MINUTES OF THE REGULAR JOINT MEETING OF THE MONTCLAIR CITY COUNCIL, SUCCESSOR AGENCY AND MONTCLAIR HOUSING CORPORATION BOARDS, MONTCLAIR HOUSING AUTHORITY COMMISSION, AND MONTCLAIR COMMUNITY FOUNDATION BOARD HELD ON MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2021 AT 7:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 5111 BENITO STREET, MONTCLAIR, CALIFORNIA

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor/Chair Dutrey called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

II. INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Montclair Fire Chaplain Alan Olmos.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member/Director Martinez led meeting participants in the Pledge.

IV. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor/Chair Dutrey; Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Ruh; Council Members/Directors Johnson, Martinez, and Lopez

City Manager/Executive Director Starr; Director of Human Services Richter; Director of Community Development Diaz; Finance Manager Kulbeck; City Attorney Robbins; City Clerk Myrick

V. PRESENTATIONS

A. COVID-19 Community Recognition Award

Mayor Dutrey announced tonight's award recipients are **Welcome Inn Motel** owner, **Mr. Purushottam "Peter" Patel,** and onsite managers **Gopal Brahmbhatt** and **Josafat Elenes,** for their partnership with the City to participate in the state's Project RoomKey by providing temporary transitional housing for homeless individuals in their motel and providing resources to help to break the cycle of homelessness. Ultimately, permanent housing was secured for 17 of the 34 program participants. Mayor Dutrey presented the awardees with Certificates of Recognition.

VI. PUBLIC COMMENT

- A. **Mr. Eric Cuevas,** resident, brought up his issues with the state of disrepair of the alley that runs behind his home between Monte Vista and Helena Avenues, south of San Bernardino Street. He noted recent repairs made to nearby alleys and road repaving. He added the community clean-ups and small repairs in his alley do not resolve the ongoing issues of poor drainage and driving conditions as well as constant littering. He stated he would like the City Council to consider reconstruction of the alley at a future meeting.
- B. **Mr. Gary Harper,** resident, stated his alleyway on Poulsen Avenue between Palo Verde and San Bernardino Streets was recently repaved and is now used as a speedway for those trying to avoid construction around the freeway. He stated he has requested speed bumps and was told that he needs a petition signed by all homeowners whose homes abut the alley; however, he is not able to get all of the requisite signatures because many of those living at the properties are renters. He stated his concern of being hit by speeding cars when backing out of his garage into the alleyway.
- C. Mr. Peter Patel, Owner, Welcome Inn Motel, 4118 Mission Boulevard, Montclair, expressed his appreciation to the City and its police force. He stated he has interacted with police officers in his profession for 20 years and feels Montclair has the finest Police Department in the state. He noted he was happy to contribute during the simultaneous COVID-19 health emergency and homeless crisis

and feels the Project RoomKey program was successful at his motel because of the quick response times and support received from the Montclair Police Department. He credited the Police Department's success to the City's visionary leadership.

- D. Mrs. Carolyn Raft, resident, criticized Council Member Lopez for making insulting remarks about Congresswoman Norma Torres on his social media accounts prior to becoming a member of the City Council, noting Congresswoman Torres has supported the City of Montclair throughout her political career. She requested he stop negotiating at every Council meeting on behalf of Fire Department employees. She also requested the City consider encouraging more animal hospitals to do business in Montclair, noting there are too few affordable options for veterinarian services in the City.
- E. Ms. Rose Delgado, resident, asked the City Council to address pedestrian safety around Vernon Middle School, which she brought up at the last Council Meeting and expressed her disappointment when she saw it was not on the agenda. She noted at the last meeting she was assured the City would make contact with the school principal to discuss the matter, but today Vernon Middle School Principal Kim Tovar informed Ms. Delgado that she has not been contacted by anyone from the City. Ms. Delgado reported she has also not heard from the City's new Public Works Director despite providing her phone number at the last meeting and being told the issue would be their first priority and that she would be contacted. She also complained about the poor quality of care experienced by her friend who recently passed away while admitted to Montclair Hospital Medical Center, and requested an investigation of the hospital's practices and negligence.
- F. Ms. Ruby Long, Field Representative for San Bernardino County Fourth District Supervisor Curt Hagman, stated the District will be hosting its quarterly shredding event on Saturday, September 25, from 9:00 a.m. to noon at Upland Memorial Park. County residents can bring personal papers for shredding, with a limit of three boxes per person.
- G. **Mr. Bruce Culp,** resident, reported the death toll from COVID-19 in the United States has surpassed that of the Spanish Flu epidemic, with 675,000 deaths currently reported. He thanked the City Council and staff who are wearing masks, noting they are showing leadership by example.

