

CITY OF DUARTE

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL,
THE DUARTE HOUSING AUTHORITY, AND THE DUARTE COMMUNITY
FACILITIES FINANCING AUTHORITY**

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 24, 2023
7:00 PM – Regular Session**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Schulz called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

Councilmembers Present: Finlay, Kang, Lewis, Truong, Garcia, Martin Del Campo, Schulz
Councilmembers Absent: None
Staff Present: Daniel Jordan, City Manager
Thai Viet Phan, City Attorney
Kristen Petersen, Assistant City Manager / Director of
Administrative Services
Craig Hensley, Director of Community Development
Manuel Enriquez, Director of Parks and Recreation
Brian Villalobos, Director of Public Safety Services
Victoria Rocha, Assistant to the City Manager
Annette Juarez, City Clerk
Christine Soo, Deputy City Clerk/ Administrative Secretary

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG

The flag salute was led by Hope Peoples.

3. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

Mayor Schulz announced that Business Item 10A will be pulled from the agenda; she added that Mayor Pro-Tem Truong will be saying a few words regarding the tragedy that occurred over the weekend in Monterey Park.

Mayor Pro-Tem addressed the tragic event that happened in Monterey Park; he expressed sentiments of Monterey Park as a home away from home for many immigrant families and shared the importance of Lunar New Year; he wished everyone peace and good health and offered support to the City of Monterey Park.

Councilmember Kang expressed sadness and sympathy over the tragedy; he also highlighted the importance of disseminating services to address mental health issues; he applauded 26-year-old Brandon Tsay for his courageous actions; he wished everyone prosperity and happiness in the new year.

Councilmember Lewis offered condolences to the victims' families; he also commended Brandon Tsay for his bravery.

Mayor Schulz offered help and support to colleagues, the families of the victims, and the City of Monterey Park.

City Manager Jordan reported that the City Council meeting would be adjourned in memory of the 11 victims who lost their lives and the mother of Duarte Chamber of Commerce Director Shoshana Puccia, Olivia de La Garza.

Moved by Mayor Pro-Tem Truong, seconded by Councilmember Finlay, and carried by the following vote of the Council to adopt the agenda as amended.

AYES: FINLAY, KANG, LEWIS, TRUONG, GARCIA, MARTIN DEL CAMPO,
SCHULZ
NOES: NONE
ABSTAIN: NONE
ABSENT: NONE

4. SPECIAL ITEMS

A. Mayor's Youth Council Update

Hope Peoples, Mayor's Youth Council term president, announced upcoming events and reported on events the Council has attended.

B. Public Safety Department Update

Public Safety Services Director Villalobos reported on Part One Crimes, the homeless count, and termination of the local emergency related to the Fish Fire.

Discussion ensued regarding the City's portable security cameras.

Council directed staff to conduct research for a suitable number of additional cameras to purchase and report back at the next meeting.

C. Presentation by Frontier – Local Broadband Expansion

Doug McAllister, Vice President of External Affairs at Frontier Communications, gave a presentation on the expansion of installation of fiber optics throughout the City.

Discussion ensued regarding the placement of fiber optics, the impact on city streets, and alternate forms of installation.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS OF UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

Joanna Gee, Duarte Library, announced upcoming library events.

Dan Yrigoyen, Parade Committee Chair, announced the return of the Duarte Route 66 Parade and upcoming events to be held at Duarte High School.

Assistant to the City Manager Rocha announced upcoming city events.

6. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS – ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

None.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Motion to read all Resolutions and ordinances presented for consideration by Title only and waive further reading. (CC/HA/FA)
- B. Approval of absence(s) of City Councilmember(s) from the City Council meeting.
- C. Approval of Minutes – January 10, 2023. (CC/HA/FA)
- D. Approval of Warrants – January 24, 2023. (CC/HA/FA)
- E. Receive and file the Public Safety Department Status Report for January 2023.
- F. Approval of Revised Personnel Rules and Regulations.

