

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
TUESDAY, APRIL 11, 2017**

- CALL TO ORDER** Mayor W.H. (Bill) De Witt called a Regular City Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
- INVOCATION** Nick Gariffe led the Invocation.
- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** South Gate Police Explorers Post 1969-X led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- ROLL CALL** Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
- PRESENT** Mayor W.H. (Bill) De Witt, Vice Mayor Maria Davila, Council Member Maria Belen Bernal, Council Member Gil Hurtado and Council Member Jorge Morales; City Treasurer Gregory Martinez, Acting City Manager Arturo Cervantes, City Attorney Raul F. Salinas
- DEVIATE FROM THE AGENDA** At this time, there being no objections, Mayor De Witt stated that Consent Calendar will be taken up after item 6, followed by item 16, Public Comments, City Officials Comments and items 7-11 will be moved to the end of meeting after City Official Comments.
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PROCLAMATION** The City Council issued a Proclamation declaring the month of April 2017 as National Fair Housing Month.
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PROCLAMATION/
CERTIFICATES OF
APPRECIATION** The City Council issued a Proclamation declaring the week of April 9-15, 2017, as National Public Safety Telecommunicator's Week; and
- a. Presented Certificates of Appreciation to South Gate Police Dispatchers in recognition of their dedicated service to the South Gate community.
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PROCLAMATION** The City Council issued a Proclamation declaring April 22, 2017, as the Twelfth Annual Earth Day Celebration in the City of South Gate.
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CERTIFICATES OF
APPRECIATION** The City Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to the 2016 Azalea Queen Pat Sarmiento and 2016 Grand Marshal Allen Treen in recognition of their outstanding service to the community this past year; and

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CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION CONT'D

- a. Introduced the 2017 Azalea Queen Toni Martinez and 2017 Grand Marshal Ed King and will present them with the Key to the City; and
- b. Introduced the 2017 Adult Volunteer of the Year Candice Esquivel and 2017 Youth Volunteer of the Year Glenn Massey III, and will present them with City lapel pins.

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CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

The City Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to the outgoing Miss Azaleita Court 2016 in recognition of their dedicated service to the community; and

- a. Introduced the incoming Miss Azaleita Court 2017 and will present them with City lapel pins.

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CERTIFICATES OF APPRECIATION

The City Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to the outgoing Miss South Gate Court 2016 in recognition of their dedicated service to the community; and

- a. Introduced the incoming Miss South Gate Court 2017 and present them with a City lapel pin.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Items 13 and 15 were unanimously approved by motion of Council Member Morales and seconded by Mayor De Witt. Items 12 and 14 were pulled for separate discussion.

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CITY COUNCIL

The City Council unanimously waived the reading in full and adopted Ordinance No. 2335 entitled – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of South Gate, California, amending Section 1.04.065.2 (Salary of Members - Compensation), to Chapter 1.04 (City Council), to Title 1 (Administration and Personnel), of the South Gate Municipal Code increasing the City Council's monthly salary, by motion of Council Member Hurtado and seconded by Mayor De Witt.

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STREETS/SIDEWALKS/ LANDSCAPING

The City Council unanimously adopted Resolution No. 7757 entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate preliminarily approving the Engineer's Report for the proceedings of the Fiscal Year 2017/18 Annual Levy of Assessments within the Street Lighting and Landscape Maintenance District No. 1, during consideration of the Consent Calendar; and

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STREETS/SIDEWALKS/
LANDSCAPING CONT'D

- a. Adopted Resolution No. 7758 entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate declaring the City's intention to levy and collect assessments under the Fiscal Year 2017/18 annual levy and collection of assessments within the Street Lighting and Landscape Maintenance District No. 1, and setting a Public Hearing for May 9, 2017.

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CITY FACILITIES MGMT

The City Council considered:

- a. Authorizing the Director of Administrative Services to amend the Capital Improvement Program by adding the City Hall Interior Remodel Improvements, City Project No. 567-ARC (Project);
- b. Authorizing the Director of Administrative Services to transfer \$600,000 in General Funds Budgeted in Account No. 100-701-31-9100 to a new Capital Improvement Program account; and
- c. Approving an Agreement with FMI Office Space Development, LLC to design, furnish and install office work spaces within the City Hall Interior Remodel, City Project No. 567-ARC, in the amount of \$472,000; and
- d. Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Agreement in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

Item 14 was unanimously continued to the regularly scheduled City Council meeting of April 25, 2017, by motion of Council Member Davila and seconded by Council Member Morales.

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MINUTES

The City Council unanimously approved the Special and Regular Meeting minutes of March 14, 2017, during consideration of the Consent Calendar; and

- a. Approved the Special and Regular Meeting minutes of March 28, 2017.

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WARRANTS AND CANCELLATIONS

The City Council unanimously approved the Warrants and Cancellations for April 11, 2017, by motion of Council Member Auditor Bernal and seconded by Council Member Morales.

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| Total of Checks: | \$2,284,076.14 |
| Voids: | (\$ 14,187.16) |
| Total of Payroll Deductions: | <u>\$ 281,173.53</u> |
| Grand Total: | \$1,988,715.45 |

Cancellations: 69475, 69533

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Leticia Vasquez, South Gate's representative to the Central Basin Municipal Water District gave Bill De Witt recognition for his efforts representing the City of South Gate residents.