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

A. Adoption of Montclair Public Financing Authority (MPFA) Resolution No. 21-01 Authorizing the Issuance of Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2021A, in a Total Issuance Not to Exceed \$49,000,000; Approving Appointment of the Financial Team; Approving the Execution and Delivery of Related Documents in Connection with the Offering and Sale of Such Bonds (Site Lease, Lease Agreement, Assignment Agreement, Indenture, Continuing Disclosure Certificate, Preliminary Official Statement, and Bond Purchase Agreement); and Authorizing Other Matters Related Thereto

Adoption of Resolution No. 21-3320 Approving the Montclair Public Financing Authority's Issuance of Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2021A, in a Total Issuance Not to Exceed \$49,000,000; Approving Appointment of the Financial Team; Approving the Execution and Delivery of Related Documents in Connection with the Offering and Sale of Such Bonds (Site Lease, Lease Agreement, Indenture, Continuing Disclosure Certificate, Preliminary Official Statement, and Bond Purchase Agreement); and Authorizing Other Matters Related Thereto

Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Each of the Related Documents (Site Lease, Lease Agreement, Assignment

Agreement, Indenture, Continuing Disclosure Certificate, Preliminary Official Statement, and Bond Purchase Agreement) in Connection with the Offering and Sale of Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2021A

City Manager/Executive Director Starr provided a PowerPoint-led discussion on the purpose, debt service, and use of the lease revenue bond issue 2021A for infrastructure projects, briefly discussing potential projects that may be considered for use of the funds including parks, streets, and other infrastructure projects.

Mayor/Chair Dutrey declared it the time and place for a public hearing related to MPFA Resolution No. 21-01 and Resolution No. 21-3320 and invited members of the audience to provide comments.

Mr. Culp thanked the City for contemplating these bonds to fund projects that will improve the infrastructure and contribute to the beautification of the City, and will also help attract better quality businesses. He commended the City's prudence of paying for these projects on a predictable level payment structure over many years. He stated he looks forward to completion of projects noted in the Safe Routes to School report, and to the development of the park along the San Antonio Channel, which would provide another pedestrian route children can use to walk to school.

Ms. Delgado asked what determines the parks that are prioritized for the funding.

Mayor/Chair Dutrey advised the City Council will discuss the projects in further detail at a future workshop meeting next month.

There being no one else in the audience wishing to speak and no written comments submitted in relation to this item, Mayor/Chair Dutrey closed the public hearing and returned the matter to the City Council and Montclair Public Financing Authority for consideration.

Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Ruh stated the members of the community constantly request improvements to the City's infrastructure, and advised this is one way these types of projects can be funded.

Council Member/Director Lopez asked what mechanisms are in place to protect the City from defaulting on the payments for these bonds.

City Manager/Executive Director Starr advised General Fund money is budgeted each year through the budget process to ensure payment on the bonds.

Council Member/Director Johnson stated she is happy that these improvements will be happening soon.

