

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
TUESDAY, JUNE 8, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER** Al Rios, Mayor called a Special City Council meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

**ROLL CALL** Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

**PRESENT** Mayor Al Rios, Vice Mayor Maria del Pilar Avalos, Council Member Maria Davila, Council Member Denise Diaz and Council Member Gil Hurtado; Interim City Manager Chris Jeffers, City Attorney Raul F. Salinas

**ABSENT** City Treasurer Gregory Martinez

**CLOSED SESSION** The Council Members recessed into Closed Session at 5:35 p.m. and reconvened at 6:35 p.m. with four (4) Members of Council present. Council Member Diaz was excused from the meeting. City Attorney Salinas reported the following:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PENDING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), 54954.9(b)(3)(C)

- a. Maria Teresa Heredia v. City of South Gate
- b. Kash Lee Cruz Payne v. City of South Gate
- c. Ines Lopez, et al. v. City of South Gate, et al.
- d. Abel Mejia, et al. v. City of South Gate, et al.
- e. Rosemarie Mendoza, et al. v. City of Los Angeles, et al.

On items 1(a) & (b), the City Council received a report by the City Attorney's Office and City staff. These involve tort claims against the City. And upon completion of discussion on both items there was a joint motion to deny both claims. The motion was made by Council Member Hurtado and seconded by Council Member Davila and the vote was 4-0.

On item 1(c), the City Council received a report by the City Attorney and upon completion of that report there was motion made by Mayor Rios and seconded by Council Member Hurtado and on a vote of 4-0, authorized the City Attorney's Office to defend that case.

On item 1(d), the City Council received a report by the City Attorney's Office and City staff and upon completion of that report there was motion made by Council Member Hurtado and seconded by Council Member Davila and on a vote of 4-0, authorized the City Attorney's Office to defend that matter.

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Item 1(e) is a pending federal court action against the City and the City Council received a report by its outside attorney representing the City. Upon completion of that report and discussion relating to that there was no reportable action taken. Council Member Diaz did participate on that discussion in closed session.

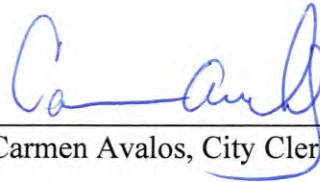
**ADJOURNMENT** Council Member Davila unanimously adjourned the meeting at 6:37 p.m. and seconded Council Member Hurtado.

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** this 13th day of July 2021.

ATTEST:



Al Rios, Mayor



Carmen Avalos, City Clerk