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MONTEBELLO APPROVES FISCAL YEAR 2024 – 2025 BUDGET

MONTEBELLO, CA – During the June 12, 2024, City Council Meeting, the Montebello City Council on a 4-1 vote, approved the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2024 budget of \$226 million.

This year's budget builds upon the progress made in the past four years' award-winning budgets and continues moving the City forward by funding the services and programs key to the City Council's priorities. A significant emphasis was placed in this year's budget on continuing the proper and accurate allocation of maintenance and operations appropriations as well as allocating employee salary and benefit costs to non-General Fund sources.

"Our commitment to prudent financial management and targeted initiatives that support our community's growth and well-being is reflected well in this year's budget," said City of Montebello Mayor, Scarlet Peralta. "By prioritizing essential services and community programs, many that we heard directly from the community about, we aim to build a stronger, more vibrant Montebello for everyone."

The process to develop the FY2024-2025 budget marked the first time that the City hosted community budget forums as part of the budget development process. A total of three sessions held in February of this year provided a "Budget 101" overview for the community, and staff solicited questions and feedback from residents on all manner of budget and operational issues.

We aligned this new budget with the City's goals to provide transparent and promised key services to the community," said Montebello City Manager, Raul Alvarez. "I am excited to see a healthy budget that incorporates City Council priorities while providing funding for essential daily operations."

"The 2024-2025 budget represents the fifth year of a five-year strategic budget development process," said Montebello Finance Director, Michael Solorza. "I could not be more proud to see the development of this year's budget as we utilized the foundation that has been built over the past four years."

The full budget can be viewed online at the City's website at www.montebellocal.gov.

The City of Montebello was founded in 1920 and is located eight miles southeast of downtown Los Angeles. Its history dates back to the days of the Franciscan missionaries and today boasts a full array of services including police, fire and one of the region's largest public transportation systems, Montebello Bus Lines. The City's multicultural resident population is approximately 65,000 covering a footprint of approximately four square miles. For more information visit www.montebellocal.gov or follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

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