Mayor/Chair Dutrey stated the City Council will allocate the funds from these bonds to infrastructure projects including major improvements to parks at a workshop in the near future.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Ruh, seconded by Council Member/Director Johnson, and carried unanimously 5-0, the City Council and Montclair Public Financing Authority Board of Directors took the following actions:

- (a) Adopted Montclair Public Financing Authority Resolution No. 21-01 authorizing the issuance of Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2021A, in a total issuance not to exceed \$49,000,000; approving appointment of the Financial Team; approving the execution and delivery of related documents in connection with the offering and sale of such bonds (Site Lease, Lease Agreement, Assignment Agreement, Indenture, Continuing Disclosure Certificate, Preliminary Official Statement, and Bond Purchase Agreement); and authorizing other matters related thereto.
- (b) Adopted Resolution No. 21-3320 approving the Montclair Public Financing Authority's issuance of Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2021A, in a total issuance not to exceed \$49,000,000; approving appointment of the Financial Team; approving the

execution and delivery of related documents in connection with the offering and sale of such bonds (Site Lease, Lease Agreement, Indenture, Continuing Disclosure Certificate, Preliminary Official Statement, and Bond Purchase Agreement); and authorizing other matters related thereto.

- (c) Authorized the City Manager to execute each of the related documents (Site Lease, Lease Agreement, Assignment Agreement, Indenture, Continuing Disclosure Certificate, Preliminary Official Statement, and Bond Purchase Agreement) in connection with the offering and sale of Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2021A.
- B. Adoption of Resolution No. 21-3321 Approving the Form and Authorizing the Execution of the Official Statement, Continuing Disclosure Certificate and Pension Policy, Each Relating to the Issuance of Pension Obligation Bonds (POBs); Approving Additional Actions Related Thereto; Including Establishing Within the General Fund a UAL/POB Amortization Fund to Facilitate Management and Amortization of New UAL; and Authorizing the City Manager to Execute Each of the Aforenamed Documents

City Manager Starr provided a PowerPoint-led discussion on the purpose, debt service, and use of the pension obligation bond issue for the payment of unfunded accrued liability payments to the California Public Employees Retirement System (CalPERS) which will stabilize the City's annual payments and reduce the budgetary impact of the annual increases.

Mayor Dutrey declared it the time and place for a public hearing related to Resolution No. 21-3321 and invited members of the audience to provide comments.

Mr. Culp stated as a resident, he appreciates having the qualified City staff that Montclair has which gives him confidence that his City is being run well.

Mrs. Raft noted while she was on the City Council she had been frustrated about CalPERS' pension funding practices and is happy to see the City is finally getting ahead of these UAL payments.

There being no one else in the audience wishing to speak and no written comments submitted in relation to this item, Mayor Dutrey closed the public hearing and returned the matter to the City Council for consideration.

Mayor Dutrey stated transferring the City's UAL debt into pension obligation bonds could help the City stay on track with funding other projects.

Moved by Mayor Dutrey, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Ruh, and carried unanimously 5-0 that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 21-3321 approving the form and authorizing the execution of the Official Statement, Continuing Disclosure Certificate and Pension Policy, each relating to the issuance of Pension Obligation Bonds (POBS); approving additional actions related thereto; including establishing within the General Fund a UAL/POB Amortization Fund to facilitate management and amortization of new UAL; and authorizing the City Manager to execute each of the aforenamed documents.

C. Second Reading — Consider Adoption of Ordinance No. 21-998
Repealing and Replacing Chapter 11.73 of the Montclair
Municipal Code to Update Regulations, Standards, and Create
Design Guidelines for Wireless Telecommunications Facilities on
Public and Private Property; Adding Chapter 11.77 to Establish an
Administrative Permitting Process; and Amending Chapter 11.46
to Exempt Certain Wireless Telecommunications Facilities

Mayor Dutrey declared it the time and place for a public hearing

related to Ordinance No. 21-998 and invited members of the audience to provide comments.

