RESOLUTION NO. 7591

CITY OF SOUTH GATE
LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE APPROVING THE LOAN GUIDELINES AGREEMENT AND 457 PLAN LOAN ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT WITH THE INTERNATIONAL CITY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION RETIREMENT CORPORATION (ICMA-RC) AMENDING THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT (457 DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN DOCUMENT) TO OFFER LOANS TO PARTICIPANTS

WHEREAS, on October 27, 1992, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 6042 establishing a 457 Deferred Compensation Plan ("the Plan") and entered into an Administrative Services Agreement with International City Management Association Retirement Corporation ("ICMA-RC") to administer the Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Plan is the equivalent to a 401K Plan in the private sector; and

WHEREAS, the Plan is an investment of retirement funds and other deferred benefits for such employees which serve the interest of the City by enabling it to provide reasonable retirement security for its employees, by providing increased flexibility in its personnel management system, and by assisting in the attraction and retention of competent personnel; and

WHEREAS, the Plan and the investment options available continue to provide valuable benefits to City employees; and

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined that permitting participants in the Plan to take loans from the Plan will make financial sense for the participant;

NOW THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:

SECTION 1. The City Council hereby approves the Loan Guidelines Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "A" and the 457 Plan Loan Administration Agreement attached hereto as Exhibit "B", offering loans to participants and effective March 25, 2014.

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SECTION 2. The City Council hereby authorizes the Director of Finance, currently the City’s Plan Administrator, to execute the Loan Guidelines Agreement and the 457 Plan Loan Administration Agreement, and to provide ICMA-RC with such information and cooperation as may be needed on an ongoing basis in the administration of the loan program.

SECTION 3. The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution which shall be effective upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 25th day of March 2014.

CITY OF SOUTH GATE:

[Signature]
Gil Hurtado, Mayor

ATTEST:

[Signature]
Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

[Signature]
Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney
Exhibit A

LOAN GUIDELINES AGREEMENT

The purpose of this agreement is to establish the terms and conditions under which the Employer will grant loans to participants. You should consider each option carefully before making your selections because your selections will apply to all loans made while the selection is in effect. If you later change any provision, the changes will apply only to loans made after the change is adopted. Loans in existence at the time of any future changes will continue to operate under the guidelines that were in effect at the time the loan was originally made.

Please read the instructions and carefully complete all sections of this agreement.

I. EMPLOYER PLAN INFORMATION

Name of Plan (Enter the complete Employer name, including state): CITY OF SOUTH GATE

Plan Type: 457 Deferred Compensation Plan □ 401(a) Money Purchase Plan □ 401 Profit-Sharing Plan

ICMA-RC Plan Number: 3_0_3_8_0_6

II. ELIGIBILITY & LOAN SOURCE

Loans are available to all active employees, except those with an existing loan in default.

401 Plans — If your 401 plan is funded by a combination of Employer and Employee contributions, you must specify whether one or both of the following can be used as a source for participant loans. (Select one or both options below)

□ Employer Contribution Account (vested balances only)

□ Participant Contribution Accounts (pre- and post-tax, if applicable, including Employee Mandatory, Employee Voluntary, Employer Rollover, and Portable Benefits Accounts, but excluding the Deductible Employee Contributions/Qualified Voluntary Employee Contribution Account)

Roth Assets (if applicable) — If your 457 or 401(k) plan allows Roth contributions, a participant’s Designated Roth Account balance will be included when calculating the amount a participant is eligible to borrow. However, you must specify whether or not a participant’s Designated Roth Account can be used as a source for participant loans. (Select one option below)

□ A participant’s Designated Roth Account will not be available as a source for loans under the plan (default option)

□ A participant’s Designated Roth Account will be available as a source for loans under the Plan.

Note: If Roth assets are available as a source for loans, a loan that is deemed distributed will not satisfy the requirements for a qualified (tax-free) distribution of Roth assets. This may result in participants paying taxes on assets that would otherwise be available tax-free.

III. LOAN PURPOSE

Loans are available for the following purposes and must be requested in the corresponding method (select one):

□ All Purposes — With this option, participants can request a loan for any reason. Participants will be able to request new loans or refinance existing loans using the Online Loans and Loans by Call Center options.

