CITY OF SOUTH GATE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2017

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Maria Davila called a Regular City Council meeting to order at

6:30 p.m.

INVOCATION

Pastor Sean Pica, Redeemer Lutheran Church

PLEDGE OF

ALLEGIANCE

Luis Cetina, Metropolitan Water District

ROLL CALL

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

PRESENT

Mayor Maria Davila, Vice Mayor Maria Belen Bernal, Council Member Denise Diaz, Council Member Jorge Morales and Council Member Al Rios; City Manager Michael Flad, City Attorney Raul F. Salinas

ABSENT

City Treasurer Gregory Martinez

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PROCLAMATION

The City Council unanimously issued a Proclamation declaring October 22nd through 28th, 2017, as National Red Ribbon Week in the City of South Gate.

DEVIATE FROM THE AGENDA

At this time, there being no objections, Mayor Davila stated that item 7 would be considered out of its regular agenda order.

WATER

The City Council unanimously received and filed a presentation and overview by the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California on the California WaterFix Project which envisions enhancing water supply reliability and improved water quality in an environmentally responsible manner through the State of California's water conveyance system by motion of Mayor Davila and seconded by Council Member Morales.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Jasmine, 3361 Liberty Boulevard spoke about the towing company contracts and in support of HUB Cities Tow.

Vanessa Lopez spoke in support of HUB Cities Tow and their contract renewal.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE CONTINUED

Ronald Remis, 10001 Frontage Road spoke in support of HUB Cities Tow and their contract renewal.

David Torres spoke in support of HUB Cities Tow and the effects his job has had on his life.

Gerardo Huerta spoke in support of HUB Cities Tow and the work that they do.

Mark Matthews spoke in support of HUB Cities Tow and wants the contract agreement renewed with the City of South Gate.

Alfonso Andrade spoke in support of HUB Cities Tow.

Tony Salinas spoke in support of HUB Cities Tow.

Joel Garcia spoke in support of HUB Cities Tow.

Seferina Terriquez spoke in support of HUB Cities Tow.

Victor Garcia spoke in support of HUB Cities Tow.

Daphine Santiago spoke in support of HUB Cities Tow.

Jimmy Shandu, owner of HUB Cities Tow provided an overview of his hardworking staff.

Tom Hall, 10505 St. James Avenue doesn't understand how the water meters are read and why the water bill is increasing. He also has concerns with traffic and speeding on St. James.

Nick Godoy, 8611 San Gabriel Avenue met with the City's Finance Director and received a lot of information on how the finances are set up for the City.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS

FROM CITY OFFICIALS

Art Cervantes, Director of Public Works provided an update on AB530 Working Group on the Los Angeles River Revitalization.

Steve Costley, Deputy Director of Parks and Recreation announced that on November 4th South Gate Park will be hosting the Regional Fall Games for the Special Olympics.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

CONTINUED

Joe Perez, Director of Community Development announced the 85 degrees bakery and café just received their final inspection and is located in the El Paseo Shopping Center. They are expected to open this weekend.

Randy Davis, Chief of Police reminded everyone that Family Day in the Park is this Saturday.

Council Member Diaz enjoyed the Dragon Boat Races this year.

Council Member Morales attended the California Contract Cities Fall Educational Summit and the theme of this conference was environmental policy.

Council Member Rios attended the Hispanic Heritage Festival at South Gate Park and thanked the City Attorney for inviting Council to attend the Habitat for Humanity Fundraiser.

Vice Mayor Bernal stated that Habitat for Humanity has been a long time partner with the City of South Gate and took advantage of the South Gate Park mulch program.

Mayor Davila attended a Domestic Violence Conference in Huntington Park.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Items 2, 4, 5 and 6 were unanimously approved by motion of Mayor Davila and seconded by Council Member Morales. Item 3 was removed for separate discussion.

2 CITY – WIDE RECORDS MGMT PROGRAM

The City Council unanimously adopted Resolution No. 7784 entitled – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate authorizing the destruction of obsolete records retained in City Hall and the Police Department pursuant to Government Code 34090 of the Laws of the State of California during consideration of the Consent Calendar; and

a. Destruction subject to final review and approval by the City Attorney.

EXCUSED FROM ITEM 3

At this time, Council Member Morales was excused from participating on item 3 and departed from the Council Chambers.

3 LICENSES & PERMITS

The City Council unanimously adopted Resolution No. 7785 entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate declaring the City's intention to grant a ten-year term Franchise Agreement to World Oil Corp., a California Corporation, to lay and use pipelines and appurtenances in, on, along, across, upon and under the public streets, as the same now or may hereafter exist, within the City for the purpose of transmitting and distributing of petroleum and related products, for any lawful purpose, and setting a Public Hearing for November 28, 2017, to consider the introduction of an Ordinance granting the proposed renewal franchise agreement by motion of Mayor Davila and seconded by Council Member Dias.

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

4 WATER

The City Council unanimously approved an Agreement (Contract 3377) with HydroScientific West for as-needed technical support services for the Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition System, for a three year term with a two year extension option, for an amount not-to-exceed \$30,000 annually during consideration of the Consent Calendar; and

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

5 TRANSPORTATION PLANNING/ADMIN

The City Council unanimously approved a Funding Agreement (Contract 3378) with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority to accept \$6,000,000 in Measure R Funds for the Firestone Boulevard Regional Corridor Capacity Enhancement Project (The Boulevard Project), City Project No. 476 TRF during consideration of the Consent Calendar; and

- a. Appropriated \$6,000,000 in Measure R Funds to The Boulevard Project, Account No. 311-790-31-9447; and
- c. Authorized the Mayor to execute the Funding Agreement in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

6 LEGAL OPERATIONS

The City Council unanimously approved an Agreement (Contract 3379) with the law firm of Telecom Law Firm, P.C., to provide specialized legal services on wireless and wired telecommunication law during consideration of the Consent Calendar; and

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

REJOINED MEETING

City Council Morales rejoined the Council prior to the discussion on this matter.

HIGHWAYS/FREEWAYS

The City Council unanimously approved the proposed Draft Comment Letter on the Recirculated Draft Environmental Impact Report/
Supplemental Draft Environmental Impact Statement of the Interstate 710
Corridor Project, which is subject to additional revisions by the Director of Public Works/City Engineer to further address the City's issues of concern by motion of Council Member Morales and seconded by Mayor Davila; and

a. Authorized the Director of Public Works/City Engineer to execute and submit the Comment Letter to Caltrans District 7, Division of Environmental Planning.

9 WARRANTS AND CANCELLATIONS

The City Council unanimously approved the Warrants and Cancellations for October 10, 2017 by motion of Vice Mayor Bernal and seconded by Mayor Davila.

Total of Checks: \$1,460,190.46 Voids: \$ (8,268.33) Total of Payroll Deductions: \$ 301,123.52 Grand Total: \$1,150,798.61

Cancellations: 73437, 73580

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Davila unanimously adjourned the meeting at 9:02 p.m. and seconded by Vice Mayor Bernal in memory of the victims of the California fires and the Las Vegas shooting.

PASSED and APPROVED this 14th day of November, 2017.

ATTEST:

Maria Davila, Mayor

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk