

RESOLUTION NO. 7755

CITY OF SOUTH GATE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE DECLARING THE CITY'S INTENTION TO GRANT A TEN-YEAR TERM FRANCHISE TO PACIFIC PIPELINE SYSTEM, LLC, A DELAWARE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, TO LAY AND USE PIPES, DITCHES, FLUMES, CONDUITS AND APPURTENANCES FOR TRANSMITTING AND DISTRIBUTING OIL OR PRODUCTS THEREOF, FOR ANY AND ALL PURPOSES IN, ALONG, ACROSS, UPON AND UNDER THE PUBLIC STREETS, WAYS, ALLEYS AND PLACES, AS THE SAME NOW OR MAY HEREAFTER EXIST, WITHIN THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE, AND SETTING A PUBLIC HEARING FOR April 25, 2017, TO CONSIDER THE INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE GRANTING THE PROPOSED RENEWAL FRANCHISE AGREEMENT

**WHEREAS**, Pacific Pipeline System, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company ("PPS"), has requested, in accordance with California Public Utility Code Section 6231, that the City of South Gate ("City") grant PPS a franchise for the use of one existing 1-mile long, 20-inch diameter pipeline located beneath Alameda Avenue, between Southern Avenue and the south City limit ("Line 2000"); and

**WHEREAS**, Line 2000 has been in place since at least 1994 and has been operated by several different oil and pipeline companies under several franchises granted by the City; and

**WHEREAS**, the most recent such franchise pertaining to Line 2000 was granted on January 23, 2007, when the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2225 granting an additional 5 year franchise renewal to PPS, to operate Line 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, the franchise granted by Ordinance No. 2225 expired on September 12, 2011, and PPS requested that the franchise agreement with the City of South Gate relative to Line 2000 be extended for an additional 5-year term; and

**WHEREAS**, on August 23, 2011, the City Council granted that request, extending the term of the franchise under Ordinance No. 2225 until September 12, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, PPS wishes to enter into a new franchise agreement with the City relative to Line 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, before the City can award a franchise, California Public Utility Code Section 6232 *et seq.* requires the City Council pass a resolution declaring its intent to grant a franchise and to set a public hearing at which all persons having any objection to the granting thereof may appear before the City Council and be heard thereon;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE DOES HEREBY RESOLVE AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1.** The above recitals are all true and correct.

**SECTION 2.** In accordance with Public Utility Code Section 6232 *et seq.*, the City Council of the City of South Gate declares its intent to grant a franchise to PPS, for it to operate and maintain Line 2000, for a period of ten (10) years, commencing retroactively on September 13, 2016 and expiring on September 13, 2026.

**SECTION 3.** The terms and conditions of the franchise will be in accordance with California Public Utilities Code Section 6201 *et seq.* and will be substantially similar to Ordinance No. 2225. The proposed ordinance will set the franchise payment, the term, and the rules and requirements under which PPS franchise will be required to operate the Pipeline. A copy of the draft proposed ordinance is attached as Exhibit A to this Resolution.

**SECTION 4.** The public hearing at which the City Council of the City of South Gate shall consider the proposed franchise for first reading and at which the City Council shall hear all objections and other related comments will take place on April 25, 2017 at 6:30 p.m., or as shortly thereafter as the schedule permits, in the City Council Chambers at 8650 California Avenue, South Gate, CA 90280.

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**SECTION 5.** The City Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to give notice as required by law by causing a copy of this Resolution to be published in *The Press*, a newspaper of general circulation within the City of South Gate; said publication to be completed not less than fifteen (15) days after the adoption of this Resolution.

**SECTION 6.** The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Resolution which shall be effective upon its adoption.

**PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED** this 28<sup>th</sup> day of March 2017.

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE:**



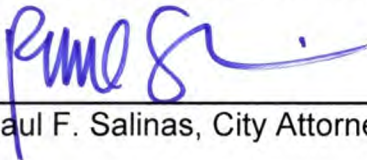
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W.H. (Bill) De Witt, Mayor

**ATTEST:**



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Carmen Avalos, City Clerk  
(SEAL)

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**



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Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney

ORDINANCE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

CITY OF SOUTH GATE  
LOS ANGELES COUNTY, CALIFORNIA

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**WHEREAS**, the most recent franchise pertaining to Line 2000 was granted on January 23, 2007, when the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 2225 granting an additional 5-year franchise renewal to PPS; and

**WHEREAS**, the renewed franchise granted by Ordinance No. 2225, which was to expire on September 12, 2011, was extended on August 23, 2011, by the City Council for another 5-year term until September 12, 2016; and

**WHEREAS**, PPS wishes to enter into a 10-year franchise agreement with the City retroactive to September 16, 2016, relative to Line 2000; and

**WHEREAS**, the City of South Gate, pursuant to applicable federal, state and local law, is authorized to grant franchises within the City of South Gate; and

**WHEREAS**, on March 28, 2017, the City Council adopted Resolution No. \_\_\_\_\_ declaring its intention to grant a franchise to PPS; and

**WHEREAS**, after proper notice the City Council of the City of South Gate has conducted a public hearing regarding the granting of such franchise; and

**WHEREAS**, on May 6, 2017, a Notice of Public Hearing was published in *The Press*, a newspaper meeting the statutory qualifications for publishing such notices; and



**WHEREAS**, on April 25, 2017, following a public hearing, the City Council introduced Ordinance No. \_\_\_\_\_;

**NOW, THEREFORE, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE DOES HEREBY ORDAIN AS FOLLOWS:**

**SECTION 1: Definitions.** Whenever in this Ordinance the words or phrases hereinafter in this section defined are used, it is intended that they shall have the respective meanings assigned to them in the following definitions (unless, in the given instance, the context wherein they are used shall clearly import a different meaning):

- A) The word "**City**" shall mean the City of South Gate, a municipal corporation of the State of California, in its present incorporated form or in any later reorganized, consolidated, enlarged or reincorporated form.
- B) The word "**Franchise**" shall mean and include any authorization by the City to transmit and distribute thereof for any and all purposes under, along, across or upon the public street, ways, alleys, and places in the City by means of pipes and appurtenances for conducting, transporting, conveying, and carrying oil, gas, gasoline, petroleum, wet gas, hydrocarbon substances, water, waste water, mud and other liquid substances for any and all purposes.
- C) The word "**Grantee**" shall mean PPS, a Delaware limited liability company, which is the entity to whom the Franchise contemplated in this Ordinance is granted, and its lawful successors or assigns.
- D) The phrase "**Lay and Use**" shall mean to lay, construct, excavate, erect, install, operate, maintain, use, repair, replace, relocate or remove.
- E) The phrase "**Pipeline Franchise Ordinance**" shall mean that certain pipeline franchise Ordinance adopted by the City Council of the City and codified at Chapters 13.02 through 13.18, inclusive, of the South Gate Municipal Code.
- F) The phrase "**Pipelines and Appurtenances**" shall mean one or more pipes and/or pipelines used for conducting, transporting, conveying and carrying oil, gas, gasoline, petroleum, wet gas, hydrocarbon substances, water, waste water, mud and other liquid substances, together with any appurtenant or related appliance, attachment, cable, cathodic protective device, conduit, equipment, fitting, gauge, main, manhole, meter, pump, regulator, service, trap, valve, vault, vent or wire, where located under, along, across or upon the public streets, ways, alleys, and places in the City.
- G) The phrase "**Street**" shall mean the public streets, alleys and places within the City of South Gate as the same now or may hereafter exist, and in which the City has the opportunity to grant a franchise.

