CITY OF SOUTH GATE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Tuesday, September 22, 2020

9/22/2020 - Minutes

I. Call To Order/Roll Call With Invocation & Pledge
CALL TO ORDER Maria Davila, Mayor called a Regular City Council meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

INVOCATION Randy Davis, Chief of Police

PLEDGE OF
ALLEGIANCE Joe Perez, Director of Community Development

ROLL CALL Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

II. City Officials
PRESENT Mayor Maria Davila, Vice Mayor Al Rios, Council Member Maria del Pilar Avalos, Council Member Denise Diaz and Council Member Gil Hurtado; City Treasurer Gregory Martinez, City Manager Mike Flad, City Attorney Raul F. Salinas

Mayor Davila congratulated South Gate resident Maria Gudelia Caceres for celebrating her 103rd Birthday.

COVID 19 Meeting Procedures

III. Meeting Compensation Disclosure

IV. Proclamations, Certificates, Introductions And Ceremonial Actions

1. Proclamation Declaring October 4th — 10th As Mental Illness Awareness Week

The City Council issued a Proclamation declaring the week of October 4 through 10, 2020, as Mental Illness Awareness Week.

EXCUSED FROM MEETING

During the discussion of Item #2, Council Member Diaz lost her Zoom connection and was unable to rejoin the City Council Meeting.

V. Public Hearings

2. Resolution Applying A 3.36% Rate Increase For Residential Refuse/Recycling Services Will Be Continued To October 27, 2020
The City Council opened the Public Hearing and considered continuing consideration of a Resolution amending Resolution No. 7872 (Schedule of Fees) to apply a 3.36% rate increase to the residential refuse collection and recycling services for Fiscal Year 2020/21, retroactively effective July 1, 2020, to the regularly scheduled City Council meeting of October 27, 2020.

The City Manager stated that it is staff’s recommendation to continue this item to the City Council meeting of October 27, 2020.

Mayor Davila opened the public hearing and asked if anyone in the audience wishes to speak on this item. Seeing no one come forward, Mayor Davila closed the public hearing.

City Clerk Avalos read into the record the comments received by email from Renee Acero who is against the fee increase and if the increase has to go through, he thinks the City should cover the cost. It should not be put on the residents.

City Clerk Avalos read into the record the comments received by email from Vivian Holenbeck who is against the fee increase.

Staff’s recommendation to continue this item to the City Council meeting of October 27th was approved by motion of Mayor Davila and seconded by Council Member Avalos.

Roll Call: Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Avalos, yes; Council Member Diaz, absent.

3. Resolution Approving The 2020-2025 Consolidated Plan; Annual Action Plan; Analysis Of Impediments To Fair Housing Choice; And Citizen Participation Plan
The City Council opened the Public Hearing and approved A and B with amended amounts by motion of Council Member Avalos and seconded by Council Member Hurtado.

Roll Call: Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Avalos, yes; Council Member Diaz, absent.

a. Adopted Resolution No. 2020-35-CC entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate, California, approving the Fiscal Years 2020/21-2024/25 Consolidated Plan; the Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2020/21; the 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice; and the Citizen Participation Plan; and authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to submit to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and

b. Provided direction on the appropriation of $1,006,581 of un-programmed CDBG funds and $907,967.67 of un-programmed HOME funds.

Project Recommendation Amendment
Park Fence Repair $400,000.00 $0.00
Commercial Façade Improvement $350,000.00 $200,000.00
Tweedy Mile $60,000.00 $60,000.00
Family Violence Prevention & Education $10,000.00 $70,000.00
Police Explorers $7,000.00 $25,000.00  
Graffiti Abatement $140,000.00 $140,000.00  
The Salvation Army $22,500.00 $22,500.00  
Helpline Youth Counseling $22,500.00 $22,500.00  
Southern California Rehab Services $8,000.00 $8,000.00  
Compatriot $0.00 $100,000.00  
Food Insecurity Program $0.00 $114,500.00  
Small Business Grant Assistance (Chamber of Commerce) $0.00 $100,000.00  
Youth Employment Program (HUB Cities) $157,500.00  

Project Recommendation Amendment  
Small Business Grants $400,000.00 $200,000.00  
Mental Health $150,000.00 $225,000.00  
Family Violence and Prevention $10,000.00 $70,000.00  
Food Insecurity $216,581.00 $250,000.00  
Rental/Utility Assistance $150,000.00 $175,000.00  
Workforce Development (HUB Cities) $50,000.00 $50,000.00  
Illegal Dumping Program (LB Conservation Corps) $30,000.00 $36,587.00  

Joe Perez, Director of Community Development provided a presentation on this item.