□ Hardship Only — With this option, loans shall only be granted in the event of a participant’s hardship or for the purpose of enabling a participant to meet certain specified financial situations. Participants will need to complete the loan application form for your plan and obtain your approval (Online Loans and Loans by Call Center are not available).

The employer shall approve the participant’s loan application after determining, based on all relevant facts and circumstances that the amount of the loan is not in excess of the amount required to relieve the financial need, as defined by the employer. For this purpose, financial need shall include, but not be limited to: unremimbursed medical expenses of the participant or members of the participant’s immediate family, establishing or substantially rehabilitating the principal residence of the participant, or paying for a college education (including graduate studies) for the participant or his/her dependents.
IV. APPLICATION PROCEEDS

The loan application process will vary depending on the option you selected in Section III above (Loan Purpose).

(A) ALL PURPOSES

- Online Loans and Loans by Call Center — Participants can request a new loan or to refinance an existing loan using the ICMA-RC website at www.icmarc.org (Online Loans) or by speaking with an Investor Services Representative (Loans by Call Center).
- Direct Check Issuance — ICMA-RC sends loan documents with the loan check to the participant. When the participant endorses the check, that endorsement signifies acceptance of loan terms.

(B) HARDSHIP ONLY

- Paper Application — A loan application must be completed, signed by the participant and approved by you, the employer.
- Check Issuance — Upon receipt of an approved loan application, ICMA-RC will prepare the required loan documents (i.e., the promissory note and loan disclosure statement), and send them to the employer with the loan check.
  - The loan check may not be given to the participant until the loan documents have been signed by the participant. Because the promissory note is considered a plan asset, all loan documents must be completed and preserved for at least the life of the loan. The employer should retain the original loan documents and send copies of all documents to ICMA-RC.

The loan amount will generally be redeemed from the employee’s account on the same day as either ICMA-RC receipt of a loan request/application (complete and in good order), if it is submitted prior to 4:00 p.m. ET on a business day. If not, the loan amount will be redeemed on the next business day following submission. The loan check is generally issued on the next business day following redemption, and will be mailed directly to the employee. The employee’s presentation of the loan check for payment constitutes an acknowledgment that the employee has received and read the loan disclosure information provided by ICMA-RC and agrees to the terms therein.

V. MAXIMUM NUMBER OF LOANS (SELECT ONE)

Participants may receive one loan per calendar year. Please specify whether participants may have only one (1) or up to five (5) loans outstanding at one time.

☐ One (1). Participants may have only one (1) outstanding loan at a time.
☐ Five (5). Participants may have up to five (5) loans outstanding at one time.
☐ Other. Participants may have up to ___2___ (enter 2, 3, or 4) loans outstanding at one time.

VI. LOAN AMOUNT

Maximum: The maximum amount of all loans to a participant from the Plan and all other plans of the Employer that are either eligible deferred compensation plans described in section 457(b) of the Code or qualified employer plans under Section 72(p)(4) of the Code (e.g., 401(a) plans) shall not exceed the lesser of:

1. $50,000, or
2. One-half of the value of the Participant’s interest in all of his or her Accounts under this Plan.

When calculating the maximum amount a participant is eligible to borrow from his/her account, the lesser value of (1) or (2) above must be reduced by the participant’s highest outstanding loan balance over the past 12 months.

Minimum: The minimum loan amount is $1,000.

A loan cannot be issued for more than the maximum amount. The participant’s requested loan amount is subject to downward adjustment without notice due to market fluctuation between the time of application and the time the loan is issued.

Loan amounts will be taken pro-rata from all of a participant’s investments.
VII. LENGTH OF LOAN
Loans must be repaid in substantially equal installments of principal and interest over a period that does not exceed five (5) years.

Principal Residence Loans
If the participant will be using the loan to purchase a principal residence, the five (5) year time limit does not apply. Participants can repay a principal residence loan over a period of up to 30 years. Please specify the maximum repayment period for principal residence loans from your plan below.

Maximum repayment period for principal residence loans = __________ (Enter a number of years, up to 30)

VIII. LOAN REPAYMENT PROCESS
Specify the repayment method(s) and repayment frequency your plan will use. Note that loan amounts plus interest, minus applicable fees paid to ICMA-RC, are repaid to participant accounts and not to ICMA-RC. You can allow repayments to be made via payroll deduction and/or ACH payments from a participant’s bank account. Loan repayments must be made at least monthly (457) or quarterly (401).