**SECTION 2: Grant of Franchise.** The right, privilege and franchise, subject to all terms and conditions contained in this Ordinance, and pursuant to the provisions of the Division 3, Chapter 2 of the California Public Utilities Code, known as the Franchise Act of 1937, is hereby granted to Grantee, to use a system of Pipelines and Appurtenances for the purpose of conducting, transporting, conveying and carrying oil, gas, gasoline,



petroleum, wet gas, hydrocarbon substances, water, waste water, mud and other liquid substances under and across the City's right-of-way upon the terms and conditions set forth in Section 3, below. The Franchise granted hereunder pertains only to Line 2000, and not to any other pipelines currently or previously installed, owned or operated by PPS. The City acknowledges that Grantee's predecessor in interest installed two (2) "other pipelines known as Line 35 (4" diameter) and Line 63 (14" diameter)" within the City of South Gate; the City further acknowledges that Grantee sold Line 35 in 2011 and the City granted a new Franchise to the buyer of Line 35; the City expressly advises PPS that (a) the right to install, operate, maintain, use, repair, replace, relocate and remove Line 35 is not granted to PPS under any City Franchise, and (b) the right to install, operate, maintain, use, repair, replace, relocate and remove Line 63 is NOT included among the rights granted in this Ordinance but is instead included in the Franchise granted by the City to PPS on November 25, 2014, under Ordinance No. 2321.

**SECTION 3: Conditions.** The rights granted herein shall be subject to (a) the terms and conditions set forth in this Ordinance, and (b) construction of Pipelines and Appurtenances by the Grantee, at the Grantee's expense and at such time or times as directed by the City.

**SECTION 4: Term.** The Franchise shall be for a term of ten (10) years commencing retroactively on September 13, 2016 and expiring September 13, 2026, or until such earlier time that:

- A) The Franchise is voluntarily surrendered or abandoned by the Grantee, or assigned, transferred, sold or leased without the prior express written consent of the City which assignment shall not be unreasonably withheld; or
- B) The State of California, the City, or some other municipal or public entity duly authorized by law shall purchase the Franchise area, as described in Section 1(B) by voluntary agreement, or shall condemn and take the Franchise area under the power of eminent domain; or the Franchise is forfeited by the Grantee due to the Grantee's noncompliance with the terms and conditions of the Franchise.
- C) The Grantee shall, within thirty (30) days after the passage of this Ordinance granting the Franchise, file with the City Clerk a written acceptance of the terms and conditions of this Ordinance: provided, however, that as to franchises granted to the United States of America, use will constitute acceptance.

**SECTION 5: Insurance.**

- A) On or before commencement of any franchise operations, the Grantee shall obtain or provide satisfactory evidence of having policies of liability and worker's compensation insurance from companies authorized to transact business in the State of California by the Insurance Commissioner of California as provided by Section 13.08.050 of Chapter 13.08, Division I of Title 13.



- B) The Grantee shall file with the City Clerk prior to commencement of any franchise operations, either certified copies of the policies or a certificate of insurance for each of the required policies executed by the company issuing the policy, certifying that the policy is in force and as provided by Section 13.08.050 of Chapter 13.08, Division I of Title 13.
- C) On or before the effective date of this Ordinance, Grantee shall file and thereafter at all times during the life of the Franchise keep on file with the City Clerk a corporate surety bond running to the City or public entity which may become entitled to the benefits herein reserved in the Franchise by virtue of future incorporations or annexations, in the penal sum of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or such other sum as may be specifically provided for in this Ordinance granting the Franchise, with surety to be approved by the City Attorney, conditioned that Grantee shall well and truly observe, fulfill and perform each condition of the Franchise and that in case of any breach of condition of the bond after thirty (30) days' notice to cure has expired, the whole amount of the penal sum shall be deemed to be liquidated damages and shall be recoverable from the principal and sureties of the bond. If the bond is not to be filed prior to the effective date of this Ordinance, the award of the Franchise may be set aside and this Ordinance granting the Franchise repealed at any time prior to the filing of the bond and any money paid in consideration for the award of Franchise shall be deemed forfeited. In the event that the bond, after it has been so filed, shall at any time during the life of the Franchise, in the reasonable opinion of the City Attorney, becomes insufficient, the Grantee agrees to renew the bond, with sureties to be approved by the City Attorney, within thirty (30) days after written notice to do so from the City Attorney.
- D) As an alternate to the filing of a bond, the Grantee may deposit with the City Clerk and assign to the City savings and loan certificates or shares, or both, in the same amount as required on such bond.

