reconvened from Closed Session at approximately 7:12 p.m.

Assistant City Attorney Richard Padilla reported out of Closed Session with respect to Items 4.1 through 4.6.

- 4.1 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation: Eric A. Walterscheid vs. City of El Monte, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC495445.

General update, no final action

- 4.2 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation: Erlinda Rojas vs. City of El Monte, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC621030.

The City Council unanimously agreed settlement of a tort claim with Erlinda Rojas in the amount of \$254,595. Copies of the settlement agreement are available upon request.

- 4.3 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(e)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel to Discuss Facts and Circumstances which May Create Exposure to Litigation – One (1) Matter.

General update, no final action

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- 4.4 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) – Conference with Legal Counsel to Discuss Facts and Circumstances which May Form the Basis for Initiating Litigation – One (1) Matter.

General update, no final action

- 4.5 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 – Conference with Labor Negotiator – All Represented Employees and Unrepresented Employees.

Bargaining Units Subject to Negotiations:

El Monte Police Mid-Managers Association; El Monte Police Officers Association; and Executive Management Team (unrepresented employees).

City's Designated Negotiators:

Alex Hamilton, City Manager; Alma K. Martinez, Assistant City Manager; and Angela McCray, HR/Risk Management Director.

General update, no final action

- 4.6 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(e)(1) - Conference with Legal Counsel to Discuss Facts and Circumstances which may create exposure to litigation – One (1) Matter.

General update, no final action

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco 5-0

OPEN SESSION PROCEEDINGS

(Commencing at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the City Council reconvene from Closed Session/Short Recess)

5. INVOCATION:Chaplain George Ussery, Evangelical Church. **absent**
6. FLAG SALUTE: Jaslene Medina-Saavath, 4th Grader from Maxson Elementary School. Enjoys singing. **present**
7. RECOGNITIONS, HONORS AND COMMUNITY INTEREST PRESENTATIONS:
- 7.1 Presentation by the City Council to Jaslene Medina-Saavath from Maxson Elementary School for Leading the Pledge of Allegiance. **present**

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8. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING NON-AGENDIZED MATTERS:

This time has been set aside for persons in the audience to make comments or inquiries on matters within the general subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council, the Housing Authority, the Financing Authority and/or the Water Authority (collectively, the "Council") that **are not listed on this agenda**. Although no person is required to provide their name and address as a condition to attending a Council meeting, persons who wish to address the Council are asked to state their name and address. Each speaker will be limited to three (3) continuous minutes. Speakers may not lend any portion of their speaking time to other persons or borrow additional time from other persons.

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.

All comments or queries presented by a speaker shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any specific member thereof. No questions shall be posed to any member of the Council except through the presiding official of the meeting, the Mayor and/or Chair. Members of the Council are under no obligation to respond to questions posed by speakers but may provide brief clarifying responses to any comment made or questions posed. The Council may not engage in any sort of prolonged discussion or deliberation with any speaker or group of speakers on matters that are not listed on this agenda.

Enforcement of Decorum: The Chief of Police, or such member, or members of the Police Department as the Chief of Police may designate, shall serve as the Sergeant-at-Arms of any Council meeting. The Sergeant-at-Arms shall carry out all orders and instructions given by the presiding official for the purpose of maintaining order and decorum at the meeting. While members of the public are free to level criticism of City policies and the action(s) or proposed action(s) of the Council or its members, members of the public may not engage in behavior that is disruptive to the orderly conduct of the proceedings, including, but not limited to, conduct that prevents other members of the public from being heard when it is their opportunity to speak or which prevents members of the audience from hearing or seeing the proceedings. Members of the public may not threaten any person with physical harm or act in a manner that may reasonably be interpreted as an imminent threat of physical harm. All persons attending the meeting must adhere to the City's policy barring harassment based upon a person's race, religious creed, color, national origin, ancestry, physical handicap, medical condition, marital status, gender, sexual orientation or age.

