

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER** Vice Mayor Morales called a Regular City Council meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**INVOCATION** Jorge Morales, Vice Mayor

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Dina Zaragoza, Executive Assistant to City Attorney

**ROLL CALL** Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

**PRESENT** Vice Mayor Jorge Morales, Council Member Maria Davila, and Council Member Al Rios; City Treasurer Greg Martinez, City Manager Michael Flad, Special Legal Counsel Jerry Ruiz

**ABSENT** Mayor María Belén Bernal, Council Member Denise Diaz, City Attorney Raul Salinas

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**ELECTIONS** The City Council approved A and B by motion of Council Member Davila and seconded by Council Member Rios. Mayor Bernal and Council Member Diaz were absent.

- a. Introduced Ordinance No. 2354 entitled - Ordinance of the City Council of the City of South Gate, California changing its current general municipal election cycle from March 2019 to March 2020 and thereafter in even years to comply with Senate Bill 415, the California Voter Participation Rights Act, and to consolidate future general municipal elections with the statewide election cycle; and
- b. Appropriated \$15,000 from the unassigned fund balance of the General Fund to account 100-140-11-6303 (General Fund-City Clerk Postage) to fund the cost of this required mailing.

**COMMENTS FROM  
THE AUDIENCE**

Virginia Johnson, 5751 McKinley Avenue spoke on the rally opposing the Homeless Shelter that will impact South Gate residents.

Kimberly Ortega with Congresswomen Nanette Barragán's Office spoke on resources for the veterans.

Nick Godoy, 8611 San Gabriel Avenue is concerned about the constant traffic on San Gabriel and the blocking of driveways.

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### COMMENTS FROM STAFF

The comments from staff were not audible during this meeting.

### CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Items 2 and 3 were pulled for discussion.

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### RECORDS

The City Council approved A and B by motion of Council Member Davila and seconded by Council Member Rios.

- a. Adopting Resolution No. 7832 entitled – Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate, California 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; and
- b. Destruction subject to final review and approval by the City Attorney.

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

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### EQUIPMENT

The City Council approved A and B by motion of Council Member Davila and seconded by Council Member Rios.

- a. Authorized the purchase of four Ford F350 utility trucks from National Auto Fleet Group through Sourcewell, in the budgeted amount of \$178,381; and
- b. Authorized the Mayor to execute the documents necessary to purchase the four Ford F350 utility trucks in forms acceptable to the City Attorney.

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

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### SMALL BUSINESS

The City Council received and filed the City of South Gate Local Economic Advisory Program (LEAP) report, containing findings and recommendations to improve the City's economic development efforts for small businesses by motion of Vice Mayor Morales and seconded by Council Member Davila.

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

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### 5 PARKS FACILITIES

The City Council received and filed an update report on grant opportunities for park programs and the City's readiness to successfully compete for these grant funds by motion of Council Member Davila and seconded by Council Member Rios.

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

### 6 FIRESTONE CAPACITY

The City Council approved A, B, C, and D by motion of Vice Mayor Morales and seconded by Council Member Davila.

- a. Authorized a reduction in scope of work and budget on Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. 3389 with Griffith Company (Change Order No. 1-Revised), from \$1,159,130 to \$508,406, to eliminate improvements that are not cost effective to implement on the Firestone Boulevard Regional Corridor Capacity Enhancements Project, City Project No. 476-TRF (The Boulevard Project);
- b. Approved utilization of unused grant funds to increase the scope of work and budget on The Boulevard Project in the amount of \$655,948, to fund additional work that is needed for unforeseen conditions, quantity adjustments and miscellaneous additional improvements, and authorize the Assistant City Manager/Director of Public Works to execute Change Order No. 2 to Contract No. 3389 with Griffith Company to incorporate these improvements; and
- c. Approved utilization of unused grant funds to incorporate additional improvements on The Boulevard Project in the amount of \$499,292 to further enhance student, pedestrian and traffic safety, and authorize the Assistant City Manager/Director of Public Works to execute Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 3389 with Griffith Company to incorporate these improvements; and
- d. Authorized staff to negotiate additional improvements with the contractor to incorporate the Hildreth Avenue Intersection Improvements and Student Crossing Safety Barrier Improvements into Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 3389, and administratively amend Change Order No. 3 if a cost effective fee proposal can be negotiated, with a not-to-exceed allowance of \$225,000.

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**FIRESTONE**

**CAPACITY CONT'D**

On the staff report there were two errors. The City Manager corrected the report by stating that on page 3, Change Order No. 1, line item No. 1 should read \$567,773 and the total should read \$499,292.

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

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**WARRANTS**

The City Council considered approving the Warrants and Cancellations for October 23, 2018 by motion of Council Auditor Davila and seconded by Vice Mayor Morales.

Total of Checks:	\$3,323,276.13
Voids:	(\$ 9,163.19)
Total Payroll Deductions:	<u>\$ 258,188.81</u>
Grand Total:	\$3,055,924.13

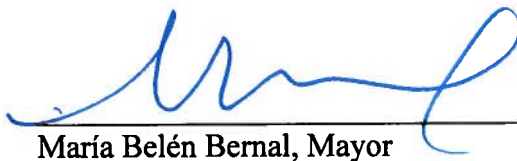
Cancellations: 76369, 76413, 76568, 76569

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

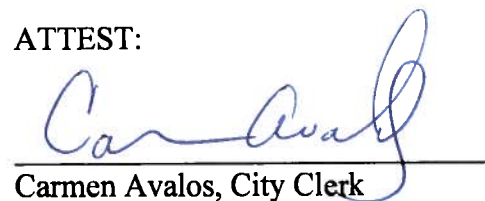
**ADJOURNMENT**

Council Member Rios adjourned the meeting at 7:47 p.m. seconded by Council Member Davila.

**PASSED and APPROVED** this 27<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2018.

  
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María Belén Bernal, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Carmen Avalos, City Clerk