**SECTION 6: Fee.** The Grantee shall pay to the City the following fees pursuant to the following requirements:

- A) An initial franchise fee of eleven thousand two hundred fifty five dollars (\$11,255.00) pursuant to Section 13.10.010 of Chapter 13.10, Division 1, of Title 13 of the South Gate Municipal Code, prior to the adoption of this Ordinance.
- B) A base annual fee for times hereafter specified, in lawful money of the United States, as provided for in the Section 6231.5 of the California Public Utility Code, which annual fee shall be computed as follows;
  1. The length of pipe expressed in feet located within the franchised area shall be multiplied by the applicable base rate, as adjusted pursuant to subdivision (d), in accordance with the following schedule:

Pipe size (internal diameter in inches)	Base rate per lineal foot
0-4 .....	\$0.088



6 .....	0.132
8 .....	0.176
10 .....	0.220
12 .....	0.264
14 .....	0.308
16 .....	0.352
18 .....	0.396
20 .....	0.440
22 .....	0.484
24 .....	0.528
26 .....	0.572
28 .....	0.616
30 .....	0.660

- C) For pipelines with an internal diameter not listed above, the fees shall be in the same Proportion to the fees of a 12-inch-diameter pipe as the diameter of the unlisted pipe is to 12 inches.
- D) The annual payment for each lineal foot of pipeline shall be computed and revised each calendar year as follows:
  - (a) The applicable base rate shall be multiplied by the Consumer Price Index for the Los Angeles County, as published by the United States Department of Labor, Office of Information for the month of September immediately preceding the month in which payment is due and payable, and divided by the Consumer Price Index for June 30, 1989, which is declared to be 128.7. Under no circumstances shall the multiplying factor be less than one.
  - (b) If the United States Department of Labor, Office of Information, discontinues the preparation or publication of a Consumer Price Index for the Los Angeles County, and if no translation table prepared by the Department of Labor is available so as to make those statistics which are then available applicable to the index of June 30, 1989, the municipality shall prescribe a rate of payment which shall, in its judgment, vary from the rates specified in this section in approximate proportion as commodity consumer prices then current vary from commodity consumer prices current in December 1988. On this point, the determination by the municipality shall be final and conclusive.
- E) Initial construction charges relative to any new Pipelines and Appurtenances laid during the term of the Franchise, shall be calculated at a rate of one hundred dollars (\$100) per mile, or fraction thereof, as provided at the time and in the amounts specified in Section 13.10.040 of Chapter 13.10, Division 1, of Title 13 of the South Gate Municipal Code.
- F) Fees pursuant to Section 13.10.060 of the Chapter 13.10, Division 1, of Title 13 of the South Gate Municipal Code and shall be due and payable annually during the term of the Franchise and subject to adjustment in accordance with



paragraph B and D of Section 6, within three (3) months after the expiration of the calendar year. A rate of ten percent (10%) per annum, or fraction thereof beyond thirty (30) days after payment due date and following ten (10) days after receipt by Grantee of written notice of such delinquency, may be charged as additional consideration.

- G) Any neglect, omission or refusal by the Grantee to make any such payment as and when due, or to file any related statement, certification or verification as to the required payment reasonably required by the City, at the times or in the manner required herein and in the Pipeline Franchise Ordinance, shall be grounds for the declaration of a forfeiture of the Franchise and of all rights hereunder after thirty (30) days' notice to cure has expired as provided for in Section 12.
- H) The Grantee shall file with the City Clerk, within three (3) months after the expiration of the calendar year following the effective date of its Franchise, a verified statement setting forth in details the Grantee's computation of the annual fee which is payable for the preceding franchise payment period of the annual fee. Any neglect, omission or refusal by the Grantee to file the verified statement, or to pay the annual fee, at the times or in the manner herein provided, shall constitute grounds for the declaration of a forfeiture of this Franchise and of all rights of the Grantee hereunder.
- I) In the event of abandonment of facilities with the approval of the City as elsewhere in this Ordinance provided, or in the event of removal of such facilities by the Grantee, the payments otherwise due the City for occupancy of the roads or highways by such facilities shall be prorated for the calendar year in which such removal or abandonment occurs as of the end of the calendar month in which removed or abandoned.

