

APPROVAL OF MINUTES
EL MONTE CITY COUNCIL ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING
OF JANUARY 28, 2020

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: **6:06 p.m.**

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 – **absent**
Victoria Martinez Muela, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**
Jerry Velasco, Councilmember/Authority Member – **present**

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

WITH THE FOLLOWING EDITS/CHANGES TO THE AGENDA:

SPECIALLY ADDED AGENDA 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 Matter of Anticipated Litigation – One (1) Matter.

Item 14.4 has been pulled.

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Mayor Pro Tem Morales

4-0 (Councilmember Ancona 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.).

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 6:08 pm. Councilmember Ancona joined the City Council in Closed

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Session at 6:20 pm. Councilmember Ancona participated in all Closed Session Items with the exception of Item 4.4.

Mayor Quintero and the City Council reconvened from Closed Session at approximately 7:26 pm.

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 54956.8 – Conference with Real Property Negotiator

Property Location:
11462 Lee Lane

Name of Party City is Negotiating with:
Potential Purchasers Under Terms of an RFP (Successor Agency Owned Property).

City's Designated Negotiators:
Alma K. Martinez, City Manager; and Betty Donovanik, Community and Economic Development Director; and Dave Gondek, Senior Deputy City Attorney.

Under Discussion:
Both terms of proposed marketing for sale including cost recovery terms with Oversight Board/State DOF.

The City Council authorized the abatement of this property. The City Manager has been provided with authorization of a not-to-exceed \$30,000 to demolish the structure.

- 4.2 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation Regarding the Following Related 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.

- 4.3 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 vs. City of El Monte, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCP05662.

General update, no final action.

- 4.4 Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) Conference with Legal Counsel--Existing Litigation regarding the following related matter: Raul Sepulveda v. City of El Monte, District Court Central District Case No. 2:18-CV-07973.

General update, no final action.

- 4.5 **Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1) Conference with Legal Counsel--Existing Litigation regarding the following related matter: Angel Jose Velasco v. City of El Monte, Los Angeles Superior Court Case No. 19STCV13639.**

General update, no final action.

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- 4.6 Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and 54956.9(e)(1) – Conference with Legal Counsel to Discuss Matter of Anticipated Litigation – One (1) Matter.

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: Chaplain Manny Coronilla, Calvary Chapel. **Present**
6. FLAG SALUTE: Allyson Luevano, 4th Grader from Maxson Elementary School. Enjoys Cheerleading. **Absent**
7. RECOGNITIONS, HONORS AND COMMUNITY INTEREST PRESENTATIONS:
- 7.1 Presentation by the City Council to Allyson Luevano from Maxson Elementary School for Leading the Pledge of Allegiance. **Absent**
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

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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.

Liam – She was scammed. She received mail from Citibank saying she owed money but she does not.

Break at 7:36 pm

Back at 7:37 pm

Gabriel Ramirez – I just want to make a question to the City Attorney if I may I am going to addressing the Body as well. At the last meeting I know there was a violation of the Brown Act and under the First Amendment is there a way to add minutes to it because I was interrupted. I was basically going to abide by the rules of the City Council and I will make the definition there is no threats or anything or provocation of it. I don't know if the legal can give me an answer to that question that is something that I felt last meeting was unjust. I just want to make sure that again I will address it to those comments that last meeting was very unacceptable by an elected official by the Mayor I just want to make sure to clarify to the general that this is just stating facts and stating the sources as the California Fair Political Commission. I want the public to know of what is happening within our City this is not just personal attack this is remind that we need representation not just for the few I am talking for everyone no matter what political differences or personals or not personals this has not been transparency and I really hope we really have real transparency and I know I see in Councilwoman Martinez Muela and Ancona keep up the good work.

