



# CITY COUNCIL MEETING

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**Invocation: Deacon Oscar Corcios of Our Lady of the Rosary**



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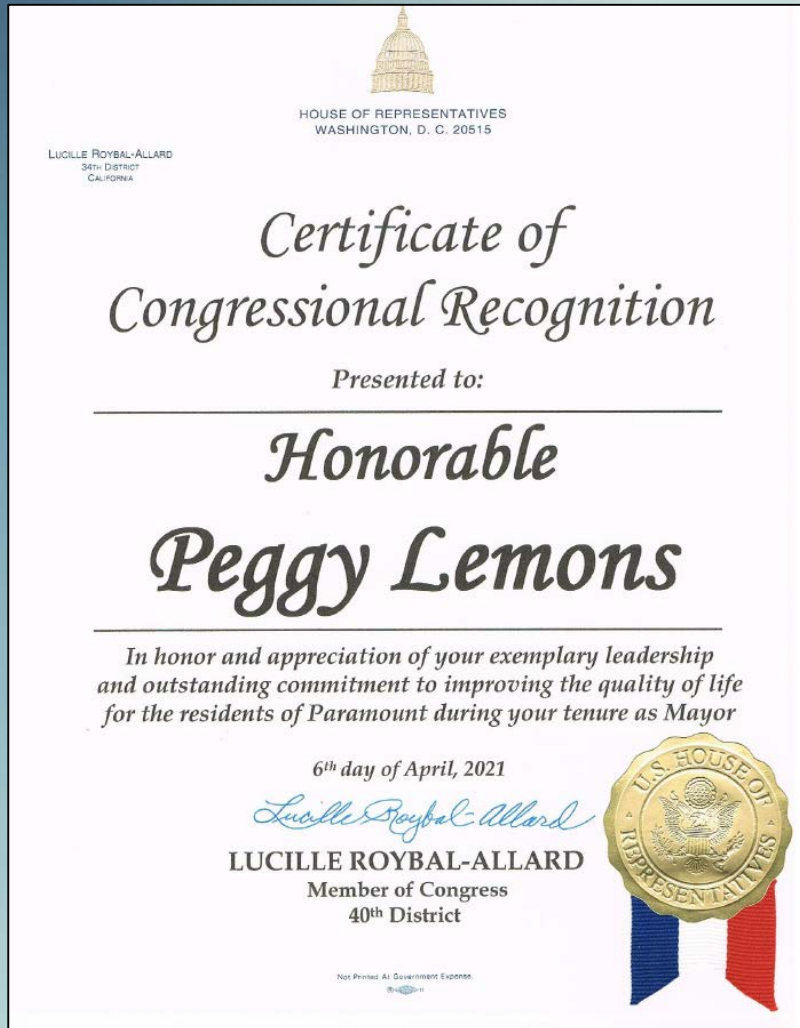
## Roll Call of Councilmembers





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**Recognition of Outgoing  
Mayor Peggy Lemons**

**Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard**

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CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

MAYOR PEGGY LEMONS

CITY OF PARAMOUNT

IN HONOR OF:

*Your sixth tenure as the Mayor for the city of Paramount. Thank you for your commitment towards improving the everyday lives of Paramount residents as a city councilmember since 1997. You have been a strong vocal leader for your community, advocating for resources and assistance for the vulnerable residents affected by the COVID-19 pandemic. On behalf of the 33<sup>rd</sup> district, thank you for service.*

April 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021

  
LENA GONZALEZ  
SENATOR, 33<sup>RD</sup> DISTRICT

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Office of State Senator Lena Gonzalez

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## Recognition of Outgoing Mayor Peggy Lemons

Office of Speaker Anthony Rendon

CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE



### CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION

**Mayor Peggy Lemons**

On behalf of the California State Assembly and the 63<sup>rd</sup> Assembly District, thank you Mayor for your commitment and dedicated service. Through your leadership, City of Paramount continues to shine as a thriving city. I commend you for dedicating your life to improving the lives of those you have served so proudly. I wish you continued success.

ANTHONY RENDON, Ph.D.  
Speaker of the Assembly  
Assemblymember, 63<sup>rd</sup> District



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Paramount, California

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## Recognition of Outgoing Mayor Peggy Lemons

Office of Supervisor Janice Hahn

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Board President Yesenia Cuarenta

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Chamber President Alicia Valadez

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## Recognition of Outgoing Mayor Peggy Lemons

Acting Assistant Chief  
William Mayfield



### Certificate of Commendation

presented to

**MAYOR  
Peggy Lemons**

The County of Los Angeles Fire Department commends you on your outstanding public service. During your twenty-four years on council you have been a beacon of light to those that live, play, and work in Paramount  
Thank you for your service.

