

**MINUTES  
Regular Meeting Notice  
Gardena City Council  
Tuesday, February 25, 2025**

The Regular Meeting Notice and Agenda of the Gardena City Council of the City of Gardena, California, was called to order at 7:45 PM on Tuesday, February 25, 2025, in the Council Chamber at City Hall 1700 West 162<sup>nd</sup> Street, Gardena, California; Mayor Tasha Cerda presiding.

**1. ROLL CALL**

Present: Mayor Tasha Cerda; Mayor Pro Tem Rodney G. Tanaka; Council Member Mark E. Henderson; Council Member Paulette C. Francis; and Council Member Wanda Love. Other City Officials and Employees present: City Manager Clint Osorio; City Attorney Carmen Vasquez; City Clerk Mina Semenza; and Deputy City Clerk Becky Romero.

**PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION**

**2. CLOSED SESSION**

**CITY ATTORNEY REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION**

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mikael Young, 5<sup>th</sup> grade at 186<sup>th</sup> Street Elementary School. She was chosen to lead the Pledge because she is part of the gifted program and really good at repeating the school's values and the culture of unity, peace and leadership.

**4. INVOCATION**

Pastor Dwight Dudley of Calvary Life Church led the Invocation.

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

5.A Certificate of Recognition to Burt Nakamura for his service to the community as an Owner Representative Member of the Rent Mediation Board – ***Mr. Nakamura was not present at the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka spoke about his 35-year tenure on the Rent Mediation Board. Mayor Cerda spoke about her relationship with Mr. Nakamura and thanked him for all his years of service.***

5.B Certificate of Recognition to Carrie Scott for her service to the community as a Member of the Recreation and Parks Commission – ***Mayor Cerda read the certificate and thanked Ms. Scott for her service; Council Member Love spoke about her relationship with Ms. Scott and thanked her for her service; Ms. Scott spoke, thanking the Council and appropriate photos were taken.***

5.C Western Avenue Railroad Road Closure Presentation – ***the video was presented; Public Works Director Allan Rigg spoke and answered all questions.***

5.D Gardena Events Video Presentation

6. **PROCLAMATIONS** - *None*

7. **APPOINTMENTS**

7.A Council Appointments to Commissions, Committees, Councils and Boards  
(Appointees to be Ratified and Sworn In)

Youth Commission - Anaiya Bowers

(Appointed by Youth Commission)

**It was moved by Mayor Cerda, and seconded by Council Member Francis, and carried by the following roll call vote to appoint Anaiya Bowers to the Youth Commission:**

**Ayes:** Mayor Cerda, Council Member Francis, Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka,  
Council Members Henderson and Love

**Noes:** None

**Absent:** None

***Mayor Cerda invited Ms. Bowers up to receive her Oath of Office, which was given by City Clerk Mina Semenza. Ms. Bowers spoke and thanked the Council for approving her appointment.***

8. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

8.A Waiver of Reading in Full of All Ordinances Listed on this Agenda and that they be Read by Title Only

**CONTACT: CITY CLERK**

8.B Approve Minutes:

Regular Meeting of the City Council, February 11, 2025

**CONTACT: CITY CLERK**

8.C Approval of Warrants/Payroll Register, February 25, 2025

February 25, 2025: Wire Transfer: 12904-12907, 12910-12913; Prepay: 179472-179480; Check Numbers: 179481-179708 for Total Warrants issued in the amount of \$1,936,751.92; Total Payroll Issued for February 21, 2025: 2,432,800.16

**CONTACT: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

8.D Monthly Investment Portfolio, January 2025

**CONTACT: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

8.E Personnel Report P-2025-4 02-25-25

**CONTACT: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

- 8.F SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1877, Amending the Gardena Municipal Code Chapter 18.66 and Section 18.36.020 relating to allowing non- storefront retail medical cannabis delivery services businesses in the M-1 and M-2 zoning districts.

