

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
EL MONTE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
OF OCTOBER 16, 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: **6:20 p.m.**

2. ROLL CALL FOR CITY COUNCIL AND AUTHORITY BODIES:

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

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

m) Mayor Quintero	
s) Councilmember Martinez	3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and 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. 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.).

Cosme Jimenez – I have a question regarding Item 4.5 I only see numbers and no locations and I just wonder if there is a reason for it.

Mayor Quintero invited members of the public to address the City Council on Closed Session Items 4.1 through 4.5.

Mayor Quintero and the City Council recessed into Closed Session at approximately 6:21 p.m.

Mayor Quintero and the City Council reconvened from Closed Session at approximately 7:11 p.m.

City Attorney Rick Olivarez reported out of Closed Session with respect to Items 4.1 through 4.5.

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- 4.1 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel to Discuss Matter of Existing Litigation – Jill Wenrick vs. City of El Monte, et al., Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC666761.

General update, no final action

- 4.2 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel to Discuss Matter of Existing Litigation – Javier Martin, et al., vs. City of El Monte, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BC682434.

General update, no final action

- 4.3 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel to Discuss Matter of Existing Litigation – Communities Advocating Responsible Environmental Security vs. City of El Monte, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. BS174669.

General update, no final action

- 4.4 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 – Conference with Real Property Negotiators.

Property Location:

11016 Ramona Ave., 3448-3454 Tyler Avenue, El Monte CA

Name of Party City is Negotiating with:
Newport Partners, LLC

City's Representatives in Negotiations:
Alex Hamilton, City Manager; Alma K. Martinez, Assistant City Manager; and David F. Gondek, Deputy City Attorney

Under Discussion:

Price and terms of payment for real property.

General update, no final action

- 4.5 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 – Conference with Real Property Negotiators.

Property Location:

APNs 8575-019-909; 8575-019-904; 8575-019-903; 8575-019-902; 8575-019-901; 8575-019-906; and 8575-019-905

Name of Party City is Negotiating with:
Cesar Chavez Foundation and Magellan Value Partners, LLC

City's Representatives in Negotiations:
Alex Hamilton, City Manager; Alma K. Martinez, Assistant City Manager; and David F. Gondek, Deputy City Attorney

Under Discussion:

Price and terms of payment for real property.

General update, no final action

**m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Martinez**

**3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and
Councilmember Macias absent)**

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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 Methodist Church. **Present**

6. FLAG SALUTE: Cristina Lopez, 6th Grader from Maxson Elementary School. Enjoys Cheerleading. **Present**

7. RECOGNITIONS, HONORS AND COMMUNITY INTEREST PRESENTATIONS:
 - 7.1 Presentation by the City Council to Cristina Lopez from Maxson Elementary School for Leading the Pledge of Allegiance. **Present**

 - 7.2 Presentation by El Monte Union High School Superintendent Dr. Edward Zuniga Regarding High School Bond Measure HS. **Present**

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.

Helen Romero Shaw – Every once in a while I come by to say hello and bring you up to date and give you an idea about what is on the gas company's mind. For 150 years as we have heard over the years SoCal Gas has brought natural gas to Southern California and of course the residents of El Monte. So this has allowed the residents to cook, to heat their homes, to have warm water, to wash their clothes cost efficiently and also the employers here in the City of El Monte use natural gas for all kinds of industrial

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applications. And so natural gas has been part of the balance energy portfolio in California but I am here to raise awareness in case you have not heard what is going on in the State of California. California wants to upset this balance energy portfolio and California wants to electrify everything. For example a proposal that the State Legislature tried to pass was that any buildings built after 2022 would be all electric and those buildings that are already built would have to be retrofitted. I would just like to bring this to your attention and to let you know that there is another alternative and that is getting renewable natural gas. This is already in the works and this will help the environmental goals that are present and that we all support them. The Gas Company is not against electrification what we want for your residents to have choice

Jesse Fierro – I have come here tonight for a second time. Andre you were elected as Mayor nine (9) years ago and in those nine years we were excited because we thought things were going to change but they haven't changed we only had one goal you want to go to Congress. Your first action was to get rid of our City Manager that was your work and maybe that was the best City Manager we ever had. Then the cut in the Police Department from 161 to 115 I have never heard of a City going down in Police force and the City growing. You cut public recreation. We have gone through five (5) City Managers, four (4) Chiefs of Police and numerous departments. Last month the Public Works Director quit, this week our Finance Director quit. The City needs leadership not revolving doors people come in and out you just hired your friend to be Assistant City Manager, what was that process? Our City has not received Quimby Fees for the past five (5) years almost \$2.0M have been thrown away. You have closed four (4) parks, you are friends with James Acevedo who was hired to develop the park and now you gave him Gunderson Chevrolet. Businesses have left the City, car dealerships have left the City thank God for Longo Toyota. You have brought in 72 massage parlors and the marijuana dispensaries and I don't think the City of El Monte needs it you need it for your campaign. Our graffiti program is gone and most of our youth programs have been eliminated.