Cathi Eridia – I am here representing DEMBA and this Saturday as it says on your calendar we are having our first annual Car Classic Show this is a family event. We are starting small we have about 30 cars and we are excited. We are having free raffles and a lot of people who are going to be showing their wear 10:00 am to 4:00 pm.

Joe Blackburn – I am here to to talk about a couple of things. I heard lots of rumors in my neighborhood that Safety Clean is coming back to Hixon and Esto. I want to inform you that an attorney in Thousand Oaks, Joe Gonzalez hired a chemist and came out and did testing looking for hazards from Gregg Industries. The other thing I want to talk about is Goodman Logistics catastrophe. The Goodman the floor moved so fast and

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furious it's hard to know where you stand. At the Gidley school May 16th community meeting with the Planning Commission the wall between Goodman and Gidley was 20 feet tall somehow it shrank to 14 feet. Our request was that they use electric trucks to haul cargo around. Goodman had indicated that they were going to decrease the number of docks and now at the June 26th Planning Commission meeting they indicated that they were going to have 48 loading docks. If they are going to be using the electric trucks I am good with that but if they are going to be using diesel trucks I am not good with that.

Jane Myring – I was distressed to hear that Walmart has decided to pull out. I guess I will continue to do my shopping somewhere else. I think about that large piece of property and I was thinking that maybe the City should buy it and replace it with green space. We can also use that space for a performing arts center. I do not want a big warehouse. I do not want any other apartments. Let's consider getting that piece of property and doing something and replacing Pioneer Park. We have the soccer teams that need the space and also the football teams.

Bob Welemin – I understand that cities have to balance their budget. They need to try to look for stabilization when times go bad when we run out of money they say we are good because we have surplus. I understand about new companies and developments but at what cost, I am speaking of Goodman. I am not against the Goodman nothing against them. But this City Council, the Planning Commission have the power to do a lot of things they don't seem to want to do. I can't do anything at my house without a permit. Well Goodman has permits but it seems that they are being allowed to anything they want. I have a list of concerns here, but certainly traffic and pollution and one of my requests is that the driveway that Goodman wants to put on Lower Azusa be moved to Shirley Avenue, yes people are supposed to go the speed limit but they don't. Everything that the citizens are request to Goodman are being rejected. The City has the power to put some of these things in place.

Mily Quoc – I have two issues here and I think that it should be resolved at the City Department but it has not. We have a neighbor that put up a fence between their property and my property that is to large that it is on my property. The second issue is they built a big storage structure in the back of their property and it is only one foot away from my property. We were told by staff that the owner was just fixing an existing structure but we have done our research and it was not an existing structure.

Charles Castaneda – The Goodman Project I oppose it. The Council is aware that the City of El Monte has the biggest density in the nation. I was looking at some of the projects that we have going now and I think we are adding another 12,000 places for occupancy in the City. I am curious to know if there has been a true study of our infrastructure sewer lines and water. Are we looking at the buffer zone between this project and the school nearby? I believe that we will soon have to have a moratorium on new homes until a study is done on our current infrastructure. I feel we have to slow our City down.

Cosme Jimenez – This is in response to the last State of the City on Saturday. We still have a \$3,000,000 deficit that has been rolling every year since you came into the City. You forgot to mention the great news related to your marihuana accomplishments. You made a comment to the newspaper that you will work on creating more new parks. How are you going to do that if you and the Transit Village Developer promised to preplace

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Pioneer Park in 5 years and we are still waiting. Garvey improvements we have been talking about it for the last 30 years and we are still waiting for the improvements. I don't know if you are aware that we have people constantly missing or ignoring the stop signs.

Howard Owens – In regards to the State of the City address. People keeping asking regarding the cramming of more people here in the City. Where are these people going to eat, where are they going to shop, where are we going to get the money for more police officers.

Gabriel Ramirez – I also want to address the State of the City. I found it interesting when you talked about green space. I thought we were going to have Pioneer Park and now it has been quiet regarding that. We are not putting affordable housing as should be. There are by special interest developers and they are not who they think they are. I am curious to know about the trailer that was out there is it City property.

