

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

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

5/8/2018 - Minutes

I. Call To Order/Roll Call

CALL TO ORDER Mayor María Belén called a Special City Council meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

II. City Officials

PRESENT Mayor María Belén Bernal, Vice Mayor Jorge Morales, Council Member Denise Diaz, Council Member Maria Davila and Council Member Al Rios; City Manager Michael Flad, City Attorney Raul Salinas

ABSENT City Treasurer Gregory Martinez

III. Meeting Compensation Disclosure

IV. Closed Session: (ATTY)

The Council Members recessed into Closed Session at 5:04 p.m. and reconvened at 6:33 p.m. with all 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. Luis Gabriel Ortiz Vazquez, Gabriela Martinez v. City of South Gate
- b. Marcia L. Diaz, et al. v. City of South Gate
- c. Matthew Andrade, an individual, Dennis De La Gala, an individual v. City of South Gate, et al.
- d. H.J., a minor, by and through his Guardian ad Litem, Elitania Pulido v. City of South Gate, et al.

Item 1a was a claim that was filed against the City in connection with a bicyclist who was fatally struck by a car on a unanimous motion made by Council Member Davila and seconded by Mayor Bernal authorized the denial of this case.

Item 1b was a shooting that occurred in the City that was highly televised last November 2017. This represents a claim involving this shooting on a unanimous motion made by Vice Mayor Morales and seconded by Council Member Davila authorized the denial of this claim.

Item 1c has been the subject of litigation which involved a pedestrian versus a vehicle accident within the City's boundaries. In Closed Session the City Council was requested to consider a settlement in that case. On a unanimous motion made by Council Member Rios and seconded by Council Member Davila authorized the

settlement of this case contingent of the City's collected insurer ICRMA also approving this settlement.

Item 1d was not discussed in Closed Session and there was no action taken.

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

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

One (1) - Potential Case

On item 2 the City received a request to participate in the defense and indemnity of a property owner who is being sued in connection with an explosion that occurred in the City of South Gate. That request for defense and indemnity was denied by the City of South Gate on a vote of 4 to 0. Council Member Al Rios abstained.

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

a) Consideration of Land Annexation

Property APN:

Property Address: Southeast corner of City limits bordered by the following streets: Paramount Blvd.; Rancho St.; Ruther Ave.; and Somerset Ranch Rd. S

City Negotiator: Michael Flad, City Manager

Negotiating with: City of Paramount

Under Negotiation: Terms of Sale

Item 3a involved real property negotiations. The property that is involved here was a potential site of the Los Angeles River Bed just adjacent to Imperial Hwy heading south. In Closed Session the City Council received a report concerning those negotiations and recommendations by City Staff to cease further negotiations on a unanimous motion made by Vice Mayor Morales and seconded by Council Member Davila the City Council decided to cease further negotiations in connection with that effort.

V. Special Meeting Adjournment

Mayor Bernal unanimously adjourned the meeting at 6:36 p.m. and seconded by Council Member Davila.

PASSED and **APPROVED** this 12th day of June, 2018.

For a signed copy of the minutes for this meeting please contact the City Clerk's Office:
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