David Siegrist – Education is the cornerstone of life, I learned that from my wife, Professor Estela Torres de Siegrist who is a professor at the Universidad Autonoma de Mexico and also Pasadena City College. Every community grows or declines depending on the educational opportunities and services provided to its children and adults. How very fortunate we are to have two community colleges in our community Rio Hondo and Pasadena City College. Most people don't know it but PCC actually serves Arroyo so is Rosemead. Wonderful idea PCC just opened a third campus at Blair High School. Its center on Rosemead is packed about 4,000 students study there and working adults. Unfortunately, our Rio Hondo campus is closed at 6 o'clock in the evening, its closed on Fridays at 12 o'clock and it's not even open on Saturday. I would like to get some good information out to the public; a lot of kids don't know that they can go to community college starting in 5th grade. My two grandsons were able to go to PCC last summer and they have credits already done. Rio Hondo has barriers because you can't do it if you are below 8th grade you have to have an IQ of 140 that is genius level that's not fair so children need to know about this. Also working adults need to be served by our center in El Monte, they are not being served. Our money is invested in that and finally, I am so thankful that myself, my wife and my three children are alumni of Rio Hondo College. I am here to say that our community college must be better serving to our community.

Howard Owens – It is election time, back in 2006 we had a Measure P and a sign was stolen. This is what I wanted to address and you were very conscientious on someone taking a sign. Well in this election there are signs a lot of signs coming down and I don't think it is right, people work hard to donate money for campaign signs and different things. So as the Mayor of our City I would like for you to put the word out that that is not the right thing that is something that you wanted to prosecute back then. The signs are up and people okayed for signs to be placed on their properties and people are taking them. I asked an employee from the City of Monrovia, how do you guys do it? How do you guys get all of your stuff into your City? You have stores, you have all this stuff, and he said we have a City Manager who is good with money and I said okay that is good. So I said what is the secret and he said we have a Mayor that listens to our City Manager and we get things done and we get money into our City. I just want everyone to step back and look at your City, what do we have? What have we lost? We talk about our parks, we have Fletcher Park but we have no employees to man it. We have parks that we can't use and we used to have volunteers who would volunteer. I don't understand why we can't do that. We really need to look at everything and see what we have in our City. WE did the City plan and my understanding was that Garvey was going to be retail on the bottom and housing at the top. We need to start planning things

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in our City a little better and get some retail in the City. We have a lot of housing but we have no retail to go with it.

Frank Chavez – I am chairman of Metro Accessibility Advisory Committee and we advocate for people who have disabilities and older riders who use public transportation. On behalf of the committee I would like to commend the City for placing corner handicap ramps strategically within the City that lead to the main arteries for Metro Transportation. I hope that this project is not over with and that if financing is available that you go forward with building more corner off-ramps because it really helps people with disabilities reach independence. And as a resident of the City and I have heard about Graffiti Removal Program, we need that program back because as I travel in the City and I sit at these bus benches I continuously see graffiti markings and if we are going to be a transportation hub we can't have visitors passing through our City seeing graffiti markings on our benches. I would like to suggest that if a City employee is changing the trash bags or if they are doing something that they make an observation.

Blanca, Alma and Emma – We are here tonight to thank you and to share some of the new exciting things happening on the mall. A little more than year ago changed leadership and we are excited to let you now the great new things we have accomplished during this time. For the first time we hosted the Easter bunny at the mall where children could take pictures and get candy. Second, after 15 years we brought back the car show and we are looking forward to next year. Another first for us was Snow Cone with a cop. Last Sunday night we hosted our first movie at the mall where we treated about 60 kids and their families to view Coco with free popcorn. We are making plans for movies at the mall to continue during the summer. Nothing of these could have happened without the many partnerships we have formed we Jeff Seymour Family Center, El Monte School District, El Monte High School, La Historia but most importantly the City. With partnering with El Monte High School's MECHA club the students have helped us put our events together. Our Sunday event will be bigger and better than any other year. You are invited to attend our 9th Annual Dia de Los Muertos event this Saturday, October 20, 2018 from 1 to 5 on Valley Mall.