Richard Thomas – I would like to address Mr. Ramirez's comments. First and foremost I own the trailer, it is all my property not the City's property. Second of all I use it for a lot of City events and to answer Mr. Ramirez's questions I donated all the food at no City expense.

9. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT: **No material submitted.**

10. DEMAND RESOLUTION NO. D-578
 A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL MONTE, CALIFORNIA, ALLOWING CERTAIN CLAIMS AND DEMANDS AND SPECIFYING THE FUNDS OUT OF WHICH THE SAME ARE TO BE PAID.
 THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF EL MONTE, CALIFORNIA, DOES RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS: SECTION 1. That the attached list of claims, demands, and payroll totaling \$3,932,287.82 have been examined by the City Treasurer and that warrant numbers 1075121 through 1075542 and the payroll ending June 15, 2018 inclusive are hereby allowed in the amounts and ordered paid out of the respective funds as set forth.

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez **5-0**

11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Special Meeting Minutes of June 4, 2018

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez **5-0**

Regular Meeting Minutes of June 5, 2018

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez **5-0**

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Special Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2018

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Velasco **4-0-1 (Councilmember Macias abstained)**

Adjourned Regular Meeting Minutes of June 12, 2018.

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Velasco **4-0-1 (Councilmember Macias abstained)**

12. CONSENT CALENDAR:

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine in nature and may be enacted by one motion approving the recommendation listed on the Agenda. One or more items may be removed from the Consent Calendar so that they may be discussed, considered and voted upon individually by the Council. A matter may be removed from the Consent Calendar and taken up separately by way of a seconded motion of any member of the Council with the approval of a majority of the Council quorum.

12.1 Requests to Serve Alcohol at the following Two Locations for the Following Events:

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council consider and approve the requests to serve/sell alcohol at the following two locations for the following events:

<u>Private User</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
Beatriz Mendez (Grace T. Black Auditorium)	Baptism (Attendance 150)	Saturday, August 4, 2018 5:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.
Celen Hernandez (Grace T. Black Auditorium)	Baptism (Attendance 125)	Saturday, September 15, 2018 5:00 p.m. – 10:30 p.m.
<u>Organization</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
La Historia Historical Society (Jack Crippen Senior Center)	Scholarship Dinner (Attendance 200)	Friday, August 3, 2018 6:00 p.m. – 11:30 p.m.

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez **5-0**

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- 12.2 Approval of Request to Award a Construction Contract for the Rehabilitation of a City-Owned Residential Property Located at 3555 Palm Drive.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve a budget not-to-exceed \$174,305 for the rehabilitation of a City-owned residential property located at 3555 Palm Drive; and
2. Consider and approve the award of a Construction Contract to D2S Contractor Inc. DBA Dream Builders (Dream Builders) in the amount of \$151,569.

Total Cost: \$174,305

Account No: 220-65-663-8779

Is the cost of this item budgeted? Yes

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez

5-0

- 12.3 Approval of a City Council Resolution Declaring the City of El Monte's Intention to Order the Public Street Vacation of a Portion of Rumford Avenue, Referring this Matter to the El Monte Planning Commission in Accordance with Government Code Section 64402, and Setting a Public Hearing for the City Council's Consideration of such Street Vacation.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt the proposed Resolution (Attachment 1) declaring the City of El Monte's intention to order the public street vacation of a portion of Rumford Avenue, referring this matter to the El Monte Planning Commission in accordance with Government Code Section 65402, and setting a public hearing for the City Council's consideration of such street vacation.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

Resolution No. 9889

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez

5-0

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13. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

