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BALDWIN PARK HOLDS STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS – FOCUSING ON PROGRESS AND HOUSING INITIATIVES

BALDWIN PARK, Calif. (April 5, 2019) – On Friday April 5, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. the City of Baldwin Park will hold its “State of the City” address at the Baldwin Park Performing Arts Center (4640 N. Maine Avenue, Baldwin Park, CA 91706).

The Mayor of Baldwin Park, the Honorable Manuel Lozano, will deliver the address focusing on the progress of the city thus far and the new direction the city will embark on which includes various housing initiatives.

The city council will be introduced including newly elected councilmembers Paul C. Hernandez and Alejandra Avila. In addition, the Mayor will announce Baldwin Park’s Mayor Pro Tem, the Honorable Monica Garcia.

The City has embarked in various projects and initiatives in transportation, community and economic development and safety including the Open Streets initiative, the Trolley Commuter Express Line and the PRIDE platoon program.

Through out the city and county access to housing has become increasingly challenging. The Mayor will discuss efforts to bring forth new housing opportunities. These housing initiatives include:

- Partnership with **Habitat for Humanity** to rehabilitate existing housing.
- Baldwin Park Housing Authority's **Housing Choice Voucher** rental subsidies program.
- New **private housing developments** delivering over 60 new units including single family homes.
- HOME Investments Partnership Program (**HOME**) activities totaling over one million dollars.
- Implementation of **homelessness plan** funded in part by Los Angeles County

Mayor Manuel Lozano stated, "Our City is moving in the right direction and it's a new day. We have been welcoming to new businesses, providing employment opportunities, home repair grants, providing new housing opportunities such as the "Palmera" townhomes development and fostering solutions for our homeless population."

Economic and Community development is also at the forefront. One of the largest employers in Baldwin Park, Kaiser Permanente, broke ground on new construction. "We are excited about the future facilities at Kaiser Permanente," said Shannon Yauchzee, Chief Executive Officer.

The State of the City will also be attended by Congressman Grace Napolitano who will be presenting Congressional Recognition of Excellence Awards for the Metro Village housing project adjacent to City Hall and the PRIDE Platoon program.

About the City of Baldwin Park -The City of Baldwin Park is a general law city incorporated on January 25, 1956. It is governed by a City Council/ Chief Executive Officer form of government. The residents elect a five member City

Council and elect a Mayor every two years. Baldwin Park is located in the central San Gabriel Valley region of Los Angeles County. As of the 2010 census, the population was 75,390.

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