There being no one in the audience wishing to speak and no written comments submitted in relation to this item, Mayor Dutrey closed the public hearing and returned the matter to the City Council for consideration.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Ruh, seconded by Council Member Johnson, and carried that Ordinance No. 21–998 be read by number and title only, further reading be waived, and this be declared its second reading; and that the City Council adopt Ordinance No. 21–998.

Ordinance No. 21-998 was adopted by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lopez, Martinez, Johnson, Ruh, Dutrey

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

D. First Reading — Consider Ordinance No. 21-996 Amending Portions of Title 11 of the Montclair Municipal Code Relating to Accessory Dwelling Units (ADUs) and Junior Accessory Dwelling Units (JADUs) in the City

Consider Setting a Public Hearing for Monday, October 4, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.to Consider Adoption of Ordinance No. 21-996

Director of Community Development Diaz advised this item is being presented for a new first reading due to some changes that were requested at the prior meeting related to adding the reporting of rent and requiring owners of properties with ADUs to live in one of the units

Mayor Dutrey declared it the time and place for a public hearing related to Ordinance No. 21-996 and invited members of the audience to provide comments.

There being no one in the audience wishing to speak and no written comments submitted in relation to this item, Mayor Dutrey closed the public hearing and returned the matter to the City Council for consideration.

Council Member Lopez asked to be reassured that residents will be able to submit their own custom plans for ADUs and will not be required to use the City's pre-approved designs.

Director of Community Development Diaz stated that is correct.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Ruh, seconded by Council Member Lopez, and carried that Ordinance No. 21–996 be read by number and title only, further reading be waived, and this be declared its first reading; and that the City Council set a public hearing for Monday, October 4, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. to consider second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 21–996.

First reading of Ordinance No. 21-996 was approved, and public hearing for second reading was set unanimously by the following roll call vote:

AYES: Lopez, Martinez, Johnson, Ruh, Dutrey

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None ABSENT: None

VIII. CONSENT CALENDAR

City Clerk Myrick advised there is a request to provide public comments item C-4.

Mayor Dutrey requested public comments on Item C-4 be provided prior to the vote on the Consent Calendar.

Moved by Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Ruh, seconded by Council Member/ Director Johnson, and carried unanimously 5-0, the City Council approved the remainder of the Consent Calendar with public comment provided on Item C-4:

A. Approval of Minutes

Regular Joint Meeting — August 16, 2021

The City Council, Successor Agency Board of Directors, Montclair Housing Corporation Board of Directors, Montclair Housing Authority Commissioners, and Montclair Community Foundation Board of Directors approved the minutes of the August 16, 2021 regular joint meeting.

B. Administrative Reports

1. Receiving and Filing of City Treasurer's Report

The City Council received and filed the City Treasurer's Report for the month ending August 31, 2021.

2. Approval of City Warrant Register and Payroll Documentation

The City Council approved the City Warrant Register dated September 7, 2021, totaling \$2,300,161.88 and September 19, 2021 totaling \$992,132.34; and the Payroll Documentation dated August 1, 2021, amounting to \$633,921.59 gross, with \$444,621.77 net being the total cash disbursement; and August 15, 2021 amounting to \$618,065.02 gross, with \$429,958.52 net being the total cash disbursement.

3. Receiving and Filing of Successor Agency Treasurer's Report

The City Council acting as successor to the Redevelopment Agency Board received and filed the Successor to the Redevelopment Agency Treasurer's Report for the month ending August 31, 2021.

4. Approval of Successor Agency Warrant Register

The City Council acting as successor to the Redevelopment Agency Board approved the Successor to the Redevelopment Agency Warrant Register dated 08.01.21–08.31.21 in the amounts of \$12,236.61 for the Combined Operating Fund and \$0.00 for the Redevelopment Obligation Retirement Funds.

5. Receiving and Filing of MHC Treasurer's Report

The MHC Board received and filed the MHC Treasurer's Report for the month ending August 31, 2021.

6. Approval of MHC Warrant Register

The MHC Board approved the MHC Warrant Register dated 08.01.21-08.31.21 in the amount of \$38,768.98.

7. Receiving and Filing of MHA Treasurer's Report

The MHA Commissioners received and filed the MHA Treasurer's Report for the month ending August 31, 2021.

8. Approval of MHA Warrant Register

The MHA Commissioners approved the MHA Warrant Register dated 08.01.21-08.31.21 in the amount of \$0.00.

9. Declaring Certain City Property as Surplus and Available for Auction or Destruction

The City Council declared certain City property as surplus and available for auction or destruction.

10. Authorizing the Destruction of Certain Obsolete Public Records Pursuant to the City of Montclair Records Retention

The City Council authorized the destruction of certain obsolete public records pursuant to the City of Montclair Records Retention.

C. Agreements

1. Approval of *Agreement No. 21-57*, a Memorandum of Understanding with the Montclair General Employees' Association for the Period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2024

Approval of *Agreement No. 21-59*, a Memorandum of Understanding with the Montclair City Confidential Employees' Association for the Period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022

Approving the Transfer of the Appropriate Additional Compensation from the Personnel Adjustment Reserve Fund to the General Operating Fund

The City Council took the following actions:

- (a) Approved Agreement No. 21-57, a Memorandum of Understanding with the Montclair General Employees' Association for the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2024.
- (b) Approved Agreement No. 21-59, a Memorandum of Understanding with the Montclair City Confidential Employees' Association for the period of July 1, 2021 to June 30, 2022.
- (c) Approved the transfer of the appropriate additional compensation from the Personnel Adjustment Reserve Fund to the General Operating Fund.
- 2. Approval of Reimbursement Agreement No. 21-61 with Niu Investment LLC and Don Julian Investment LLC Related to the Properties Generally Located on the Northeast Corner of Monte Vista Avenue and Mission Boulevard (5006 and 5010 Mission Boulevard, Montclair, CA)

The City Council approved Reimbursement *Agreement No. 21-61* with Niu Investment LLC and Don Julian Investment LLC related to the properties generally located on the northeast corner of Monte Vista Avenue and Mission Boulevard (5006 and 5010 Mission Boulevard, Montclair, CA).

3. Approval of Agreement No. 21-62 with the San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) for the Use of Dedicated Office Space Within the Montclair Police Department for Co-Locating DBH Triage, Engagement, and Support Teams Program Staff to Assist/Link Consumers with Community Services

The City Council approved *Agreement No. 21-62* with the San Bernardino County Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) for the use of dedicated office space within the Montclair Police Department for co-Locating DBH Triage, Engagement, and Support Teams program staff to assist/link consumers with community services.

4. Receiving and Filing a Status Report on Emergency Contracting Procedures for the Pacific Electric Trail Bridge Replacement Project and Determining There is a Need to Continue the Action

Approval of *Agreement No. 21-63* with Biggs Cardosa and Associates for Design and Construction Management Services for the Pacific Electric Trail Bridge Replacement Project

Authorizing Staff to Advertise for Bid Proposals for Construction of the Pacific Electric Trail Bridge Replacement Project

Ms. Victoria Jones, Community Outreach Director, Friends of the Pacific Electric Trail, introduced her organization as the only nonprofit supporting the PE Trail, and noted everyone is anxious for the replacement of the bridge and hopes the new design will be fire-proof. She advised her organization will be monitoring the progress of this project and providing updates to the community on social media.

The City Council took the following actions:

- (a) Received and filed a status report on emergency contracting procedures for the Pacific Electric Trail Bridge Replacement Project and determining there is a need to continue the action.
- (b) Approved Agreement No. 21-63 with Biggs Cardosa and Associates for design and construction management services for the Pacific Electric Trail Bridge Replacement Project.
- (c) Authorized staff to advertise for bid proposals for construction of the Pacific Electric Trail Bridge Replacement Project.

