## SOUTH GATE CITY COUNCIL SOUTH GATE HOUSING AUTHORITY SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE

## SPECIAL JOINT BUDGET MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, JULY 12, 2021

CALL TO ORDER

Al Rios, Mayor/Chairperson called the Special Joint Budget Session Meeting of the South Gate City Council to order at 6:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

PRESENT

Mayor/Chairperson Al Rios, Vice Mayor/Vice Chairperson Maria del Pilar Avalos, Council/Authority/Agency Member Maria Davila, Council/Authority/Agency Member Gil Hurtado and Council/Authority/Agency Member Denise Diaz and City Treasurer Gregory Martinez, Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director Chris Jeffers, City Attorney/Authority/Agency Counsel Raul F. Salinas

BUDGET ADMIN

The City Council, South Gate Housing Authority and the Successor Agency to the Community Development Commission of the City of South Gate

- a. Received and filed various presentations regarding the Proposed Municipal Budgets for Fiscal Year 2021/22 for these entities, and the 5-year Capital Improvement Program; and
- b. Directed staff to schedule another Special City Council Meeting in August for budget review and discussion prior to the legislative bodies of these entities consider the formal adoption of the Municipal Budgets for Fiscal Year 2021/22.

Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director Chris Jeffers introduced and thanked Kingsley Okereke, Interim Director of Administrative Services, Kim Sao, Deputy Director of Administrative Services, Connie Delaney, Jim Raia, Senior Financial Analyst, Alma Medina from Public Works and Art Cervantes from Public Works for their hard work with the budget.

Interim City Manager/Interim Executive Director Chris Jeffers presented a budget PowerPoint. Mr. Jeffers will provide a hard copy to the City Clerk's Office.

Joshua Barron, 8819 Beaudine Avenue, asked if the public will be able to speak individually for each department if they have questions.

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Mr. Jeffers stated that the intent is to bring all departments at a future meeting in August.

Mr. Barron asked if the city has a practice of investing to generate funds. He noticed the largest increase was in personnel. He mentioned that the deficits do not include the anticipation that we want to start preparing for fleet funds. He was very impressed about the information on our taxation.

Virginia Johnson, 5751 McKinley Avenue, noticed that the staff report was only one page because this was a presentation. She would like to see more code enforcement officers.

Robert Montalvo asked about the part-time employees if it would be feasible to hire them full-time. He also suggested on grant writing companies. He thanked Mr. Jeffers for the presentation.

Mr. Jeffers stated the city does have an investment policy and asked Mr. Okereke on it.

Kingsley Okereke, Interim Director of Administrative Services stated that the city does have an investment policy. That policy applies to all local government in California, and we cannot invest in anything beyond five years.

Council Member Hurtado would like to know if the departments are full staffed.

Vice Mayor Avalos suggested a video in English and Spanish from the departments and placed on the city's website.

Council Member Davila thanked city staff for today's presentation.

Mayor Rios thanked city staff for today's presentation.

Vice Mayor Avalos thanked city staff for today's presentation.

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ADJOURNMENT

Council Member Davila unanimously adjourned the meeting at 8:57 p.m. and seconded Council Member Hurtado.

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

PASSED and APPROVED this 23<sup>rd</sup> day of November 2021.

ATTEST:

Al Rios, Mayor/Chairperson

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk