

CITY OF
ANTIOCH
CALIFORNIA

CALL OF SPECIAL MEETING

Antioch City Council
Special Meeting

Pursuant to Government Code section 54956, I hereby call a Special Meeting of the Antioch City Council. Said meeting shall be held on the following date, time and place:

DATE: Tuesday, May 18, 2021

TIME: 7:00 P.M. Special Meeting

PLACE: The City of Antioch, in response to the Executive Order of the Governor and the Order of the Health Officer of Contra Costa County concerning the Novel Coronavirus Disease, is making Antioch City Council meetings available via Comcast channel 24, AT&T U-verse channel 99, or live stream (at www.antiochca.gov).

The only items of business to be considered at such special meeting shall be set forth on the Special Meeting Agenda.

Dated: May 12, 2021



LAMAR THORPE, Mayor
City of Antioch



AGENDA

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If you wish to provide a written public comment, you may do so any of the following ways **by 5:00 p.m. the day of the Council Meeting**: (1) Fill out an online speaker card, located at https://www.antiochca.gov/speaker_card, or (2) Email the City Clerk’s Department at cityclerk@ci.antioch.ca.us.

To provide oral public comments during the meeting, click the following link to register in advance to access the meeting via Zoom Webinar: <https://www.antiochca.gov/speakers>. You may also provide an oral public comment by dialing **(925) 776-3057**. Please see inside cover for detailed Speaker Rules.

*The City cannot guarantee that its network and/or the site will be uninterrupted. To ensure that the City Council receives your comments, you must submit your comments in writing **by 5:00 p.m. the day of the City Council Meeting**.*

Lamar Thorpe, Mayor

Monica E. Wilson, Mayor Pro Tem (Council Member District 4)

Tamisha Torres-Walker, Council Member District 1

Michael Barbanica, Council Member District 2

Lori Ogorchock, Council Member District 3

Ellie Householder, City Clerk

Lauren Posada, City Treasurer

Ron Bernal, City Manager

Thomas Lloyd Smith, City Attorney

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SPEAKERS' RULES

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING THIS MEETING: To protect our residents, officials, and staff, and aligned with the Governor's Executive Order N-29-20, certain teleconference requirements of the Brown Act have been suspended, including the requirement to provide a physical location for members of the public to participate in the meeting.

Members of the public seeking to observe the meeting may do so at https://www.antiochca.gov/live_stream, on Comcast Channel 24, or AT&T U-Verse Channel 99.

Members of the public wishing to provide public comment may do so in the following ways (#2 pertains to the Zoom Webinar):

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 - You will be asked to enter an email address and a name. Your email address will not be disclosed to the public. After registering, you will receive an email with instructions on how to connect to the meeting.
 - When the Mayor announces public comments, click the "raise hand" feature in Zoom. For instructions on using the "raise hand" feature in Zoom, visit: https://www.antiochca.gov/raise_hand. When calling into the meeting using the Zoom Webinar telephone number, press *9 on your telephone keypad to "raise your hand". Please ensure your Zoom client is updated so staff can enable your microphone when it is your turn to speak.
3. Email comments to cityclerk@ci.antioch.ca.us **by 5:00 p.m. the day of the Council Meeting**. The comment will be read into the record at the meeting (350 words maximum, up to 3 minutes, at the discretion of the Mayor). **IMPORTANT:** Identify the agenda item in the subject line of your email (i.e. "Public Comments" or a specific Agenda Item number). No one may speak more than once on an agenda item or during "Public Comments". All emails received **by 5:00 p.m. the day of the Council Meeting** will be entered into the record for the meeting.

Speakers will be notified shortly before they are called to speak.

- When called to speak, please limit your comments to the time allotted (350 words, up to 3 minutes, at the discretion of the Mayor).

After having heard from the public, the agenda item will be closed. Deliberations will then be limited to members of the City Council.

If the Council meeting appears to be going late, the City Council may decide to continue some items until a subsequent meeting. We will try to make this determination around 10:00 p.m. It is the goal of the City Council to stop discussing agenda items no later than 11:00 p.m.

In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act and California law, it is the policy of the City of Antioch to offer its public programs, services and meetings in a manner that is readily accessible to everyone, including individuals with disabilities. If you are a person with a disability and require information or materials in an appropriate alternative format; or if you require any other accommodation, please contact the ADA Coordinator at the number or address below at least 72 hours prior to the meeting or when you desire to receive services. Advance notification within this guideline will enable the City to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility. The City's ADA Coordinator can be reached @ Phone: (925) 779-6950, and e-mail: publicworks@ci.antioch.ca.us.

Notice of Opportunity to Address Council

The public has the opportunity to address the Council on each agenda item. To address the Council, fill out a Speaker Request form online **by 5:00 p.m. the day of the Council Meeting** at https://www.antiochca.gov/speaker_card. See the Speakers' Rules on the inside cover of this Agenda. The Council can only take action on items that are listed on the agenda. Comments regarding matters not on this Agenda may be addressed during the "Public Comments" section. No one may speak more than once on an agenda item or during "Public Comments".

