

**MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 2021
REGULAR MEETING OF THE SAN GABRIEL CITY COUNCIL**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Menchaca called the regular meeting of the San Gabriel City Council to order at 6:31 P.M. on Tuesday, March 16, 2021, with all Council Members and staff participating by teleconference.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR (GOVERNMENT CODE §54957.6)

City Negotiators – City Manager Lazzaretto, City Attorney Lemieux, and Human Resources/Risk Management Director Macias.

Regarding the following Employee Organizations – San Gabriel Fire Management Group

City Attorney Lemieux announced that in the preceding special meeting, no reportable action was taken on the closed session item.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Harrington.

ROLL CALL

Council Members Present: Tony Ding, John R. Harrington, Jason Pu, Vice Mayor Chin Ho Liao, and Mayor Denise Menchaca.

Council Members Absent: None.

Staff Members Present: City Manager Mark Lazzaretto, Assistant City Manager/Community Development Director Arminé Chaparyan, City Attorney Keith Lemieux, Community Services/Interim Mission Playhouse Director Rebecca Perez, Police Chief Eugene Harris, Chief City Clerk Sharon Clark, Public Works Director/City Engineer Greg de Vinck, Fire Chief Steven Wallace, Human Resources/Risk Management Director Edward Macias, Finance Director William Kaholokula, and Assistant City Clerk Marilyn Bonus.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chief City Clerk Clark provided information for the public on how to view the meeting and submit comments, and how to request meeting agendas.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER

Mayor Menchaca requested that New Business Item 7B, City Council Reorganization, be moved to after Council Comments to facilitate meeting flow.

A motion was made by Council Member Pu, seconded by Vice Mayor Liao, to approve the agenda order as amended.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0 as follows:

AYES: DING, HARRINGTON, PU, LIAO, MENCHACA
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

2. PRESENTATIONS

A. STATE OF THE CITY

Mayor Menchaca made the presentation.

B. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING MARCH 2021 AS WOMEN'S HISTORY MONTH

Mayor Menchaca made the presentation.

C. COVID-19 BRIEFING

Fire Chief Wallace and Police Chief Harris made the presentation.

D. ASIAN CRIME VICTIMS WORKING GROUP

Police Chief Harris made the presentation.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

4. CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Vice Mayo Liao, seconded by Mayor Menchaca, to approve Consent Calendar Items 4A– 4F as presented.

Motion approved Consent Calendar Items 4A– 4F as presented by a vote of 5-0 as follows:

AYES: DING, HARRINGTON, PU, LIAO, MENCHACA
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The City Council approved the Minutes of the City Council Regular Meeting of March 2, 2021.

B. MATERIAL DEMANDS

The City Council approved the February 18, 2021, and February 25, 2021, Registers of Demands and Warrants for the payment of City expenditures.

C. CASH AND INVESTMENT REPORT – FEBRUARY 2021

The City Council received and filed the Cash and Investment Report for February 2021.

D. MONTHLY BUDGET UPDATE – FEBRUARY 2021

The City Council received and filed the report.

E. AGREEMENT WITH INTRANET INCORPORATED FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

The City Council approved a professional services agreement with Intranet Incorporated.

F. ACCEPTANCE OF FINAL TRACT MAP NO. 82328 (144 SAINT FRANCIS STREET) PLANNING CASE NO. TMAP18-013

The City Council accepted Final Parcel Map No. 82328 and authorized filing with the Los Angeles County Recorder.

5. PUBLIC HEARING – None.

6. CONTINUED BUSINESS – None.

7. NEW BUSINESS

A. RECEIVE AND FILE UPDATE ON 10-POINT PLAN FOR RECOVERY, RESILIENCY, AND REINVESTMENT, AND AUTHORIZE ESTABLISHMENT OF BUSINESS ASSISTANCE FUND FROM EXISTING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BUDGET

Economic Development Manager Domenica Megerdichian made the staff presentation.

There was no public comment.

Discussion included commendation to Economic Development staff and the 10-Point Plan Subcommittee for administering grants to businesses and renters; funding options for the Business Assistance Fund and additional small business grants; rent relief for tenants; adapting to new state guidelines; education and assistance for restaurants transitioning through COVID-19 tier regulations; engaging restaurants to assist with the senior meal program; and consideration for restaurants to continue outdoor dining options.

A motion was made by Mayor Menchaca, seconded by Vice Mayor Liao, to receive and file the update on the 10-Point Plan and to establish the Business Assistance Fund.

Motion carried by a vote of 5-0 as follows:

AYES:	DING, HARRINGTON, PU, LIAO, MENCHACA
NOES:	NONE
ABSTAIN:	NONE
ABSENT:	NONE

8. PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

9. CITY MANAGER’S REPORT

City Manager Lazzaretto congratulated Mayor Menchaca on her State of the City address, and announced that staff will be bringing a presentation to the City Council in April 2021 on what changes developers are requesting for 2022 and beyond.

10. COUNCIL COMMENTS AND CONFERENCE/MEETING REPORTS

Vice Mayor Liao reported on the National League of Cities conference.

Council Member Pu thanked and congratulated Mayor Menchaca on a successful year as Mayor.

Council Member Ding congratulated Mayor Menchaca and commended City Manager Lazzaretto for their work together; commended City staff for implementing virtual meetings; thanked staff and his Council colleagues for helping him learn during his first year on the City Council; and thanked Police Volunteer Sue Fitzsimmons for her K-9 fundraising work and San Gabriel Hope Lions Club for their contribution to that cause.

Council Member Harrington thanked Mayor Menchaca for her leadership over the past year.

Mayor Menchaca stated it has been a pleasure working with her Council colleagues.

8. NEW BUSINESS - CONTINUED

B. CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATION

a. Selection of Mayor

Chief City Clerk Clark declared the offices of Mayor and Vice Mayor vacant, and opened the floor for nominations for Mayor.

Council Member Menchaca nominated Council Member Liao.

There were no other nominations; therefore, Chief City Clerk Clark announced that Council Member Liao had been selected as Mayor by acclamation, and administered his Oath of Office.

b. Selection of Vice Mayor

Mayor Liao opened the floor for nominations for Vice-Mayor. Council Member Pu nominated Council Member Ding. Council Member Ding nominated Council Member Harrington. Council Member Harrington declined the nomination.

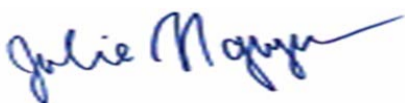
There were no other nominations; therefore, Mayor Liao announced that Council Member Ding had been selected as Vice Mayor by acclamation.

11. CLOSED SESSION – None.

12. ADJOURNMENT

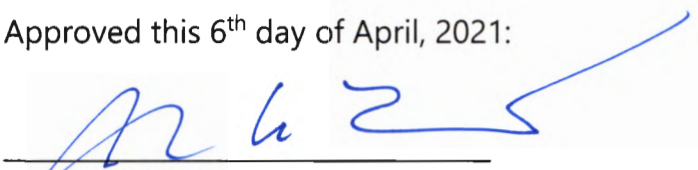
Mayor Liao adjourned the meeting at 8:37 P.M.

Respectfully submitted:



JULIE NGUYEN, City Clerk

Approved this 6th day of April, 2021:



CHIN HO LIAO, Mayor