

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

Tuesday, July 14, 2020

7/14/2020 - Minutes

I. Call To Order/Roll Call

CALL TO ORDER Maria Davila, Mayor called a Special City Council meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

ROLL CALL Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

II. City Officials

PRESENT Mayor Maria Davila, Vice Mayor Al Rios, Council Member Maria del Pilar Avalos, Council Member Denise Diaz and Council Member Gil Hurtado; City Manager Mike Flad, City Attorney Raul F. Salinas

ABSENT City Treasurer Gregory Martinez

COVID 19 Meeting Procedures

III. Meeting Compensation Disclosure

IV. Closed Session: (ATTY)

The Council Members recessed into Closed Session at 5:37 p.m. and reconvened at 6:32 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. Griffith Company v. City of South Gate

On item 1(a), City Council considered a claim relating to construction projects within the City. The City Council received a report by the City Attorney and City Staff with respect to the nature of that claim and upon completion of that report and on a motion made by Councilwoman Avalos and seconded by Council Member Hurtado and on a vote of 5-0, authorized the denial of that claim.

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(c)

Two (2) - Potential Cases

On item 2, City Attorney attended part of that agenda item and for one of the two cases

City Attorney provided a presentation to the City Council regarding joining a pending litigation involving the City of South Gate. This is considered anticipated litigation because we have not yet filed a claim in connection with that litigation formerly. Upon completion of the presentation there was a motion made by Councilwoman Avalos and seconded by Vice Mayor Rios and on a vote of 5-0, the City Council moved to authorize the submission of the claim. The disclosure of the party involved will be announced in accordance with the Brown Act after the filing of the claim.

On the second half of item 2 involved a separate potential case in anticipated litigation. The City Attorney did not participate in that discussion. It involves a party the Council have been discussing for some time and each time the City Attorney has recused himself because a member of his law firm represents that party and in order to avoid the appearance of any impropriety we do not participate. There was outside counsel present and City Manager will report out any discussion in that matter.

City Manager stated that no outside counsel was present. Guidance was provided and no reportable action was taken.

3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATIONS

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

- a. Property APN: 6323-004-907
Property Address: 5821 Long Beach Boulevard, South Gate, CA 90280
City Negotiator: Michael Flad, City Manager
Negotiating with: Jerry Dicker
Under Negotiation: Terms of Sale

On item 3(a), the City Council heard a report by the City Manager and City Staff regarding property located at 5821 Long Beach Boulevard and upon completion of that report there was no reportable action taken.

V. Adjournment

Mayor Davila unanimously adjourned the meeting at 6:35 p.m. and seconded by Council Member Hurtado.

PASSED and APPROVED this 28th day of July 2020.

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