- G. Adoption of Resolution No. 23-02 proclaiming the termination of a local emergency related to the Fish Fire.
- H. Approval of a Professional Services Agreement with LPA for the Fitness Center and Aquatic Preliminary Assessment in the amount of \$39,000 which includes potential options for the general replacement of the existing pool deck and ADA site improvements; and approval of a budget amendment of \$30,000.
- I. Adoption of Ordinance No. 915 regarding electronic and paperless filings of Fair Political Practices Commission Campaign Disclosure Statements.
- J. Approval of Certificates of Appreciation Recognizing Duarte Historical Museum Volunteers.
- K. Approval of a Thank You Letter to Congresswoman Napolitano.

Moved by Councilmember Finlay, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Truong, and carried by the following vote of the Council to approve Items 7A-7K of the Consent Calendar.

AYES: FINLAY, KANG, LEWIS, TRUONG, GARCIA, MARTIN DEL CAMPO, SCHULZ
 NOES: NONE
 ABSTAIN: NONE
 ABSENT: NONE

Councilmember Finlay left the City Council Meeting at 8:02 p.m.

8. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR FOR DISCUSSION

None.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS

None.

10. BUSINESS ITEMS

- A. Consideration of a Professional Services Agreement with Architerra, Inc to Develop Construction Drawings for Huntington Drive Medians

This Item was pulled during the Adoption of the Agenda.

- B. Consideration of a Resolution to Establish a Reward for Information Leading to the Identification, Apprehension, and Conviction of Any Person for the Application of Graffiti in Violation of the Duarte Municipal Code

Public Safety Services Director Villalobos gave a staff report regarding a reward for anyone who provides information leading to identification, apprehension, and conviction of those graffitiing and violating the Duarte Municipal Code.

Moved by Councilmember Garcia, seconded by Councilmember Lewis, and carried by the following vote of the Council to adopt Resolution No. 23-03 to establish a reward for information leading to the identification, apprehension, and conviction of any person for the application of graffiti in violation of the Duarte Municipal Code.

AYES: KANG, LEWIS, TRUONG, GARCIA, MARTIN DEL CAMPO, SCHULZ
 NOES: NONE
 ABSTAIN: NONE
 ABSENT: FINLAY

11. CONTINUATION OF ORAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

**12. ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL/SUCCESSOR AGENCY/HOUSING AUTHORITY/
FINANCING AUTHORITY MEMBERS AND CITY MANAGER/EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR**

City Manager Jordan discussed setting a date for a City Council Goal Session.

Mayor Schulz recommended having status updates for set goals along with timelines, financial assessments, and a report on next steps to ensure effectiveness.

Councilmember Martin Del Campo offered thoughts and prayers to everyone affected by the recent shootings and gave a shout out to local business, 805 Highland.

Mayor Pro-Tem Truong commended staff for their great work and wished everyone a happy new year.

Councilmember Garcia thanked Staff for handling graffiti situations; he reported on attending the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day event; and he shared that his thoughts were with Shoshana's family and the victims of the Monterey Park shooting.

Councilmember Kang expressed concerns regarding the homeless situation around Duarte Library and the impacts of inflation.

Councilmember Lewis offered condolences to the victims and cities of Monterey Park and Half Moon Bay; he wished happy birthday to Hope Peoples, his son, Dominic, and Councilmember Kang.

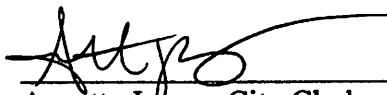
Mayor Schulz expressed sympathy for the victims of the recent shootings, and she shared that she is looking forward to the new pilot mental health program with the San Gabriel Valley Council of Government.

13. ADJOURNMENT

At 8:36 p.m., the City Council adjourned the meeting in memory of the victims of the Monterey Park shooting, their families, and Olivia de La Garza.



Jody Schulz, Mayor



Annette Juarez, City Clerk