

SOUTH GATE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, November 25, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Gil Hurtado, Mayor
INVOCATION: Jean Reed, VFW Post 1732 Auxiliary Chaplain
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Nick Godoy, VFW Post 1732 Commander
ROLL CALL: Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

MAYOR
Gil Hurtado

CITY CLERK
Carmen Avalos

VICE MAYOR
Henry C. Gonzalez

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Rudy Navarro

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OPEN SESSION AGENDA

1. Recognition – Residential and Commercial Beautification Awards

The City Council will present a Certificate of Appreciation to Loy and Olga Galvan at 5301 Batavia Road, in recognition of receiving the Residential Beautification Award and to Niky’s Sports at 3537 Tweedy Boulevard, in recognition of receiving the Commercial Beautification Award for November 2008. (ADMIN)

2. Approve – Parks and Recreation Master Plan

The City Council will consider: (PARKS)

- a. Approving the Parks & Recreation Master Plan;
- b. Approving the Commission’s recommended list of priority goals;
- c. Directing staff to begin implementation and to return to Council for specific direction or authorization as needed; and
- d. Directing the Parks & Recreation Commission to review Master Plan and its implementation annually and to complete an update for the plan every five years.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

During this time, members of the public and staff may address the City Council regarding any items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council. Comments from the audience will be limited to five (5) minutes per speaker; unless authorized by the Mayor, the time limit may not be extended by utilizing another member’s time. There will be no debate or action on items not listed on the agenda unless authorized by law.

Note: The City Council desires to provide all members of the public with the opportunity to address the Council. Nevertheless, obscene language, comments intended to disrupt or interfere with the progress of the meeting or slanderous comments will not be tolerated and may result in ejection and/or may constitute a violation of South Gate Municipal Code Section 1.04.110.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

During this time, members of the City Council will report on matters pertaining to their service on various intergovernmental boards and commissions as a representative of the City pursuant to Assembly Bill 1234. City Council Members will also have an opportunity to comment on matters not on the agenda.

Following the City Council Members, reports and comments will be heard by the City Clerk, City Treasurer, City Manager and Department Heads.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS

Agenda Items 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, and 10 are Consent Calendar Items. All items including Ordinances, Resolutions and Contracts, may be approved by adoption of the Consent Calendar, individually and collectively by one (1) motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless Members of the City Council, the public, or staff request that specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate discussion and action.

Any motion to introduce or adopt an Ordinance on the Consent Calendar shall be: (1) a motion to waive the reading of the Ordinance and introduce the Ordinance or (2) a motion to waive the reading of the Ordinance and adopt the Ordinance, as appropriate.

3. Ordinance – Amending Pipeline Franchise Regulations in Connection With a Granting Fee

The City Council will consider: (PW)

- a. Waiving the reading and adopting Ordinance No. 2256 amending Title 13 (Franchises) Chapter 13.10 (Compensation), Section 13.10.010 (Rates-General), of the South Gate Municipal Code; and
- b. Adopting a **Resolution** _____ amending the City’s Fee Resolution No. 7265.

4. Approve – Amendment to the Contract with Oldtimers Community Housing Development Corporation - IV

The City Council will consider: (CD)

- a. Approving Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 2460 with the Oldtimers Community Housing Development Corporation – IV (CHDO) regarding a change of property location and a increase in HUD HOME funds; and
- b. Authorizing the Mayor to execute the Amendment in a form approved by the City Attorney.

