



SOUTH GATE PUBLIC ACCESS CORPORATION MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, May 26, 2015 at 5:30 p.m.

I. Call To Order/Roll Call

CALL TO ORDER	Jorge Morales, Vice Chairperson
ROLL CALL	Carmen Avalos, Secretary

II. City Officials

CHAIRPERSON Vacant	PRESIDENT Michael Flad
VICE CHAIRPERSON Jorge Morales	SECRETARY Carmen Avalos
BOARD MEMBERS W.H. De Witt Maria Davila Gil Hurtado Maria Belen Bernal	TREASURER Gregory Martinez CHIEF LEGAL ADVISOR Raul F. Salinas

III. Meeting Compensation Disclosure

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54952.3: Disclosure of compensation for meeting attendance by the Board of Directors is \$35 per meeting.

IV. Open Session Agenda

1. Public Access Corporation Re-Organization

The Board will consider: (CLERK)

a. Appointing a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson and ratify the reorganization; and

b. Appointing the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson to represent the Board on the Public Access Corporation Ad Hoc Committee.

Documents: [ITEM 1 REPORT 05-26-15.PDF](#)

2. Government Access Channel's Future Direction And Resources

The Board will consider: (ADMIN)

a. Receiving and filing an update report on negotiations with Time Warner Cable; and

b. Providing direction to staff on how to utilize available resources to continue supporting the government access channel.

Documents: [ITEM 2 REPORT 05-26-15.PDF](#)

3. Public Access Corporation Meeting Minutes

The Board will consider approving the Public Access Corporation meeting minutes of March 10, 2015. (CLERK)

Documents: [ITEM 3 REPORT 05-26-15.PDF](#)

V. Adjournment

I, Carmen Avalos, Secretary, certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Meeting Agenda was posted on May 20, 2015, at 12:00 p.m., as required by law.

Carmen Avalos,
City Clerk

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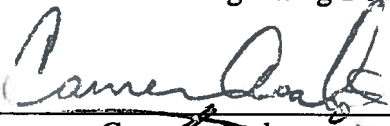
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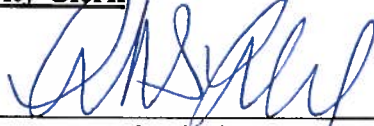
2:00pm

AGENDA BILL

For the Special Meeting of May 26, 2015

Originating Department: Office of the City Clerk

City Clerk: 
Carmén Avatós

City Manager: 
Michael Flad

SUBJECT: PUBLIC ACCESS CORPORATION RE-ORGANIZATION

ACTIONS:

- a. Appoint a Chairperson and Vice Chairperson and ratify the reorganization; and
- b. Appoint the Chairperson and Vice Chairperson to represent the Board on the Public Access Corporation Ad Hoc Committee.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

REPORT SUMMARY: Annually, the Board of Directors following traditional protocol re-organizes and selects a new Chairperson and Vice Chairperson. The selection corresponds and follows the selection of the Mayor and Vice Mayor. The City Council, at its meeting of April 14, 2015, voted to select Jorge Morales as Mayor and W.H. (Bill) De Witt as Vice Mayor.

At the Special Meeting of December 9, 2014, the Board appointed Henry C. Gonzalez (since retired) and Board Member De Witt to the Ad Hoc Committee. The committee provides direction and recommendations to the Board and meets as needed.

ATTACHMENT: None

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PUBLIC ACCESS CORPORATION

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9:30am

AGENDA BILL

For the Special Meeting of May 26, 2015
Originating Department: Administration

Management Analyst: Richard J. Luna
Richard J. Luna

City Manager: Michael Flad
Michael Flad

SUBJECT: GOVERNMENT ACCESS CHANNEL'S FUTURE DIRECTION AND RESOURCES

ACTIONS:

- a. The Board will receive and file an update report on negotiations with Time Warner Cable; and
- b. The Board will provide direction to staff on how to utilize available resources to continue supporting the government access channel.

