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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 agenda item 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 4.8.

Mayor Quintero and the City Council recessed into Closed Session at approximately 6:07 p.m. Mayor Quintero and the City Council reconvened from Closed Session at approximately 7:07 pm.

City Attorney Rick Olivarez reported out of Closed Session with respect to Items 4.1 through 4.8.

- 4.1 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(e)(3) – Conference with Legal Counsel Regarding Significant Exposure to Litigation – One (1) Potential Case.

General update, no final action

- 4.2 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation Regarding the Following Related Matter: NeroCanna vs. City of El Monte, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 20STCP02545.

General update, no final action. The City Council did unanimously reject the claim filed by the City by the plaintiff.

- 4.3 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation Regarding the Following Matter: El Rovia vs. City of El Monte, Court Appeal, Second Appellate District Case No. B288134, El Rovia vs. City of El Monte, District Court Central District Case No. 2:19-CV-7506 CAS AFMx, and El Rovia vs. City of El Monte, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCP05151.

General update, no final action

- 4.4 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(e)(3) – Significant Exposure of Litigation – One (1) Potential Case.

General update, no final action

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- 4.5 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) – Conference with Legal Counsel Regarding Initiation of Litigation – One (1) Matter.

Item has been pulled.

- 4.6 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 – Conference with Real Property Negotiator.

Property Location:
10024 Valley Boulevard

Name of Party City is Negotiating with:
Happy Lu, LLC, Henry Liu, CBD Investments

City's Representative in Negotiations:
Alma K. Martinez, City Manager; Betty Donovanik, Community & Economic Development Director; David Gondek, Deputy City Attorney

Under Discussion:
Discussion of price and terms.

General update, no final action

- 4.7 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 – Conference with Real Property Negotiator.

Property Location:
10038 Valley Boulevard

Name of Party City is Negotiating with:
Happy Lu, LLC, Henry Liu, CBD Investments

City's Representative in Negotiations:
Alma K. Martinez, City Manager; Betty Donovanik, Community & Economic Development Director; David Gondek, Deputy City Attorney

Under Discussion:
Discussion of price and terms.

General update, no final action

- 4.8 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 – Conference with Labor Negotiator – Represented Employees:

Bargaining Units Subject to Negotiations: El Monte SEIU Local 721; El Monte Police Mid-Managers Association; El Monte Police Officers Association; Management Group; and El Monte General Mid-Managers Association.

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City's Designated Negotiator: Alma K. Martinez, City Manager and John Nguyen, Human Resources/Risk Management Director

General update, no final action

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Mayor Pro Tem Morales

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OPEN SESSION PROCEEDINGS

(Commencing at 6:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the City Council reconvene from Closed Session/Short Recess)

5. INVOCATION: **Mayor Quintero.**
6. FLAG SALUTE: **Chief of Police, David Reynoso. Present**
7. RECOGNITIONS, HONORS AND COMMUNITY INTEREST PRESENTATIONS: **No material submitted.**
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.

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Cheryl Gilera – I am the Library Manager at El Monte Library. During the July 29th City Council meeting, there was a discussion about bridging the digital divide and mention of providing the community information of hotspot locations. I just wanted to share that LA County Libraries are hotspots and although our buildings are currently closed to the public, our community can access WiFi using a Los Angeles County library card in good standing while within the library's vicinity (many take advantage while sitting out in our parking lots).

Sean – Thank you for setting up the introduction with your executive team. Betty & Todd were wonderful and very engaging to help. Betty will be sending me paperwork on how to proceed with the Moderate Income program as well as giving me contact information with Lily (Housing Department) to help me navigate this process. I have nothing but praise for your staff. I also shared a lot of wonderful experiences with them about the City of El Monte and how your administration is really transforming this great City. Your City is truly a hallmark of a professional establishment. Keep up the good work!

