

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2021**

CALL TO ORDER: Al Rios, Mayor called a Regular City Council meeting to order at 6:52 p.m.

INVOCATION: Bishop Ismael Martin del Campo, Empower Apostolic Assembly Church

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Darren Arakawa, Acting Police Chief

ROLL CALL: Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

PRESENT: Mayor Al Rios, Vice Mayor Maria del Pilar Avalos, Council Member Denise Diaz and Council Member Gil Hurtado; City Treasurer Gregory Martinez, Interim City Manager Chris Jeffers, City Attorney/Special Legal Counsel Raul F. Salinas

ABSENT: Council Member Maria Davila

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PROCLAMATIONS The City Council issued a Proclamation declaring October 23 through 31, 2021, as National Red Ribbon Week in the City of South Gate.

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APPOINTMENTS The City Council appointed Council Member Diaz to serve for a 2-year term to the Greater Los Angeles County Vector Control Board by motion of Council Member Hurtado and seconded by Vice Mayor Avalos.

Roll Call: Mayor Rios, yes; Vice Mayor Avalos, yes; Council Member Diaz, abstain, Council Member Hurtado, yes; Council Member Davila, absent

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PARKING The City Council approved A and B by motion of Vice Mayor Avalos and seconded by Mayor Rios.

Roll Call: Mayor Rios, yes; Vice Mayor Avalos, yes; Council Member Diaz, yes, Council Member Hurtado, no; Council Member Davila, absent

- a. Received and filed a presentation of the Citywide Parking Study; and
- b. Approved the Citywide Parking Study and its Priority Tool Kit.

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COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Virginia Johnson concerned about clerk position.

Andrea Paulino requesting subject of changing city clerk to appointed versus elected.

Alma, Cheer Coach requested money for mats at school.

Mario Dominguez concerned about parking.

Ana Elizarras, Chamber of Commerce congratulated staff on two great events (Art Walk & Family Day in the Park).

Robert Montalvo is concerned about violations.

Liz Ruiz is concerned about address not being identified on Zoom.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk read the following emails into the record:

Natalie Amezua had concerns regarding the lack of parking and code enforcement in her neighborhood.

Jovanna Cortez has concerns about people once again using social media to attack the South Gate Junior Athletic Association.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Items 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 13, 14, 15, and 16 were approved by motion of Vice Mayor Avalos and seconded by Council Member Diaz. Council Member Hurtado recused himself from voting on Items 6 and 14. Council Member Davila was absent. Items 5 and 12 were pulled for separate discussion.

Roll Call: Mayor Rios, yes; Vice Mayor Avalos, yes; Council Member Diaz, yes, Council Member Hurtado, yes and recused himself for items 6 and 14; Council Member Davila, absent

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MUNICIPAL CODE

The City Council waived the reading in full and adopted Ordinance No. 2021-09-CC entitled - An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of South Gate, California, adding Section 1.52.081 (Electronic Filing) to Chapter 1.52 (Municipal Elections) of Title 1 (Administration and Personnel), of the South Gate Municipal Code relating to electronic filing of Campaign Statements and Statements of Economic Interest (Form 700) during consent calendar.

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CITY COUNCIL

The City Council considered adopted Resolution No. 2021-46-CC entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate authorizing remote teleconference meetings of the City Council, all City subordinate bodies, and all City non-profit corporation Boards and their subordinate bodies, for the period October 12 - November 11, 2021, by motion of Council Member Hurtado and seconded by Council Member Diaz. Council Member Davila was absent.

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

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EDUCATION

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2021-47-CC entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate, California, recognizing the Secretary of Education's legal authority through the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20 U.S.C. 1082 (A) to broadly cancel student debt during consent calendar.

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PARKS

The City Council approved A, B, and C during consent calendar.

- a. Adopted Resolution No. 2021-48-CC entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate, California, approving project application(s) for Per Capita Grant funds from Proposition 68 to the State of California Department of Parks and Recreation; and
- b. Delegated the authority to the Director of Parks & Recreation or designee to conduct all negotiations, sign, and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests which may be necessary for the completion of the grant scope(s); and
- c. Authorized the Mayor to execute Resolution in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

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PARKS

The City Council approved A, B, and C during consent calendar.

- a. Adopted Resolution No. 2021-49-CC entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate, California, approving authority to file for and receive all Measure A grant funds from the Los Angeles County Regional Park and Open Space District (RPOSD) for Projects and Programs;

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PARKS CONT'D

- b. Delegated authority to the Director of Parks & Recreation or designee to conduct all negotiations, sign, and submit all documents including, but not limited to, applications, agreements, amendments, and payment requests which may be necessary for the completion of the grant scope(s); and
- c. Authorized the Mayor to execute Resolution in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

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ENGINEERING

The City Council approved A and B during consent calendar.

