

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE MONTCLAIR CITY COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2024 AT 5:45 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 5:45 p.m.

II. ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Dutrey; Mayor Pro Tem Johnson; Council Members Ruh, Martinez, and Lopez

City Manager Starr; Assistant City Manager/Director of Human Services Richter; Director of Finance Kulbeck; Director of Community Development Diaz; Director of Public Works/City Engineer Heredia; Police Chief Reed; Fire Chief Pohl; City Attorney Robbins; City Clerk Myrick

III. COUNCIL WORKSHOP

A. Saratoga Park Update

Director of Public Works/City Engineer Heredia introduced the architects and consultants and advised they will be presenting information and answering questions on the project.

Greg Denson, Director of Design, **Architerra Design Group**, provided an overview of the designs presented, addressing current issues such as lighting, fencing, draining, elevation, and ADA compliance, and explained the various solutions proposed.

David Forman, Project Architect, **SVA Architects**, provided an overview of the architecture and elevation of the proposed structures that contain restrooms, snack bars, storage rooms, and meeting rooms.

Representatives from Architerra Design Group provided clarification on the following comments from council:

- Parking and grading between the parking lot and the baseball field.
- Parking lot enclosure.
- Location of Scorer's table.
- Set-up of speaker system and mitigating the effect on neighboring residents.
- Perimeter fencing and mutually shared wall, possibility of a mural that faces the baseball fields.
- Lighting to ensure safety during night time hours and mitigating the effect on neighboring residents.
- Restroom facilities remaining open after baseball games have concluded.
- Issues of vandalism.
- Possibility of surveillance.

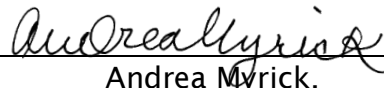
IV. PUBLIC COMMENT

- **Monique Borja**, resident, expressed concerns over lack of parking, loitering at the park, and cleanliness of the bathroom and park areas.
- **Isabel Doujuan**, resident, thanked the City for their work on this project and spoke in favor of the proposed trail around the park.

V. ADJOURNMENT

At 6:41 p.m., the Montclair City Council was adjourned.

Submitted for City Council approval,



Andrea Myrick,
City Clerk