Vice Mayor Rios asked if the Commercial Façade Improvements and Park Fence Repairs are something that we need to do at this time.

Mr. Perez explained the purpose of the Commercial Façade Improvement Program and how these funds are normally restricted for certain projects but during the COVID environment we are allowed to use the funds on COVID related services.

Mayor Davila opened the public hearing and asked if anyone in the audience wishes to speak on this item.

City Clerk Avalos read into the record the comments received by email from Adrian Kent who would like to see the money allocated to provide programs to feed the community, subsidize utility bills and help small businesses.

City Clerk Avalos read into the record the comments received by email from Melodie Cuevas who would like to see the money allocated to provide programs to feed the community, subsidize utility bills and help small businesses.

City Clerk Avalos read into the record the comments received by email from Natasha Dominguez who would like to see the money allocated to support the needs of the community.

Virginia Johnson, 5751 McKinley Avenue, spoke on the guidelines of HUD and distribution of funds.

Caller #967 suggested the City look to the Public Health Report recommendations to
allocate the money appropriately.

Veronica, resident, suggested additional funding for homeless programs.

Seeing no one come forward, Mayor Davila closed the public hearing.

Vice Mayor Rios recommended allocating some of the funds for youth employment programs and homeless programs.

Council Member Avalos recommended allocating some of the funds for food programs, small businesses with funds distributed through the Chamber of Commerce, and programs for mental health. She would like to reallocate some of the funds from Helpline Youth Counseling to Compatior for rental assistance, utility assistance or vouchers for motels. Council Member Avalos would like to see an increase in funds for the Family Violence Program and the South Gate Explorers.

Council Member Hurtado asked on the time frame to bring the CAC Committee back together as they have not met since early in the year before the pandemic and the additional funding options were available. Council Member Hurtado wants to get the funds to the community as quickly as possible.

Mr. Perez responded that if the City follows the normal CAC process it would be an additional few months before funds would be distributed. We would need to let the community know that there is an application time period. The organizations are then given the opportunity at a separate meeting to preset what services they have available to the Community. Then there is a deliberation meeting that the CAC member review. It is a lengthy process.

Mayor Davila asked what the HUD guidelines that the City has to follow right now.

Mr. Perez explained the funding options available to the City Council.

Council Member Avalos recommended lowering the funding for the Commercial Façade Improvements from $350,000 to $200,000; lowering the funding for the Park Fence Repair from $400,000 to $200,000; increase funding for the family violence program from $10,000 to $70,000; increase funding for the Police Explorers from $7,000 to $25,000; provide $100,000 for Compatior; divide the remaining funds for a food voucher program (working with a Grocery Store) and small business support (working with the Chamber of Commerce).

Vice Mayor Rios recommended additional funding for HUB Cities to provide a virtual youth employment program.

Mr. Perez went over the recommended amounts at this point.

Mayor Davila asked how the allocated money from CDBG funds are spent on the Explorer program.

Chief Davis explained that the funding they receive goes to training, overtime hours, competitions, travel expenses and equipment (uniforms, flashlights, vests) to all of our explorers.
Mr. Perez stated that the changes that were mentioned amount to $392,500 which is over by $42,500.

Council Member Avalos asked for clarification on the HOME Program.

Mr. Perez explained that this is the Meals on Wheels program that delivers meals to seniors which works with HSA.

The City Manager recommended taking the rest of the $200,000 from the Park Fence Repair and continue to use the funding as it does not have restrictions.

Vice Mayor Ríos requested $120,000 for the Youth Employment Program.

Mr. Perez suggested taking the remaining funds of $157,500 and moving it to Youth Employment.

Mr. Perez listed the changes made by the City Council.

Council Member Avalos asked the consultants the process for administering the program with assistance from an organization like the Chamber of Commerce.

