

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
MINUTES  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 25, 2020**

**CALL TO ORDER** Maria Davila, Mayor called a Regular City Council meeting to order at 6:43 p.m.

**INVOCATION** President Rajan Zed, Universal Society of Hinduism

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Steve Costly, Interim Parks and Recreation Director

**ROLL CALL** Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

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

**LATE** City Treasurer Gregory Martinez joined the meeting at 7:00 p.m.

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**5821 FIRESTONE**

The City Council conducted a Public Hearing and unanimously approved A and B by motion of Mayor Davila and seconded by Vice Mayor Rios.

- a. Accepted the determination that this project is Categorically Exempt under Class 32 (In-Fill Projects) Section 15332 of the California Environmental Quality Act; and
- b. Adopted Resolution 2020-30-CC entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of City of South Gate approving the Disposition and Development Agreement with 5821 Firestone Boulevard, LLC, acting by and through its Manager, GVD Commercial Properties, Inc., for the acquisition and development of City-owned property located at 5821 Firestone Boulevard and authorizing the Mayor to execute said Agreement in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Diaz, yes; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Avalos, yes.

Joe Perez, Director of Community Development provided a presentation on this item.

Mayor Davila opened the public hearing and asked if anyone in the audience wishes to speak on this item.

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5821 FIRESTONE CONT'D

Veronica Hernandez wanted to know how it was determined that the property would be used for big business instead of smaller businesses and what was the price of the sale.

Adolfo Varas wants to know if once the business is decided is it possible to require that business to hire a portion of their workers from South Gate.

Amanda Tapia wants to know where the money from the sale of this property will go and if it will be placed in the City's General Fund accounts. She would like to see these funds made available to provide grants for small businesses.

John Montalvo thinks that at an asking price of \$400,000.00 the City will be losing money on the sale. He also questioned the proposed contract with GVD Commercial Properties, Inc (Item No. 6) stating that it is not a good idea and would be an additional loss of \$50,000.00. With the development of the river in a few years this property would have a multi-million-dollar value.

Eunice Quintanilla would like to see more money being invested in the local businesses. She also asked why this area is exempt from the Environmental Protection Act.

Seeing no one come forward, Mayor Davila closed the public hearing.

Mike Flad, City Manager answered some of the comments brought up during the public comments. He explained the environmental requirements are specific to this property and that due to the property being located in a retail center the City is advocating for another retail business to increase sales tax revenue for the City. He continued that the sale of this property does come with restrictions that dramatically impact the value of the property.

Council Member Avalos asked how long the negotiation process been going on with the sale of this property.

Mr. Perez responded since the spring of 2019.

Vice Mayor Rios asked how long the property has been vacant.

Mr. Perez responded that this property is currently being used as a parking lot and it has been so since the mid 1990's.

Vice Mayor Rios requested a report on the small businesses that received the CARES Act funding.



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### CONSOLIDATED PLAN

The City Council continued the Public Hearing to the City Council meeting of September 22, 2020 by motion of Council Member Avalos and seconded by Vice Mayor Davila.

- a. Adopting a Resolution approving the Fiscal Years 2020/21-2024/25 Consolidated Plan; the Annual Action Plan for Fiscal Year 2020/21; the 2020 Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice; and the Citizen Participation Plan; and authorizing the City Manager, or designee, to submit to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development; and
- b. Providing direction on the appropriation of \$1,006,581 of un-programmed CDBG funds and \$907,967.67 of un-programmed HOME funds.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Diaz, yes; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Avalos, yes.

Joe Perez, Community Development Director provided a presentation on this item.

Ana Marie Lenoue and Lissette Montoya, Avant Garde provided a presentation on this item.

Mayor Davila asked if the carryover from the CDBG funds can be used for rental assistance, business assistance, and community assistance as a result of COVID-19.

Mr. Perez responded that the City has a wide variety of programs that we can use to help in those specific areas. Based on Council's recommendations staff can prepare a report that explains the options in which these funds can be utilized.