El Monte Union High School Board of Trustees – Florencio Briones – We are here representing the El Monte Union High School District tonight to thank you the City Council for your support of the High School Football Team all the support that you gave not only to our team but the school and the community. When the team made it to the State Championship in December the outpouring of support was immediate and we were extremely grateful for that support. As you all know the El Monte High School Football team won their first State Title.

Maria Morgan – As President Briones said we want to thank you, I want to personally thank you for supporting our football team. I would also like to thank you so much for planning the parade for our boys and our families and asking us to partner with all of you it was a really great treat that the City was leading this event.

Ricardo Padilla – I wanted to come in person and express my gratitude for what you did for so many of our families and so many of our kids. It had not been done since 1930s and so I said I had to come in person and thank the City Council and let them know how grateful not only I am but my colleagues, Mr. David Diaz, our Superintendent, Mr. Carlos Salcedo. It is just awesome to have the media come out here and portray El Monte in a positive light it was very refreshing.

Cosme Jimenez – At the last Council meeting you made a few comments that you don't have a problem with your colleagues and that you show respect to them. That is at times but it need to be you show respect to them when they agree with you then you show respect but when they don't agree you should also show respect and control to them and work with them that is what democracy is all about. Your conditions if they don't challenge you if they agree with you then everything is fine and it should be that way. I know that you have a lot to learn as a Mayor not because I say it but because I see it I have been around for a long time. Not to criticize you or whatever I am not here for that. To give you a couple of examples Mr. Bart Patel and ex-councilmember Norma Macias did not agree with you have of time so there were disagreements. Councilwoman Martinez right now voted against marijuana and I guess she lost some points with you because she voted against it. Nothing's wrong they have to agree, they have to disagree.

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

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10. DEMAND RESOLUTION NO. D-613

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 \$5,249,738.46 have been examined by the City Treasurer and that warrant numbers 1087763 through 1088247 and the payroll ending December 31, 2019 inclusive are hereby allowed in the amounts and ordered paid out of the respective funds as set forth.

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

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11. APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Adjourned Regular Meeting Minutes of January 14, 2020.

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Councilmember Velasco

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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 Waiver of Full Reading of Ordinance(s).

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Approval to waive full reading (except title) of all ordinances appearing on the City Council agenda as authorized under Government Code Section 36934, unless otherwise directed by the City Council.

m) Mayor Quintero

s) Mayor Pro Tem Morales

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12.2 Approval of Request to Serve Wine and "Spirits" Liquor at the Following City-Owned Facility.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council consider and approve the request to serve/sell wine and "Spirits" liquor at the following City-owned facility:

<u>Non-Private User</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Date</u>
El Monte Women's Club (Grace T. Black Auditorium)	Scholarship Dinner (Attendance 100)	Friday, February 21, 2020 5:30 p.m. – 9:30 p.m.
El Monte Women's Club (Grace T. Black Auditorium)	Fashion Show (Attendance 100)	Saturday, April 25, 2020 10:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Velasco 5-0
Ordinance No. 2966 for First Reading

13.2 A Public Hearing to Consider and Approve a Resolution of the City Council of the City of El Monte, California Authorizing the Reallocation of Quimby In Lieu Fees for the Improvement and Rehabilitation of Public Park Facilities from Fletcher Park to Gibson Mariposa Park Pursuant to Government Code Section 66477(A)(3)(B).

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Open the public hearing;
2. Receive the 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. Close the public hearing;
7. Approve the proposed Resolution by no less than three (3) votes to authorize the expenditure of Quimby in Lieu Fees in an amount not-to-exceed \$100,000 for improvements and rehabilitation of public park facilities at Gibson Mariposa Park.

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

Resolution No. 10081

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Mayor Pro Tem Morales 5-0
Open P.H.

Gabriel Ramirez – I live in that area. If I am not mistaken I know that the past City Councilmembers and the one current if you can correct me if I am wrong but I remember that we had a Phase II of that Gibson Mariposa Park and it has been quiet down for quite a time. But in regards to here to the Quimby Fees I am assuming its allocation of \$100,000 I mentioned that there is going to be a dog park if considered and a skate park. I don't see there is not that many space for that it is not a big park as you can tell so I don't know how that is going to be fitting to this. For a park that is small for this much money it is absurd so what I recommend is to motion to table this to better understanding regarding this.