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*William Mayfield*  
William Mayfield, Acting Assistant Fire Chief

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Captain David Sprengel

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## Approval of Minutes

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## **Selection of Mayor and Vice Mayor**

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## National Library Week Paramount Community Library

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Fair Housing Month  
April 2021

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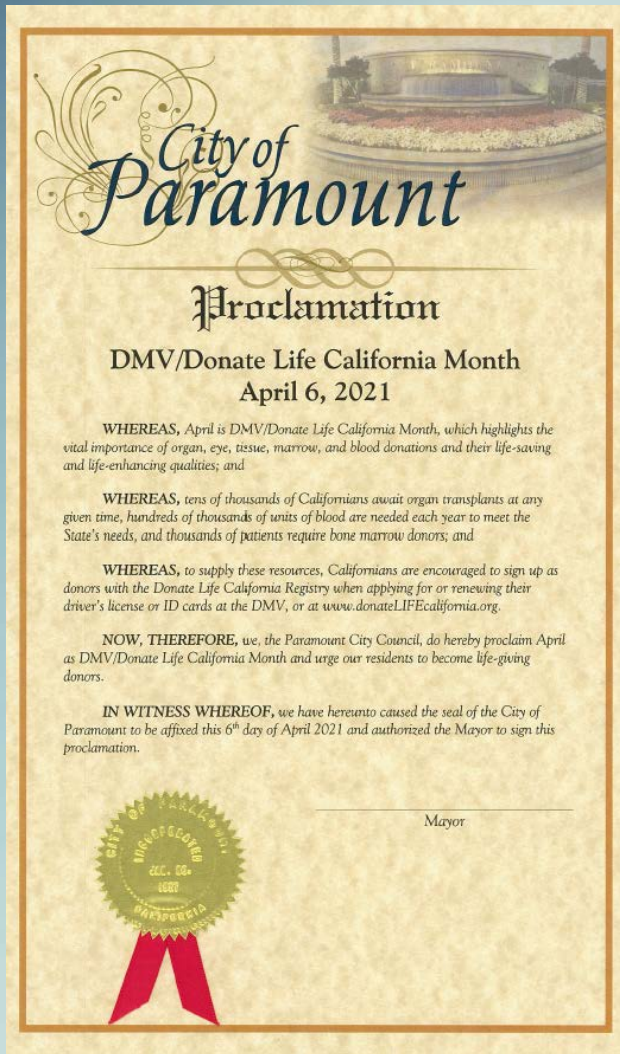




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## DMV/Donate Life Month April 2021



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Arbor Day  
April 30, 2021



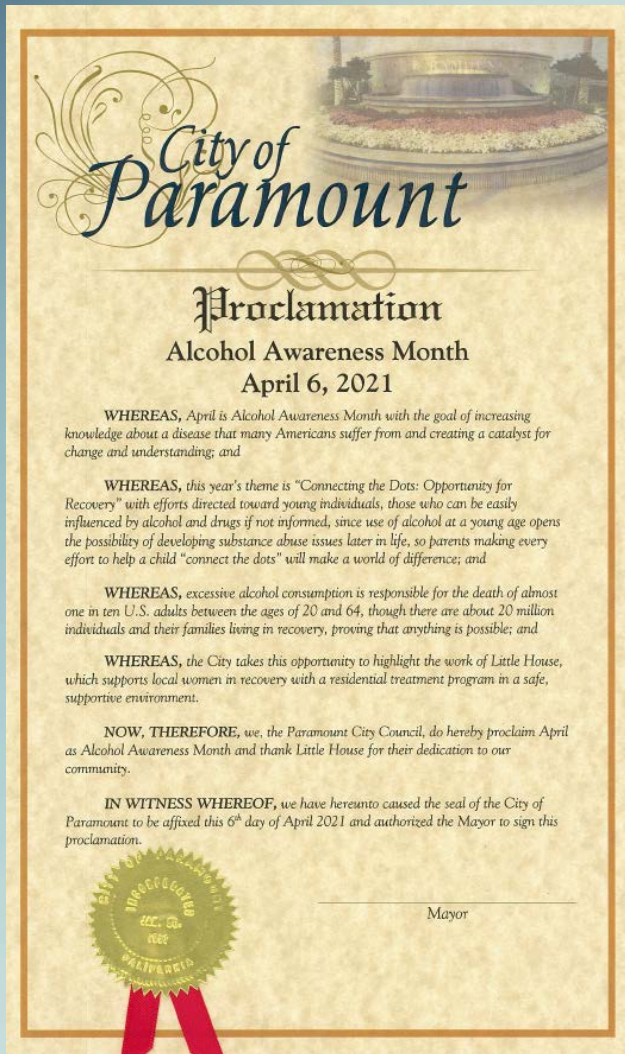
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## Alcohol Awareness Month April 2021