D. Resolutions

1. Adoption of Resolution No. 21-3303 Adopting the Measure I Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan and Expenditure Strategy for Fiscal Year 2021-22 Through Fiscal Year 2025-26

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 21-3303 adopting the Measure I Five-Year Capital Improvement Plan and Expenditure Strategy for Fiscal Year 2021-22 through Fiscal Year 2025-26.

2. Adoption of Resolution No. 21-3304 Authorizing the Application to the California Department of Parks and Recreation for the Per Capita Grant Program for the Revitalization of Recreation Elements at Sunset Park

Authorizing City Manager Edward C. Starr to Execute Documents Related to the Per Capita Program

The City Council took the following actions:

- (a) Adopted Resolution No. 21-3304 authorizing the application to the California Department of Parks and Recreation for the Per Capita Grant Program for the revitalization of recreation elements at Sunset Park.
- (b) Authorized City Manager Edward C. Starr to execute documents related to the Per Capita Program.
- 3. Adoption of Resolution No. 21-3322 Adopting Updated Procedures Applicable to Continuing Disclosure Obligations Undertaken by the City and its Related Entities in Connection with Bond Issues

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 21-3322 adopting updated procedures applicable to continuing disclosure obligations undertaken by the City and its related entities in connection with bond issues.

IX. PULLED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS — None

X. COUNCIL WORKSHOP

A. Reeder Ranch Park Development Update by EPT Design

The City Council continued this presentation to an adjourned meeting on Monday, October 4, 2021, at 5:45 p.m.

XI. COMMUNICATIONS

- A. **Department Reports** None
- B. City Attorney

City Attorney Robbins requested the City Council meet in closed session concerning the following:

1. Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) Regarding Potential Litigation

1 Potential Case

Closed Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8 Regarding Real Property Negotiations

Property: 2.34 aces at Central Ave. & Richton St., Montclair

(2 parcels, APNs 1007-393-04 & 1007-681-03)

Negotiating Parties: City of Montclair & Pennel Holding Company LTD

City Negotiator: Edward C. Starr, City Manager

Under Negotiations: Recommendations Regarding Purchase Price

C. City Manager/Executive Director

City Manager Starr advised the City was not successful with helping to acquire the gap funding of \$541 million from the state to complete the **Gold Line** to Montclair, noting the governor allocated the money instead to the California high speed rail project. He noted that last week, several officials from the Cities of Montclair and Claremont including himself, Mayor Pro Tem Ruh, and Claremont Council Ed Reece hosted Congresswoman Torres Congressman Price—who currently serves as Chair of the House Transportation, Housing and Urban Development Appropriations Subcommittee—on a tour of the Montclair and Claremont transit districts while discussing the **Gold Line** Extension Project's importance to the region. According to **Congresswoman Torres**, Congressman Price was impressed with the presentation and the regional support for the **Gold Line.** He noted the City will now seek federal funding and attempt to get National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) review exemption based on the project's prior vetting through the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), which exceeds NEPA's standards.

In response to **Ms. Delgado's** comments, City Manager Starr noted there is a national shortage of crossing guards, and the City was only recently made aware that some crossing guards have not been showing up to their postings and that **All City Management (ACM)**—the City's contracted crossing guard supplier—have not notified the City nor have they been sending replacements. He advised that Chief Avels and Director of Human Services Richter got the school crossings staffed with crossing guards as soon as they were made aware of the unanticipated crossing guard absences. He added the Systemic Safety Analysis Report commissioned by the City last year did not identify the Vernon Avenue and San Bernardino Street intersection as one warranting additional traffic safety measures for pedestrian safety. He advised the City is looking into cost sharing of crossing guards with the school district and reviewing locations where additional crossing guards may be posted.