Councilmember Martinez Muela – I would like to report to you that the children of El Monte are going to be having an incredible return back to school. Although it may be distant learning the children did receive 2,000 backpacks stuffed with items curtesy of community partners as well as 2,000 haircuts donated by the Professional Institute of Beauty in the Downtown El Monte Business Area. I wanted to take this time today during public comment to thank our partners like the El Monte City School District allowing us to partner with them. The Mountain View City School District allowing us to partner with them at food distribution sites where families when they showed up they were surprised kind of like the helpful Honda people to receive a backpack filled with items meant to support their distance learning. Items like headphones, items like whiteboards with the markers so that they can show their answers, socks of course they are a hallmark of the Back-to-School Resource Fair so it was tremendous event. I want to thank Cricket Wireless for being our major sponsor, the Professional Institute of Beauty, the El Monte/South El Monte Chamber of Commerce without them this would not be possible because they are the ones who really gather so many of the vendors that help and support this event. This was the 9th year of the Back-to-School Resource Fair and the committee has a resolve that is unbelievable. In the year of COVID when you think that there isn't going to be this type of action this was our biggest year yet. We gave away 2,000 bags thanks to all of our generous supporters. We gave away 2,000 bags went back into the community. It was a blessing and a blessed year. So on behalf of the Back-to-School Resource Fair I want to let the community know

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hopefully their children will receive this and feel that this is a blessing and surprise. One other thing I am wearing white today because I think it is an important homage to the woman's suffrage movement. For 100 years women have had the right to vote, women have had their voices heard and I think that this is a very important ideal that not only should be mentioned but should be honored continuously so to 100 years and 100 years more.

9. CITY TREASURER'S REPORT:

9.1 Transmittal of the Treasurer's Investment Report for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2020.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Receive and file the Treasurer's Investment Report for the Quarter Ended June 3, 2020.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

Continued to next meeting.

10. DEMAND RESOLUTION NO. D-626

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 \$10,699,554.14 have been examined by the City Treasurer and that warrant numbers 1092236 through 1092958 and the payroll period ending July 15, 2020 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 Morales

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11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

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Total Cost: N/A
Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

Account No: N/A

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

12.3 Approval by 4/5 Vote of a Resolution Authorizing the Purchase of Body Worn Camera System from LensLock, Inc. for Law Enforcement Use pursuant to Section 3.24.060(F) of the El Monte Municipal Code.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve by 4/5 vote a Resolution authorizing the expenditure of Asset Forfeiture funds for a five (5) year term in an amount not-to-exceed \$779,090 for the purchase of Body Worn Camera System, including equipment, software and cloud-based storage of digital evidence for the use of Police Department personnel; and
2. Consider and approve the City Manager, or her designee, to execute the Master Service Agreement between the LensLock and the City of El Monte.

Total Cost: \$155,818 (Yearly)
Is the cost of this item budgeted? No

Account No: 259-71-711-6271
Asset Forfeiture Funds

Resolution No. 10177

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

12.4 Approval of a Helicopter Management Contract with HeliSafe Inc. for Maintenance and Pilot Services for the Air Support Program.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve the contract vendor HeliSafe LLC for police helicopter maintenance and pilot services for the Police Department for a three (3) year term in amount not-to-exceed \$1,054,492 from 100-71-741-6111; and
2. Authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to execute the Air Support Program Agreement on behalf of the City of El Monte.

Total Cost: \$341,160 (FY20-21)
Is the cost of this item budgeted? Yes

Account No: 100-71-741-6111

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

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- 12.5 Approval of an Agreement for Supplemental Law Enforcement Services By and Between the City of Pasadena and the City of El Monte for Special Events that Occur in the City of Pasadena.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve an Agreement for Supplemental Law Enforcement Services by and between the City of Pasadena and the City of El Monte for the performance of supplemental law enforcement functions relating to major events that occur in the City of Pasadena for a three (3) year term; and
2. Consider and approve the City Manager, or her designee, to execute the Agreement between the City of Pasadena and the City of El Monte.

Total Cost: -0-

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

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- 12.6 Approval of School Resource Officer Agreement between the El Monte Union High School District and the City of El Monte for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve "Exhibit A" Scope of Service Fiscal Year 2020-2021;
2. Approve the School Resource Officer Agreement by and between El Monte Union High School District and the City of El Monte for Fiscal Year 2020-2021; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City of El Monte.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

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- 12.7 Approval of School Resource Officer Agreement between El Monte City School District and the City of El Monte for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

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1. Approve "Exhibit A" Scope of Service Fiscal Year 2020-2021;
2. Approve the School Resource Officer Agreement by and between El Monte City School District and the City of El Monte for Fiscal Year 2020-2021; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City of El Monte.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

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- 12.8 Approval of School Resource Officer Agreement between the Mountain View School District and the City of El Monte for Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve "Exhibit A" Scope of Service Fiscal Year 2020-2021;
2. Approve the School Resource Officer Agreement by and between Mountain View School District and the City of El Monte for Fiscal Year 2020-2021; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to execute the Agreement on behalf of the City of El Monte.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

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- 12.9 Approval of Request to Accept the Bus Stop Improvement Project on Cogswell Road as Complete and File the Notice of Completion with the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Accept the Bus Stop Improvement Project on Cogswell Road as completed; and
2. Authorize staff to file the Notice of Completion (NOC) with the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

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- 12.10 Approval of Request to Accept the Durfee Ramona Kerrwood Sidewalk Improvement Project, CIP No. 002 as Complete and Authorize Staff to File the Notice of Completion with the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and accept the Durfee Ramona Kerrwood Sidewalk Improvement Project, CIP No. 002 as completed and authorize staff to file the Notice of Completion (NOC) with the Los Angeles County Recorder's Office; and
2. Authorize staff to release the retention 35 days after acceptance by the City Council.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

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- 12.11 Approval of new Memorandum of Understanding with Rio Hondo Community College District to Continue the Transit Incentive Program.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve a new Memorandum of Understanding between the City of El Monte and Rio Hondo Community College District to continue the Transit Incentive Program for Rio Hondo's "GO RIO" Program; and
2. Authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to execute the new Memorandum of Understanding between the City of El Monte and Rio Hondo Community College District.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

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- 12.12 Approval of a Purchase Agreement with Vista Paint Corporation for Paint and Paint Supplies on an As-Needed Basis for an Amount of \$43,000.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

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m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Ancona
Ordinance No. 2983

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14. REGULAR AGENDA:

- 14.1 Consideration and Approval of a Purchase Agreement with El Dorado-National California for the Purchase and Installation of Eight (8) Fixed-Route Transit Services Driver Protection Barriers for an Amount Not-to-Exceed \$53,714.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve a Purchase Agreement with El Dorado-National California (ENC) for the purchase and installation of eight (8) Fixed-Route Transit Services driver protection barriers for an amount not-to-exceed \$53,714;
2. Consider and approve a total not-to-exceed amount of \$53,714 be appropriated from Proposition Fund A; and
3. Authorize the City Manager, or her designee, to fully execute a Purchase Agreement with ENC.

Total Cost: \$53,714

Account No: 202-67-731-8131

Is the cost of this item budgeted? Yes

Prop A Fund

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Mayor Pro Tem Morales

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- 14.2 Consideration and Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with Michael Baker International for Construction Management and Inspection Services for the Nevada Bodger Water, Sewer, and Pavement Improvement Project, CIP No. 014, CIP No. 005 and CIP No. 038 for a Not-to-Exceed Amount of \$1,415,292.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve a Professional Services Agreement for Construction Management and Inspection Services for the Nevada/Bodger Water, Sewer and Pavement Improvement Project, CIP No. 014, CIP No. 005 and CIP No. 038 with Michael Baker International for a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,415,292 which includes a contract amount of \$1,286,629 plus a ten percent (10%) contingency of \$128,663;
2. Authorize the use of Bond Proceeds from the El Monte Water Authority Revenue Bonds Series 2018A, Sewer fund, and Measure M fund for this budget;
3. Consider and approve a total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,415,292 to be appropriated from the Water Bond Series 2018, Sewer fund, and Measure M fund and approve the Project budget as presented in Attachment 2;

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General Fund budget; \$23.0 million Enterprise Fund (Water and Sewer) budget; and \$106.3 million Special Revenue Funds and Other Funds Budget; and

2. Consider and adopt a Resolution approving the Fiscal Year 2020/2021 Water Budget totaling \$12,636,935.

Total Cost: N/A

Account No: N/A

Is the cost of this item budgeted? N/A

Resolution No. 10178

Resolution No. EMWA-31

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- 14.5 Consideration and Approval of a Side Letter Agreements with the El Monte Police Officers' Association, City of El Monte General Unit (Represented by SEIU Local 721), City of El Monte General Mid-Management Unit (Represented by SEIU Local 721), and El Monte Police Mid-Managers' Association Regarding Cost Reduction Measures.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approve the following side letter agreements with the stated bargaining units: (i) Side Letter #4 with the El Monte Police Officers' Association ("POA"); (ii) Side Letter #2 with the City of El Monte General Unit ("GU"), represented by the Service Employees International Union Local 721 ("SEIU"); (iii) Side Letter #2 with the City of El Monte General Mid-Management Unit ("GMMU") represented by SEIU; and (iv) Side Letter #2 with the El Monte Police Mid-Managers' Association ("PMMA").

Cost Reduction: (\$1,364,100)

Account No: Various

Is the cost of this item budgeted? Yes

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

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

16. CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA:

16.1 Update Regarding COVID-19.

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

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18. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

18A. Mayor Quintero

18A.1 Discussion and Action Regarding Funding of Special Election.

I participated in a meeting last week at Rio Hondo College I just listened in because apparently they have unlike us when you can call in at any time they do have a minimum two hour requirement where you have to sign up in order to speak. We did submit a letter requesting a special election. There are number of us who also signed on to another letter encouraging them to do a special election I feel very strongly on this and I communicated as much. I think anyone who posted or post any kind of comment related to John Lewis like I did could stand by and not advocate for an election for the people to be able to determine who their representative is. The Rio Hondo College Board decided that they wanted to appoint a member from our community to represent us. They've made a decision and I am going to ask them to reconsider if I have support from the Council obviously because I can't do it on my own. What I would like to do is I would like to ask for authorization to extend an offer to the Rio Hondo College Board to pay for the Special Election.

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Mayor Pro Tem Morales

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Allocate \$200,000 from this budget

18B. Mayor Pro Tem Morales

I am glad it is recognized here we are in August and yet the pandemic has been happening and we have been in a sense of urgency since March so I am sorry I have been at work since March recognizing that the families and the children in our community have lost their safe haven since March it wasn't from yesterday. At the community we have been involved in providing food, shelter at times, Wifi, spaces where families can reach out to make sure that we as a government have retooled to provide these services. And I say that because it has to be noted that our City is doing things very differently than other communities to the extent that we are being asked, we are being questioned, and we are being summoned how is it that you are doing what you are doing and so it has been out there for a while. I want to make sure that it is noted that it isn't something that was just recent. This is going to be something that is going to be long term. What I also wanted to say as a teacher thank you for the love because I started teaching last Saturday.

18B.1 Update on the High School Graduates Banner Program.

Our flags went up I believe last week. We want to make sure that this is something that we do every year to honor the graduates to make sure that we highlight their accomplishments and to let them know that we haven't forgotten that these are very difficult times and that we have been thinking of them since the beginning.

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18B.2 Update Regarding Citywide Broadband Accessibility.

Our L.A. County Libraries do have the bandwidth to support those that don't necessarily have the strongest WiFi in the area but we are hoping that at some point we will be able to have a Citywide broadband accessibilities so as this pandemic continues we have the infrastructure laid out.

18B.3 Update Regarding Gibson Mariposa Skate Park.

We have definitive word that Delta Airlines has provided through way of the Tony Hawk Foundation \$25,000 to facilitate the final construction of our Skate Park. We know that the need is great because some of the kids in our community are already trying to use it. We know that there is a need for kids to be out in spaces, to have a space to help themselves with their sports, their mental health. Parkway Drive there is a bike design that is occurring as we speak there is a survey that is occurring as well.