Council Member Avalos asked if Council can make an amendment to the 5-year plan to add mental health. She also requested additional time to review the report that staff provided.

Mayor Davila agrees with Council Member Avalos and would like additional time to review the report. She asked if there were any deadlines for this item.

Mr. Perez responded that it is not a problem to bring this item back at a later Council Meeting.

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CONSOLIDATED PLAN  
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Mike Flad, City Manager recommended that Council provide some direction as to their thoughts on funding. This would allow staff to start checking on eligibility and staff is happy to bring the item back for additional input from Council and the public.

Mayor Davila recommended that the item be brought back before the Citizen's Advisory Committee (CAC) for their input also.

Mayor Davila opened the public hearing and asked if anyone in the audience wishes to speak on this item.

Veronica Hernandez questioned why so little funds were designated for housing programs when it is one of the highest items listed on public input. She urged Council to meet with her coalition to review the survey results that they received to best benefit the community.

Adolfo Varas stated that these recommendations by the CAC were approved before the pandemic and now further review is needed. He does agree that the City needs to add funds to mental health programs. He is concerned with the funding designated with the Helpline Youth Counseling because contact with this agency is limited to a waiting list. When questioned how long the waiting list is, they could not provide an answer. If an agency is receiving City funds they should be held accountable for their services.

Veronica would like to see the funding go to programs to assist the homeless.

Cyndi Palomino would like to see the funding go to community members with special needs and also include a program that would provide rent vouchers for residents that need assistance.

Amanda Tapia would like a larger input from the community and not just rely on the CAC. We need to make sure these funds address the needs of the community which has greatly changed due to the pandemic including housing needs for the homeless. She also would like their coalition to meet with the City Council to combine information.

Chris agrees that it is good to include the input of the residents but the City's survey only covers just over 200 people. We need more input from the Community to determine what their needs are. He would also like to see some of these funds used to provide free WIFI for the students instead of the current program that charges \$10.00.



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Virginia Johnson, 5751 McKinley Avenue, stated that she keeps hearing about this survey but no one has ever explained what information is being given to the people. She explained the process that the CDBG funds are processed through the Citizens Advisory Committee. She agrees that there is a lot of need within the community.

Ms. Chaves wants to see the funds allocated to help the community with housing needs and free internet for students. She suggested setting up a grant program to help students get their school supplies.

Eunice Quintanilla agrees with the statements of Amanda and Veronica. She wants to see some of the funds be allocated to workforce development and become more environmentally conscious.

Cynthia Esquivel asked when the CAC receives funding it is very restricted as to what can be given to non-profit organizations and public projects. Is this money going to have the same restrictions? If these funds are not restricted, she thinks one of the most important issues is rental assistance.

Marianna Cid would like to allocate funds to support students.

A resident wants to see more funds allocated to provide housing programs.

John Montalvo would have liked to see the survey include an option to write in suggestions. He would also like to see funding allocated to provide internet to students and we need funds for additional food banks. People should be first when making these decisions.

Jesse Ruiz would like to get a larger input from the community. He wants to see the funds go for the needs of the whole City not just the 200 surveys that were received.

Christian agrees that the City Council needs better communication with the people of South Gate. He would also like to see the funds be allocated for housing, internet, mental issues, and food banks.

Melody Cuevas would like to see the City address the needs of accessibility for residents with special needs.

Liz Ruiz is a new member of the CAC and will strive to push these funds to better our community.

Adrian would like to get a larger input from the community. He would like to see the funds allocated for public/mental health and housing supplements. We need to put this money for a better future.



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CONSOLIDATED PLAN  
CONT'D

Luz wanted to know if the money can go towards providing food to more families.

Janet wants to see more resources going to online programs for the youth.

Steven wants to see the Council meet with organizations and listen to community.

Bridget Salinas would like to see additional programs for food distribution, telehealth and the technology issues facing our families within South Gate.