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

5 minute break (8:07 pm – 8:12 pm)

10. DEMAND RESOLUTION NO. D-584
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 \$3,516,178.61 have been examined by the City Treasurer and that warrant numbers 1077343 through 1077759 and the payroll ending September 15, 2018 inclusive are hereby allowed in the amounts and ordered paid out of the respective funds as set forth.

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Martinez **3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and Councilmember Macias absent)**

11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:
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m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Martinez **3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and Councilmember Macias absent)**

12. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Charles Hoffman – I am not sure if this is the time or place to be discussing item 12.5 as that is the item I am concerned about. I am not against public safety for schools but I don't see how putting a roundabout is going to make the road safer. I know this is just

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for design, I worked in Pasadena for years and dealt with their roundabouts they've kept a couple of them there the others they mostly have gotten rid of. They are not as far as I am concerned that safe you put something in the middle of the road we are a green City, a tree City we will plant a tree in the center now you are blocking all the view. I don't even know what is going to be done if we are even concern about bicycle lanes anymore because you are going to be narrowing this down to one lane and I don't think that much about the projects that have been done at Cherrylee and Kranz middle school. You look at the curbs that are sitting out there they already have black tires and people have ran over them we have to learn.

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 Request to Serve Alcohol at the Following Location:

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

1. Consider and approve the requests to serve/sell alcohol at the Grace T. Black Auditorium.

<u>Private User</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
Federacion Baja California (Grace T. Black Auditorium)	Musical Performance (Attendance 300)	Sunday, November 11, 2018 5:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Total Cost: N/A Account No: N/A
Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Velasco **3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and Councilmember Macias absent)**

12.2 Approval for Second Reading of an Ordinance of the City of El Monte, California Amending Title 16 (Subdivisions) of the El Monte Municipal Code Related to the Review and Approval Process of Tentative Tract Map and Related to Security Deposits.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council ratify the proposed Ordinance by second reading by at least three (3) affirmative votes.

Total Cost: N/A Account No: N/A
Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

Ordinance No. 2937

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Velasco **3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and Councilmember Macias absent)**

12.3 Approval of Continued City Partnership with Our Savior Center (Dorris Dann Kids Center) in Support of the Soccer for Success Program.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve a partnership with Our Saviour Center (Dorris Dann Kids Center) to provide support for the Soccer for Success Program; and

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2. Authorize the City Manager to execute all documents related to this partnership.

Total Cost: \$50,000

Account No: 100-11-111-6352

Is the cost of this item budgeted? Yes

**m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Velasco**

**3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and
Councilmember Macias absent)**

- 12.4 Approval of Third Amendment to a Professional Services Agreement with Terra Realty Advisors, Inc., for Professional Assistance Finalizing the Lease of 3440 Peck Road, (Ross Nissan Digital Sign Conversion) Along with the Potential Conversion of Two (2) Other Existing Static Signs at Other Potential Locations.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve the Third Amendment to a Professional Services Agreement by and between the City of El Monte and Terra Realty Advisors, Inc., and authorize the City Manager to execute the third the Third Amendment in an amount not-to-exceed \$25,000.

Total Cost: \$25,000

Account No: 500-04-892-8121

Is the cost of this item budgeted? Yes

**m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Velasco**

**3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and
Councilmember Macias absent)**

- 12.5 Approval of Three (3) as Needed Professional Services Agreements for Housing Consulting Services for a One (1) Year Period in the Aggregate Amount of \$120,000.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve a professional service agreement with Avant Garde for as-needed housing consulting services for a one (1) year period in a not-to-exceed amount of \$40,000;
2. Consider and approve a professional service agreement with Rosenow Spevacek Group, Inc. (RSG) for as-needed housing consulting services for a one (1) year period in a not-to-exceed amount of \$40,000;
3. Consider and approve a professional service agreement with Lorraine Mendez and Associates for as-needed housing consulting services for a one (1) year period in a not-to-exceed amount of \$40,000; and
4. Authorize the City Manager to make all conforming modifications and edits and execute all implementing documents.