D. Mayor/Chair

Mayor/Chair Dutrey made the following comments:

- 1. He commended Mayor Pro Tem Ruh for assisting with the presentation to **Congressman Price** on the tour of the transit district and **Gold Line** discussion.
- 2. He thanked the Police Department for its handling of an incident at **Montclair High School** over the weekend in which attendees of the football game thought that someone had fired a gun causing panic. He advised the situation was handled and it was determined there were no gunshots.
- 3. He expressed his appreciation for staff addressing the crossing guard issue.

- 4. He thanked staff for having graffiti removed that was reported to him by a resident.
- 5. He spoke of Council Member Emeritus Leonard Paulitz's impact on the community and influence on his professional and political career, referring to him as an inspirational leader and a pioneer for the City. He advised funeral services for Mr. Paulitz would be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church on Friday, October 1, at 11:00 a.m.

E. City Council/Successor Agency Board/MHC Board/MHA Board/MCF Board

- 1. Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Ruh made the following comments:
 - (a) He reported the transit district tour with the Congress members was very successful and added Council Member Johnson also participated in the tour. He noted the **Gold Line** was promoted as a benefit to the environment, education, economy, and job opportunities. He stated **Congressman Price** was impressed with how the cities along the **Gold Line** extension route have worked together and how much regional support there is to continue building the line east.
 - (b) He stated he came across some etched flute glasses that say *Evening at the Plaza*, which was a monthly dinner event that was hosted at the mall when it was still known as **Montclair Plaza**. He surmised about the historical value of the glasses and noted he would be happy to donate them for display as part of the City's history.
- 2. Council Member/Director Lopez made the following comments:
 - (a) He thanked members of the public for coming forward to voice their concerns about their alleyways.
 - (b) He advised the City did not receive the grant that was intended to fund a new fire truck and he hopes the City will still purchase and cover the cost of that equipment with the General Fund.
 - (c) He noted he attended the opening games of the **Montclair** Little League over the weekend.
 - (d) He raised concerns over trash piling up along the streets.
 - (e) He reported the I-10 Freeway eastbound on- and offramps at Central Avenue will be closed from the 21st through October 1st.
 - (f) He stated his relative who has been sick in the hospital passed away earlier in the day and he would no longer be going the **League of California Cities** Annual Conference that he was planning to attend.
- 3. Council Member/Director Johnson advised the Chamber of Commerce will be hosting a two-day e-waste drive-through drop off event this weekend on Saturday and Sunday from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. in the Chamber office's parking lot at 8880 Benson Avenue.
- 4. Council Member/Director Martinez expressed her condolences to **Leonard Paulitz's** family, noting she remembers that even when he was not at the dais performing his Council duties it was apparent that he deeply cared about this community.

F. Committee Meeting Minutes

1. Minutes of Personnel Committee Meeting of August 16, 2021

The City Council received and filed the minutes of the Personnel Committee meeting of August 16, 2021, for informational purposes.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

At 9:16 p.m., the City Council went into closed session to discuss potential litigation and real property negotiations.

XIII. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENTS

At 9:43 p.m., the City Council returned from closed session. Mayor Dutrey announced the City Council met in closed session to discuss potential litigation and real property negotiations; information was received and direction given to staff; and no further announcements would be made at this time.

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

At 9:43 p.m., Chair Dutrey adjourned the Successor Agency Board, Montclair Housing Authority Commission, and Montclair Community Foundation Board.

At 9:43 p.m., Mayor Dutrey adjourned the City Council to Monday, October 4, 2021 at 5:45 p.m. for a Council Workshop on the Reeder Ranch Park Development Update by EPT Design.

The meeting was adjourned in memory of **Council Member Emeritus Leonard Paulitz**, who served on the City's Planning Commission from 1965 to 1977 and on the City Council from 1978 to 2014; and in honor of the 13 U.S. service members who perished at the Kabul airport in Afghanistan during the withdrawal of U.S. troops from Afghanistan.

Submitted for City Council/Successor Agency Board/Montclair Housing Corporation Board/ Montclair Housing Authority Commission/ Montclair Community Foundation Board approval,

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Andrea Myrick City Clerk