- 13.1 Public Hearing to Consider and Approve (1) a First Reading of an El Monte City Council Ordinance Amending and Updating the City's Wireless Ordinance Set Forth in Amended El Monte Municipal Code Chapter 17.82 and New Proposed Chapter 17.83; and (2) an El Monte City Council Resolution Approving Design Guidelines for Associated Wireless Communication Facilities.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Open the public hearing;
2. Receive presentation from staff;
3. Pose questions to staff;
4. Allow members of the public to offer comment;
5. Pose follow up questions to staff;
6. Conduct additional deliberation, if needed;
7. Close the public hearing; and
8. Approve the first reading of a proposed City Council Ordinance amending and updating City's wireless ordinance set forth in amended El Monte Municipal Code Chapter 17.82 and new proposed Chapter 17.83; and
9. Adopt the proposed Resolution approving design guidelines for wireless facilities.

Ordinance No. 2930

Resolution No. 9890

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez
Macias
Open the P.H.
5-0

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez
Close P.H.
5-0

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember
Ordinance No. 2930
5-0

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Martinez
Resolution No. 9890
5-0

Break from 8:03 pm to 8:11 pm

John Q. Lee – I represent T-Mobile. I want to thank you for bringing this forward. Just wanted to make a couple of comments regarding small cell-sites. Small cells are about capacity so you will always see balancing. We are always looking to be part of the conversation. What I ask is that we provided 48 comments and what I am suggesting is to see if we can meet with you and go over the 42 comments that staff has already strike down.

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Aaron Snyder – With Crown Castle. We provide network for all of the providers. We are fairly large who provide infrastructure for most of the providers. To the best of my knowledge the City did not chose to purchase the street lights in mass. Location preferences and I understand that residential areas are at the low of the preference scale. Another item I wanted to speak about is that the applicant must provide notification for the general area being proposed.

14. REGULAR AGENDA:

- 14.1 Consideration and Approval of Second Amendment to City Attorney Services Agreement with Olivarez Madruga Lemieux O'Neill, LLP to Conform to Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve the attached Second Amendment to City Attorney Services Agreement.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez

5-0

ITEM 14.2 HAS BEEN CONTINUED TO THE MEETING OF AUGUST 7, 2018

- 14.2 Consideration and Approval of a Resolution Approving the First Amendment to Covenant Between the City of El Monte and Santa Fe Trail Holdings, LLC to Revise Permitted Uses and Implement Property Maintenance and Requirements for the Santa Fe Trail Plaza Project.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt a Resolution approving the first amendment to covenant between the City of El Monte and Santa Fe Trail Holdings, LLC to revise permitted uses and implement property maintenance requirements for the Santa Fe Trail Plaza Project.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

Resolution No. 9891

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- 14.3 Consideration and Approval of an Ordinance Repealing Prior City Council Ordinance No. 2866 and Rescinding Prior Resolution No. 9613 and Land Use Entitlements Set forth in Both Instruments for the Property Located at 4000 Arden Drive, El Monte, California Pursuant to Writ Issued by the Los Angeles County Superior Court.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve the attached Ordinance for first reading; and
2. Approve the attached Resolution.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

Ordinance No. 2931

Resolution No. 9892

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez **5-0**
Ordinance No. 2931

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez **5-0**
Resolution No. 9892

- 14.4 Consideration and Authorization of an \$87,736 Repayment to the City of El Monte HOME Investment Partnerships Program Fund Account as Authorized by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and authorize a repayment of non-federal funds in the amount of \$87,736 to the City of El Monte HOME Investment Partnerships Program (HOME) Fund Account; and
2. Authorize a transfer of \$87,736 from the Housing Assets Fund to repay the HOME Fund Account.

Total Cost: \$87,736

Account No: 227-93-816-6351

Is the cost of this item budgeted? No

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez **5-0**

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- 14.5 Consideration and Approval of Request to Designate the Bulky Item Program a Permanent Program Administered by the Public Works Department.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve the designation of the Bulky Item Program as a permanent City program to be administered by the Public Works Department; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to incorporate the Bulky Item Program into the Public Works Department to be funded through administrative fines and/or AB939 monies.