Repayment Method (Select One):

☐ Payroll deduction only.
☐ ACH debit only.*
☐ Employee may choose either payroll deduction or ACH debit.*

*ACH Reject Fee — Please note a $20 processing fee will be assessed to a participant’s ICMA-RC account when a scheduled loan repayment(s) via ACH is rejected due to insufficient funds, invalid bank account information, or account closure in the participant’s designated payment account.

Repayment Frequency (Select One):
Repayments through payroll deduction will be sent via check or wire by the Employer to ICMA-RC on the following cycle (choose one):

☐ Weekly (52 per year)
☐ Bi-weekly (26 per year)
☐ Semi-monthly (24 per year)
☐ Monthly (12 per year)
☐ Quarterly (4 per year) — Available to 401 plans only.

Initiating Repayments:
- ACH debits from the employee’s designated bank account will begin approximately one month following the date the employee’s signed ACH authorization form is received and processed by ICMA-RC, or, in the case of online loans, approximately one month following the date the loan check has been cleared for payment. Debts will normally be made on a monthly basis.
- Payroll deduction should begin within two payroll cycles following the employee’s receipt of the loan. Employees using this method must notify the Employer immediately so that repayments will begin as soon as practicable, on a date determined by the Employer’s payroll cycle. Failure to begin payroll deduction in a timely manner could lead to the employee’s loan entering delinquency status.

Investigative of Loan Repayments
All loan repayments are invested according to the instructions the participant has on file for the investment of contributions to his/her account.

Additional Loan Repayments and Early Pay-Off
A participant may pay off all or a portion of the principal and interest early without penalty or additional fee. Extra payments are applied forward to both principal and interest as specified in the original repayment schedule, unless the additional payment is for the full balance due. Please note that no payment date may be "skipped" even if the employee has made a large payment or submitted multiple payments.
VIII. LOAN REPAYMENT PROCESS (CONTINUED)

Loans in Default
Participants using the ACH repayment option may default on their loans for lack of repayment more frequently than those using the payroll deduction method. For this reason, you may choose to require that certain participants use the payroll deduction repayment method.

Multiple Loans
If a participant has multiple loans outstanding from the plan, each loan repayment must be separately reported to ICMA-RC.

Former Employees and Leave of Absence
Former employees and employees on a leave of absence must repay their loans on the same schedule that would have applied had they continued employment.

Your plan may allow terminated employees to continue to repay their loans either through ACH, or by giving/sending you a check each repayment period (see the Acceleration section). If you allow terminated employees to repay loans by giving/sending you a check, you will include the repayment amounts in your next regular employee contribution remittance to ICMA-RC.

In certain situations, employers may suspend loan repayments for a period of time for employees on a leave of absence or military leave. Please refer to Treasury Regulation section 1.72(p)-1, Q&A-9 for more information.

Repayments Must Continue
In implementing a loan program you should be aware that some employers have had to contend with the inability of some participants to repay their loan(s). You should be aware that you may not stop taking loan repayments from the employee’s paycheck — even if the employee asks that repayments be stopped. Failure to payroll-deduct loan repayments on schedule could both jeopardize the eligibility or qualification of the entire plan as well as create a taxable event for the participant. Likewise, if an employee is repaying the loan through ACH debit of his/her bank account, and the employee fails to make payments, this could jeopardize the eligibility of your retirement plan. Employers are ultimately responsible for ensuring that loans are repaid according to the loan terms.

ICMA-RC will notify both you and the employee if a payment has not been received.

IX. LOAN INTEREST RATE

The loan interest rates are set for non-residential loans at the prime rate plus 0.5%, and for principal residence loans at the FHA/VA rate. The interest rate for new loans fluctuates from month-to-month. The rates for the following month are determined on the last business day of the month using www.moneysafe.com/library/primerate.htm (prime rate) and www.citimortgage.com (principal residence rate).

When a new loan is approved, the interest rate is locked in and remains constant throughout the life of the loan.