**CONTACT: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

ORDINANCE NO. 1877

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 18.66 AND SECTION 18.36.020 AND ADDING CHAPTER 5.80 TO THE GARDENA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO NONSTOREFRONT RETAIL MEDICINAL CANNABIS DELIVERY SERVICE BUSINESSES

- 8.G SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1880, Amending Sections 14.04.090 and 14.04.220 of Chapter 14.04 – Residential Rent Mediation and Hearings – of the Gardena Municipal Code relating to Notification of Rent Increases

**CONTACT: CITY MANAGER**

ORDINANCE NO. 1880

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING SECTIONS 14.04.090 AND 14.04.220 OF THE GARDENA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO NOTIFICATION OF RENT INCREASES

**It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka and seconded by Council Member Henderson, and carried by the following roll call vote to Approve the Consent Calendar:**

**Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka, Council Members Henderson and Francis, and Mayor Cerda**

**Noes: None**

**Absent: None**

**Abstain: Council Member Love**

9. **EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR**

10. **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION ACTION SHEET**  
10.A **FEBRUARY 18, 2025 - Meeting Cancelled**

11. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

- 1) Andrea Simental, Community Library Manager of the Mayme Dear Library: came to give announcements and updates for the Masao W. Sato and Mayme Dear libraries.

12. **DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS - ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES – No Items**

13. **DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

- 13.A **PUBLIC HEARING: RESOLUTION NO. 6693**, Certifying an Environmental Impact Report, adopting a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program, adopting a Statement of Overriding Considerations and making CEQA Findings Relating to the 1450 Artesia Specific Plan for the 6.3 acre Property located near the southwest corner of Artesia Boulevard and Normandie Avenue; and

**RESOLUTION NO. 6693**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, CALIFORNIA, CERTIFYING AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT, ADOPTING A MITIGATION MONITORING AND REPORTING PROGRAM, ADOPTING A STATEMENT OF OVERRIDING CONSIDERATIONS AND MAKING CEQA FINDINGS RELATING TO THE 1450 ARTESIA SPECIFIC PLAN FOR THE 6.33 ACRE PROPERTY LOCATED NEAR THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF ARTESIA BOULEVARD AND NORMANDIE AVENUE

**PUBLIC HEARING: ORDINANCE NO. 1879**, Approving the 1450 Artesia Specific Plan and a Development Agreement to allow the redevelopment of the site with a mixed-use commercial/industrial development consisting of a 268,000 gross square foot building with an approximate height of 75 feet.

**PROJECT LOCATION:** 1440, 1450, 1462, 1472 Artesia Boulevard (APN: 6106-036-010, -012, -034, -035, -036, -037)

**APPLICANT:** 1450 Artesia Acquisition Company LLC (Representative: Brian Sorensen)

**ORDINANCE NO. 1879**

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE 1450 SPECIFIC PLAN AND A DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT WITH 1450 ARTESIA ACQUISITION COMPANY LLC

(APN: 6106-036-010, -012, -034, -035, -036, -037)

City Manager Osorio presented the Staff Report.

Mayor Cerda opened the Public Hearing at 8:17p.m.

Community Development Manager Amanda Acuna made a presentation that gave an overview of the project; Nicole Cobley, the Dudek Consultant, then made a presentation regarding the EIR Report; and the Applicants/Developers, Brian Sorenson and his team made a presentation.

Mayor Cerda then asked if anyone had asked to speak on this item and if the Council had any comments or questions.

Public Speakers: Andrew Mayorga and Kyle Patterson spoke in support of the project; Clarence Davis, spoke against the project.

Questions and comments were made by Council Member Francis, Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka, Mayor Cerda, Council Member Henderson and Council Member Love regarding the clean-up of the contamination, the depth of the sump; working with the trades; the area of contamination and if it can move; remedy review and regular reporting and what's required of DTSC; the landscaping and types of plants, the lighting of the project; entrance and exit on Artesia and traffic; blight in our community and how we are moving forward; question regarding the horse stables and crossing on Normandie; the community space and allowing non-profits to host events; if the 25 EV parking spaces will be open to the public; if the community space and storage offices space are on the ground level and how many floors is the building. All questions were answered by Community Development Manager Acuna, City Attorney Vasquez, Assistant City Attorney Lisa Kranitz, Geologist Mauricio Escobar, Applicant Brian Sorenson, Landscape Architect Ben Huber of Kimley Horn, C.J. Rogers of InSite, and another member of the team spoke on behalf of Insite regarding the traffic.

Mayor Cerda closed the Public Hearing 9:37p.m.