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Velasco 5-0
Close P.H.

m) Mayor Quintero
s) Councilmember Martinez Muela 5-0
Resolution No. 10081

14. **REGULAR AGENDA:**

14.1 Receive and File the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) of the City of El Monte for the Year Ended June 30, 2019.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Receive and file the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR) of the City of El Monte for the year ended June 30, 2019.

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

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**Break at 8:29 pm
Back at 8:35 pm**

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

- 14.2 Consideration and Approval of a Resolution for Submission of an Application Under the Department of Housing and Community Development's Infill Infrastructure Grant Program.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and adopt the attached Resolution approving an application for state funds from the Department of Housing and Community Development's Infill Infrastructure Grant Program for capital improvements to the El Monte Metro project including constructing new open green space and widening Railroad Street; and
2. Authorize the City Manager to make all conforming modifications and edits and execute all implementing documents.

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

Resolution No. 10082

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

- 14.3 Consideration and Approval for the Purchase of LED Street Light Housing and Hardware from Wesco Distribution to Convert City-Owned Streets Lights.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve the purchase of LED street light housing and hardware to convert City-owned street lights from Wesco Distribution for not-to-exceed amount of \$30,000.

Total Cost: \$30,000 Account No: 100-67-686-6218
Is the cost of this item budgeted? Yes

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

- 14.4 Consideration and Approval of a Resolution Updating the Citywide Classification and Compensation and Repealing and Replacing Resolution No. 10075 Approved December 17, 2019.

RECOMMENDATION OF BUSINESS ITEM UNDER CONSIDERATION:

It is recommended that the City Council:

1. Consider and approve the attached Resolution updating the Citywide Classification and Compensation Plan, effective February 1, 2020.

Total Cost: \$119,079 Account No: Various
Is the cost of this item budgeted? No

Resolution No. 10083
Item has been pulled.

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15. CITY ATTORNEY'S AGENDA:

15.1 2019 Review and 2020 Goals Presentation.

16. CITY MANAGER'S AGENDA:

16.1 Police Department Update.

17. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS: No material submitted.

18. COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS:

18A. Mayor Quintero

There is a request because of the late hour to continue this to the next meeting and if it is okay with you if you can post this online. And ultimately if this Council decides the voters to consider a charter city a charter would have to be drafted and put before the voters at some time. I wish since Mr. Ramirez mentioned the grassroots we could theoretically create a system in the City which we have never done before whereby we require individuals running for office to raise funds from residents.

18A.1 Update Regarding Charter City, City Council Expansion and District Elections.

Gabriel Ramirez – I would recommend to the City Council that Charter Cities is not a viable solution unless if you have a body of the Council that are transparency it does may work but if you don't have that it has its negatives and the positives. Basically here in this City it would not work in Charter Cities in other cities they do either because they have a body of transparency of a full body. Secondly, I know the City Council expansion, I am not for City Council expansion here in the City we are not like Oakland or Los Angeles or any other cities that have a major population that I understand why. Again, not only will it affect it doesn't make an impact for City Council expansion it creates if it is a regime that influences others to encourage to expansion that is not under their terms. We are not physically ready or mentally ready for Council expansion. As far as District elections I am really for it and I have said it before and district elections have to be in a very independent transparent not one elected official involved or influenced and I tell you this because it can create a lot of confusion but it creates a negative impact in the community and it is not benefit for the community.

18A.2 Update Regarding Campaign Finance.

