

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

CALL TO ORDER Mayor W. H. (Bill) De Witt called a Special City Council meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

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; Arturo Cervantes, Acting City Manager Arturo Cervantes, City Attorney Raul F. Salinas

ABSENT City Manager Michael Flad and City Treasurer Gregory Martinez

CLOSED SESSION The Council Members recessed into Closed Session at 5:36 p.m. and reconvened at 6:14 p.m. with all Members of Council present. 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. Jenaro Soto v. City of South Gate
 - b. Abelino Montanez v. City of South Gate (WCAB)
 - c. LAUSD v. County of Los Angeles

On item 1(a), the City Council discussed a resolution of that lawsuit. It was a claim brought by a gentleman who alleged that one of the City's ramps was not built to handicap standards under the American Disability Act. The City was dismissed from that case without payment of any funds. The City Council on a motion made by Mayor De Witt and seconded by Vice Mayor Davila and on a vote of 5-0, moved to accept that resolution in that case.

On item 1(b), the City Council received a report by the City's outside attorneys specializing in Workers' Compensation matters. After receiving that report, on a motion made by Vice Mayor Davila and seconded by Mayor De Witt and on a vote of 5-0, The City Council authorized a resolution of that settlement. Because the agreement has not yet been finalized, the amount of that settlement will be disclosed at the appropriate time in accordance with state law.

Item 1(c) is a litigation that the district filed against the County of Los Angeles and all of the cities in order to recoup taxes that were due to the school districts using a formula that was found to be improper by a number of different courts. The City considered a resolution of that case

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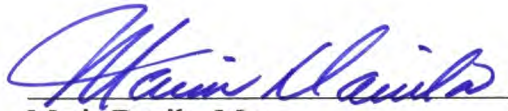
in order to avoid recurring unnecessary attorney's fees. Upon completion of the report by the City Attorney's Office, the City Council on a motion made by Mayor De Witt and seconded by Council Member Hurtado and on a vote of 5-0, authorized accepting a settlement proposal in that case. Because the matter has not yet been settled the amount will be disclosed according to state law once the case has been resolved.

Mayor De Witt asked if anyone in the audience wished to speak on any of these items. Seeing no one step forward, Mayor De Witt closed the audience portion.

ADJOURNMENT

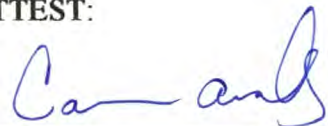
Vice Mayor Davila adjourned the meeting at 6:17 p.m. and seconded by Council Member Hurtado.

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



Maria Davila, Mayor

ATTEST:



Carmen Avalos, City Clerk