5. Approve – Youth Employment Plan

The City Council will consider approving the Youth Employment Plan promoting the employment of at-risk youth in the care, and upkeep of facilities built or renovated with Proposition A grant funds as required by the grant agreement. (PARKS)

6. Approve – Request for Proposal for the South Gate Park Infrastructure Improvement Design Plan

The City Council will consider approving the Request for Proposal for the South Gate Park Infrastructure Improvement Design Project and authorize advertisement. (PARKS)

<p>7. Vacancy Review and Exemption from the Hiring Freeze – Recreation Coordinator Positions</p> <p>The City Council will consider removing the City’s hiring freeze on three (3) General Fund Recreation Coordinator positions. (ADMIN)</p>
<p>8. Appropriate Fees – Retrofit of Two Vehicles to Comply with Air Quality Management District Regulations</p> <p>The City Council will consider: (PW)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Appropriating \$35,000 from Air Quality Management District (AQMD) funds for the retrofit of two vehicles to comply with regulations; and b. Authorizing staff to proceed with the bidding process and the retrofit of two City vehicles.
<p>9. Authorize – Auction of Miscellaneous Surplus Property</p> <p>The City Council will consider: (FIN)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Authorizing U.S. Auction to sell on consignment miscellaneous surplus items and; b. Declaring the attached list of assets as Surplus Property.
<p>10. City Council Meeting Minutes</p> <p>The City Council will consider approving the Special City Council Meeting Minutes of October 21 & 28, 2008; November 11, 2008 and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of October 28, 2008 and November 11, 2008. (CLERK)</p>

11. Provide Direction – Workplace Violence Prevention Policy

The City Council will consider discussing and providing direction on proposed workplace violence prevention policy. (ADMIN/PERS)

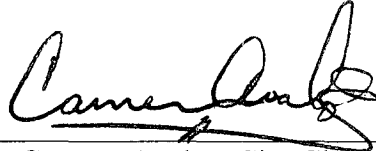
12. Warrant Register

The City Council will consider approving the Warrants and Cancellations for November 25, 2008. (FIN)

Total of Checks:	\$2,351,831.82
Total of Payroll Deductions:	<u>\$ < 67,603.66 ></u>
Grand Total:	\$ 2,284,228.16

Cancellation: 145085, 145073, 145389, 145633, 142221, 143549, 145486

I, Carmen Avalos, City Clerk, certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Meeting Agenda was posted on November 20, 2008 at 10:30 a.m., as required by law.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Carmen Avalos', written over a horizontal line.

Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

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Item No. 1

AGENDA ITEM

For the Regular Meeting of: November 25, 2008

Originating Department: Administration

Asst. to the C.M. Nellie Cobos: Nellie Cobos City Manager Ronald Bates: Ronald Bates

SUBJECT: CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION PRESENTED TO THE RECIPIENTS OF THE BEAUTIFICATION RECOGNITION AWARDS

ACTION: Mayor Hurtado will present a Certificate of Appreciation to Loy and Olga Galvan at 5301 Batavia Road, in recognition of receiving the Residential Beautification Award and to Niky's Sports at 3537 Tweedy Blvd, in recognition of receiving the Commercial Beautification Award for November 2008.

FISCAL IMPACT: None

REPORT SUMMARY: The Beautification Committee of the Chamber of Commerce, which was established in 1965, has a proud history of recognizing both industry and homeowners for their contributions to the community through the beautification of their respective properties. The Award Recognition Program provides an opportunity to honor those property owners for their time, expense and contributions to the community in enhancing their property values and keeping our community beautiful.

The Beautification Committee is proud to announce that the recipients of the Beautification Recognition Award for the month of November are as follows:

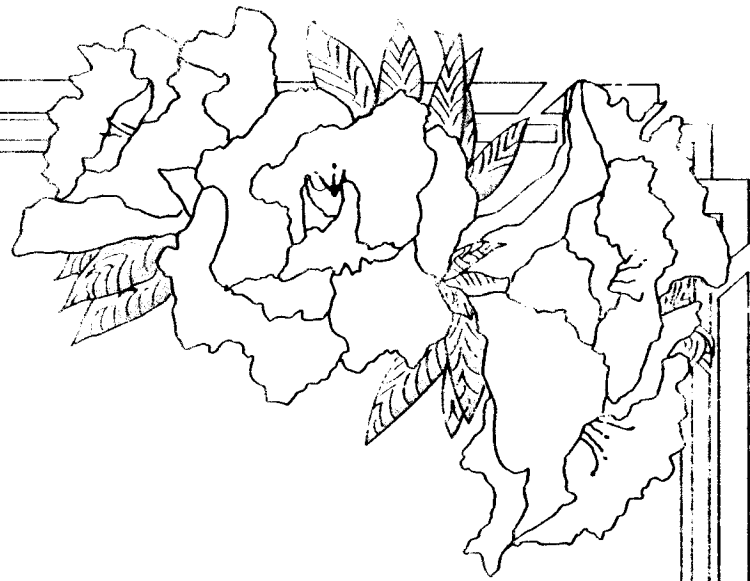
Residential Beautification Award - Loy and Olga Galvan
5301 Batavia Road

Commercial Beautification Award - Niky's Sports
Francisco Flores
3537 Tweedy Blvd

We recommend that representatives from the Beautification Committee join the Mayor in presenting the award recipients with a Certificate of Appreciation.

ATTACHMENTS: Certificates of Appreciation

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CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

*Presented by the
South Gate City Council and the
South Gate Chamber of Commerce
Beautification Committee to:*

***Loy and Olga Galvan
5301 Batavia Road***

In recognition for receiving the

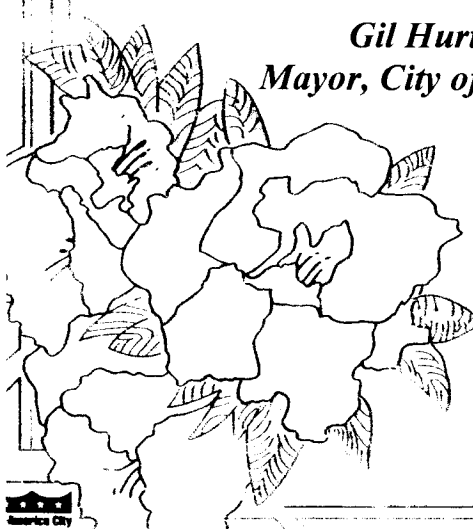
"RESIDENTIAL BEAUTIFICATION AWARD"
November 2008

*Gil Hurtado
Mayor, City of South Gate*

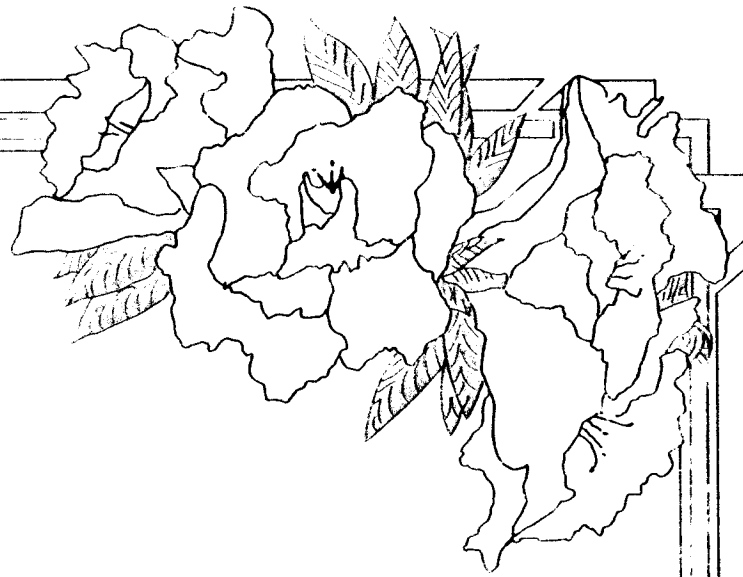
*Laverne Bates
Chairperson, Beautification Committee*

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CERTIFICATE OF APPRECIATION

*Presented by the
South Gate City Council and the
South Gate Chamber of Commerce
Beautification Committee to:*