Yvonne Chavez, Chamber of Commerce CEO gave a plaque recognizing Bill De Witt and Gil Hurtado for their dedicated commitment to South Gate community.

Ms. Chavez also mentioned that the Chamber of Commerce will have an entrepreneur work space.

Idaly Godinez thanked the elected for their work in the community.

Juliano Jarquin, 10606 McNeerney Avenue mentioned that the South Gate Environmental Health Action Team are engaging and addressing topics of concern. They will be having a booth on April 22nd for Earth Day.

Esperanza Galvan Trejo is the co-event lead for Relay for Life and volunteer for American Cancer Society. She introduced the co-event lead from the City of Lynwood Daniela Espinoza.

Daniela Espinoza is the co-chair for the Lynwood/South Gate Relay for Life. They are trying to raise more awareness in the communities of the services offered from the American Cancer Society. Ms. Espinoza introduced the rest of the volunteers.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

Darren Arakawa, Police Captain had nothing to report.

Jackie Acosta, Director of Administrative Services had nothing to report.

Arturo Cervantes, Acting City Manager/Director of Public Works stated that on behalf of the entire executive team thanked Council Member Hurtado for his many years of service and dedication to the community.

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REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS CONT'D

Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney thanked Mayor De Witt and Council Member Hurtado for their many years of service and dedication to the community.

Paul Adams, Director of Parks & Recreation had nothing to report.

Clint Herrera, Assistant City Engineer had nothing to report.

Joe Perez, Director of Community Department had nothing to report.

Gregory Martinez, City Treasurer stated that it was a pleasure working with Mayor De Witt and Council Member Hurtado.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk stated that it was a pleasure working with Mayor De Witt and Council Member Hurtado.

Council Member Bernal stated that it was a pleasure working with Mayor De Witt and Council Member Hurtado. She thanked Mayor De Witt for having last week's Special Meeting. She also mentioned that today is her son's 1st birthday.

Council Member Morales stated that it was a pleasure working with Mayor De Witt and Council Member Hurtado.

Council Member Morales serves on the League of California Cities and on the California Contract Cities Legislation committees and they have been advocating on two bills (SB 1 and AB 1) which would raise about \$5 billion a year in revenue to fix our roads.

Vice Mayor Davila stated that it was a pleasure working with Mayor De Witt and Council Member Hurtado.

Council Member Hurtado thanked everyone for their appreciation he felt over the past 12-years.

Mayor De Witt stated that it was a pleasure working with his colleagues.

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ELECTION ADMIN

The City Council unanimously adopted Resolution No. 7756 entitled – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate reciting the fact of the General Municipal Election held on Tuesday, March 7, 2017, declaring the result and such other matters as provided by law, by motion of Mayor De Witt and seconded Council Member Hurtado.

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ELECTION ADMIN

The Oath of Office was administered to the newly elected and re-elected City officials elected from the General Municipal Election on March 7, 2017:

- a. City Council Member Denise Diaz;
- b. City Council Member Al Rios;
- c. City Treasurer Gregory Martinez; and
- d. City Clerk Carmen Avalos

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CITY COUNCIL

The City Council re-organized by selecting a new Mayor and new Vice Mayor for a one year term, and the selection was ratified by a majority vote of the City Council; and

- a. The Oaths of Office were administered to the new Mayor and new Vice Mayor.

Vice Mayor Davila was appointed as Mayor by motion of Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Bernal.

ROLL CALL: Council Member Diaz, yes; Council Member Rios, yes, Council Member Morales, yes, Council Member Bernal, yes, Vice Mayor Davila, abstained.

Council Member Belen was appointed as Vice Mayor by motion of Mayor Davila and seconded by Council Member Morales.

ROLL CALL: Mayor Davila, yes, Council Member Diaz, yes; Council Member Rios, yes, Council Member Morales, yes, Council Member Bernal, abstained.

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CITY COUNCIL APPOINTMENTS

The City Council considered making appointments to City Commissions and Committees; the appointments will be ratified by a majority vote of the City Council.

Item 10 was unanimously continued to the regularly scheduled City Council meeting of April 25, 2017 by motion of Mayor Davila and seconded by Vice Mayor Bernal.

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CITY COUNCIL
RE-ORGANIZATION

The City Council made the following appointments to outside boards and agencies; the appointments were ratified by a majority vote of the City Council.

Mayor Davila was appointed as Representative and Vice Mayor Bernal as the alternate to the County Sanitation Districts and the Southern California Association of Governments by motion of Council Member Morales and seconded by Council Member Diaz.

ROLL CALL: Council Member Diaz, yes; Vice Mayor Bernal, abstained, Mayor Davila, abstained, Council Member Morales, yes, Council Member Rios, yes.

ADJOURNMENT

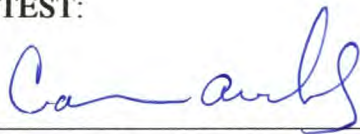
Council Member Morales unanimously adjourned the meeting at 9:00 p.m. and seconded by Vice Mayor Bernal.

PASSED and APPROVED this 9th day of May, 2017.



Maria Davila, Mayor

ATTEST:



Carmen Avalos, City Clerk