Julie would like to see funds going towards the environment such as beautification events and more trash cans throughout the City. She would also like to see free internet, food distribution programs, mental health programs and housing supplements.

Seeing no one come forward, Mayor Davila closed the public hearing.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk read into the record the comments of Ms. Chavez regarding the allocating of funds to build a foundation for the next five years. She would like to see a larger input from the community. She also would like programs to supplement utilities and housing programs, food drives, and educational services for our youth.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk read into the record the comments of Kimberly stating that she would like to see additional funding for housing programs including rental assistance.

Mayor Davila thanked the community for their comments tonight. Many of the topics discussed tonight are programs that the Council can work with. She would like to set up a meeting with Vice Mayor Rios and the consultants that provided the community survey to review the information they received. She also requested a meeting with Amanda Tapia to discuss the information they gathered from their survey.

Vice Mayor Rios also thanked the community for their comments tonight. He would like to focus these funds on the needs of the community. HUB Cities is looking to open a workforce development facility at the American Legion on September 15<sup>th</sup>. He would like to look at increasing food distribution and knows that the City's WIFI program is moving forward. We need to look into ways to assist the homeless and partner with a nonprofit to provide programs.



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### CONSOLIDATED PLAN CONT'D

Council Member Avalos thanked the community members for their input and requested that she also be allowed to meet with Amanda Tapia. She feels that each of the Council Members should meet with their group.

Council Member Diaz thanked the community members for their input. She requested that staff prepares information on the voucher program for the homeless and would like to discuss with staff that works in the community the comments they hear from our residents and the issues they are currently facing. She agrees that we need to focus on workforce development, safe places to study with internet access and allowing Council to take a little more time to review this item.

Council Member Hurtado thanked the residents and staff for their work on this item. He would like to look at options to assist essential workers with child care and focus on helping the local businesses.

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### REFUSE FRANCHISE

The City Council unanimously continued the Public Hearing to consider a Resolution amending Resolution No. 7872 (Schedule of Fees) to apply a 3.36% rate increase to the residential refuse collection and recycling services for Fiscal Year 2020/21, retroactively effective July 1, 2020, to the regularly scheduled City Council meeting of September 22, 2020 by motion of Mayor Davila and seconded by Vice Mayor Rios.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Diaz, yes; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Avalos, yes.

Mike Flad, City Manager explained that staff is negotiating with Waste Management. Everything is going well and Waste Management is being very cooperative and staff expects by September 22<sup>nd</sup> a recommendation will be ready for City Council review.

Mayor Davila opened the public hearing and asked if anyone in the audience wishes to speak on this item.

Sharon Shapiro-Fox, Waste Management stated that as indicated by the City Manager Waste Management is open to discussion. Waste Management met with Mr. Cervantes, Public Works Director yesterday and looks forward to a continued discussion to reach an agreement to continue to support the City of South Gate.



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POLICE DEPT.

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

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Diaz, yes; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Avalos, yes.

- a. Adopted Resolution 2020-31-CC entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of City of South Gate approving Agreement Number 20-APP47 accepting grant funds in the amount of \$21,049 from the State of California Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control for ABC enforcement and compliance for Fiscal Year 2020/21;
- b. Increased the Fiscal Year 2020/21 revenue projection in account 231-4683 (Police Grants - ABC) by \$21,049, from \$0 to \$21,049;
- c. Amended the Fiscal Year 2020/21 Police Grants Fund budget by appropriating \$20,255 to account number 231-551-21-5111 (Overtime - Sworn), \$294 to account number 231-551-21-5220 (Medicare), and \$500 to account number 231-551-21-6202 (Special Dept. Supplies); and
- d. Authorized the Chief of Police to execute the Grant Agreement in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

Mike Flad, City Manager and Randy Davis, Chief of Police provided a presentation on this item.

Mayor Davila opened the public hearing and asked if anyone in the audience wishes to speak on this item.