Gabriel Ramirez – I am actually for it but the problem is that there are contradictions with certain elected officials here in this body on the dais. In the 460s you see money that has been contributed from companies that have services and how can you want to implement a campaign finance when you have elected officials receiving money from different services that we have. A real campaign finance is a real grassroots and I mean grassroots as in candidates that does not accept from corporations from contracts with the City like trashcan services, companies like tech companies but etc. from developers. Again if you are going to make this bold statement about campaign finance make sure that you are not receiving from them.

18B. Mayor Pro Tem Morales

I wanted to mention this earlier during our presentation and the plaque presentation that was provided to the City Council by the El Monte Union High School Board we did not publicly thank our Chief, our Police Department, our

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City Manager, our Management Team for frankly coordinating such a wonderful event for our young men in celebrating that great achievement. That was the start of a collaboration with the El Monte Union High School District. We had mention it in the past early on that we wanted to make sure that we collaborated with other governing bodies within the City and I thought that was a great opportunity for us to do that. With that said I hope that we continue to discuss how we could collaborate with the High School District and the City School Districts as well.

18B.1 City-Sponsored Bus Passes for K-12 Students.

The L.A. County Board of Supervisors has expanded a program where they are providing public transportation, free public transportation for their students given that they are an open district. Often times you have students traveling from one particular regional area to a school that is not necessarily close enough and often times parents are driving them to particular schools or having to take public transit and often times that can be an ownorest cost to low income communities so what I am hoping we can do is that I am asking staff to take a look at our trolley system and perhaps consider a trolley to class program where we can consider what the cost would be of providing the subsidy for our students so if they are using the trolley system they could commute from their home to their campus so that they are not necessarily adding to their travel costs whether it is a high school or a middle school so that they are not necessarily adding to their travel costs. Whether it is 50 cents or a dollar if you consider the cost that times five and if you consider the cost if it was more than one student I am hoping that we can take a long and that we can do a quick analysis of that and see if that is something that we could consider provided that L.A. County is giving us great leadership in that. The other thing I wanted to mention, Supervisor Hilda Solis has demonstrated great leadership last week Councilmember Velasco and I were with her at the Homeless Count we had an opportunity to get to hear James Edward Olmos who spoke about his involvement with making sure that there is attention being placed on this particular issue what was important or what I noted was the fact that she highlighted that this is a regional problem this is not necessarily just a problem for us to solve. This is also a problem that other cities are getting involved in, that it has to be done collaboratively, often times we discount these human beings and not necessarily focus on their needs. It is a complex issue and we are not going to solve it by ourselves. Over the past week the use of social media and often times residents do place particular issues that do need to be highlighted the GoRequest App we are actually placing it on the forefront to make sure that our residents are aware that it is a tool that they can use to let staff know it is monitored. If we don't use that app and highlight particular issues that need to be fixed we are not being a part of this solution. I just want to say thank you to staff for working so diligently through the week and making sure we are ready for our weekly meetings.

18C. Councilwoman Ancona

Nothing to share at this time I will wait until next week.

18D. Councilwoman Martinez Muela

I wanted to add a couple of things that Mayor Pro Tem Morales mentioned. The first thing she was talking about was in regards to trolleys within the City. We had a transportation report happen earlier before increasing ridership and ensuring that we were utilizing our trolleys for the best purposes for the community. So let's see if we can maximize that by potentially offering a ride to our children getting them to school on time I am really glad that you brought that up because we have utilized our trolleys for potential shopping routes, for our seniors but let's think about our children and how they can potentially utilize our transit system as well. You mentioned in regards to homelessness and needing to work regionally one of the most awesome things that came about this past week was that \$1.7M dollars in Measure 8 funding that is going to be maximized because three cities are going to be working together and that is El Monte, South El Monte, and Baldwin Park. We know we can make a difference every day one person at a time but how much better can we do if we are working in a regional collaboration with our sister cities. We know that the unsheltered is a huge