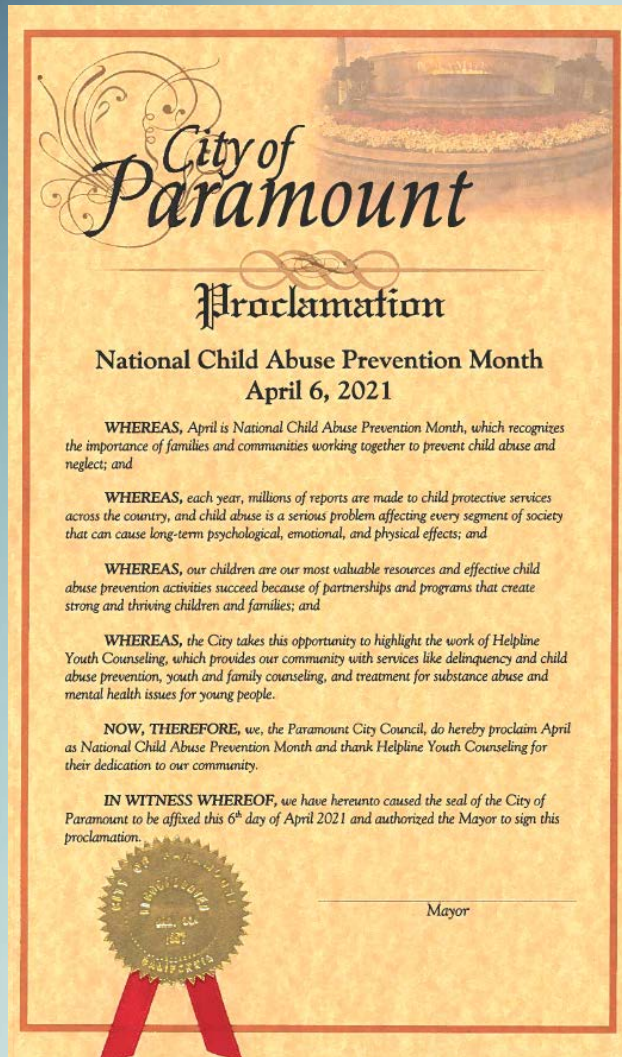
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## National Child Abuse Prevention Month April 2021

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## National Sexual Assault Awareness Month April 2021

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## City Council Public Comment Updates





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## Public Comments





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## Consent Calendar





# COVID-19 Memorial Commemoration

ITEM NO. 12



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# COVID-19 Commemoration

- February Study Session
  - Reviewed 10 potential commemoration activities
  - Directed staff to refine list

ITEM NO. 12





# COVID-19 Commemoration

- Proposal
  - May 20, 2021 at Memorial Plaza
    - Field of Flags - 50 3x5 flags
    - Beams of Light – at dusk
- Garden Memorial
  - Constructed at entrance to Civic Center

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# COVID-19 Commemoration

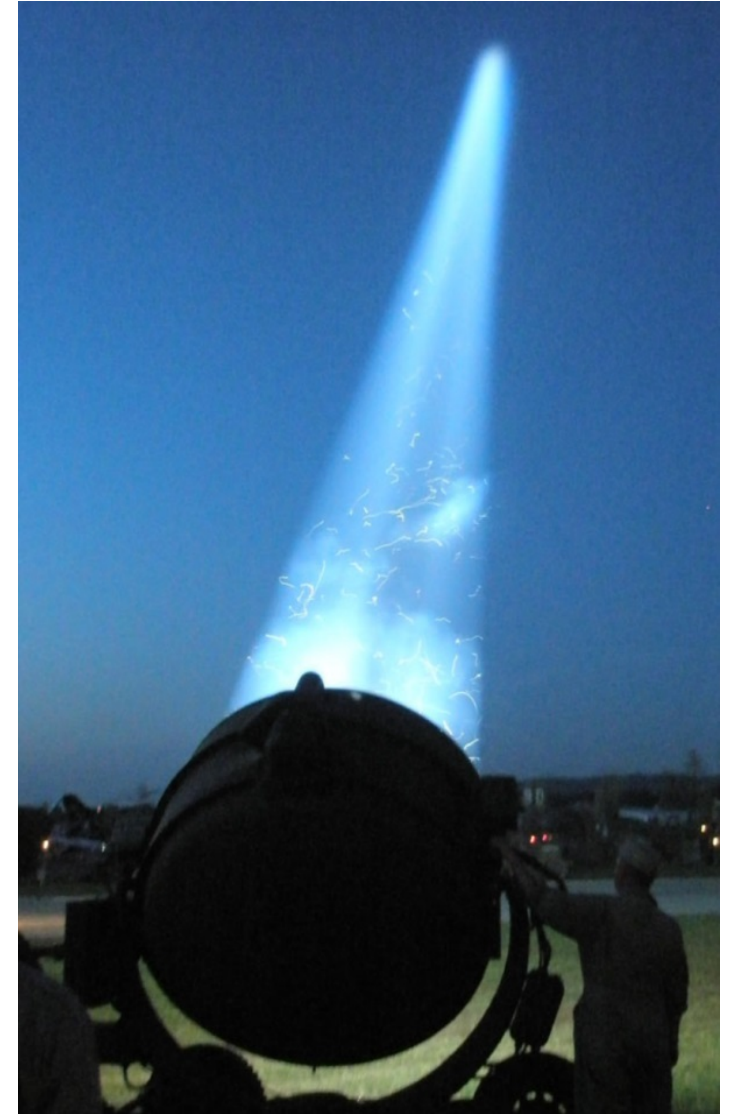
- Field of Flags
  - Remain in place until pandemic declared over