**SECTION 7: Plans.** Within ninety (90) days following the date in which any Pipelines and Appurtenances have been laid or constructed under this Franchise, the Grantee shall file a plan or plans in such forms as may be required by the City's City Engineer showing the accurate location and size of all Pipelines and Appurtenances then in place within the Franchise Area, and shall, upon installation of any Pipelines and Appurtenances, or upon change or removal of all or any portion thereof, file a revised map or maps showing the location and size of all such additional, changed or removed Pipelines and Appurtenances as of that day.

**SECTION 8: Additional Conditions.** The Grantee of this Franchise shall:

- A) Construct, install, test, and maintain all Pipelines and Appurtenances in accordance with and in conformity with all City, County, State and Federal Ordinances, statutes, rules, regulations and other laws (whether now existing or hereafter adopted) applicable to the installation, location, use, maintenance and/or removal of the Pipelines and Appurtenances;
- B) Pay to the City, on demand, the cost of all repairs to public property made necessary by any operations of the Grantee under this Franchise, including restoring the Street to its original condition upon the removal of all or any portion



of the Pipeline and Appurtenances, or upon the termination or non-renewal of the Franchise;

- C) Indemnify and hold harmless the City, its officers and employees from any and all liability for damages proximately resulting from the Grantee's acts or omissions under this Franchise; and be liable to the City for all damages proximately resulting from the failure of said Grantee well and faithfully to observe and perform each and every provision of this Franchise;
- D) Install, remove or relocate, at the request of the City and without expense to the City, any Pipelines and Appurtenances installed, used and maintained under this Franchise if and when made necessary by any lawful change of grade, alignment or width of the affected Street;
- E) Construct, install, use, operate, repair or modify any pipeline for the transportation of flammable or combustible liquids, in a manner prescribed by the California State Fire Marshall, and/or Chief of Los Angeles Fire Department in accordance with Chapter 13.14 Division 1, of the Title 13 of the South Gate Municipal Code;
- F) Pipeline testing shall be conducted as required by the California State Fire Marshall and the Pipeline Safety Act of 1981, California Government Code Section 51010, et seq. Upon request of the City, Grantee shall provide a summary of the most recent testing to include the date the test occurred and the locations of any planned pipeline maintenance activities necessitating excavation of a Street; and
- G) Submit a written petition of franchise renewal to the City at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration date.

**SECTION 9: Permits.** The Grantee shall obtain an excavation permit, and pay the applicable fee therefore, prior to commencing any excavation in the right-of-way. The Grantee may obtain an excavation permit by filing a set of excavation plans with the City Engineer, which plans shall be subject to the City Engineer's review and approval. The excavation plans shall show the location of the proposed excavation, as well as the location of all known existing pipes, sewers, conduits, improvements and other facilities in or under any Street or public property in which the franchise property is located with an adequate description of the proposed work, including an estimate of the duration of the interference with any street traffic. The issuance of any excavation permit for the construction or installation of a pipeline for the transmission of flammable or combustible liquids, gases or hazardous materials, shall be as prescribed by the fire Chief of the Los Angeles County Fire Department in accordance with Chapter 13.14, Division 1, of Title 13 of the South Gate Municipal Code.

- A) Where it is necessary to lay underground pipes through, under or across any portion of a paved or macadamized street, such work, where practicable and economically feasible, shall be done by a tunnel or bore so as not to disturb the foundation of such paved or macadamized street. If the same cannot be done, or if it is necessary to cut the street in order to access existing pipes and appurtenances, such work shall be done pursuant to an excavation permit, as



provided in above paragraph, to be issued by the City Engineer upon application therefore.