Veronica Hernandez stated that these funds are being added to the Police Overtime Account and urges City Council to cut an equal amount of funding and put this money back into the General Fund.

Amanda Tapia also stated that these funds are being added to the Police Overtime Account and urges City Council to cut an equal amount of funding and put this money back into the General Fund. She would like to see this money being spent on educational services to provide programs for the youth on alcohol prevention.

Adolfo Varas congratulated Chief Davis and the South Gate Police Department on making sure the City receives the additional funding to be sure that these businesses are following the specific guidelines set forth by the Alcohol Beverage Control Department.



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POLICE DEPT. CONT'D

John Montalvo asked if this is a restricted or unrestricted grant and is it to provide education to the businesses that sell alcohol.

Alberto Avalos Cervantes thinks that this is the time for City Council to be more critical on how police funds are being allocated.

Seeing no one come forward, Mayor Davila closed the public hearing.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk read into the record the comments of Ms. Chavez who supports the funds being used to help support families during the pandemic. Police Overtime should not be a priority.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk read into the record the comments of Adrian Little who disagrees with the way City Council is handling the money. The Police Department should not be granted anymore money then they already receive. She supports defunding the Police Department and providing more funding for the community.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk read into the record the comments of Kimberly Esquivel who would like to see this money be redistributed to other departments in the General Fund.

Chief Davis responded to some of the questions heard during the Public Hearing. He stated that ABC Licensee's are and should be aware of the rules and regulations of selling to minors and sadly even knowing they still do. ABC is understaffed and cannot provide enforcement action so we partner with them. These funds are provided by ABC strictly to be used to enforce ABC violations. The majority of the departments overtime is to have enough officers available to provide public safety.

Council Member Avalos asked if the City had applied for these grants in the past. Also she was informed about what is the number of violations that have been given and how many hours are allocated to these violations?

Chief Davis experienced technical issues and had to log off. Mike Flad, City Manager did state that these are restricted funds that can only be used for this program. As for education versus enforcement that would be a discussion with ABC as it is there program and we would have to determine how much ABC spends on prevention. We can open a dialog with them to see if there are education grants available.

Chief Davis rejoined the meeting and stated that the number of violations vary from year to year. We have seen the violations diminish from the last time we received the grant funds. Prior to that the Police Department would do a sting operation, sending people into locations with ID's that

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**POLICE DEPT. CONT'D**

stated that they are under 21. This would amount to between 10-25 violations during the course of one evening.

Mayor Davila stated that several years ago she remembers a program at the high schools called "Every 15 Minutes" and asked if that was done through ABC.

Chief Davis responded that it was not a part of ABC but a stand-alone program with the South Gate Police Department. The department did partner with the Highway Patrol and ABC to provide the program to the school district. It was scheduled before large events like prom and grad night to provide the most impact.

Mayor Davila requested the Chief look into working with the high schools to bring this program back.

**EXCUSED FROM  
THE MEETING**

Mayor Davila stepped away from the meeting before Public Comments. Vice Mayor Rios started the Public Comment.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk read into the record the comments of April Villanueva asking Council Member Diaz respond to her questions about the comments made by one of the Council Member's commissioners.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk read into the record the comments of Aron would like the City Attorney to address how to let the residents vote for the position of Mayor instead of this position being appointed.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk read into the record the comments of Robert Montalvo. Mr. Montalvo thanked the City Council for lowering the flag in memory of Nick Godoy. He asked if it was possible to name a street or section of the park in his memory and invited Council to a walk with the American Legion in his honor that will end at the Veteran's Memorial Fountain.

Liz Ruiz stated that there is an Air Quality Management Meeting on Thursday where the community could share their concerns on pollution in our area. As part of the Title 13 Code of Regulations now limits diesel trucks to idle for no more than 5 minutes. She thanked City staff for their assistance.