X. SECURITY/COLLATERAL

At the time a loan is taken, 50 percent of the participant’s account balance or the amount of the loan, whichever is less, will be used as collateral for the loan.

XI. ACCELERATION (SELECT ONE)

Please specify whether participants who have separated from service will be able to continue loan repayments until they have withdrawn their entire account balance from the plan, or if outstanding loans will be due and payable at the time the participant separates from service.

All outstanding loans shall be due and payable by a participant upon:

☐ Separation from service. All loan repayments must stop following an employee separating from service.

☐ Distribution of his/her entire account balance. Employees can continue making loan repayments until they have withdrawn their entire account balance.

Outstanding loan balances that are not repaid will be reported as distributions to the participant. See the Deemed Distributions section for additional information.
XII. REAMORTIZATION

Reamortization changes the terms of an outstanding loan (e.g., repayment period, interest rate, frequency of repayments). Any outstanding loan may be reamortized.

Reamortization cannot extend the repayment period beyond five (5) years from the date the loan was originally issued. Or, in the case of Principal Residence Loans, beyond the number of years specified in Section VII years from the date the loan was originally issued. Participants can use a loan amortization form to request that an outstanding loan be reamortized. Upon processing the request, a new disclosure statement will be sent to the employer for endorsement by the participant and approval by the employer. The executed disclosure statement must be returned to the plan administrator within 10 calendar days from the date it is signed. The new disclosure statement is considered an amendment to the original promissory note; therefore a new promissory note will not be required.

Note: A loan reamortization will not be considered a new loan for purposes of calculating the number of loans outstanding or the one loan per calendar year limit.

XIII. REFINANCE

Refinancing involves a new loan replacing an employee’s outstanding loan. The refinanced loan must be repaid over a period that does not exceed five (5) years from the date when the original loan was issued.

Actively employed participants with one (1) outstanding loan may elect to refinance the outstanding loan for an additional amount, subject to the loan amount limitations outlined in Section VI, provided that the participant has not yet taken a loan during the calendar year. Participants with multiple outstanding loans, and those who are no longer employed, are not eligible to refinance an existing loan.

Note: Principal residence loans are not eligible for refinance.

XIV. REDUCTION OF LOAN

If a participant dies prior to full repayment of the outstanding loan(s), the outstanding loan balance(s) will be deducted from the account prior to distribution to the beneficiary(ies). The unpaid loan amount is a taxable distribution and may be subject to early withdrawal penalties. The participant’s estate is responsible for taxes and penalties on the unpaid loan amount, if any. A beneficiary is responsible for taxes due on the amount he or she receives. A Form 1099 will be issued to both the beneficiary and the estate for tax reporting purposes.

XV. DEEMED DISTRIBUTIONS

A loan will be deemed distributed when a scheduled payment is still unpaid at the end of the calendar quarter following the calendar quarter in which the payment was due. When a loan is deemed distributed, the principal balance and any accrued interest is reported to the IRS as a taxable distribution. However, since the participant received the loan amount previously, no money is actually paid to the participant as part of a deemed distribution.

The loan is deemed distributed for tax purposes, but it is not an actual distribution and therefore remains an asset of the participant’s account. Interest continues to accrue. The outstanding loan balance and accrued interest are reported on the participant’s account statements.

Repayment of a deemed distribution will not change or reverse the taxable event.

The loan continues to be outstanding, and to accrue interest, until it is repaid or offset using the participant's account balance. An offset can occur only if the participant is eligible to receive a distribution from the plan as outlined in the plan document. Participants are required to repay any outstanding loan which has been deemed distributed before they can be eligible for a new loan. The deemed distribution and any interest accrued since the date it became a taxable event is taken into account when determining the maximum amount available for a new loan. New loans must be repaid through payroll deduction.

Important Note: The employer is obligated by federal regulation to comply with the loan guideline requirements applicable to participant loans, and to ensure against deemed distribution by monitoring loan repayments, regardless of the method of repayment, and by advising employers if loans are in danger of being deemed distributed. The tax-qualified status or eligibility of the entire plan may be revoked in case of frequent repayment delinquency or deemed distribution.