- a. Adopted Resolution No. 2021-50-CC entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate, California, adopting Caltrans Local Assistance Procedures Manual Chapter 10 for Consultant Selection; and
- b. Authorized the Mayor to execute the Resolution in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

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STREETS

The City Council approved A, B, C, and D during consent calendar

- a. Accepted completion of construction, effective September 23, 2021, of the Chakemco Street Improvements Project, City Project No. 593-ST, constructed by Hardy & Harper, Inc.;
- b. Directed the City Clerk to file a Notice of Completion with Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder's Office;
- c. Approved Change Order No. 3 to Contract No. 2020-30-CC with Hardy and Harper, Inc., for additional improvements and a deduction of bid quantities on the Chakemco Street Improvement Project, City Project No. 593-ST, in a net amount not-to-exceed \$5,717; and
- d. Authorized the Assistant City Manager/Director of Public Works to execute Change Order No. 3.

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STREETS

The City Council approved A, B, and C during consent calendar.

- a. Contract Change Order No. 5 to Contract No. 2020-43-CC with Sequel Contractors, Inc., to add improvements and change out the street furniture specified for the "Garfield Avenue, from south city limit to Jefferson Avenue and Imperial Highway, from west city limit to east city limit, City Project No. 413-ST, Federal Project No. STPL-5257(030)," in an amount not-to- exceed \$164,146;
- b. Contract Change Order No. 6 to Contract No. 2020-43-CC with Sequel Contractors, Inc., to add improvements on the "Firestone Boulevard and Otis Street Improvements and Imperial Highway Center Median, City Project No. 496-ST, Federal Project No. HSIPL- 5257(032)," in an amount not-to-exceed \$43,470; and
- c. Authorized the Assistant City Manager/Director of Public Works to execute Contract, Change Order Nos. 5 and 6 to Contract No. 2020-43-CC.

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STREETS

The City Council approved A, B, C, D, E, F, and G by motion of Mayor Rios and seconded by Vice Mayor Avalos.

- a. Approved an Agreement (Contract No. 2021-127-CC) with Parkwood Landscape Maintenance, Inc., to provide landscaping and general maintenance services, for a three-year term, for a not-to-exceed amount of \$1,149,384 or \$383,128 per year;
- b. Appropriated \$18,779 in Street Lighting & Landscaping Funds to Account No. 251-714-25-6101 (Professional Services Account) to fund the proposed Agreement;
- c. Appropriated \$2,522 in Measure R Funds to Account No. 224-780-31-6101 (Professional Services Account) to fund the proposed Agreement;
- d. Appropriated \$26,575 in Water Fund to Account No. 411-731-71-6101 (Professional Services Account) to fund the proposed Agreement;
- e. Appropriating \$50,445 in Gas Tax Funds to Account No. 212-713-31-6101 (Professional Services Account) to fund the proposed Agreement;

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STREETS CONT'D

- f. Appropriated \$16,113 in Proposition A Funds to Account No. 221-731-51-6101 (Professional Services) to fund the proposed Agreement; and
- g. Authorized the Mayor to execute the proposed Agreement with Parkwood Landscape Maintenance, Inc. in a form approved by the City Attorney.

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

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WATER

The City Council approved A and B during consent calendar.

- a. Notice of Exemption for Well No. 30, City Project No. 605-WTR as required by the California Environmental Protection Act Categorical Exemption; and
- b. Directed the City Clerk to file the Notice of Exemption with the Los Angeles County Registrar Recorder's Office and State Clearing House.

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STREETS

The City Council approved Southern California Edison Service Request No. 2792182 to authorize the installation of a new electrical service meter and related improvements for the Urban Orchard Project, City Project No. 539-PRK, in the amount of \$80,692 during consent calendar.

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DATA PROCESSING

The City Council approved A and B during consent calendar.

- a. Approved a purchase order for ten (10) mobile data computers including hardware and software in the amount of \$66,287.63 to be installed in police vehicle units; and
- b. Authorized the Mayor to execute the Purchase Order Agreement in a form acceptable to the City Attorney.

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MINUTES

The City Council approved A, B, and C during consent calendar.

- a. Special Meeting minutes of August 31, 2021;
- b. Special Meeting minutes of September 7, 2021; and
- c. Special and Regular Meeting minutes of September 14, 2021.

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RECYCLING

The City Council considered:

- a. Receiving and filing a presentation by HF&H Consultants, LLC the Draft Request for Proposal for Recycling, Organics, and Solid Waste Collection and Recycling, Organics and C&D Processing Services; and
- b. Approving and authorizing the issuance of the Draft Request for Proposals for Recycling, Organics, and Solid Waste Collection and Recycling, Organics and C&D Processing Services.

This item was continued to the City Council Meeting of October 26, 2021.

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WARRANT

The City Council approved the Warrant Register for October 12, 2021, by motion of Vice Mayor Avalos and seconded by Council Member Hurtado:

Total of Checks:	\$3,298,966.04
Voids:	\$ (0.00)
Total of Payroll Deductions:	<u>\$ (320,182.05)</u>
Grand Total:	\$2,978,783.99

ADJOURNMENT


Mayor Rios adjourned the meeting at 10:04 p.m. and seconded by Vice Mayor Avalos.

PASSED and **APPROVED** this 9th day of November 2021.

ATTEST:



Al Rios, Mayor



Carmen Avalos, City Clerk