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# COVID-19 Commemoration

- Beams of Light
  - Searchlight – lit at dusk until midnight
  - Public Participation



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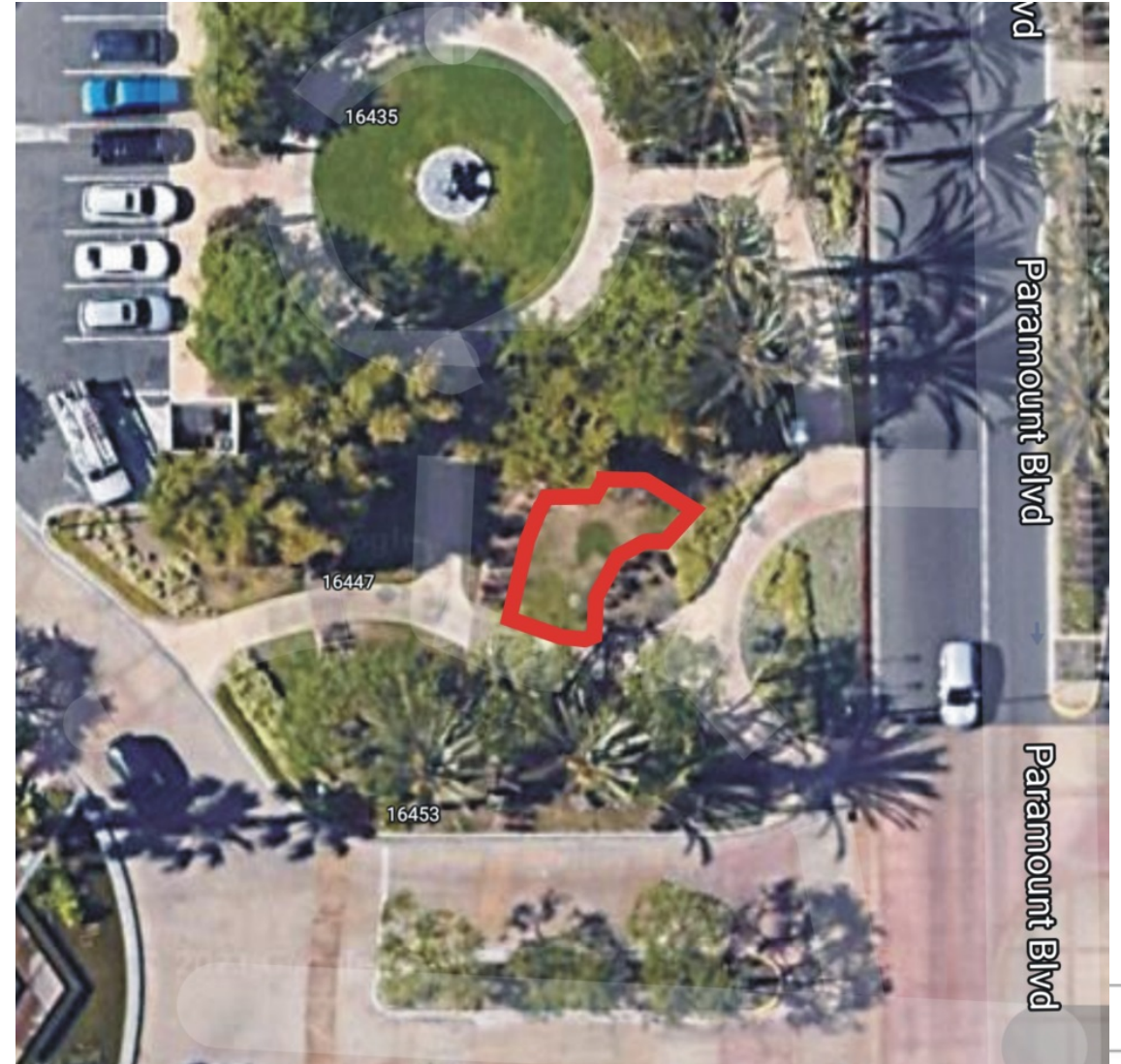