Anna Maria, Avant Garde Inc. responded that in regards to administering any of the public service programs, there are specific guidelines that have to be established and for some of the projects they are already created. For example if the Chamber of Commerce is going to be part of the process it is going to have to be something that is going to work with the City and the City has to feel comfortable with the delivery of the funds. The City has to determine how businesses will be selected. It cannot be arbitrarily left up to a subrecipient to make those decisions but they can definitely be trained to follow the guidelines in accordance with HUD compliance. The guidelines would have to be approved by Council.

Council Member Hurtado asked if funding for the businesses on Garfield Avenue and Paramount Boulevard is available.

Mr. Perez responded that the way that the Commercial Rehabilitation Program works is that the businesses need to be determined to be serving areas that are predominantly low to moderate income. While a lot of our projects have been provided for Tweedy Boulevard it is not exclusively limited to Tweedy Boulevard. The City has done projects outside Tweedy Boulevard as long as the businesses meet those requirements.

Council Member Hurtado would like to see funds distributed throughout the whole City.

Mr. Flad stated that staff will provide Council with the geographic locations of the businesses that have been given funding already.

Mayor Davila asked what the next step is.

Mr. Perez responded that so far this evening we talked about the action plan and staff has direction on that. What we can do right now is update the action plan with the new dollar amounts. It will require staff to bring back to Council some new sub-recipient agreements to reflect the changes that have been made and we haven’t discussed the
Mr. Perez recommended that the discussion continue to the Un-Programmed CDBG Funds in the total of $1,006,581.00.

Council Member Avalos recommended lowering the funding for the Small Business Grants from $400,000 to $200,000; increasing the funding for Mental Health from $150,000 to $225,000; increase funding for the family violence program from $10,000 to $70,000; increase funding for food insecurity from $216,581 to $250,000; increase rental/utility assistance from $150,000 to $175,000; leaving workforce development the same at $50,000 and leaving the illegal dumping program the same at $30,000. Council Member Avalos had concerns with Helpline Youth Counseling and would like to see the funds go to an organization within the City.

Mr. Perez stated that there is a balance of $6,581 left to allocate.

Mayor Davila was concerned that Compatior, Inc. had the staff available to meet the requirements of the funding and recommended that the balance of $6,581 be added to the illegal dumping program.

Mr. Flad stated that Council could approve the amounts for the programs and staff could report back to Council on the issues brought up about Helpline Youth Counseling and Compatior.

Mr. Perez listed the changes made by the City Council.

Mr. Perez recommended that the discussion continue to the Un-Programmed HOME Funds in the total of $907,967.67.

Council Member Hurtado asked if any of these funds are available for rental assistance.

Mr. Perez responded that usually rental assistance funding comes from CDBG funds and not the HOME funds.

Mr. Flad stated that there will be an additional $863,000.00 that HUD will be wanting the City to prioritize rental and eviction assistance.

Council Member Avalos recommended increasing the funding for First Time Home Buyer Program from $200,000 to $300,000; adding the Home Improvement Program to include $500,000 in funds and leaving the remainder to affordable housing given the fact that the City was not able to move any of the funds for 2021.

Council Member Hurtado asked if these funds are for current South Gate residents.

Mr. Perez responded that when we talk about priorities, we have to be mindful of the fair housing laws that the City needs to operate under. Consistent with past programs we would market this program to the City of South Gate residents.

Mr. Perez clarified the amounts and stated that the money to be allocated for the Affordable Housing Development would be $107,967.67.
Council Member Avalos changed her recommendation to give the Home Improvement Program $300,000.

Council Member Hurtado would like to see the Home Improvement amount lower and additional funds be placed in the First Time Home Buyer Program.

Vice Mayor Rios would like more funding placed in Affordable Housing.

Mr. Perez listed the changes made by the City Council.

Mr. Perez stated that this funding will reflect the action plan so staff will not be taking this to the CAC and we can get the money out as soon as possible. We now need Council action and a motion for the adoption of the Resolution and include in the motion the directed funding appropriations that have been provided this evening.

**VI. Comments From The Audience**

A representative from Supervisor Solis’s Office stated that the County will be placing more signage at the Park showing that there is a COVID-19 testing site there. She thanked the City for hosting the testing site and stated that it is one of the largest in Los Angeles County.

