

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday, February 27, 2018

2/27/2018 - Minutes

I. Call To Order/Roll Call

CALL TO ORDER Vice Mayor Maria Belen Bernal called a Special City Council meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

II. City Officials

PRESENT Vice Mayor Maria Belen Bernal, Council Member Denise Diaz, Council Member Jorge Morales and Council Member Al Rios; Art Cervantes, Director of Public Works, City Attorney Raul F. Salinas

ABSENT Mayor Maria Davila, City Treasurer Gregory Martinez and City Manager Michael Flad

III. Meeting Compensation Disclosure

IV. Closed Session: (ATTY)

The Council Members recessed into Closed Session at 5:32 p.m. and reconvened at 6:32 p.m. with four (4) Members of Council present. City Attorney Salinas reported the following:

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PENDING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a), 54954.9(b)(3)(c)

- a. Carmen Gonzalez Robles v. City of South Gate, et al.
- b. Mario Cesar Purizaca v. City of South Gate et al.

In closed session the City Council had a discussion with the City Attorney's Office involving two cases of pending litigation. For the first case, Item 1a, a claim against the City regarding a trip and fall that occurred on City Property. On a motion made by Council Member Morales and seconded by Vice Mayor Bernal, on a vote of 4 to 0, City Council authorized the City Attorney's office to defend that litigation.

Item 1b is a lawsuit regarding a traffic collision and one of the City's employees. After a presentation and discussion by the City Attorney's office and on a motion made by Vice Mayor Bernal and seconded by Council Member Morales, on a vote of 4 to 0, City Council authorized the City Attorney's office to defend the litigation.

Mayor Davila was not present; she has been excused from this meeting and did not participate in any discussion.

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - THREATENED LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(b)(3)(D)&(E)

One (1) - Potential Case

On item 2, the City Council discussed the merits of a request to enter into a tolling agreement regarding certain environmental claims and after receiving a presentation by the City Attorney's Office, the City Council gave guidance and deferred any action on that matter until the next City Council meeting.

V. Special Meeting Adjournment

Vice Mayor Bernal adjourned the meeting at 6:34 p.m. and seconded by Council Member Rios.

PASSED and **APPROVED** this 27th day of March, 2018.

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