18C. Councilwoman Ancona

18C.1 Discussion Regarding Back to School 2020-2021.

Just in regards to back to school. Councilwoman Martinez Muela thank you, thank you for continue for organizing the Back-to-School Resource Fair along with our community partners. What a wonderful surprise it was for our families who were picking up their meal services that Monday morning to welcomed with an additional gift for preparation of our virtual distance learning school year. I do want to echo the sentiments that you shared being kind to one another, being more appreciative to one another as the school year starts. It finally hit me that our kids won't be coming back to school at least to start the school year. It was heavy on my heart because for many of these kids this is where they receive their meals, it is a safe haven from home if things are difficult at home our children do not have that safe zone. It is the opportunity to socialize, to make memories, to have fun with their friends. Since March we have been going, going, going as educators and it was tough to finally realize this is the new normal and we are not sure if we will see our kids in January or may be until next year. I am hoping we come back a lot sooner. Community if you are in need of additional resources I am sure I can say that you can reach to any of us on the dais and we will do what we can to help you. Students, staff thank you for your commitment. I want wish everyone involved in all of our school districts here in El Monte a great school year.

18C.2 Update and Discussion Regarding Upcoming Car Show.

18D. Councilwoman Martinez Muela

One of the things I want to talk about is just the idea that children are going back to school but they are not going back to school they are staying home. One of the major considerations for staying home that is being overlooked right now is physical

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education and mental health. It is really unfortunate that we are in this COVID pandemic that has really turned our lives upside down. Moms, dads and grandparents who are now home teaching have a new appreciation for teachers. Let's give them a little bit of love because they are taking a whole new environment. Kids who are home let's give them a little love because they are not able to go hang out with their friends now. Let's give a little love and be loving to each other especially during this time. It is unprecedented times and unfortunately we haven't taken into consideration how these times affect us physically and mentally. I do want to remind you there are resources out there. Parents we hope and pray that you are managing well and I hope you have mental health resources if you need them. I know there are a lot of families that are really struggling with loss of income, if a person has depression because of COVID it has turned lives upside down. Be kind this school year. Our motto for the Back-to-School Resource Fair is be kind, be smart, be safe. I hope that you all are that to each other.

18E. Councilman Velasco

I am glad we are talking about being kind to each other especially now with this pandemic going and we as the head of this City as Councilmembers we need to keep that in mind we have to be positive things are tough things are rough and we have to be kind. Mayor Pro Tem Morales mentioned the Delta Airlines, congratulations on that and that is what it is all about that is where Council comes in we use our connections, we use our contacts, we use our resources to compliment what the City Manager and her staff are doing this is how we are going to get through this.

18D.1 Update Regarding Mini Pitch Soccer Fields.

We met some people from the Target Foundation and they have agreed to starting a mini soccer pitch field at Mountain View Park the basketball court will be repurpose if it works out. The Target Foundation would pay for it and it wouldn't cost the City.

18D.2 Update Regarding the Weekly COVID-19 Testing for El Monte Residents.

We have a testing program every Thursday from 9:00 am to 11:30 at the Community Center Parking lot. It is with the Regan Testing Medical Center so we started another testing facility besides the airport.

18D.3 Update Regarding the El Monte Free COVID-19 Youth Learn and Care Program.

This is not costing the City.

18D.4 Update Regarding Census 2020.

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I have been promoting the Census. Everywhere I go, the Valley Vista Trucks have posters on them. They have given an extension but do not wait for the extension because Washington is changing again. We need to make sure that people file their census.

18D.5 Update Regarding Al Fresco Outside Dining.

This is nice to see that there are businesses that are making some money and keeping it safe again and we are monitoring it and we go visit and the businesses are happy because they need to survive.

18D.6 Update Regarding the Drive-In Movie Events on Main Street.

We had one last week on Friday and keeping everyone just happy and keeping everyone safe.

19. **ADJOURNMENT: Adjourn in memory of Trini Lopez, American singer, guitarist, and actor.**

Without objection the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 10:30 pm.

The next Regular Meeting of the City Council will be held on **September 1, 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