**It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka and seconded by Council Member Francis; and carried by the following roll call vote to Adopt Resolution No. 6693:**

**Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka, Council Members Francis, Henderson and Love, and Mayor Cerda**

**Noes: None**

**Absent: None**

**It was moved by Council Member Henderson and seconded by Council Member Love, and carried by the following roll call vote to Introduce Ordinance No. 1879 with an amendment to the language to the Development Agreement, Section 5.6 that the Developer shall provide all reports from DTSC to the City Manager upon receipt and shall survive the termination of this Agreement:**

**Ayes: Council Members Henderson and Love, Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka, Council Member Francis, and Mayor Cerda**

**Noes: None**

**Absent: None**

**Council Member Henderson introduced Ordinance No. 1879.**

14. **DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS - ELECTED & CITY MANAGER'S OFFICES – No Items**

15. **DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS – POLICE – No Items**

16. **DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS - PUBLIC WORKS**

- 16.A Award Construction Contract for the Rowley Park Improvements Basketball Court Rehab Phase 1 - Demolition, Drainage, Electrical and Site Furnishing Project, JN 530, to Zeco, Inc. in the amount of \$588,537.55, Approve the Project Plans & Specifications, 15% Project Contingency, and Declare California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Exemption.

City Manager Osorio presented the Staff Report.

Mayor Cerda then asked if anyone had asked to speak on this item and if the Council had any comments or questions. There were no public speakers.

Questions and comments were made by Council Member Francis and Council Member Love regarding the basketball court improvements at Rowley Park. Public Works Director Allan Rigg, Assistant Public Works Director Kevin Kwak, and Director of Recreation and Human Services Stephany Santin answered all questions.

**It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka, seconded by Council Member Henderson, and carried by the following roll call vote to Award Construction Contract; Approve Project Plans and Specifications; Approve Project Contingency and Declare CEQA Exemption:**

**Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka, Council Members Henderson, Francis and Love, and Mayor Cerda**

**Noes: None**

**Absent: None**

- 16.B Award Construction Contract for the Park Electronic Signage Project, JN 529, to Square Signs LLC dba Front Signs in the amount of \$435,015.85. Additionally, Approve the Project Plans & Specifications, \$12,000 Construction Support Services Contract with David Volz Design (DVD), 20% of Project Contingency and Declare California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Exemption.

City Manager Osorio presented the Staff Report.

Assistant Public Works Director Kwak presented a few slides of the project.

Mayor Cerda then asked if anyone had asked to speak on this item and if the Council had any comments or questions.

Questions and comments were made by Council Member Henderson, Council Member Francis, Mayor Cerda, and Council Member Love regarding the electric sign at Rowley Park. Public Works Director Rigg, Assistant Public Works Director Kwak, and Director of Recreation and Human Services Santin answered all questions.

Public Speaker: Clarence Davis asked if the electronic sign could be modified.

**It was moved by Council Member Francis, and seconded by Council Member Henderson, and carried by the following roll call vote to Award Construction Contract; Approve Project Plans and Specifications; Approve Construction Support Services; Approve Project Contingency; and Declare CEQA Exemption:**

**Ayes: Council Members Francis and Henderson, Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka, Council Member Love, and Mayor Cerda**

**Noes: None**

**Absent: None**

**17. DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS - RECREATION & HUMAN SERVICES**

- 17.A RESOLUTION NO. 6696, Approving the Renaming of the Freeman Park Baseball Field to Ichikawa Nippon Yakyu Field to Recognize the Long-Standing Relationship with our Japanese Sister City**

**RESOLUTION NO. 6696**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, APPROVING THE RENAMING OF THE FREEMAN PARK BASEBALL FIELD TO ICHIKAWA NIPPON YAKYU FIELD TO RECOGNIZE THE LONG-STANDING RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR JAPANESE SISTER CITY

City Manager Osorio presented the Staff Report.

Mayor Cerda then asked if anyone had asked to speak on this item and if the Council had any comments or questions. There were no public speakers.

Questions and comments were made by Council Member Francis, Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka, and Council Member Henderson regarding the renaming of the scoreboard and baseball field. Director of Recreation and Human Services Santin answered all questions.

Mayor Cerda spoke about her directive and why it was important to her to rename the scoreboard and baseball field.