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community issue throughout the State of California and we want to make sure that we are doing our part here in the City of El Monte. So hopefully we the collaborations and so many eyes and ears on this particular funding we will be able to roll it out and maximize these dollars for those most in need. The GoRequest thank you for mentioning that I would really like to ask staff to put together a community social media event and what I am asking is the opportunity for them to learn hands on that day how to download the GoRequest App on their phone, how to take a picture and upload it so that people who are interested in helping their communities they will know how the GoRequest App works. Now I say this because some people are not so tech friendly so I want to make sure we address those who are not so tech friendly so that they not only learn how to use the GoRequest App but PD. Nixle is a communication that goes out via text message. Ms. City Manager I am looking for an upcoming event where the community will learn how to use the GoRequest, how to use the Nixle, how to do things online on our website and or follow us on our social media pages. Can we do something like that for our community? I just want to put it out there if there is public discourse during the course of a meeting how does that get noted in meeting minutes respectfully to both parties. We look at the minutes for historical purposes and as much as we have our videos historians that will look at the minutes to see what went on at the meetings.

18D.1 Discussion Regarding Autism Awareness Month, April 2020.

Autism is on the rise and more and more children and families are faced with recognizing the signs of autism and I do believe, and I am not asking to lead this but I am asking that staff take the reins of what we have done previously and create a one day resource fair for families that can come to a safe space and either request services of the City because we don't know what is being needed our there or receive support services from the County. When we had L.A. Found here I thought that was a great opportunity to bring L.A. Found at the same time because what we are addressing are cognitive issues and I want to make sure that those who are affected are well cared for within our community. I am just looking for support for staff to do another autism resource fair and utilize the same template that they had put together previously under the leadership of Councilmember Gomez. We can talk about this offline but the dates are coming up soon and I do want our community to know that we do respect those families that have children and/or adult members of their family that are autistic or on the spectrum myself included but also those families that are suffering from dementia or Alzheimer's. These are all issues that can and should be addressed at a one day resource fair. I think it would be a great add to our April calendar of events. I have been talking about El Monte being a destination point for years and I have finally seen it reincarnate in this particular cover page for our CAFR it shows all the great places for El Monte. It is a gorgeous piece for work and congratulations to our graphic design team and I hope we continue to move forward that El Monte is a destination point. We have entertainment, we have good places to shop we have a great community so these are all things that we are looking forward to. Good job guys this is really beautiful. Finally I will be representing the City at Independent Cities this weekend one of the big parts that I am looking forward to bringing back information is again the earthquake preparedness. Thank you very much City of El Monte and have a beautiful night.

18E. Councilman Velasco

The Meals on Wheels is going to be having their installation dinner Thursday, February 13th at El Sombrero Restaurant from 5:30 pm social hour and dinner is at 6:00 pm tickets are \$20. The other invitation is not to forget on February 8th Groundbreaking for the Ramona/Valley Intersection Project at 11:00 am. The Valley Mall DEMBA is having next Saturday the 8th at 12:30 pm at the Valley Mall they are going to have the Lunar Chinese Celebration. The County of Los Angeles gave a recognition to the City for the City's that are celebrating Chinese Lunar Day.

18E.1 Update Regarding Homeless County Report.

I just want to add to the Homeless Count everybody that was there was volunteering and I just want to highlight the fact that Edward James Olmos was

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also volunteering and it does help the cause it does help what we are trying to get across.

18E.2 Update Regarding Census 2020.

There are over \$675 Billion Dollars that will be spent nationwide. There will be a lot of jobs that will be available for seniors and individuals that are over 18. Starting in February will be the City of El Monte kick-off so you will see on our buses and any media that we have out there we will start pushing that. The City of El Monte is incorporating the 2020 Census timeline within our timeline.

19. ADJOURNMENT: Adjourn in Memory of Joseph "Big Joe" Morales, former Little League President, Respected Community Member and Mentor

Without objection the Mayor adjourned the meeting at 9:57 p.m.

The next Regular Meeting of the City Council will be held on **February 4, 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