

APPROVAL OF MINUTES  
EL MONTE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
OF FEBRUARY 16, 2022

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

1. CALL TO ORDER: **6:04 p.m.**

2. ROLL CALL FOR CITY COUNCIL AND AUTHORITY BODIES:

Jessica Ancona, Mayor/Chair – **present**  
Alma D. Puente, Mayor Pro Tem/Authority Member – **present**  
Victoria Martinez Muela, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**  
Dr. Maria Morales, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**  
Martin R. Herrera, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

**m) Mayor Ancona**  
**s) Councilmember Martinez Muela** **5-0**

4. INVOCATION: City Council. **Mayor Ancona**

5. FLAG SALUTE: City Council. **Mayor Ancona**

6. PUBLIC HEARING:

Members of the public wishing to address the Council on any item of business agendized under this Public Hearing portion of the agenda are asked to call in or submit a speaker card in the manner prescribed on page 1 of this agenda, above, by or before the time at which the City Council closes the public comment portion of each public hearing matter listed under this section. The City Council shall be under no obligation to entertain comments from speakers/callers who submit cards or call in after the public comment portion of the public hearing matter they wish to speak on has been closed. Each speaker will be allotted three (3) continuous minutes per Public Hearing item.

6.1 A Public Hearing Required by Elections Code Section 10010(a) to Receive Public Input and Comment on a Proposal to Change the Manner in Which City Council Members are Elected from At-Large Elections to District-Based Elections.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Receive the presentation of staff and the City's demographer regarding the districting process and permissible criteria to be considered to create district boundaries; and
2. Conduct a public hearing to receive public input on the proposition of transitioning to district-based elections and the formation of district boundaries.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No.: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

**m) Mayor Ancona**  
**s) Mayor Pro Tem Puente**  
**Open P.H.**

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Jane Myring – Interested in knowing how the redistricting will impact El Monte since some neighborhoods have a lot of apartments and some areas are single family homes.

Mary Ann Powers – Are registered voters being considered. Concerned with areas with 5% voters vs. 50% voters. Concerned that there may be areas that have very low voter registration.

Charles Hoffman – Who will be voting for these maps? Will the residents vote in November or will the City Council?

Florencio Briones – Will the City Council adopt the final set of maps? Will that be the end of it or is it like the school districts where it goes to another commission/county to approve?

Gabriel Panduro – There will be more representation if the City moves into districts. The main point is there is a protected class if there are more Councilmembers it would be good to consider the protected class. For the next meeting when maps are being considered it would be good to have an outline for residents to consider.

It would be important to clarify to the voters that the boundaries formed when the City goes to district elections is that it doesn't mean that the voters can't go to other areas or districts. Can everyone vote on citywide initiatives?

**m) Mayor Ancona**  
**s) Councilmember Martinez Muela** **5-0**  
**Close P.H.**

7. ADJOURNMENT:

**At 8:01 p.m.**  
**m) Councilmember Martinez Muela**  
**s) Mayor Ancona**  
**Adjourn the Meeting**

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Catherine A. Eredia, City Clerk  
City of El Monte

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Jessica Ancona, Mayor  
City of El Monte