

City of South Gate
CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA BILL

For the Special Meeting of: May 29, 2018

Originating Department: Administration

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SUBJECT: STRATEGIC PLANNING TOPICS AND GOAL SETTING

PURPOSE: To allow the City Council an opportunity to discuss a strategic planning agenda for the upcoming fiscal year. In doing so, staff is presenting and seeking input on several draft documents for the City Council to consider. After input is received, staff will finalize and present the documents at a future City Council meeting for formal approval.

RECOMMENDED ACTIONS: The City Council will discuss and provide input on the following strategic planning topics:

- a. City Council expectations of staff;
- b. How the City Council works together; and
- c. City Council goals for Fiscal Year 2018/19.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

ANALYSIS: It is important for the City Council to discuss and provide direction on the strategic planning topics. Staff will use the City Council’s input to set priorities for the upcoming fiscal year.

BACKGROUND: This item was continued from the Special City Council Meeting of May 4, 2018, and the Special City Council Meeting of May 15, 2018.

City Council Expectations of Staff & How the City Council Works Together

At the City Council meeting of May 16, 2017, the City Council discussed and provided input on two documents: Our Expectations of Staff and How We Work Together. The documents were meant to provide guidelines and direction to both the City Council and staff on what is expected for meeting the needs of the community and organization. It is staff’s intention to reintroduce these two documents for the City Council to consider. The only changes to the documents were the titles of each.

City Council Goals

Each year, the City Council adopts goals for the upcoming fiscal year. At the City Council meeting of May 16, 2017, the City Council adopted its goals for Fiscal Year 2017/18, which included:

1. Improve communications and civic engagement.
2. Continue refining the five-year budget forecast and adopting a responsible budget.
3. Encourage economic development and workforce development.
4. Continue creating and protecting strong and sustainable neighborhoods.
5. Continue infrastructure improvements.
6. Maintain community-based police services.

Staff is not recommending any changes to the above goals for the upcoming fiscal year. Should the City Council make any modifications to the above goals, staff will adjust the City's Work Program and will implement those changes in the proposed Fiscal Year 2018/19 Municipal Budget. As the Municipal Budget and Work Program are living documents so too are goals set by the City Council. Staff can adjust and make changes to priorities at any time during the upcoming fiscal year, should the City Council want to revisit these goals at a later date.

Staff is also presenting an emphasis on specific projects for each of the goals indicated above. Those projects listed are meant to provide staff with clear direction on which projects should receive the highest priorities for next fiscal year. In doing so, staff believes this will help the City Council in accomplishing its goals for Fiscal Year 2018/19.

ATTACHMENT: None