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# COVID-19 Commemoration

- Garden Memorial
  - Memorial Tree and Plaque





# COVID-19 Commemoration

- Public Outreach
  - Website
  - Social Media Platforms (City & PUSD)
  - Pulse Beat & Around Town
  - Mass Notification System
  - Email Blasts

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# COVID-19 Commemoration

- Cost - \$7,100 in supplies/services
- Add to Fiscal Year 2021 Budget

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# Recommendation

- Recommended Action:  
It is recommended that the City Council approve or modify the COVID-19 commemoration activities as outlined in this report and allocate \$7,100 to the Fiscal Year 2021 Budget.

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# COVID-19 Memorial Commemoration

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# Award of Contract: Interior Improvements at Progress Park Plaza (CIP No. 9053)

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# Bid Results

- One bid was received - submitted by Junior's Construction Inc.
- Bid amount: \$363,733.

# Scope of Work

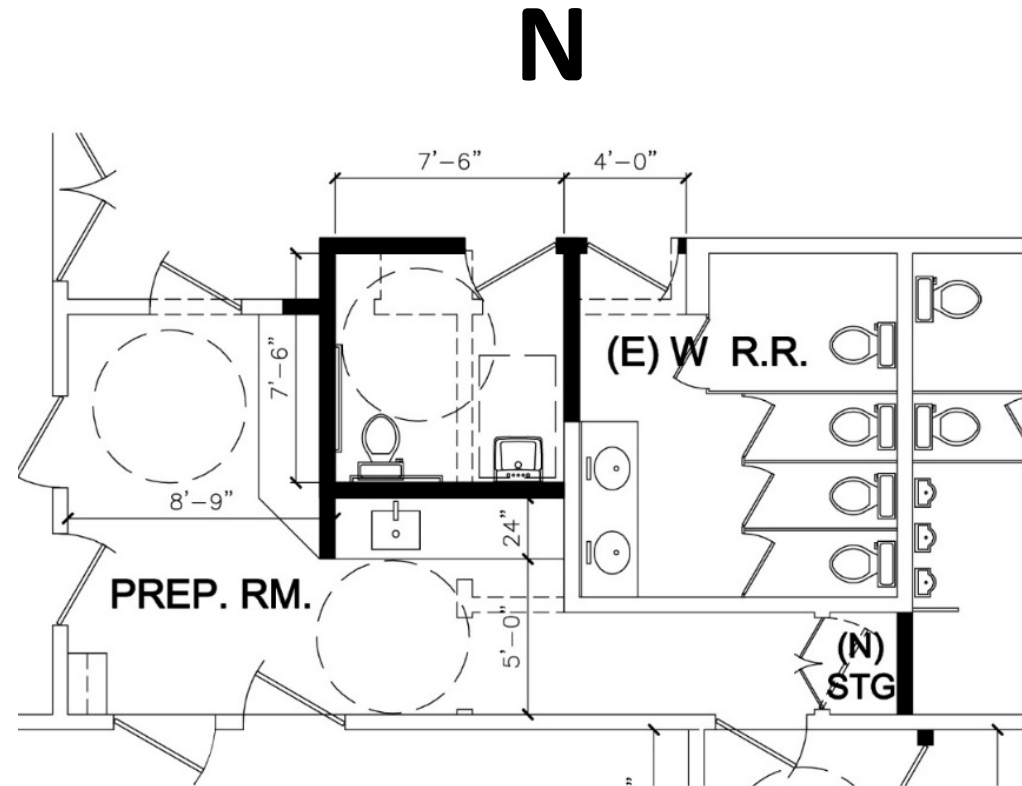
- American Disability Act (ADA) improvements:
  - Construct unisex restroom
  - Modifications to men's/women's restroom
- Construction of storage room within existing employee area.
- Renovation of front lobby and adjacent office.
- New LED light fixtures, doors, new fixed store front windows, painting, and ceiling tiles.