- B) All work shall be subject to inspection by the City Engineer. All street coverings or openings, valves, vaults and manholes shall at all times be kept flush with the surface of the streets; provided, however, that vents for underground vaults and manholes may, subject to the prior approval of the City Engineer, extend above the surface of the streets when such vents are located in parkways, between the curb and the property line. The Grantee shall provide adequate traffic safety barriers, signs, devices and traffic safety warning equipment in accordance with City ordinances, rules or regulations, and shall comply with such additional safety measures as the City Engineer may direct.

#### **SECTION 10: Emergency Equipment.**

- A) The Grantee shall develop and maintain an emergency response plan, satisfactory to the City Engineer, which covers all franchise operations within the City. An emergency response plan meeting the requirements of Federal and State law and containing the information contained in this section shall be acceptable. The emergency response plan shall include a 24-hour notification program and proof of arrangements capable of providing emergency response services, including but not limited to traffic control, street excavation, pipeline repair, and supplies and services as necessary, within two (2) hours of notification of any problem, and such other information as the City Engineer shall reasonably require. Subject to the requirements of the California State Fire Marshall, repairs to a public street, alley or parkway shall be completed within seventy-two (72) hours unless otherwise authorized by the City Engineer. Emergency work for temporary repair shall be completed within seventy-two (72) hours to restore the area to a safe condition until such time as a permanent improvement can be achieved. Completion of permanent work or any remaining corrective work shall then be completed within a reasonable schedule satisfactory to the City Engineer. The City Engineer shall be notified ten (10) days in advance of any proposed change in such arrangements. Grantee's emergency response plan shall be submitted to the City Engineer within thirty (30) days after the effective date of the Franchise.
- B) Whenever any Pipeline or Appurtenance breaks or leaks so as to cause the release of oil or products thereof into the public right-of-way, Grantee, and any other person using or controlling the Pipeline or Appurtenance, shall immediately notify the City's Police Department and Public Works Department and shall implement precautionary safety measures including traffic control, system shutdown, valve closures, and public notification. In the event of an emergency which threatens life, health, safety or property, and where it is not possible to obtain an excavation permit prior to commencement of the work, the Grantee may commence such work; provided, however, that within seventy-two (72) hours thereafter the Grantee shall make application to the City Engineer for an excavation permit in accordance with the procedures specified herein. The City Engineer may impose conditions upon the issuance of the excavation permit, and



all work shall be subject to inspection. Adequate traffic safety barriers shall be maintained at all times, and any damaged portion of the Street shall be restored to its original condition.

- C) If any portion of any Street is damaged by reason of defects in any of the Pipes and Appurtenances maintained or constructed by Grantee, or by reason of any other cause attributable to or arising from the operation of any Pipes and Appurtenances constructed or maintained by Grantee, the Grantee shall, at its sole cost and expense, promptly repair all damage and restore the Street to the condition existing before such damage occurred. All such work shall be done under the direction of the City Engineer, and to the reasonable satisfaction of the City Engineer. Grantee shall repair such damage and restore the Street within three (3) working days after written demand therefore by the City Engineer, or such other period as the City Engineer may authorize when required for the protection of the public health and safety.
- D) If the Grantee, after reasonable notice, fails or refuses to pave, surface, grade, repave, resurface or regrade as required by the provisions of this Franchise, the City may cause the work to be done and shall keep an itemized account of all costs, including reasonable administrative overhead expenses. Grantee shall pay such costs to City within thirty (30) days after presentation to Grantee of an itemized account of such costs.

#### **SECTION 11: Records.**

- A) Grantee acknowledges that the City's records may not be complete and that Pipes and Appurtenances previously unknown to City are frequently discovered. Consequently, by granting this Franchise or by approving any excavation permit requested by Grantee, the City does not warrant the accuracy of information supplied to the Grantee by the City regarding the location or existence of other facilities. Nothing herein shall be deemed to make the City, or any officer, agent or employee of the City, responsible or liable to the Grantee or to any other person by virtue of the City's approval of excavation permits and/or plans, regardless of whether any information is supplied by the City to the Grantee pertaining to the location of existing pipes, facilities or other improvements on, in or under any Street or other public property.
- B) The Grantee shall keep and preserve, within the County of Los Angeles for a period of five (5) years, subsequent to the date of the most recent franchise fee determination as ascertained by an audit made by the City or on its behalf, all the records necessary to determine the amount of such franchise fee.
- C) At all reasonable times, the Grantee shall permit the City or its duly authorized representative, to examine all Pipelines and Appurtenances, and after fifteen (15) days advance written notice to Grantee to examine any and all books, accounts, papers, maps, and other records kept or maintained by the Grantee or under its control necessary for the purpose of determination of franchise fees. Upon written request, Grantee shall provide copies of such records via electronic portal in view only format.