**It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka seconded by Council Member Henderson, and carried by the following roll call vote to Adopt Resolution No. 6696:**

**Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka, Council Members Henderson, Francis and Love, and Mayor Cerda**

**Noes: None**

**Absent: None**

**18. DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS – TRANSPORTATION – No Items**

19. **COUNCIL ITEMS**

- 19.A **RESOLUTION NO. 6697**, Designating Certain Members of the Gardena City Council to serve as Representatives on the South Bay Council of Governments Governing Board

**RESOLUTION NO. 6697**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, DESIGNATING CERTAIN CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS TO SERVE AS REPRESENTATIVES ON THE SOUTH BAY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS GOVERNING BOARD

City Manager Osorio presented the Staff Report.

Mayor Cerda then asked if anyone had asked to speak on this item and if the Council had any comments or questions. There were no public speakers.

**It was moved by Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka seconded by Council Member Henderson, and carried by the following roll call vote to Adopt Resolution No. 6697:**

**Ayes: Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka, Council Members Henderson and Francis and Mayor Cerda**

**Noes: Council Member Love**

**Absent: None**

- 19.B **RESOLUTION NO. 6695** , Discuss and Consider Adopting Resolution No. 6695 - City of Gardena Code of Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials

**RESOLUTION NO. 6695**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARDENA, ADOPTING CITY OF GARDENA CODE OF CONDUCT FOR ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS

City Manager Osorio presented the Staff Report.

Mayor Cerda then asked if anyone had asked to speak on this item and if the Council had any comments or questions. There were no public speakers.

There was a discussion that included all members of the Council, and City Attorney Vasquez regarding the Code of Conduct for all Elected and Appointed Officials.

**It was moved by Mayor Cerda, and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka, and carried by the following roll call vote to Adopt Resolution No. 6695:**

**Ayes:** Mayor Cerda, Mayor Pro Tem Tanaka, Council Member Henderson  
**Noes:** Council Members Francis and Love  
**Absent:** None

20. **COUNCIL DIRECTIVES**

Council Member Henderson

Subject: Mirror at north driveway exiting Rowley Park

Purpose – Safety issue exiting Rowley Park when cars are parked at curb on east side of Van Ness

Reason – Aid in relieving obstructed view of cars exiting Rowley

Benefit – Prevent traffic collision

***Mayor Cerda seconded it.***

Council Member Francis

Subject: To fix the parking lot at Rowley Park to include slurry and new striping

Purpose - To beautify Rowley Park

Reason – The parking lot is in need of repair; it's cracked and needs repainting

Benefit – Beautification of the City

***Mayor Cerda seconded it.***

21. **CITY MANAGER REMARKS RE: DIRECTIVES / COUNCIL ITEMS**

1) He mentioned Happy Birthday to our Community Development Director Greg Tsujiuchi.

22. **COUNCIL REMARKS**

1) COUNCIL MEMBER FRANCIS - Since our last meeting, she attended the Greater Los Angeles Vector Control District meeting; the Friendship Fiesta over at Rowley Park was a really nice event, young folks were having a good time there, she's glad we did that, and she hopes we do it again. She attended the Martin Luther King Jr. Committee Meeting, Beautification Commission, and our 42nd annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. commemorative parade and it was a nice parade, everyone seemed to have a good time, she certainly enjoyed it, and they had a battle of bands. Our Gardena High School won first place which was \$1000, and second place was Inglewood High School, who won \$ 500, third place was Kipp Scholars Academy, who won \$250. It was a great day; a great festival and we're looking forward to our 43rd annual parade and we're already in the process of planning. Also, she wants to thank Carrie Scott for her service to the City of Gardena. As we go forward, we are held to a higher standard of ethics. We all take the ethics course for every organization involved in she has taken an ethics training, but if we just remember that we're here for the greater good and that's the City of Gardena, we will be okay. When we have so many impediments to the way we communicate and how we communicate she thinks we're having some problems there so, to keep the city moving in a forward direction let's keep all that in mind, and like she always says keep faith, better days are coming.

