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## **Nancy Martiz Appointed to Huntington Park City Council Continuing a New Era of Transparency and Civic Engagement**

**HUNTINGTON PARK, CA** – At a pivotal moment in Huntington Park’s history, the City Council has appointed Nancy Martiz to serve as its newest Councilmember. Sworn in on April 23, 2025, Councilmember Martiz brings a wealth of public policy experience, a history of ethical leadership, and a deep personal commitment to the community she has called home since 2012.

Raised in the region and the proud daughter of immigrant parents, Martiz embodies the values of perseverance, service, and civic responsibility. With more than 15 years of professional experience in human resources and employee benefits—currently serving in a national leadership role at The Walt Disney Company—Martiz has led initiatives impacting hundreds of thousands of employees across the country. Her prior service with the South Gate City Attorney’s Office, the Los Angeles Mayor’s Office, and the South Gate Police Department reflects a lifelong commitment to public service and community-based problem-solving.

“Huntington Park is ready for a new chapter—one built on transparency, accountability, and real responsiveness to our residents. I look forward to collaborating with my colleagues on the Council and engaging with residents to continue to move in that direction and ensure our community’s needs come first,” said Councilmember Martiz.

“With the appointment of Councilmember Martiz, we ensure that our residents have a full and functioning City Council ready to meet the challenges ahead,” said Mayor Arturo Flores. “At this time, her experience, professionalism, and community focus are exactly what Huntington Park needs. A collaborative Council is a strong Council, and I’m confident we’re building the kind of leadership our residents deserve.”

In 2024, Martiz was appointed to the Huntington Park Civil Service Commission, where she worked to ensure fairness and equity in city hiring practices. Her appointment to the City Council signals a renewed focus on fiscal responsibility, ethical leadership, and government that listens and responds to residents. Councilmember Martiz’s priorities include advancing clean air initiatives, promoting fair and affordable housing, expanding green spaces, and delivering safe streets—all rooted in a commitment to restoring trust and integrity at City Hall.

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## About Nancy Martiz

A proud resident since 2012 and a homeowner since 2018, Nancy brings a strong community foundation and over 15 years of public and private sector experience to the Council. As the only daughter to immigrant parents who settled in South Gate in the 1970s, Nancy's personal story reflects the resilience and aspirations of many Huntington Park families.

She is a graduate of South Gate High School (Class of 2004) and holds a double bachelor's degree in government and American Studies from Smith College (2008). Nancy returned home to complete a master's in public administration and policy at California State University, Long Beach (2011), and a certificate in human resources management from University of California, Los Angeles (2013).

Her career in public service began with internships and work opportunities with the South Gate City Attorney's Office (2006), the LA Mayor's Office (2008), and the South Gate Police Department (2009-2010), where she supported the Family Violence Prevention & Education Program. These early experiences shaped her vision for reframing how government works, centering community-needs, and leading with intention and integrity.

Nancy has spent more than a decade in Human Resources Management and Employee Benefits, currently leading national HR policy and programs at The Walt Disney Company—impacting hundreds of thousands of employees across the United States. In 2024, she was appointed to the Huntington Park Civil Service Commission, where she served to ensure fair and equitable hiring practices for the city workforce.

## Key Highlights

- Resident of Huntington Park since 2012; homeowner since 2018
- Daughter of Mexican and Ecuadorian immigrants who settled in South Gate in the 1970s
- Graduate of South Gate High School (2004)
- Double BA from Smith College (2008); MPA from CSU Long Beach (2011); Certificate in HR from UCLA (2013).
- Internships and employment with the South Gate City Attorney (2006), the LA Mayor's Office (2008), and South Gate Police Department (2009-2010)
- 15+ years in HR & Employee Benefits; currently at The Walt Disney Company
- Appointed to Huntington Park Civil Service Commission (2024)