7:00 P.M. ROLL CALL – SPECIAL MEETING – for Council Members

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

OPENING REMARKS BY MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL

COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA

1. RESOLUTION APOLOGIZING TO EARLY CHINESE IMMIGRANTS AND THEIR DESCENDANTS FOR ACTS OF FUNDAMENTAL INJUSTICE, SEEKING FORGIVENESS AND COMMITTING TO RECTIFICATION OF PAST MISDEEDS

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council consider adoption of the proposed resolution.

2. DESIGNATION OF CHINESE HISTORIC DISTRICT

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

3. FUNDING FOR PLANNING AND DESIGN OF POTENTIAL ASIAN MUSEUM EXHIBITS, MURALS AND RELATED MATTERS

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

4. SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA – Continued

5. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT – POTENTIAL ESTABLISHMENT OF A MIDNIGHT BASKETBALL INITIATIVE TARGETING MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

6. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT – SECURING LOCATION TO LEGALLY AND SAFELY USE OFF ROAD VEHICLES

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

7. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT – POTENTIAL ESTABLISHMENT OF COMMUNITY VIOLENCE SOLUTIONS TASK FORCE

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

8. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT – POTENTIAL ESTABLISHMENT OF A SAFE STORAGE ORDINANCE FOR FIREARMS AND AMMUNITION

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

9. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT – BUS PASS PROGRAM

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

10. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT – REVIEW OF CITYWIDE K-12 CAMPUSES TO DETERMINE THE NEED FOR TRAFFIC CALMING MEASURES, INCLUDING CROSSING GUARDS

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

COUNCIL REGULAR AGENDA – Continued

11. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT – POTENTIAL AUTHORIZATION OF ADDITIONAL ANTIOCH POLICE DEPARTMENT OVERTIME FOR AFTERSCHOOL ANTIOCH UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SPECIAL EVENTS

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

12. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT – POTENTIAL LAUNCH OF A SCHOOL WATCH AND CARE PROGRAM IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CITY OF ANTIOCH POLICE CRIME PREVENTION COMMISSION

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

13. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT – POTENTIAL INCREASE OF CAMPUS SAFETY PERSONNEL ON HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUSES

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

14. YOUTH DEVELOPMENT – ADDITION OF YOUTH MEMBERS TO BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

Recommended Action: It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

PUBLIC COMMENTS – *Members of the public may comment only on unagendized items.*

MOTION TO ADJOURN – *The Mayor will make a motion to adjourn the meeting. A second of the motion is required, and then a majority vote is required to adjourn the meeting.*



STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY

DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager *FBM*

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Resolution Apologizing to Early Chinese Immigrants and Their Descendants for Acts of Fundamental Injustice, Seeking Forgiveness and Committing to Rectification of Past Misdeeds

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council consider adoption of the proposed resolution.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This action item was prepared at Mayor Lamar Thorpe's request for discussion and potential adoption by the Antioch City Council.

ATTACHMENTS

A. City Council Resolution

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**RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ANTIOCH
APOLOGIZING TO EARLY CHINESE IMMIGRANTS AND THEIR DESCENDANTS
FOR ACTS OF FUNDAMENTIAL INJUSTICE, SEEKING FORGIVENESS AND
COMMITTING TO RECTIFICATION OF PAST MISDEEDS**

WHEREAS, on January 24, 1848, gold was discovered in Alta California, Mex and by 1849, people were coming to the region from all over the world to look for gold;

WHEREAS, the Gold Rush caused a huge increase in the population by migrants from the eastern United States and other parts of the world including China;

WHEREAS, between 1849 and 1853 about 24,000 young Chinese men immigrated to Alta California, Mex (which in 1850 became the United States, State of California) and by 1870 there were an estimated 63,000 Chinese in the United States, 77% of whom resided in California;

WHEREAS, many Chinese immigrants were met with racism, scapegoating and anti-Chinese sentiment also known as Xenophobia, which was at its highest between 1850 and 1870;

WHEREAS, Antioch in its early years was not exempt from Xenophobia;

WHEREAS, this period in Antioch's history, like in most of America, is now known as the "The Driving Out" with forced removals of Chinese immigrants;

WHEREAS, during "The Driving Out" period, Antioch officially became a "Sundown Town" when it banned Chinese residents from walking city streets after sunset;

WHEREAS, in order to get from their jobs to their homes each evening, these Chinese residents built a series of tunnels connecting the business district to where I Street met the waterfront;

WHEREAS, in 1876 Chinese residents were told by white mobs that they had until 3 p.m. to leave Antioch— no exceptions;

WHEREAS, after Chinese residents were forced out, Chinatown was burned to the ground and Antioch made headline news: "The Caucasian torch," wrote the Sacramento Bee, "lighted the way of the heathen out of the wilderness," and "The