Irene Bates, resident, spoke on the deterioration of the City. She stated that the City is not only being taken over by the homeless but by people who want to do harm to others. She would like to see officers walk the streets to provide more security specifically Tweedy Boulevard.

Thomas Buckley spoke on the corruption of the City and lack of free speech for residents.

Ana Ramirez, Southern Rehabilitation Services thanked the City Council for their continued support providing home modifications for people with disabilities.

Adolfo Varas, thanked Council Member Hurtado, Council Member Avalos and Mayor Davila for visiting Compatior and learn more about the organization. He would like to see the Vice Mayor do the same and get to know the local businesses and organizations with in the City of South Gate.

Cindy Esquivel requested that the City Council support a City-wide clean up. Once a year the City used to allow residents to put trash in front of their house and it would be picked up in the morning. Maybe a program done by volunteers help clean the alleys. There are many complaints on social media about the trash and dumped furniture.

Chris would like to see more money allocated for youth programs but doesn’t agree the extra money for the Police Explorer program. He supports defunding the Police Department and giving more money to the community.

Virginia Johnson, 5751 McKinley Avenue, commented on access to the staff reports and does not understand why people choose to berate City Council and staff for six months finally figure out the process. Ms. Johnson informed the Council of the passing of Bob Briley resident and retired sheriff. In response to the people who support defunding the Police Department and the poll that they conducted with South Gate residents, Ms. Johnson would like to know if they can verify that the people who took the survey were actual City residents. She supports the police department and not defunding, lastly, she
said that the City of Bellflower is sponsoring a gift card program to help support local businesses. Residents buy the gift cards to give to friends and relatives and the City of Bellflower will add an extra $5.00 to each card purchased.

Mayra Mendez, Taft Avenue, said that it looks like the East side of the City is always forgotten. Ms. Mendez would like to see more beautification programs for that area and would like to see a geographic distribution report be made public. She doesn’t understand why the City Council should get a car allowance when everyone has to drive to work and use their car. She also supports the Police Explorer program and does not agree with defunding the Police Department.

Liz Ruiz, supports bringing a community garden in the City of South Gate and requested a meeting with the Council to share her proposal.

Mr. Machuca states that the City needs to promote educational programs and not necessarily always funding police programs.

Veronica Hernandez supports defunding the police department and would like to see more money going to youth programs not just the Explorer Program.

City Clerk Avalos read into the record the comments received by email from John Montalvo regarding public comments. He feels that Mayor Davila and certain Department Heads have been overstepping boundaries when it comes from comments from the public during City Council Meetings. The public has the right to criticize any one without the fear of retaliation, censorship or intimidation. He feels that he is being singled out for his comments about the Mayor.

City Clerk Avalos read into the record the comments received by email from Erin Serfass, Ruthie Holmes, and Cyndi Bendezu, that are in support of defunding the Police Department.

City Clerk Avalos read into the record the comments received by email from Veronica Vela who is in support of programs that provide funding for the homeless.

City Clerk Avalos read into the record the comments received by email from Amy Luu and Julie Chan, Library Managers of the Leland R. Weaver Library and the Hollydale Library. They highlighted the programs currently being offered during the time of the pandemic.

**VII. Reports And Comments From City Officials**

Joe Perez, Director of Community Development reminded everyone that the census ends on September 30th.

Art Cervantes, Director of Public Works responded to a few of the public comments. He stated that the Public Works Department has a maintenance program under which we clean the alleyways on a weekly basis. In general the Public Works Department has programs that treats all areas of the City equally and he would be happy to provide more information. The Public Works Department manages a Capital Improvement project that has a number of projects in place for the East side. Construction is just getting started on a $10 million project that will improve Garfield Avenue from Jefferson to the South City limit. The second project scheduled for Garfield Avenue includes several safety improvements, bikeway improvements, landscape improvements and esthetics. Mr. Cervantes invited the residents to call the Public Works Department if they want to learn
Joe Perez, Director of Community Development

$100,000.00

The Special City Council Meeting minutes of August 19, 2020; and

$175,000.00

$100,000.00

Approved Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 3377 with HydroScientific West

$200,000.00

Authorized the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 1 in a form acceptable to the City

$400,000.00

Approved Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 2020

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Member Avalos, yes; Council Member Diaz, absent.

Roll Call: Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Hurtado spoke with Alex Adams from Southeast High School who would like to dropped off.