Total Cost: \$120,000

Account No: 100-65-651-6111 - \$50,000

(Budgeted)

221-65-661-6111 - \$30,000

227-93-961-6111 - \$15,000

220-66-651-6111 - \$25,000

Is the cost of this item budgeted? Yes and No

**m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Velasco**

**3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and
Councilmember Macias absent)**

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- 12.6 Approval of a Resolution Approving Fiscal Year 2017-2018 El Monte Housing Authority Annual Report.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Receive and file the report;
2. Authorize the City Manager to submit the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 El Monte Housing Authority Annual Report to the State of California Department of Housing and Community Development Department.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

Resolution No. 9911

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and Councilmember Macias absent)

- 12.7 Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Tom Dodson & Associates in the Amount Not-to-Exceed \$60,000 to Conduct an Environmental Analysis of the Proposed Relocation of Park Space in Light of the "Parcel 3" Agreement Between the City of El Monte and Grapevine Advisors, LLC.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve the proposed Professional Services Agreement (the "Agreement") with Tom Dodson & Associates; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to execute the Agreement with Tom Dodson & Associates.

Total Cost: \$60,000

Account No: 100-61-841-6111

Is the cost of this item budgeted? Yes

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and Councilmember Macias absent)

- 12.8 Approval of the Submission of a Declaration of a Shelter Crisis Pursuant to SB 850 (Chapter 48, Statutes of 2018 and Government Code Section 8698.2) to the Los Angeles Continuum of Care.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Adopt the attached Resolution (Attachment 1) and authorize the City Manager or his designee to sign all necessary documents and agreements related to the submission of the Declaration of a Shelter Crisis to the Los Angeles Continuum of Care to further address the homelessness crisis; and
2. Authorize staff to collaborate with the Cities of South El Monte and Baldwin Park for Measure H Plan Implementation Grant efforts in accordance with the Los Angeles County Homeless Initiative and the Home for Good Guidelines.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

Resolution No. 9912

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and Councilmember Macias absent)

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- 12.9 Acceptance of the Downtown Parking Lot Construction (CIP No. 818) as Complete and File the Notice of Completion with Los Angeles County Recorder's Office.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept the Downtown Parking Lot Construction Project (CIP No. 818) as completed;
2. File the Notice of Completion (NOC) with the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office; and
3. Authorize staff to reject construction bid from the August 14, 2018 Notice Inviting Bids (NIB) for Downtown Parking Lot Repair Project (CIP No. 818).

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and Councilmember Macias absent)

- 12.10 Approval of Disposition of Water Meters.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve the disposition of water meters.

Total Cost: (\$12,600)

Account No: 600-67-4791

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and Councilmember Macias absent)

- 12.11 Approval of Updates to City-Sponsored Dental and Vision Plans for Plan Year 2019.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve rate increases to the City's current Cigna plans for employee dental insurance benefits of 10.02% for DPPO and 4% for DHMO, with no other plan changes, for plan year 2019;
2. Consider and approve a 10.51 premium rate decrease to the City's Eyemed plan for employee vision insurance benefits, with enhancements to frame-related benefits, and conversion to an employer paid plan, for plan years 2019 through 2022; and
3. Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all documents related to the proposed dental and vision plan updates with Cigna and Eyemed.

Total Cost: \$25,984.32

Account No: Various

Is the cost of this item budgeted? Yes

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and Councilmember Macias absent)

13. PUBLIC HEARINGS: **No material submitted.**

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14. REGULAR AGENDA:

- 14.1 Consideration and Approval of a Resolution Approving Final Tract Map No. 73515 for the 5-Unit Detached Residential Development with a Common Driveway at 11613 Rio Hondo Parkway.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider a Resolution authorize the recordation of Final Map 73515 for the 5-unit detached residential subdivision with a common driveway at 11613 Rio Hondo Parkway.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

Resolution No. 9913

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and Councilmember Macias absent)

- 14.2 Consideration and Approval of Request for Authorization to Offer a New City-Sponsored Plan through Kaiser Permanente for Medical Insurance Benefits for Part-Time Employees Eligible for such Coverage Under the Affordable Care Act ("ACA").