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# ADA Restroom



South Elevation



Gender Neutral Restroom

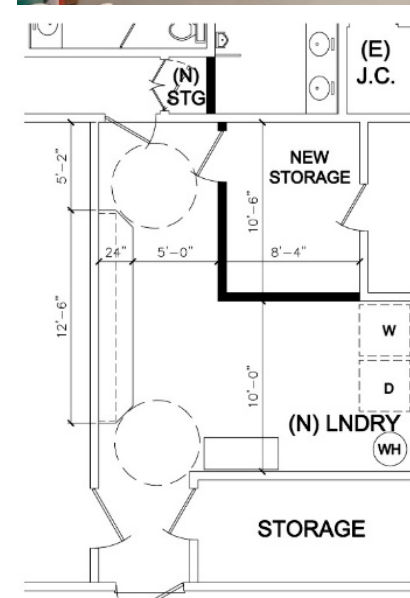
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# Project Scope



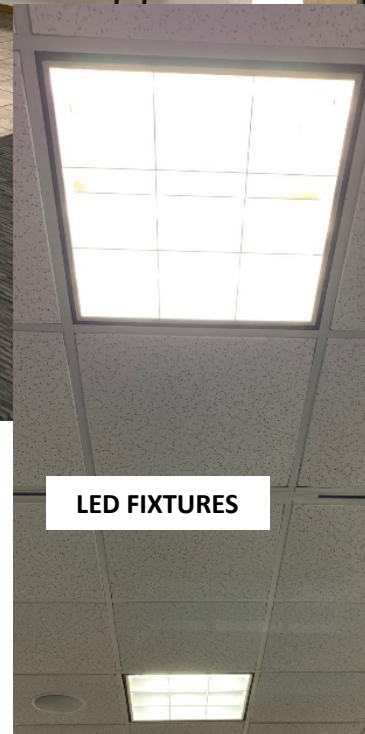
STORAGE ROOM



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# Project Scope



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# Project Scope

- Large curved wall to be upgraded modern decorative elements:
  - Central wood panel feature
  - Backlit City logo
  - Decorative acrylic panels

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Existing



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# Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Council award the contract for interior improvements at Progress Park Plaza to Junior's Construction Inc., Santa Fe Springs, California, in the amount of \$ 363,733, and authorize the Mayor or her designee to execute the agreement.

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# Award of Contract: Interior Improvements at Progress Park Plaza (CIP No. 9053)

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# Award of Contract Commercial Rehabilitation Project 15504-15508 Paramount Blvd.

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# Background

- Request for award of contract for commercial rehabilitation construction at 15504-15508 Paramount Blvd.
- City Council approved budget in FY 21
- Development Review Board approved design
- Construction plans prepared & approved
- Project shovel ready











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#### MATERIAL LEGEND:



Architectural brick veneer  
by Cultured Stone  
High Desert Used Brick



New stucco finish  
Merlex: Caramelo P-192(57)



Wood mounting sign frame



Corrugated metal veneer  
Atas metals rigid wall MFR160  
color Dove Gray



Metal awning with  
wood trellis

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# Funding

- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from Dept of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)
- City guidelines (adopted by City Council in 2007)
  - 80% CDBG funds
  - 20% property owner contribution
- Bids
  - 3 contractors submitted complete bids; 1 withdrew
  - Low bid - \$122,000



# Low Bidder – Ever Builders



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# Summary

- Commercial Rehabilitation Program only funds properties and businesses that serve the local Paramount community
- Program promotes environmental & economic sustainability by improving existing buildings, minimizing construction waste, encouraging walkable community, supporting small business
- Project meets General Plan Land Use Element policies
- Project meets Key Strategic Outcomes (Safe Community, Economic Health, Environmental Health)



## Recommended Action

Award contract for Commercial Rehabilitation Program construction services at 15504-15508 Paramount Blvd. to Ever Builders in the total amount of \$122,000 with \$97,600 from CDBG funds and \$22,400 from property owner funds

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# Award of Contract Commercial Rehabilitation Project 15504-15508 Paramount Blvd.