Mayor Davila asked how often the boxes are going to be picked up once the ballots are available 24 of South Gate will receive their vote by mail ballots. If people prefer to go to one of the vote centers residents will have that opportunity as well. Due to COVID-19 the State of California has issued every voter a vote by mail ballot to minimize exposure. The County is providing three drop off boxes in the City of South Gate for the ballots. These boxes are available 24-hours a day and will be in place for the next five-years.

City Clerk Avalos read into the record the comments received by email from Amy Luu and money going to youth programs not just the Explorer Program.

City Clerk Avalos read into the record the comments received by email from John Mendez and those who are supporting the Back to School program by giving away backpacks.

Ms. Mendez would like to see more beautification programs for that area and does not understand why people choose to berate City Council and staff for six months.

Cindy Esquivel requested that the City Council support a City in the City of South Gate.

Liz Ruiz, supports bringing a community garden in the City of South Gate and requested a forgotten. Ms. Mendez would like to see more beautification programs for that area and how these funds are normally restricted for certain projects but during the COVID

Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney stated that while listening to comments tonight he was reminded of former South Gate Council Member Henry Gonzalez who used to say, “He might not agree with the opinions but he would fight to make sure those opinions where expressed.” Mr. Salinas thinks that one of the hallmarks of the City is to allow as much opportunity for the public to comment regardless whether the comments are positive or negative. We should continue to encourage all members of the public to come forward and express their views.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk stated that the first week in October many residents in the City of South Gate will receive their vote by mail ballots. If people prefer to go to one of the vote centers residents will have that opportunity as well. Due to COVID-19 the State of California has issued every voter a vote by mail ballot to minimize exposure. The County is providing three drop off boxes in the City of South Gate for the ballots. These boxes are available 24-hours a day and will be in place for the next five-years.

Mayor Davila asked how often the boxes are going to be picked up once the ballots are dropped off.

City Clerk Avalos responded that she is not sure of the actual pick up days will be but they will be picked up at least twice a week.

Vice Mayor Rios asked what the status is for the Vote Centers.

City Clerk Avalos responded that it is her understanding is that there will be a Vote Center at South Gate Park in the Sports Center.

Council Member Avalos would like to reach out to LAUSD to see what type of programs they offer youth in regards to STEAM which was suggested by one of our residents. She would also like to get more information regarding the possibilities for a community garden.

Council Member Avalos recognized the following employees for continuing their education: Yasmin Carrera, Police Department; Jacklyn Ramirez, Police Department; Caesar Godinez, Street Department; Ian Knot, Parks Department.

Council Member Hurtado said that he has been talking to a few residents that would like to do a City wide clean up. There is a level of hesitation due to the COVID issue but if we are careful and follow health guidelines he would like to see if we can do this. He would like to also set up a meeting with Lizette Ruiz to discuss the Community Gardens. Lastly, Council Member Hurtado spoke with Alex Adams from Southeast High School who would like to work with the City of South Gate to offer students internships.

Vice Mayor Rios attended a backpack/headphone giveaway in the City of Lynwood hosted by Speaker Rendon’s Office. He thanked Senator Lena Gonzalez for meeting with us the past week. Vice Mayor Rios requested an update on the WIFI project and he asked more.

Randy Davis, Chief of Police, spoke on the Explorer Program. For the sake of clarity there are as many that go through the program and end up in the private sector as there are that join law enforcement. The program provides a solid foundation for those kids and we try to direct them into our hourly positions. This allows participants to earn a little money while going to school.
that staff look into reaching out to the League of Women Voters to get information on the Measures. HUB Cities move to the American Legion building has been delayed as they work on updating the offices.

Mayor Davila thanked the community for participating and know that the Council is listening to you. She also thanked staff for their professionalism and hard work.

VIII. Consent Calendar Items
Agenda Items 5, 8 and 10 were unanimously approved by motion of Vice Mayor Rios and seconded by Mayor Davila. Items 4, 6, 7 and 9 were pulled for separate discussion.

Roll Call: Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Avalos, yes; Council Member Diaz, absent.

4. Community Development Block Grant Subrecipient Agreements For Fiscal Year 2020/21
The City Council approved A and B by motion of Vice Mayor Rios and seconded by Mayor Davila.