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Authorize the Human Resources/Risk Management Department to discontinue the current self-funded Tall Tree Administrators plan and offer a new ACA compliant City-sponsored medical insurance plan, effective December 1, 2018, through Kaiser Permanente, to part-time employees scheduled to work 30 hours per week (0.75 FTEs) (the proposed change in carriers is subject to the successful completion of the underwriting process with Kaiser);
2. Establish the employee maximum contribution of \$153.82 per month toward the cost monthly premiums utilizing the ACA rate of pay safe harbor method; and
3. Authorize the City Manager or his designee to execute all documents related to the proposed ACA compliant Kaiser medical insurance plan for eligible part-time employees.

Total Cost: \$9,600

Account No: Various

Is the cost of this item budgeted? Yes

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Martinez

3-0 (Mayor Pro Tem Gomez and Councilmember Macias absent)

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

16. CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA:

- 16.1 Police Department Update.

Mayor Quintero – So that we are clear from year to date from last year to this year we are down 19.3 percent part one is an accumulation of violent and non-violent crimes. Do you have any historical data because much has been said that and people have been bringing this up often at our hay day when we had 161 that was like 2005, four years before I even became Mayor and way before they joined the Council. Do you have any historical data as to where crime used to be back then?

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Councilmember Martinez – One of the things I would like to highlight is next week we all have a very busy week the emergency preparedness workshop we invite you all to come and it is not just for El Monte residents. We invite all to come and to be prepared. I appreciate taking the time to clarify and I really do Chief because that is also representative of me and this Council and our leadership and whenever there is misinformation I appreciate whenever staff does take the time to say these are the numbers. One other thing is that next week and the Chief has been a member of this organization is the Walk to End Domestic Violence. Chief thank you for so much for continuously providing the stats of what we have going on here in the City.

16.2 Adoption of a Proclamation Declaring the Second Week of October as Code Enforcement Officer Appreciation Week in the City of El Monte.

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

18. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS:

18A. Mayor Quintero

So I want to say a couple of things first and foremost there are few announcements I want to make, this Saturday is the Children's Day Parade if you can make it out there it is a beautiful thing to see the children out there on the parade. I remember when we had Pioneer's Day Parade I participated in the Pioneer's Day Parade as Frank Wright student and it was a lot of fun and it is a great way to recognizing the wonderful and beautiful children that we have in our community. Also Thursday at 10:00 am we have a soft opening for Wendy's Restaurant so if you get a chance to go there it is right on Peck. Also Dia de Los Muertos on Saturday afternoon and evening in the Downtown Mall Business Area. They do a great job with this and I am excited to be part of this this week. Also November 3rd everyone is welcome to the Norm's customer appreciation day. There were a lot of folks that were very skeptical about Norms coming in. I can't tell you how many times people would ask over the years when is Norms coming in and now it is probably one of the top producing Norms in the State so that is a tribute to our community and to the desires that they have for places like that so very excited that Norms is doing a customer appreciation day. Also I do want to take an opportunity to clarify a few things. So first and foremost it is important for y'all to know that during my tenure and the tenure of the Council several members who are no longer here on the dais we had our first new park, Gibson Mariposa Park it took a long time to get it going but during my first tenure first two years we were able to get that park installed and so I think it is important for people to know that we are adding park space and we recognize that we need to add more park space. We have some very ambitious plans for Lambert Park and upgrading Lambert Park finding the resources for them for the plans as they are roughly there are about \$10M worth of improvements that is a significant improvement in that park. Zamora Park just received a \$3.7M grant for improvements those are significant investments that are going to be made in our parks. We upgraded the ball fields at Norwood, Lambert and also at Mountain View Park and also the lighting at Arceo and Mountain View Park with the lighting that makes those parks much safer. So as we are doing things we are trying to be very deliberate in bringing in whatever resources we can to make improvements in our parks and add park space and to that end I would like to defer quickly to my colleague Ms. Martinez who has an announcement as to Zamora Park because we are going to have some input sessions for people to collaborate with our professional staff as to what kind of improvements they would like to see as part of that \$3.7M grant.

Councilmember Martinez – Zamora Park is coming, we have money to make these improvements but we can't do it alone. If it was up to us we would say we want soccer, football, baseball but it is not up to us, this is your park, we want your input. I am desperately calling for all of you to come and join us. We want to hear from you, we want to know how to best spend these dollars at this park to create a space that you want to go to every day, that you want to spend time with

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your children please come out. We are looking at Wednesday, October 24th from 6:00 to 7:30 pm at Zamora Park. If I am not mistaken I want to make sure from our Director that there will be translator services at this particular meeting. So if language is a barrier we don't want to make that a barrier we want to hear from everyone. Please come and join us we want your feedback.