FISCAL IMPACT: None at this time. Based on a finalized agreement with Time Warner Cable, there could be an additional impact of \$23,000 to the Public Access Corporation Fund for Fiscal Year 2015-16. Staff will be incorporating these costs into the Fiscal Year 2015-16 Municipal Budget that the City Council will approve in June.

REPORT SUMMARY: The City's franchise agreement with Time Warner Cable (TWC) expired on December 22, 2014. Since then, the City was no longer eligible to have events filmed by TWC staff. The City did continue to receive free operation of the government access channel and high speed internet and cable television service at City facilities. Both of these free services are set to expire in Fiscal Year 2015-16.

An Ad Hoc Committee comprised of former Chairperson Henry C. Gonzalez (since retired), Board Member W.H. (Bill) De Witt, Executive Director Michael Flad, Administrative Services Director Jacquelyn Acosta, and Management Analyst Richard J. Luna, met with representatives from TWC on several occasions since the franchise agreement expired. On May 7, 2015, Executive Director Flad and Management Analyst Luna met with TWC staff to discuss a proposal former Chairperson Gonzalez first offered that would allow for high school football games to be filmed for an additional season.

TWC verbally agreed to film 10 high school football games for the 2015 season, provided the City purchase the necessary broadcasting equipment directly from the company that would transfer operational control of the government access channel from TWC to the City. This transfer process is a state law requirement passed in 2006 under the Digital Infrastructure and Video Competition Act. The equipment would allow for video playback on the channel and the ability to publish a rotating community calendar on TWC Channel 3. TWC estimates the used equipment would cost the City approximately \$15,000 with installation and training provided at no cost. Purchasing new equipment

from an outside vendor could cost as much as \$50,000 when factoring installation and training, thereby resulting in a savings of nearly \$35,000.

TWC also agreed to provide free cable television service and public Wi-Fi internet access to existing outlets in City facilities until June 30, 2015. The City will be responsible for paying for these services beginning July 1, 2015. Providing cable television and Wi-Fi internet access in public facilities is estimated at \$8,000 annually.

At the Board's direction, staff will continue working with TWC to finalize an agreement of the mentioned services, while incorporating any modifications as provided by Board Members.

ATTACHMENT: None

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE PUBLIC ACCESS CORPORATION
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
MINUTES
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2015**

- CALL TO ORDER** A meeting of the South Gate Public Access Corporation Board of Directors was called to order by Chairman Henry C. Gonzalez at 5:40 p.m.
- ROLL CALL** Carmen Avalos, Secretary
- PRESENT** Chairman Henry C. Gonzalez, Vice Chairman Jorge Morales, Director Maria Davila, Director W.H. (Bill) De Witt and Director Gil Hurtado; President Michael Flad, Chief Legal Advisor Raul F. Salinas
- ABSENT/EXCUSED** Treasurer Maria Belen Bernal
- 1**
PAC ADMIN The Board of Directors unanimously received and filed an update report from the Ad Hoc Committee regarding contract negotiations with Time Warner NY Cable, LLC, by motion of Director Hurtado and seconded by Director Davila.
- 2**
PLAY-BY-PLAY
STIPEND The Board of Directors unanimously approved a retroactive \$50 per game stipend increase to the Play-by-Play Announcers for games worked during the Fiscal Year 2014-15 high school football season, by motion of Director Davila and seconded by Director De Witt.
- 3**
MINUTES The Board of Directors unanimously approved the Meeting minutes of February 24, 2015, by motion of Director Hurtado and seconded by Director Davila.
- 4**
COMMENTS FROM
THE AUDIENCE None
- 5**
COMMENTS FROM
THE DIRECTORS None
- ADJOURNMENT** Director Hurtado unanimously adjourned the meeting at 5:49 p.m. and seconded by Director Davila.

PASSED and APPROVED this 26th day of May, 2015.

ATTEST:

Jorge Morales, Chairman

Carmen Avalos, Secretary