- 2) COUNCIL MEMBER HENDERSON - Since the last meeting, he attended the Independent Cities Association Winter Seminar, held in Santa Barbara. They had six sessions and an ethics training session for newly elected council members and some of the members that still needed that. President-elect Ray Jackson out of Hermosa Beach, our executive director staff, and himself put on a pretty good program they got some great feedback. Session one was related to new economic development, it's green and comes with money. In that session, they discussed a presentation by Kosmont Companies regarding potential opportunities for cities to look into in their development with a green aspect. We had an informative brief presentation by Onnie Williams III from the homeless initiative and affordable housing of LA County, he's the CEO. Onnie talked about the LA County measure A and local solutions fund so their second measure is now something that they are going to provide local cities and communities with their funding back to address the homelessness issue. They had a great presentation, in session two, it's possible functional zero homelessness, Ronson Chu who we love at our South Bay Cities Council of Government, Supervisor Janice Hahn, City Attorney Mike Webb from Redondo Beach, talked about their care court, and Police Chief Manny Cid from Glendale, discussed how we're not going to be able to arrest our way out of homelessness and we have to start thinking about wrap-around services and everything so that's why it was timely to hear about LA county measure A funding coming back to the cities. Session three, I moderated our new merging policing technologies, cities that are small like us where we have narrow margins, and how the use of technology actually helps our cities of our size keep our communities safe, allows our public safety folks to be out there, and do their community work, it also helps attract newer talent coming in, and it gives an opportunity for folks that are a little bit longer in the tooth in the organization to provide of value. They had a session with Vic Noel who's the venue cities relations of LA 28, They talked about the Olympics coming here in 2028, and opportunities for cities to participate in creating national houses. Since the world is coming here there are opportunities for communities to host national houses for different nationalities and cultural groups and countries as they visit here. They talked about the traffic impact that's going to occur with the world being here, and the different opportunities that Metro is providing along with all the transportation organizations within LA County. Session 6 was a call to action; how short-term rentals are impacting our cities and what to do about it. This was robust, they'll probably do it again at our summer seminar and he has been asked to potentially do a presentation on this with Ray Jackson at Contract Cities because with all the short-term rentals, either legal or illegal, are actually impacting on our long-term housing inventory. They are going to reach out to our colleagues in Sacramento to see if they can help us with that. He also wants to thank Burt Nakamura for his service on the Rent Mediation Board, he served with him along with you; Mayor Cerda, so he will be missed, he had a lot of jewels and wisdom. He also wants to thank our staff; he's noticing a trend of where you guys are getting decent at anticipating where we're going and some of the things we've all been through several times like with the project on Artesia. The community benefits from the fact that the work was already done to have that addressed in the presentation he felt was very helpful, very thoughtful, and proactive, so it eliminated a lot of questions so we could move on. He wants staff to understand that he recognizes the true diligence and effort and the academic discipline in getting a lot of stuff done.

- 3) MAYOR PRO TEM TANAKA - Since our last meeting, he went to the homeless count, thank you Chief for your staff, Stephany, and her staff and everybody else who participated in our homeless count. Our count was terrific, it was under 40. He attended our CCOG's homeless task force meeting, which he chairs, and Ronson is trying to get more money from measure A for us; he works really hard on our homeless task force and does some really good things for South Bay. He attended MLK thank you very much, Council Member Francis, that was a good event, well attended. He attended the Miss Los Angeles Scholarship Pageant at the Nakaoka Community Center. There were some really beautiful bright and anxious young ladies that day buying to move up from Miss LA to Miss California, good luck to those ladies who are trying to do their best to get scholarships. He thanked Burt, and he appreciates you staying on for him as a commissioner, you'll be missed and please take care of your health, that's more important.
- 4) MAYOR CERDA - Since the last council meeting, she attended a memorial service for Gardena High School's ROTC director first Sergeant Thierry Williams that was held over at the VFW. It was really nice to be able to honor him at one point there was just a private burial for him, and then everybody was able to come out and share their experiences with them but they had a beautiful memorial, where a lot of his students came out, parents of students that he had mentored, and just helped get in the military, and acted as a surrogate father were there to talk about him and share some really great memories. She is really glad to have the opportunity to go there to attend and represent the City of Gardena. Also, a special thank you to the Gardena Police Department Honor Guard for also coming and saying a few words because they too had the opportunity to meet with the first Sergeant' it was very special. She also attended her monthly CCGA and Sanitation meetings. She attended our retail store collaboration meeting, and she thanked the Chief and the officers who helped participate in that. They had representations from Target, Albertsons, Vons, Superior, Walgreens, Ralphs, ALDI, Roadium, and a few more, they talked about the way officers file a report. They had a representative from the District Attorney's office talking about the process that happens once they get it. There were a lot of good questions that were answered. Our business owners and the different management of these stores appreciate the fact that Gardena wants to work closer with them so that we don't have the types of crime that we have in some of our retail stores. She went to a fundraiser for our Gardena Police Department and those officers who are going to be participating in the law enforcement Baker to Vegas it was held over at Islands. She just wants to thank all the people who came out to support. She attended the homeless count and rode around for a couple of hours with a couple of people, it's always good to be out there and interact with the team and we only found one homeless person in our group, and we had two areas. It shows that we're doing a great job, as far as trying to work with those who are homeless in our City; we're looking at long-term solutions. She thanked our homeless officer Amerine, Patty, and Dianna for doing a great job. They're an amazing team out there making a very big difference as well as the other officers too, you're just seeing a noticeable difference here in the community. She apologized for missing the MLK parade she was at the ICA conference which was the first parade she had missed in 25 years, and it just really hurt not being there but she got a chance to see all the pictures and she just wants to thank everybody for participating she wants to thank the MLK group for doing a great job and coordinating. Her colleague said all the stuff that we studied at ICA, but she wants to commend you and the whole ICA