18B. Mayor Pro Tem Gomez

18C. Councilwoman Macias

18D. Councilwoman Martinez

18D.1 Discussion on Community Letters/Youth Requests.

One of the things colleagues we are all very fortunate that the community reaches out to us via emails or actual paper letters. This letter came from a student there in the community named Brianna Lazo and I was really impressed with what she said and her request and I thought I would share it just as a conversation in that she is requesting that the City take a look at least on all City properties the number of family friendly or gender neutral restrooms. If there is only a singular restroom or one male and one female it would be great to get an understanding of what we've got in inventory and what she is asking for is the opportunity for our LGBT Community to have a safe space where they feel comfortable. I wish I had her letter with me, I opened up the envelope and it is not there so that is the general feel from her note and I think that is something worthwhile taking a look at. Colleagues what's your thoughts on that.

Councilmember Velasco – But isn't that the law already?

Councilmember Martinez – So there may be a law already in place which we may need to get into compliance but none the less let's take an inventory and see what we need to do if we need to update signage then there we go.

Mayor Quintero – There is no objection obviously.

Councilmember Martinez – The other thing colleagues that I found was very interesting I was at Mountain View High School recently and there is an organization of students Vox Populi and the leader is a student who was chosen from Mountain View from El Monte to go out and intern at the Library of Congress while he was there he was given the task of recognizing what some of things that are missing in his own community and what he mentioned was a library. A library closer to that part of town and I thought that that was interesting. I just wanted to put it out there that our library system is managed by L.A. County but I wanted to make sure that we are all on the same page that this is what our youth is asking for it is really great conversation and I am not sure what the next steps are but the seed has been planted and it is part of our job to represent all demographics. Finally, one late night after a City Council meeting I had a resident who wanted to talk and came in and said that she really missed Operation Sparkle and that conversation was it was a community event. The community would get together and clean-up and do community clean-ups and I just thought I would put it back out there you know in the very near future it would be great to start reorganizing some of the incredible community events. So when people, community do address us I want to make sure that I am sharing that information with you colleagues and to see what the take is what we can possible move forward. With that I thank you very much for listening to Item 18D.1 Discussion on Community Letters/Youth Requests. I can't wait to hear back what some of the feedback that you guys get out there in the community. Finally,

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please join us for a very important event on October 25, 2018, 5:00 o'clock is registration, 6:00 o'clock we will have a small a very short program, 6:15 we will do a family friendly walk around City Hall and at about 7:00 o'clock we will light up Lady Liberty purple again after a moment of reflection.

18D.2 Discussion on Census 2020.

Community 2020 is quickly upon us and during 2020 we are up against, every 10 years we have to a Census. Luckily we have a very knowledgeable person representing NALEO's educational fund and Eduardo Cisneros who is here to share a little bit of information about the 2020 Census. We did print out a couple of pages and it is just a two page paper for the community and if you are in the audience and if you would like to take a look, we are going to be putting together community committees to make sure that everyone is counted.

I just wanted to say thank you on behalf of this community. One of the reasons I wanted to bring this out today and I feel that there is a sense of urgency is that we need to start the conversation about the Census it is a year and half out but here is the thing for every person who is not counted that is \$40. Now we are talking about not just \$40 today we are talking about \$40 for 10 years. These are tax dollars that your cities, your schools, your community colleges that we count on for resources to be able to do the things that we do. It is that important that you can probably find me talking about the upcoming Census once a quarter and it is every critical for the City of El Monte. There was a City that flooded right before a Census and everybody had evacuated and so the numbers that were counted in that space were not reflective of the community that had been living there. Well those numbers held, that state lost a seat in Congress.

18E. Councilman Velasco

I agree 100 percent with the libraries also they are very much needed that is why the El Monte Promise have set up the little libraries because we have the lack of libraries. Maybe our staff could meet with Supervisor Solis's staff and we have a really good friend who works in her office Mr. Briones and maybe also meet with them and talk about getting a library because it is much needed. I attended the Senior event that the City in conjunction with AARP is putting on that was very informative we had about 60 people. Tomorrow it will be at the Senior Center at 10:00 am. The Do's and Don'ts when you are ready to retire or when you are retired.

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19. ADJOURNMENT:

With no objection Mayor Quintero adjourned the City Council meeting at 8:44 pm.

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Andre Quintero, Mayor
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