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# Authorization to Purchase: Civic Center Monument Signs (CIP No. 9134)

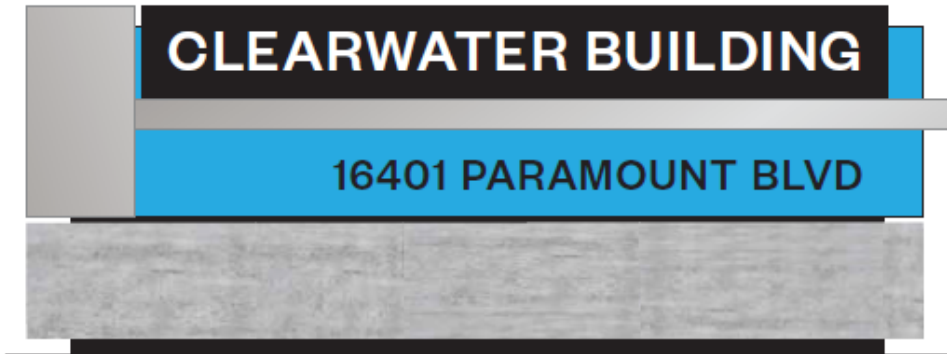
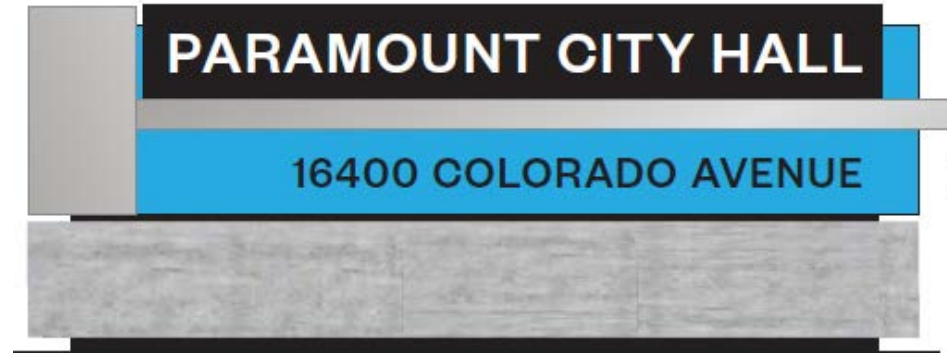
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# Civic Center Signage



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# Recommended Action

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It is recommended that the City Council authorize the purchase and installation of three monument signs at the Civic Center, Clearwater Building, and City Hall from Bravor Sign and Design, Inc., in the amount of \$80,000.



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# Authorization to Purchase: Civic Center Monument Signs (CIP No. 9134)

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**Resolution No. 21:008**  
**Affirming the Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Budget for the**  
**use of funds provided by the Road Repair and**  
**Accountability Act of 2017 (SB 1)**

**ITEM NO.16**



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# Background



- SB 1 - April 2017, signed into law. Provided additional state funding for road maintenance.



- The additional funds are provided via an increase in fuel taxes and vehicle license fees.



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# Approval of Use

- In Fiscal Year 2021-2022, the City is projected to receive \$1,084,672 in RMRA funds.
- SB1 requires a Resolution listing eligible projects for the upcoming year.
- Pavement Management Plan – Updated in FY2019/2020
- Project to be included in the adopted FY 22 budget:
  - Neighborhood Streets Resurfacing Project

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# Approval of Use

- Neighborhood Streets Resurfacing FY21-22



Street Location	Beginning	End
Arthur Avenue	Denver Street	Rose Street
Laredo Avenue	Howe Street	Rose Street
McClure Avenue	Denver Street	End of Cul-De-Sac
Denver Street	Arthur Avenue	McClure Avenue
Rose Street	Arthur Avenue	Paramount Blvd

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# Recommendation

It is recommended that the City Council read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 21:008

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**Resolution No. 21:008**  
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**use of funds provided by the Road Repair and**  
**Accountability Act of 2017 (SB 1)**

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# Resolution No. 21:009

## Ordering the Annual Engineer's Report for Landscape Maintenance District No. 81-1

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# Establishing a Section for Sustainability Action Items on the City Council Meeting Agenda

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# City's Environmental History

- » Gateway City surrounded by four heavy transit corridor freeways
- » Period of documented blight in the mid-1980s followed by revitalization
- » Transformation earned the City recognition for strategic planning and progressive public safety strategies
- » Landscaped boulevards, parks, public art, and tree-lined neighborhoods







# Challenges and Mitigation Efforts

In 2016, the South Coast Air Quality Management District reported that Paramount faced a serious challenge with its air quality in Hexavalent Chromium levels.