***Niky's Sports
3537 Tweedy Blvd***

In recognition for receiving the

"COMMERICAL BEAUTIFICATION AWARD"

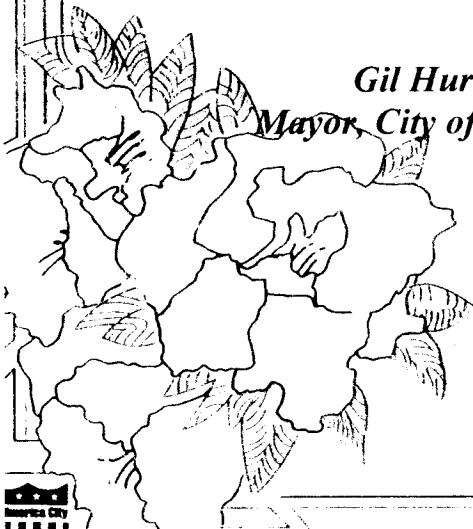
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***Gil Hurtado
Mayor, City of South Gate***

***Laverne Bates
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Item No. 2

AGENDA BILL

For the Regular Meeting of: November 25, 2008

Originating Department: Parks & Recreation

Dept. Head: Paul L. Adams

City Manager Ronald Bates:

SUBJECT: PARKS & RECREATION MASTER PLAN

ACTION:

- a) Approve the Parks & Recreation Master Plan;
- b) Approve the Commission's recommended list of priority goals;
- c) Direct staff to begin implementation and to return to Council for specific direction or authorization as needed; and
- d) Direct the Parks & Recreation Commission to review Master Plan and its implementation annually and to complete an update for the plan every five years.

FISCAL IMPACT: Approval of the Parks & Recreation Master Plan will not authorize any specific expenditure by the City or create a fiscal impact by its approval. Implementation of the recommendations in the Master Plan may result in projects and fiscal impacts representing millions of dollars. Each project proposed through the implementation process will be presented to Council through the normal budget process and authorized with a full accounting of the fiscal impacts and funding sources for each project.

REPORT SUMMARY: In January of 2007, the City Council contracted with Moore Iacofano Goltsman Inc. (MIG) to prepare a Master Plan for Parks & Recreation within the City. Since that time, MIG has conducted various research and information gathering activities, has held public workshops and has met with staff and the Parks & Recreation Commission in developing goals and recommendations for meeting both current and future recreational needs of the community.

Representatives from MIG will present a final report to the Council outlining the methods and findings of their research as well as recommended standards and goals, based upon their findings. In addition, the report includes projected costs for recommended projects and possible strategies for implementation. Finally, as part of the Executive Summary, the report contains a list of priority goals as recommended by the Parks & Recreation Commission which provides staff with direction as to the most pressing issues to be considered as part of the implementation plan.

The priority goals as recommended by the Commission are:

1. Replace existing restrooms in parks that have not had their restrooms replaced.
2. Protect and upgrade existing facilities through allocation of resources including:
 - Emphasize deferred maintenance improvements to existing buildings and facilities as a priority for future capital funding.
 - Make maintenance of existing parks and facilities a priority and implement recommended maintenance standards in Appendix F as a funding priority.
 - Establish a three-prong approach dedicated Park Graffiti and Vandalism Abatement program in addition to regular park and facility maintenance programs.
 - Develop a long-term funding strategy for maintenance programs, such as Asset Management Programs or implementing a citywide Park Maintenance Assessment District or establishing a Commercial Impact Fee to ensure availability of funding.
3. Develop and implement a specific plan for the eastern corridor of South Gate Park from Tweedy Blvd north to Southern Ave along Pinehurst St. to accommodate additional sports fields, an event plaza, a new Boy Scout Lodge, batting cages, revenue generating commercial sports facility, and associated additional parking.
4. Increase trails, open space and recreational opportunities on the west side through the following:
 - Complete development of Cesar Chavez linear park.
 - Utilize utility and rail right of ways to create trails, open space and a more attractive environment.
 - Establish a joint use agreement with LAUSD and with the College District to provide for mutual use of existing and new facilities as well as to encourage mutual projects that will address community as well as school needs.
5. Expand teen opportunities in the community by including teen specific activities at the proposed events plaza, teen sports leagues and programs at the proposed sports center concession and the eventual establishment of a dedicated teen center.
6. Create a perimeter and internal trail system at South Gate Park to provide formal walking, jogging and exercise paths, pedestrian connections to all park venues from all parking areas, and a connection to a citywide trails system.
7. Replace existing Park Maintenance Yard in order to implement the recommended aggressive park maintenance program.
8. Undertake refurbishment and recommended improvements to Hollydale Regional Park, renaming it Hollydale Community Park to reflect more appropriate context of its use.
9. Expand swimming pool facilities to include new uses for revenue generation.