**REJOINED MEETING**

Mayor Davila rejoined the Council prior to the conclusion of the Public Comment.



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### PUBLIC COMMENT CONT'D

Virginia Johnson, 5751 McKinley Avenue, stated that if there is going to be a meeting regarding South Gate citizens it should include all South Gate citizens. There should be a flyer to all residents, website and newspaper giving the details. This meeting should not just entail the people advocating for the Facebook/Social Media Survey but all South Gate Community members. She stated that the City's crime watch page is terrible and needs to be better. She thanked City Council for their moment of silence in honor of the passing of our community members and she is especially saddened by the passing of her longtime friend Nick Godoy. She added that the community needs to stop this idea of "free for all" and take the time to plan for a better community.

Adolfo Varas, 10313 Jackson Avenue, expressed his condolences to Mr. Godoy's family. He is concerned with the flyer for the recent backpack give away which has a logo of a business that is a marijuana dispensary. There will be food distribution at 3931 Tweedy Boulevard and if anyone would like to volunteer to help they are going to be giving away food on the last Sunday of every month.

Veronica Hernandez stated that after the public records request on the credit card statement it was said that over \$4,000 was spent from Randy Davis's credit card for food. This was to be reimbursed by FEMA but the community has never been updated. She also asked for an update on when the Police Officers will go into negotiations.

Cynthia Esquivel, 4718 Tweedy Boulevard stated there have been several groups of people helping out the community and she would like to have a proclamation or recognition given to these people and/or groups.

### REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

Randy Davis, Chief of Police stated that the department is looking to upgrade the Crime Watch system that is currently in place within the next 6 to 12 months. In regards to the backpack flyer the person that printed the flyer did not seek or receive permission from the Police Department or the City to use the logo. We are looking into the genesis of the flyer so this does not happen again.

Joe Perez, Director of Community Development stated that as part of the City's Census outreach program the City will be hosting a caravan and it will be traveling through the areas of the City with low response rates. There will also be 3 different kiosks available at different locations and the locations are posted on the City's website.

Steve Costley, Interim Parks and Recreation Director showed a video highlighting a well-known artist Victor Solomon that did an art project at Circle Park. A grand opening will be planned in the future.

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### REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

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The Parks Department has opened the small study area at the Park. Each pod accommodates 3-5 kids and stated that the \$10.00 fee is refundable. It is designed to add value to the program so the reservation is confirmed and they show up at their scheduled time. They are also moving forward with a food program that will be delivered on August 31<sup>st</sup>. Currently they have 62 registrants and have space for 150 participants.

Mike Flad, City Manager thanked Mr. Costley for his work. He stated that they will be reviewing the Study Pod program to determine the fees and safety concerns that come with the pandemic. Also the focus of the food program is to provide healthy food while working with our local Farmers Market.

Mr. Flad explained that normal FEMA reimbursement can take months and even years to process. The cost of the food is a reimbursable expense but the percentage is based on the amount of funds FEMA has available. To address the comment regarding labor negotiations, staff is at the very beginning of the process and we expect this to only take a few months. As we go through the negotiation process you will see it on the Closed Session Agenda. Negotiations are not part of the public agenda but comments are welcomed during these next few month or by email to the City Council, the City Manager or Director of Administrative Services.

Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney addressed the comment regarding the process of an elected mayor instead of an appointed mayor. He stated that South Gate is a general law City and Government Code Section 34902 does allow to have appointed mayors by the City Council.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk reported that the county spent some time looking at some sites here in the City to place voter drop off ballot boxes. Three possible locations include Cesar Chavez Park, Hollydale Park and at City Hall. If these locations work, they are slated for 5-years and as we move forward having elections conducted by the County there will be some permanent opportunities for folks to have three locations that they will recognize.

She expressed her condolences to Mr. Godoy's family and will miss him coming to the City Clerk's Office.

Council Member Avalos expressed her condolences to all the families that we are adjourning tonight's meeting in memory of. She also stated her concerns over the backpack giveaway flyer.