team, you guys did a really good job. She got a chance to collaborate and talk about what's going on in our city. What she took home the most was when they were talking about short-term rentals and how regionally they account for 3% of the loss in the housing stock. So, as they were talking to other people at their table, they talked about what type of things they put in their ordinance, as far as allowing them or not allowing them or put to a minimum. The last thing she mentioned was she wants to invite everybody to her new monthly town hall meetings that she will be having on the last Friday of every month. The first one will begin this coming Friday, February 28th, it'll be at 6:00 PM at the Toss Up restaurant on Artesia all are invited to come out and share your issues or concerns that you have and it's on a Friday afternoon where we can just come and talk and she can share with you anything that we're doing here in the City of Gardena.

- 5) COUNCIL MEMBER LOVE – Since the last meeting, she only attended one event and it was the MLK parade, she thanked Council Member Francis for a good show, and she thanked Craig McCain who has driven her in the parade for the last three years. She also thanked McDonald's for co-hosting her event, she walked the parade route with the McDonald's mobile app. McDonald's does a lot for the community; she also thanked AC Green for stepping in and being her judge for the battle of the bands, at the last minute. Lastly, she thanked all of the community residents that came out and stood on the sidelines that came out to watch us and allow me to take selfies with them and all of the vendors and the people that participated in the parade, for coming out and showing support to the City of Gardena's MLK parade.

## 23. ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

- 1) Glow in the Dark Bingo – February 28, 2025, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 a.m. at the Nakaoka Community Center;
- 2) Youth Spring Camp – April 14, 2025, thru April 18, 2025, from 7:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Freeman Park, Nakaoka Community Center, and Johnson Park;
- 3) Introduction to Soccer for Grade TK-K – Registration Period from February 20, 2025, thru March 9, 2025;
- 4) VolunTeen Camp – April 14, 2025, thru April 18, 2025, Registrations begin February 24, 2025;
- 5) CO-ED Youth Soccer & Futsal – Registration Period Begins February 9, 2025, thru March 8, 2025;
- 6) Gardena Orchid Show – March 1, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. at the Nakaoka Community Center;
- 7) 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Koi Show – March 8, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. & March 9, 2025, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at the City Hall Complex.
- 8) Semi-Annual Clean up Event – Free for all Gardena Residential Customers for more information call Waste Resources at (888) 467-7600;

## 24. REMEMBRANCES

25. **ADJOURNMENT**

At 11:35 p.m. Mayor Cerda Adjourned the Gardena City Council Meeting to the Closed Session portion of the City Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. and the Regular City Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on February 11, 2025.

MINA SEMENZA  
City Clerk of the City of Gardena and  
Ex-officio Clerk of the Council

APPROVED:

Tasha Cerda, Mayor  
Tasha Cerda, Mayor

By: Becky Romero  
Becky Romero, Deputy City Clerk