



# Media Alert

**For Immediate Release**

**January 5, 2021**

**Contact:** Pauline Aguayo  
[paguayo@cityofmontebello.com](mailto:paguayo@cityofmontebello.com)  
323-887-1200 ext. 605

## **STATE-OF-THE-ART, 100% SOLAR BEAM EV ARC™ CHARGING STATIONS WILL POWER CITY HALL WITH FREE GREEN ENERGY TECHNOLOGY**

**WHAT:** City of Montebello installs two new, 100% solar Beam EV ARC™ charging units at City Hall.

**WHEN:** Units Currently in Operation

**WHERE:** 1600 W. Beverly Blvd., Montebello, CA 90640

**WHO:** Kimberly Ann Cobos-Cawthorne, Mayor

**WHY:** In an effort to advance its green power resources, the City of Montebello has purchased and deployed two 100% self-sustaining Beam EV ARC™ charging units located at City Hall. These units provide no-cost charging service to the City's electric transit vans and future EVs as Montebello continues to electrify its service fleet and improve sustainability efforts. In times of need, each unit houses an emergency power panel and is transportable so that they can be easily re-positioned to serve back-up power needs in the event of emergencies. These units use automated solar panels to make and store their own electricity, providing a versatile platform that required no infrastructure investment or disruption to city operations. When not in use by City vehicles, the public may park and pay to charge their personal EVs.

The units cost approximately \$155,000 each and was paid with funding from AB2766 (the Motor Vehicle Subvention Program) through the South Coast Air Quality Management District. The City intends to invest in innovative technology like this to create a more sustainable future for its operations.

“The City of Montebello is enhancing its green power resources with the deployment of these 100% self-sustaining charging terminals that will serve a dual-purpose as emergency preparedness assets for City staff and operations,” said Kimberly Ann Cobos-Cawthorne, Mayor of Montebello. “We are excited about using this state-of-the-art clean-tech energy because its flexible model requires zero infrastructure investment. The fact that these are solar powered is an additional benefit to our budget and the environment.”

**VISUALS:** Photo of Mayor Cobos-Cawthorne with new Beam EV ARC™ units.

###