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### REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

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Council Member Diaz said moving forward she is requesting that flyers be translated in Spanish. She would also like any programs that require registration to include a phone number so that community members without online access can call staff for assistance.

Council Member Hurtado asked Mr. Costly to speak on the possibility of opening the swim stadium in mid-September.

Mr. Costly responded that City Staff was looking at opening the Swim Stadium at limited operations beginning September 14<sup>th</sup> but the County has changed the regulations beginning today they are only giving permits at this time to outdoor swim stadiums not indoor stadiums.

Council Member Hurtado stated that there are a lot of restrictions out there but still we see a lot of people playing soccer at the park and at gatherings. Staff is doing their best to limit this. At Circle Park the City shares an easement with the nursery. As the nursery opens the area to get vehicles in they are not closing it again and when people see the area open they go in. He requested that staff reach out to the nursery to be sure they close this area after using the entrance. Lastly, he thanked everyone that has been working to get resources for the community.

Vice Mayor Rios reported on the activities of HUB Cities. HUB Cities is currently in Huntington Park but they are looking at another location here in the City of South Gate on Tweedy Boulevard. He stated that the LA Community College District has removed all the holds students had on their accounts. Gateway Cities is working on some major improvements with bus routes in the County of Los Angeles.

Mayor Davila stated that there are so many people and agencies working to benefit our community and hopefully once we can meet we can recognize everyone. She requested that the City Manager make sure that the use of the City logo is appropriate so we do not have another issue come up like we did with the backpack giveaway flyer.

#### CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Items 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 14 were unanimously approved by motion of Mayor Davila and seconded by Council Member Hurtado. Items 5 and 13 were pulled for separate discussion.

**Roll Call:** Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Diaz, yes; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Avalos, yes.

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CDBG

The City Council unanimously continued this item to the City Council meeting of September 22, 2020 by motion of Mayor Davila and seconded by Council Member Hurtado.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Diaz, yes; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Avalos, yes.

- a. Approving Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program Subrecipient Agreements for Fiscal Year 2020/21 with:
  1. The Fair Housing Foundation in the amount of \$24,000;
  2. Southern California Rehabilitation Services in the amount of \$8,000;
  3. The Salvation Army, DBA The Salvation Army Western Territory in the amount of \$22,500;
  4. Helpline Youth Counseling in the amount of \$22,500;
  5. The Tweedy Mile Association for a total amount of \$60,000; each of the ten participating businesses will receive a \$6,000 grant for exterior improvements; and
- b. Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Agreements in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

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5821 FIRESTONE

The City Council unanimously approved A and B during Consent Calendar.

- a. Approved the Listing Agreement (Contract No. 2020-84-CC) to Sell (Agreement) with ASI Real Estate Investments, LLC, to coordinate a sales and purchase transaction and development of the City owned parking lot located at 5821 Firestone Boulevard with 5821 Firestone Boulevard, LLC, acting by and through its Manager, GVD Commercial Properties, Inc., through a Development and Disposition Agreement, in an amount not to exceed \$49,150;
- b. Appropriated \$49,150 from the unassigned General Fund balance to Account Number 100-603-41-6101 (General Fund - Planning Professional Services) to fund the cost of this Agreement; and
- c. Authorized the Mayor to execute the Agreement in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.



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### HOUSING

The City Council unanimously approved A and B during Consent Calendar.

- a. Agreement (Contract No. 2020-32-CC) with Veronica Tam and Associates, Inc. for Housing Element update services for the 2021-2029 Cycle, in compliance with State law, in an amount not to exceed \$89,450; and
- b. Authorized the Mayor to execute the Agreement in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

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### EMERGENCY PLANNING

The City Council unanimously adopted Resolution 2020-32-CC entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of City of South Gate extending the Local Emergency within the City as a result of the ongoing Coronavirus Disease 2019 pandemic, retroactively effective July 11, 2020 during Consent Calendar.