To assist plan sponsors whose plan options include loans, ICMA-RC will provide reports of participants with payments delinquent by 30 to 89 days, 90 or more days but not yet deemed, and those whose loans have been deemed distributed. ICMA-RC is committed to supporting employers who request assistance with their loan programs in order to reduce the number of delinquent loans and decrease the occurrence of deemed distributions.
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XVI. FEES

Fees may be charged for various services associated with the application for and issuance of loans. All applicable fees will be debited from the participant’s account balance and/or from the participant’s loan repayments prior to crediting the repayment of principal and interest to the participant’s account.

XVII. SIGNATURES

The Employer has the right to set other terms and conditions as it deems necessary for loans from the plan in order to comply with any legal requirements. Employer certifies that all terms and conditions will be administered in a uniform and non-discriminatory manner.

In Witness Whereof, the employer hereby caused these Guidelines to be executed

this __________ day of ________________, 20__________ .

Employer

By: ____________________________________________

Title: PLAN ADMINISTRATOR

Attest: ____________________________________________
AMENDMENT TO ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT
(DEFERRED COMPENSATION PLAN DOCUMENT) WITH
INTERNATIONAL CITY MANAGEMENT ASSOCIATION
RETIREMENT CORPORATION

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be executed.

CITY OF SOUTH GATE:

Bryan Cook, Plan Administrator
Dated: 3/26/19

ICMA-RC

Dated: __________________________

ATTEST:

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney
457 PLAN LOAN ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT

This Agreement is not required if you have 1) only one 457 plan provider or 2) more than one plan provider each with its own plan document and provisions unique to each provider. The Agreement only applies if you have adopted a single 457 plan document under which ICMA-RC and one or more other provider(s) must operate. Please refer to the Multiple Plans/Providers section of the Loan Guidelines Agreement Instructions for more details.

This Agreement shall serve as an Addendum to the Loan Guidelines established by the Employer identified below and as an Addendum to the Administrative Services Agreement (ASA) made by and between the ICMA Retirement Corporation (ICMA-RC) and the Employer.

The Employer currently sponsors a section 457 deferred compensation plan administered by two or more providers (co-provider plan). In order to ensure the efficient administration of the loan program established by the Employer, the Employer hereby agrees and declares that

(1) For purposes of issuing loans from the plan, that portion of the plan’s assets administered by ICMA-RC will be treated as though it were a separate and distinct plan.

(2) The Employer shall calculate the amount a participant may borrow from the ICMA-RC administered portion of the plan. No loan amount may exceed the lesser of (a) the maximum loan amount specified in Internal Revenue Code section 72(p)(2)(A) or (b) 50% of the participant’s ICMA-RC-administered account balance.

(3) All loan repayments must be made to the participant’s ICMA-RC-administered account for the life of the loan.

AGREED as of the _______________________________ day of ______________________________, 20__.

Name of Employer: ______________________________

State: ______________________________

Employer Plan Number: ______________________________

Authorized Official (Print Name): ______________________________

Signature of Authorized Official: ______________________________

Mail or fax copies of all completed documents to ICMA-RC.

Fax to: 202-962-4601
ATTN: NBU Analyst

OR

Mail to:
ICMA-RC
ATTN: NBU Analyst
777 North Capitol Street, NE
Washington, DC 20002-4240

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457 PLAN LOAN ADMINISTRATION AGREEMENT AMENDING THE
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT (DEFERRED COMPENSATION
PLAN DOCUMENT) WITH INTERNATIONAL CITY MANAGEMENT
ASSOCIATION RETIREMENT CORPORATION

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused this Agreement to be
executed.

CITY OF SOUTH GATE:

Bryan Cook, Plan Administrator
Dated: 3/24/24

ATTEST:

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
(SEAL)

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney

ICMA-RC

Dated:
STATE OF CALIFORNIA
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
CITY OF SOUTH GATE

I, Carmen Avalos, City Clerk of the City of South Gate, California, hereby certify that the whole number of Members of the City Council of said City is five; that Resolution No. 7591 was adopted by the City Council at their Regular Meeting held on March 25, 2014, by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members: Hurtado, Gonzalez, Morales, Davila and De Witt
Noes: Council Members: None
Absent: Council Members: None
Abstain: Council Members: None

Witness my hand and the seal of said City on March 27, 2014.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk
City of South Gate, California