

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
EL MONTE CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
OF MARCH 19, 2020

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 OF SPECIAL MEETING: **7:10 pm**

2. ROLL CALL FOR CITY COUNCIL AND AUTHORITY BODIES:

Andre Quintero, Mayor/Chair – **present**
Maria Morales, Mayor Pro Tem/Authority Member – **present**
Jessica Ancona, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**
Victoria Martinez Muela, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**
Jerry G. Velasco, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

m) Councilmember Martinez Muela
s) Councilmember Ancona **5-0**
Only consider only Item 8.1

4. INVOCATION: **Mayor Quintero**

5. FLAG SALUTE: **Mayor Quintero**

6. CLOSED SESSION:

6.1 Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) Conference with Legal Counsel--Existing Litigation regarding the following related matter: Greater SGV Safe Community Foundation v. City of El Monte, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCP05662.

Item not discussed.

7. SPECIAL MEETING PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING AGENDIZED MATTERS ONLY:

As provided under **Government Code Section 54954.3**, this time has been set aside for persons in the audience to provide comment or make inquiries on matters appearing on this **Special Meeting agenda only**. Although no person is required to provide their name and address as a condition to attending a meeting, persons who wish to address the body 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. All comments or queries presented by a speaker shall be addressed to the body as a whole and not to any specific member thereof. No questions shall be posed to any member of the body except through the presiding official of the meeting, members of the body 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 body may not engage in any

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sort of prolonged discussion or deliberation with any speaker or group of speakers on matters that are not listed on this Special Meeting agenda.

Enforcement of Decorum: The Chief of Police of the City of El Monte, or such member, or members of the Police Department as the Chief of Police may designate, shall serve as the Sergeant-at-Arms of the 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 policies and the action(s) or proposed action(s) of the body 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 policies 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.

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS:

8.1 A Public Hearing to Consider and Approve an Urgency Ordinance Establishing a 45-Day Moratorium on Residential Evictions Due to Non-Payment of Rent Caused by the COVID-19 Pandemic.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Open the public hearing;
2. Receive a brief overview from staff and pose questions;
3. Receive public comment;
4. Close the public comment portion of the public hearing;
5. Pose closing questions to staff;
6. Deliberate and then close the public hearing; and
7. By 4/5 vote of the City Council, approve Urgency Ordinance establishing a moratorium of residential evictions caused by non-payment of rent due to hardship associated with the COVID-19 pandemic as long as the City of El Monte is in a declared state of emergency.

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

Urgency Ordinance No. 2971

Florencio Briones – I know these are extraordinary circumstances that we are all living under today unlike any other we have ever experienced in our lives. I am here to address you as President of the Board of Trustees of the El Monte Union High School District. I wanted to share a couple of stats with you today the El Monte Union High School District and our partner School Districts the El Monte City School District and the Mountain View School District collectively served 14,752 meals to our students that we serve. Over the course of the last few days we have served 43,952 meals. That is actually a lower number than what we serve on a normal on any given day when school is in session. The reason why I bring this up is to show you and the community that there is a need out there for us to look out for the most vulnerable and the residents of our community that we represent. Governor Newsom's Executive Order of March 16, 2020, Executive Order N-28-20 authorized local municipalities to enact moratoriums on evictions. I was here Tuesday hoping that the Council would address this particular item and approve a moratorium on evictions here in the City of El Monte. I am here today asking that the Council not only approve 8.1 but consider extending the moratorium for 60 days instead of 45. Currently the County of Los Angeles, the City of Los Angeles, the City of Long Beach, and other cities throughout L.A. County and the State have adopted moratoriums of 60 days and I think that is adequate time to allow residents to feel as though they are secure in

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their homes. With so many folks not working right now because of the coronavirus pandemic folks are not generating income and as the County did earlier today and Governor Newsom expanded statewide today there is a stay at home order that starting tonight. We want to make sure that those residents who are not able to generate income have time to figure out what needs to be done to find assistance. The executive order and the moratorium does not give anybody the right to not pay rent it gives people the opportunity to pay any back rent within six months and it allows them to essential feel secure where they are at now. I advocate to Council tonight to please consider extending the moratorium to at least 60 days and that will give everyone some time both our residents and you as Councilmembers additional time for next steps to address this crisis.

m) Councilmember Martinez
s) Councilmember Ancona **5-0**
To approve a 60-day moratorium

9. REGULAR AGENDA:

- 9.1 Consideration and Approval of the Purchase and Sale Agreement (PSA) and Joint Escrow Instructions Between the City of El Monte and Xue Chen of 12159 Cherrylee Drive.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Receive a presentation from City staff regarding the proposed Purchase and Sale Agreement (PSA) and Joint Escrow Instructions between the City of El Monte and Xue Chen of 12159 Cherrylee Drive;
2. Adopt the Resolution approving the PSA by and between the City of El Monte and Xue Chen; and
3. Authorize the City Manager and City Attorney to make any non-substantive minor modifications and execute the PSA.

Total Cost: \$1,500,000 Account No: Quimby and EB5 Fund
Is the cost of this item budgeted? No

Resolution No. 10107

Item not discussed.

- 9.2 Approval of a Side Letter #3 to the 2018-2020 MOU with the El Monte Police Officers' Association Covering the Period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve Side Letter #3 with the El Monte Police officers' Association (EMPOA), covering the period of January 1, 2020 through December 31, 2022.

Total Cost: (\$70,000) Account No: Various
Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

Item not discussed.

10. CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA:

- 10.1 Discussion Regarding Emergency Action Plan.

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Item not discussed.

10.2 Discussion Regarding Emergency Response Fund.

Item not discussed.

10.3 Discussion Regarding Emergency Reimbursement Tracking.

Item not discussed.

10.4 Discussion Regarding Small Business Support Center.

Item not discussed.

11. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

11A. Mayor Quintero

11B. Mayor Pro Tem Morales

11C. Councilwoman Ancona

11D. Councilwoman Martinez Muela

11E. Councilman Velasco

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12. **ADJOURNMENT: Adjourn in Memory of former Councilmember, Mayor and Chief of Police Tom Millet.**

Without objection the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 7:32 pm.

The next Regular Meeting of the City Council will be held on **April 7, 2020** 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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Catherine A. Eredia, City Clerk
City of El Monte

APPROVED:

Andre Quintero, Mayor
City of El Monte