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actions of the citizens of this place will, without doubt, meet with the hearty approval of every man, woman and child on the Pacific coast" wrote the San Francisco Chronicle;

WHEREAS, Antioch's early period helped negatively contribute to the Nation's xenophobic discourse, which led to legal discrimination in public policy with the establishment of the Chinese Exclusion Act;

WHEREAS, the system of "The Driving Out" and the visceral racism against persons of Chinese descent upon which it depended became entrenched in the City's, the State's and the Nation's social fabric;

WHEREAS, the story of Chinese immigrants and the dehumanizing atrocities committed against them should not be purged from or minimized in the telling of Antioch's history;

WHEREAS, the City of Antioch must acknowledge that the legacy of early Chinese immigrants and Xenophobia are part of our collective consciousness that helps contribute to the current anti-Asian American and Pacific Islander hate;

WHEREAS, a genuine apology and seeking forgiveness are an important and necessary first step in the process of racial reconciliation;

WHEREAS, an apology for dehumanization and injustices cannot erase the past, but admission of the wrongs committed can speed racial healing and reconciliation and help confront the ghosts of the City's past;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the City Council of the City of Antioch:

- 1) Apologizes to all early Chinese immigrants and their descendants who came to Antioch and were unwelcome;
- 2) Seeks forgiveness for acts of fundamental injustice, terror, cruelty, and brutality; and

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- 3) Expresses its commitment to rectify the lingering consequences of the misdeeds committed against early Chinese immigrant under, before and during “The Driving Out.”

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that the foregoing resolution was passed and adopted by the City Council of the City of Antioch at a special meeting thereof, held on the 18th day of May, 2021 by the following vote:

AYES:

NOES:

ABSTAIN:

ABSENT:

**ELIZABETH HOUSEHOLDER
CITY CLERK OF THE CITY OF ANTIOCH**


**LAMAR A. THORPE
MAYOR OF THE CITY OF ANTIOCH**



STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager 

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Designation of Chinese Historic District

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is for the City Council's discussion at Mayor Lamar A. Thorpe's request to consider designation of a Chinese Historic District in the City of Antioch.

ATTACHMENTS


None.



STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager 

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Funding for Planning and Design of Potential Asian Museum Exhibits, Murals and Related Matters

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

Unknown at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is for the City Council's discussion following Mayor Lamar Thorpe's request to consider funding for planning and design of potential Asian museum exhibits, murals and related matters.

ATTACHMENTS


None.



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DATE: Special Meeting of May 18 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager 

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Social Media Policy

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is for the City Council's discussion following Council Member Lori Ogorchock's request of January 28, 2020 to consider a Social Media Policy.

ATTACHMENTS


None.



STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager 

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Youth Development – Potential Establishment of a Midnight Basketball Initiative Targeting Middle and High School Students

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is solely for the City Council's discussion.

ATTACHMENTS


None.



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DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager 

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Youth Development – Securing Location to Legally and Safely Use Off Road Vehicles

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is solely for the City Council's discussion.

ATTACHMENTS

None.



STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager *RBM*

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Youth Development – Potential Establishment of Community Violence Solutions Task Force

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is solely for the City Council's discussion.

ATTACHMENTS


None.



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DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager 

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Youth Development – Potential Establishment of a Safe Storage Ordinance for Firearms and Ammunition

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is solely for the City Council's discussion.

ATTACHMENTS

None.



STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager *RB/M*

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Youth Development – Bus Pass Program

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is solely for the City Council's discussion.

ATTACHMENTS

None.



STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager *RB*

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Youth Development – Review of Citywide K-12 Campuses to Determine the Need for Traffic Calming Measures, Including Crossing Guards

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is solely for the City Council's discussion.

ATTACHMENTS


None.



STAFF REPORT TO THE CITY COUNCIL

DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager 

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Youth Development – Potential Authorization of Additional Antioch Police Department Overtime For Afterschool Antioch Unified School District Special Events

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is solely for the City Council's discussion.

ATTACHMENTS


None.



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DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager 

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Youth Development – Potential Launch of School Watch and Care Program in Partnership with City of Antioch Police Crime Prevention Commission

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is solely for the City Council's discussion.

ATTACHMENTS

None.



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DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager *RBM*

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Youth Development – Potential Increase of Campus Safety Personnel on High School Campuses

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is solely for the City Council's discussion.

ATTACHMENTS


None.



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DATE: Special Meeting of May 18, 2021

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

SUBMITTED BY: Rosanna Bayon Moore, Assistant City Manager 

APPROVED BY: Ron Bernal, City Manager

SUBJECT: Youth Development – Addition of Youth Members to Boards and Commissions

RECOMMENDED ACTION

It is recommended that the City Council discuss and provide direction to City staff.

FISCAL IMPACT

This recommended action has no direct fiscal impact at this time.

DISCUSSION

This item is solely for the City Council's discussion.

ATTACHMENTS

None.