Roll Call: Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Avalos, no; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Diaz, absent.

a. Approved Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Subrecipient Agreements for Fiscal Year 2020/21 with:

1. The Fair Housing Foundation (Contract No. 2020-91-CC) in the amount of $24,000;

2. Southern California Rehabilitation Services (Contract No. 202-92-CC) in the amount of $8,000;

3. The Salvation Army, DBA The Salvation Army Western Territory (Contract No. 2020-93-CC) in the amount of $22,500;

4. Helpline Youth Counseling (Contract No. 2020-94-CC) in the amount of $22,500;

5. The Tweedy Mile Association (Contract No. 2020-95-CC) for a total amount of $60,000; each of the ten participating businesses will receive a $6,000 grant for exterior improvements; and

b. Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Agreements in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

5. Amendment No. 1 To Contract No. 3377 With Hydroscientific West Extending As Needed Technical Support Services For The SCADA System
The City Council approved A and B during Consent Calendar.

a. Approved Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 3377 with HydroScientific West extending as-needed technical support services for the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System for an additional two years, in an amount not-to-exceed $60,000, or $30,000 annually; and

b. Authorized the Mayor to execute Amendment No.1 in a form acceptable to the City
6. Water Rights Lease Agreements With The City Of Cerritos And City Of Compton
The City Council approved A and B by motion of Council Member Hurtado and seconded by Vice Mayor Rios.

Roll Call: Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Avalos, no; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Diaz, absent.

a. Approved Groundwater Pumping Water Rights Lease Agreement (Contract No. 2020-96-CC) with the City of Cerritos to lease 1,000 acre-feet of the City’s unused water rights, annually, for a three-year term retroactively effective July 1, 2020;

b. Approved Groundwater Pumping Water Rights Lease Agreement (Contract No. 2020-97-CC) with the City of Compton to lease 900 acre-feet of the City’s unused water rights, annually, for a two-year term beginning Fiscal Year 2021/22; and

c. Authorized the Mayor to execute the Agreement in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

7. Agreement With E.C. Construction Co., For The South Gate Police Department Parking Lot Expansion Project
The City Council considered:

a. Approving an Agreement with E.C. Construction Co., to construct the South Gate Police Department Parking Lot Expansion Project (Project), City Project No. 594-GEN, in an amount not-to-exceed $154,674;

b. Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Agreement in a form acceptable to the City Attorney; and

c. Approving the Notice of Exemption for the construction of the Project and direct the City Clerk to file it with the Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder’s Office.

The City Council directed Staff to bring back information on the cost of a multilevel parking structure.

8. Amendment No. 1 To Contract No. 2020-08-CC With The SpyGlass Group, LLC To Increase The Not-To-Exceed Amount For The Telecommunications Audit
The Council approved A, B, and C during Consent Calendar.

a. Received and filed this staff report summarizing the results of the telecommunication services accounts audit (voice, data, internet, cloud services and mobile/cellular);

b. Approved Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 2020-08-CC with The SpyGlass Group, LLC, to increase the not-to-exceed amount from $50,000.00 to $100,000.00; and

c. Authorized the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 1 in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.
9. Purchase Order With Fritts Ford For The Purchase Of A F550 Dump Truck For The Parks & Recreation Department
The City Council authorized the issuance of a Purchase Order with Fritts Ford for the purchase of a F550 Dump Truck for the Parks & Recreation Department in the total amount of $58,999.16 by motion of Mayor Davila and seconded by Vice Mayor Rios.

Roll Call: Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Avalos, no; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Diaz, absent.

10. Minutes
The City Council approved A and B during Consent Calendar.

a. The Special City Council Meeting minutes of August 19, 2020; and


IX. Reports, Recommendations And Requests

11. Warrants
The City Council approved the Warrants and Cancellations for September 22, 2020 with the exception of #90041 by motion of Council Auditor Avalos and seconded by Mayor Davila.

Total of Checks: $1,732,025.76
Void: ($ 2,677.50)
Total Payroll Deductions: ($ 345,256.00)
Grand Total: $1,384,092.26

Cancellations: 89419, 89698

Roll Call: Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Avalos, no; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Diaz, absent.

X. Adjournment
Mayor Davila adjourned the meeting at 10:55 p.m. and seconded by Council Member Avalos.

PASSED and APPROVED this 13th day of October 2020.

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