## Public Outreach Efforts

- Air Quality Subcommittee
- Moratorium on metal companies
- Town Hall meetings
- [ParamountEnvironmental.org](http://ParamountEnvironmental.org)

## Enforcement and Monitoring Efforts

- Joint-Agency inspections
- 132 violation and compliance notices
- 48 air monitor installations
- Active soil and water testing



# Focusing on Environmental Sustainability

Moving forward, Paramount is committed to environmental sustainability for long-term community health

## Milestones:

- ❖ Beacon Spotlight Award for “ Sustainability Best Practices”
- ❖ Beacon Gold Award for “Greenhouse Gas Reductions”
- ❖ 2019 Green Leadership Award for “Sustainability Efforts”
- ❖ 2021 Recognition for Tree City USA Paramount
- ❖ 2021 Silver, Gold, and Platinum Beacon Spotlight Awards

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# Recommendation:

## Regular Sustainability Business Items

- Sustainability Business Section on the City Council agenda to demonstrate its commitment to Environmental Sustainability
- Business items will be driven by the City's Climate Action Plan
- Potential items include:



- ❖ Environmental education
- ❖ Environmental legislation
- ❖ Energy efficiency
- ❖ Water conservation
- ❖ Grant opportunities
- ❖ Air quality improvements

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# Aligns with City's Vision, Mission, Values, and Strategic Outcome

Promotes

*"City that is safe, healthy, and attractive"*



Advocates for environmental health



*"Promotes, protects and enhances a healthy and sustainably built and natural environment."*

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# Benefits

Reserving a section exclusively for Sustainability Business has numerous benefits:

- Public participation
- Increased transparency
- Options to explore and research sustainability issues
- Full engagement of all City department staff



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# Next Steps



- If approved by the City Council, the Sustainability Business Section will appear on the May 4 City Council agenda

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# Recommendation

**It is recommended that the City Council approve establishing a Sustainability Business Section on the City Council Meeting Agenda**

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# Establishing a Section for Sustainability Action Items on the City Council Meeting Agenda

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# Consideration and Possible Action to Create an Ad Hoc Committee to Discuss Matters Related to Homelessness in the City of Paramount

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# Appropriation of Additional Funds for Contract Planning Services

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ITEM NO.20





# Request

- Authorize the appropriation of additional funding for contract planning services for the Planning Department
  - Michael Baker International
  - Michael Baker has been assisting with completing Administrative Actions for metal-related businesses
  - The City Council approved expenditure of \$40,000 in October 2020 for Michael Baker to complete Administrative Actions



# Administrative Actions

- 2018 changes to M-1 and M-2 zoning regulations require metal-related businesses to obtain an Administrative Action
  - Details the business operations and requires a public agency tour, and a public tour or public meeting



# Michael Baker International

- All 17 metal-related businesses met the deadline to submit their applications
- 4 Administrative Actions approved prior to Michael Baker working on this project
- Michael Baker has completed an additional 5 Administrative Actions
- Remaining 8 Administrative Actions are nearing completion by Michael Baker

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# Michael Baker International

- It has taken longer than expected to gather information from the metal-related businesses
- Authorize an additional \$20,000 to complete Administrative Actions



# Recommended Action

- Authorize the appropriation of additional funding in the amount \$20,000 for contract Planning Services with Michael Baker International in the Fiscal Year 2021 budget

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# Appropriation of Additional Funds for Contract Planning Services

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# Resolution No. 21:010 Support a Request for Congressional Appropriations for Three Proposed Community Projects

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# Introduction

- Community Projects must fall be shovel-ready by Oct. 1, and cost between \$100,000 to \$1 Million.
- Must fall under one of the 12 following Appropriations Subcommittee categories:
  - Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies
  - Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies
  - Defense
  - Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies
  - Financial Services and General Government
  - Homeland Security
  - Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies
  - Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies
  - Legislative Branch
  - Military Construction, Veterans Affairs, and Related Agencies
  - State, Foreign Operations, and Related Programs
  - Transportation, and Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies

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# Proposal No. 1: PEP Learning Center and Scholarship Program Enhancement



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## Proposal No. 2: Paramount Pool Expansion



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## Proposal No. 2 (Cont'd): Paramount Pool Expansion



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# Proposal No. 3: Upgrading to the City's Emergency Operations Center (EOC) and Disaster Mitigation Efforts



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# Proposal No. 3 (Cont'd)

## Disaster Mitigation Efforts



COVID-19 FEMA  
Vaccination Clinic



# Recommended Action

It is recommended that the City Council read by title only and adopt Resolution No. 21:010 supporting a request for Congressional appropriations for three Community Projects; and , authorize the City Manager, or designee, to submit the proposed Community Projects for consideration by Congresswoman Lucille Roybal-Allard of the 40<sup>th</sup> United States Congressional District.

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# Resolution No. 21:010 Support a Request for Congressional Appropriations for Three Proposed Community Projects

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## **Comments/Committee Reports**





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## **Successor Agency for the Paramount Redevelopment Agency**



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## **Paramount Housing Authority**





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## **Paramount Industrial Development Authority**



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**Closed Session**





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**Adjournment**