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### CIS

The City Council unanimously approved A and B during Consent Calendar.

- a. Amendment No. 3 to Contract No. 3035 with Icon Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a CivicPlus, extending website maintenance support services through August 26, 2021, in an amount not-to exceed \$9,994; and
- b. Authorized the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 3 in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

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### REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT

The City Council unanimously approved A and B during Consent Calendar.

- a. Second Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding (Contract No. 2940) between the Los Angeles Gateway Region Integrated Regional Water Management Joint Powers Authority and participating agencies for administration and cost sharing for the implementation of the Lower Los Angeles River Watershed Management Program and the Coordinated Integrated Monitoring Program from October 1, 2020 to September 30, 2025 or the expiration of the forthcoming Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) permit, whichever occurs first, in an amount not-to-exceed \$610,378; and

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- b. Authorized the City Manager to execute the Second Amendment to Contract No. 2940 in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

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FIRESTONE CAPACITY

The City Council unanimously approved A and B during Consent Calendar.

- a. Amendment No. 1 to Measure R Funding Agreement (Contract No. 3378) with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority (METRO) retroactively extending the lapsing date from June 30, 2020 to June 30, 2021, for the Firestone Boulevard Regional Corridor Capacity Enhancement Project, City Project No. 476-TRF, METRO Project ID No. MR306.33; and
- b. Authorized the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 1 in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

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This item was removed from the agenda.

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PERSONNEL

The City Council continued this item to a future City Council meeting to allow Staff additional time to negotiate the proposed rate increase by motion of Mayor Davila and seconded by Council Member Hurtado.

- a. Amendment No. 3 to Contract No. 2232 with AdminSure Inc., for the administration of the City's Self-Insured Workers' Compensation Program with a 2% rate increase for Fiscal Years 2020/21, 2021/22 and 2022/23; and
- b. Authorizing the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 3 in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Diaz, yes; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Avalos, yes.

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The City Council unanimously approved A and B during Consent Calendar.

- a. The Regular and Special City Council Meeting minutes of July 28, 2020; and
- b. The Regular and Special City Council Meeting minutes of August 11, 2020.



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WARRANTS

The City Council unanimously approved A and B with the exception of Warrant #89826 by motion of Council Auditor Avalos and seconded by Mayor Davila.

- a. Check No. 89600 from August 11, 2020; and
- b. Warrant register for August 25, 2020.

Total of Checks:	\$2,615,621.99
Voids:	(\$ 0.00)
Total Payroll Deductions (FY 2020/21)	(\$ 340,173.90)
Grand Total:	\$2,275,448.09

**Roll Call:** Mayor Davila, yes; Vice Mayor Rios, yes; Council Member Diaz, yes; Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Avalos, yes.


Council Member Avalos recognized Cesar Godinez, Public Works Department for working towards a higher education

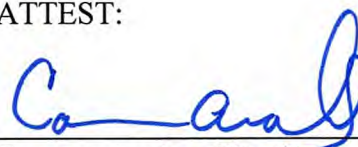
Mayor Davila mentioned that someone has created a fake account on social media using her name. It has been reported but wanted to caution anyone to disregard any information from account titled Mariadavila2847.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Davila unanimously adjourned the meeting at 11:24 p.m. in memory of Nicholas "Nick" Godoy, South Gate Resident, Frances Lopez, Jesus A. Guerrero father of City Employee Sonia Guerrero, Peter Jesus Guerrero, nephew of City Employee Sonia Guerrero, Maria Luz Solache, Guillermo S. Perez, Bryan Baltierra, Marco Baranca, Evan, Christopher, Jeff, Westley, Chaistie, Cesar Villanueva, Lee Sheek and seconded by Council Member Avalos.

**PASSED** and **APPROVED** this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2020.

  
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 Maria Davila, Mayor

ATTEST:  
  
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 Carmen Avalos, City Clerk