Total Cost: \$159,706

Account No: AB939 Fund (207)
General Fund (100) Citation Revenue

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Martinez **5-0**

15. CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA: **No material submitted**

16. CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA:

- 16.1 Presentation Regarding Inclusionary Housing and Rent Stabilization.

Councilmember Martinez – In regards to applicability, is there any conversation about housing for career industry. I know that there was housing that was built years ago that was specific for educators, teachers and administrators and in other communities there has been for first responders. Idealistically bringing in some of those careers and keeping those folks that are interested here in our City. Would that be considered inclusionary housing?

Mayor Pro Tem Gomez – Let me make a statement there. As far as inclusionary housing, back into 2004 I tried to make an effort to bring in inclusionary housing into our City however it was kind of fought back but it is not for or the whole purpose of inclusionary housing you have a contractor that builds all these homes and only a small percentage would be for inclusionary housing. My concern would be that if we are looking for individuals whose salaries are well over \$100,000 then you lose its purpose.

Mayor Quintero – Are we at that point where we can give direction. So as far as inclusionary housing is this something that you want to queue up for a subsequent meeting.

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Councilmember Macias – I just want to commend Jason for the very thorough presentation. Thank you so much for all the work that has gone into this and I really appreciate it. We have had already different versions of affordable housing. DC Core I believe did those homes recently and earmarked a certain percentage for more affordable and that was because they were given certain incentives so I think this is slightly different so it will be interesting if you could maybe point that out or list how this is different some of the other housing that we have done.

Councilmember Macias – Jason quickly cities that have rent stabilization is that something that kicks in after so many units or for most of these cities it doesn't matter how many units you have? If you rent your house or a house that you own does it automatically fall under these guidelines?

Mayor Quintero – So at least with respect to inclusionary housing, staff would you consider drafting an ordinance. With regards to the rent stabilization we will take it under submission for now.

Councilmember Martinez – Can I please get a copy of the presentation please. We have so many residents that come up and the conversation is constantly why are we building more why isn't it more affordable. Maybe if we had some numbers to be able to share and education for ourselves as well as our community. All of those numbers that you pulled up are very helpful.

Mayor Pro Tem Gomez – Why don't we get a copy for all of the Council.

16.2 Presentation/Update by Public Works on the Recycled Used Oil Report.

16.3 Police Department Update for June 2018 Including Recap of Illegal Fireworks Enforcement.

Councilmember Macias – Yes, I just wanted to comment that I felt that it was a very successful effort by our Police Department. Thank you for all of your hard work on it. Yes it was crazy on the 4th of July but leading to the 4th of July and post 4th of July I think I noticed a significant decrease in illegal fireworks like tremendously. So I think that obviously the Department is doing a great job so thank you to our wonderful El Monte PD.

Mayor Pro Tem Gomez – Yes, I have some comments. You know it was great to see the Chief out there but I still even though the men and women did a great job I still sat in front of my house with a water hose ready to put out any destruction. No, great job thank you.

Mayor Quintero – Well Chief and please our congratulations and extend our appreciation to everyone in the department.

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17. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: **No material submitted**

18. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS:

18A. Mayor Quintero

18A.1 Discussion on Sponsorship of Emergency Responders Breakfast on November 8 in Conjunction with the Office of Congresswoman Grace Napolitano.

I would like to see if Council would like to t co-sponsor the November 8th event with the Office of Congresswoman Grace Napolitano for the Emergency Responders Breakfast letting them use the Grace T. Black Auditorium.

m) Mayor Pro Tem Gomez
s) Councilmember Martinez **4-0 (Councilmember Macias absent)**

I will be at the Norms this coming Saturday at 3:00 am.

18B. Mayor Pro Tem Gomez

This past weekend I attended a conference for Independent Cities that's 48 cities and its membership is made up of Mayors and Councilmembers and this is a combined conference where we bring in experts on resources for each and every city to maybe be able to utilize water issues, electricity and so on . It was very helpful and it was well done.

18C. Councilwoman Macias

18D. Councilwoman Martinez

18D.1 Discussion Regarding Support of Proposition 6 Which is a Counter to the Ballot Initiative that Seeks to Repeal the Gas Tax.

Considering I normally go to the COG meetings and we have a special meeting happening this Thursday I will not be attending the COG and so we will not need to take a vote in regards to 18D.1. I just wanted to clarify that it wasn't me requesting support it was simply requesting a vote so that I could represent the City at the COG meeting based on how we wanted to be represented.

18D.2 Discussion Regarding a Contract Management System.

The second item that I have on my agenda is a discussion regarding contract management system meaning we have a lot of different folks that

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we utilize and are contract employees. As much as we love our employees we have contracted plenty of services out and I do believe that we have to rein this in and put this under one person or a system of management so that there is an understanding as to what exactly is the scope of the contract, when is the contract due, what is the dollar amount. I believe that if we invest in this type of contract management system that it will prevent us from potential litigious situations. I also think that it prevents us from finding ourselves two weeks after a contract has been expired needing to approve a contract on urgency because it is now past due. And I am not saying this because it is the first time that this ever happened to us I'm saying it because we've had it happen too many times and I think now is the time to find the way to better manage our contracts and we have new and different leadership and new ideas I look forward to with Council's approval to have staff brainstorm on a way that they will manage contracts better. Or maybe hiring an individual who will oversee this.

Mayor Quintero – We will have staff report back to the Council

18D.3 Discussion Regarding Proposed Façade Rehabilitation Program for Valley Mall.

I wanted to raise the idea, we have been talking a lot about the downtown business area and the Valley Mall. Eventually I would like to see and I do not want to see this as a priority right now it was on my mind so I asked them to put it on my agenda but I think I can table it for a future conversation. But I what I would like to see is a conversation about a potential façade loan program where if a property business owner or property owner wanted to upgrade their façade in the Downtown El Monte Business Area that we have the available resources so that they can do it.

I hope to see everyone out at the Concerts in the Park starting at 6:30 at Arceo Park. I wanted to congratulate our PD for their July 4th enforcement.

Councilmember Velasco – Can I add something to the last item. I am definitely much in support and I think we should take a more aggressive with the businesses and the City should approach the owners to better their façade because the Downtown Area is very important. Some people may think it isn't but it is. It is one of the few historical places that we have left in the City. So yes I would encourage definitely and I am in strong support of improving the Valley Mall but let's contact the owners because most of them are renting to tenants and if we are going to improve the area the value is going to go up for them but we have to get them involved in the development.

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18E. Councilman Velasco

I just wanted to remind everyone that we are having the evening of concerts and anyone that is going to be at the El Monte High School Auditorium and starting on Sunday, July 22, 2018 through August 3, 2018. There are flyers out there with the whole schedule. It is the sound of the City at no cost to the City. It is a great event, two weeks of performances and I encourage everyone to attend.

19. ADJOURNMENT:

Adjourned at 9:19 pm. to a Regular City Council Meeting on Wednesday, July 25, 2018 at 6:00 pm.

The next Regular Meeting of the City Council will be held on **August 7, 2018** at 6:00 p.m. This Agenda will be posted on the City's website, www.ci.el-monte.ca.us, and physically posted no less than 72 hours prior to the start of the subject regular meeting. Although it is the City's practice and desire to electronically post a copy of this Agenda along with supporting material as part of its website posting, the size or formatting of certain supporting materials may render their website posting infeasible. Nevertheless, all supporting materials related to any item on this Agenda, that is made available to the members of the council may be inspected by members of the public at the City Clerk's Office located at 11333 Valley Boulevard, El Monte, Monday through Thursday, 7:00 am – 5:30 pm. For more information, please call the City Clerk's Office at 626-580-2016.

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Jonathan Hawes, City Clerk
City of El Monte

APPROVED:

Andre Quintero, Mayor
City of El Monte