**SECTION 12: Failure to Comply.**

- A) If the Grantee shall fail, neglect or refuse to comply with any of the provisions or conditions of this Franchise, and shall not, within thirty (30) days after written demand for compliance, begin the work of compliance, or after commencing such compliance shall fail to prosecute the same with due diligence to completion, then the City, acting by and through its legislative body, may declare this Franchise forfeited.
- B) In the event of noncompliance by the Grantee with any of the conditions hereof, the City may, in addition to all other remedies provided for herein, bring suit for the forfeiture or termination of this Franchise.

**SECTION 13: Removal or Abandonment of Facilities.**

- A) At the expiration, revocation or termination of this Franchise or of the permanent discontinuance of the use of all or a portion of its facilities, the Grantee shall, within thirty (30) days thereafter, make written application to the Director of Public Works for authority either to: (1) abandon all or a portion of such facilities in place; or (2) remove all or a portion of such facilities. Such application shall describe the facilities desired to be abandoned, their location with reference to City highways, and shall describe with reasonable accuracy the physical condition of such facilities. The Director of Public Works shall determine whether any abandonment or removal which is thereby proposed may be effected without detriment to the public interest and under what conditions such proposed abandonment or removal may be effected. He or she shall then notify the Grantee of his or her determinations.
- B) Within thirty (30) days after receipt of such notice, the Grantee shall apply for a permit from the Public Works Department to abandon or remove the facility.
- C) The Grantee shall, within ninety (90) days after obtaining such permit, commence and diligently prosecute to completion the work authorized by the permit.

**SECTION 14: Effective Date.** This Ordinance shall take effect and be in force thirty (30) days after its adoption and upon written acceptance thereof is filed by the Grantee with the City Clerk of the City.

**SECTION 15: Publication Expenses.** The Grantee of this Franchise shall pay to the City a sum of money sufficient to reimburse it for all publication expenses incurred by it in connection with the granting of this Franchise; said payment to be made within thirty (30) days after the City shall have furnished said Grantee with a written statement of such expenses.

**SECTION 16: Posting of Ordinance.** The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause same to be published as required by law.

**SECTION 17: Confidentiality.** Grantee shall designate as confidential all security sensitive information, trade secrets, confidential business information and other information exempt from public disclosure. The City shall keep all such information confidential from the public except where required by law.

**PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED** this \_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2017.

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE:**

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W.H. (Bill) De Witt, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

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Carmen Avalos, City Clerk  
(SEAL)

**APPROVED AS TO FORM:**

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Raul F. Salinas, City Attorney



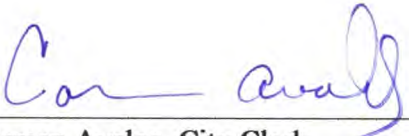
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**STATE OF CALIFORNIA        )**  
**COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES    )     SS**  
**CITY OF SOUTH GATE         )**

I, Carmen Avalos, City Clerk of the City of South Gate, California, hereby certify that the whole number of Members of the City Council of said City is five; that Resolution No. 7755 was adopted by the City Council at their Regular Meeting held on March 28, 2017, by the following vote:

Ayes:            Council Members:    Davila, Bernal and Morales  
Noes:            Council Members:    None  
Absent:          Council Members:    De Witt and Hurtado  
Abstain:         Council Members:    None

Witness my hand and the seal of said City on April 3, 2017.

  
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Carmen Avalos, City Clerk  
City of South Gate, California