The Executive Summary also identifies four key policy issues that are recommended for further consideration and action by the Council. These are:

1. Control of Graffiti and Vandalism
2. Keeping pace with the Changes in Demographics and Community Profile
3. Providing Funding for Facilities, Programs and Maintenance
4. Parks & Recreation Department involvement in the Design Review Process

If approved through adoption of the Master Plan report, staff will return to Council with further information and recommendations on these policy matters.

Once approved, staff and the Parks & Recreation Commission will proceed with steps necessary to begin implementation of the included recommendations. Implementation will not be immediate, although some recommendations may be implemented quickly. The plan will be used to guide programming, capital improvement projects, grant applications and direct resources over the next ten to twenty years.

The Parks & Recreation Commission has reviewed the Master Plan and recommends approval.

ATTACHEMENT: City of South Gate Parks & Recreation Master Plan is available for review in the City Clerk's Office

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Item No. 3

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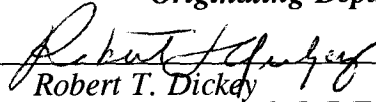
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AGENDA BILL

For the Regular Meeting of: November 25, 2008

Originating Department: Public Works

Department Head:


Robert T. Dickey

City Manager:


Ronald Bates

SUBJECT: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING PIPELINE FRANCHISE REGULATIONS IN CONNECTION WITH A GRANTING FEE AND A RESOLUTION AMENDING THE CITY'S FEE RESOLUTION NO. 7265

ACTION:

- a. Waive the reading and adopt Ordinance No. 2256 amending Title 13 (Franchises) Chapter 13.10 (Compensation), Section 13.10.010 (Rates-General), of the South Gate Municipal Code; and
- b. Adopt a Resolution amending the City's Fee Resolution No. 7265.

FISCAL IMPACT: The granting fee will be increased to \$10,000 to offset costs to administer and process franchise applications.

REPORT SUMMARY: This item was continued from the City Council Meeting of November 11, 2008.

A franchise is a concession granted by local government to a specific business that allows facilities to be placed in the public right-of-way. Each franchise agreement outlines the conditions of service and terms of compensation for the use of the public right-of-way. Currently, franchises have been approved for natural gas, electricity transmission/distribution, solid waste disposal, water utilities, and petroleum pipelines. Franchise fees are established and regulated by federal and state law, and City ordinance.

On September 12, 1977, the City Council adopted regulations for franchises in the public right-of-way. The current ordinance requires payment of a granting fee of \$5,000 for new, renewal, or extension of a franchise. For 31 years the City's granting fee has remained unchanged and is not sufficient to cover the cost to administer and process franchise applications. Staff has reviewed the current fees and determined that the fees need to be increased to \$10,000 with annual adjustment based on Consumer Price Index.

On October 28, 2008, the City Council conducted a Public Hearing and introduced an ordinance amending the current franchise regulations. The proposed Ordinance establishes the granting fee and subsequent adjustments will be made by Resolution of the City Council.

- ATTACHMENTS:**
- A. Ordinance No. 2256
 - B. Proposed Fee Resolution

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