

**CITY OF SOUTH GATE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2007**

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Bill De Witt called a Regular Meeting of the City Council to order at 6:36 p.m.

INVOCATION Pastor Ernesto Trejo, South Gate Church of Christ led the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Carmen Avalos, City Clerk led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

PRESENT Mayor Bill De Witt, Vice Mayor Gil Hurtado, Council Member Henry C. Gonzalez, Council Member Greg Martinez and Council Member Maria Davila; City Treasurer Rudy Navarro, Interim City Manager Mary Strenn and City Attorney Raul Salinas

**1 PRESENTATIONS/
AWARDS** The City Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to South Gate participants in recognition for their completion of the Hub Cities Consortium 2007 College Prep Program.

**2 PRESENTATIONS/
AWARDS** The City Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to South Gate businesses for being in full compliance with industrial discharge requirements for 2006.

**3 MUNICIPAL CODE
ADMINISTRATION** The City Council conducted a public hearing to consider:

- a) Discussing the proposed Ordinance amending Title 8 (Traffic), Chapter 8.12 (Stopping, Standing and Parking of Vehicles), Section 8.12.090 (Authority to Establish Preferential Parking Zones) of the South Gate Municipal Code by Establishing Preferential Parking Districts; and
- b) Providing staff with direction; and
- c) Continuing the public hearing to the City Council Meeting of September 11, 2007.

Item 3 was unanimously continued to the City Council meeting of September 11, 2007, by motion of Council Member Gonzalez and seconded by Vice Mayor Hurtado.

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**DEVIATE FROM
THE AGENDA**

At this time, there being no objections, Mayor De Witt stated that item 12 would be considered out of its regular agenda order.

**12
REVENUE & TAXATION**

The City Council unanimously received and filed the Community Survey Results Report, by motion of Council Member Martinez and seconded by Council Member Gonzalez.

RECESS

Prior to the conclusion of item 12, the City Council recessed at 7:48 p.m., and reconvened at 7:55 p.m., with all Members of Council present.

**EXCUSED FROM
MEETING**

At this time, Council Member Martinez was excused from the meeting and departed from the Council Chambers.

**4
LICENSES & PERMITS**

The City Council conducted a public hearing, waived the reading and introduced Ordinance No. 2233 entitled – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of South Gate granting a Franchise to Exxonmobil Oil Corporation to lay and use pipes, ditches, flumes, conduits and appurtenances for transmitting and distributing oil or oil-based products thereof, for any and all purposes in, along, across, upon and under the public streets, ways, alleys and places, as the same now or may hereafter exist, within the City of South Gate, by motion of Vice Mayor Hurtado and seconded by Council Member Davila. Council Member Martinez was absent.

**5
TRANSPORTATION
PLANNING/ADMIN**

The City Council conducted a public hearing and adopting Resolution No. 7199 entitled – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate finding the City of South Gate to be in conformance with the Congestion Management Program (CMP) and adopting the CMP Local Development Report, in accordance with California Government Code Section 65089, by motion of Council Member Gonzalez and seconded by Vice Mayor Hurtado. Council Member Martinez was absent.

**6
UTILITY & ASSESSMENT
DISTRICTS**

The City Council conducted a public hearing and continued the adoption of a Resolution creating Underground Utility District No. 9 (Long Beach Boulevard from Independence to Southern Avenue) and Underground Utility District No. 10 (Long Beach Boulevard from Southern Avenue to Tweedy Boulevard) to the City Council Meeting of September 25, 2007, by motion of Vice Mayor Hurtado and seconded by Council Member Davila. Council Member Martinez was absent.

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COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Ronald Garcia, Southern California Edison employee shared information about a new graffiti program.

Virginia Johnson, 5751 McKinley Avenue, addressed City Council that she could not find her favorite agenda link on the City's web site. She also had pictures of the Hollydale Plaza.

Araceli Dominguez, 9624 Bowman Avenue, addressed City Council that the street sweeping enforcers are not citing cars. She was also wondering why the City does not purchase vehicles from within the City.

Council Member Gonzalez answered that the City has inquired into that too and believes the car dealers may not have the capacity.

REPORTS AND COMMENTS FROM CITY OFFICIALS

Council Member Gonzalez announced that the General Plan meeting is scheduled for Saturday at the South Gate Park from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Council Member Davila announced that the Southeast Cities Schools Coalition's meetings will be held at the City of Huntington Park.

Vice Mayor Hurtado attended the Gateway Cities meeting and the members elected a new president. They received updates on the freeway projects.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Items 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 were approved during consideration of the Consent Calendar by motion of Vice Mayor Hurtado and seconded by Council Member Gonzalez. Council Member Martinez was absent.

7 SUBDIVISIONS

The City Council adopting Resolution No. 7200 entitled – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate, California, approving Final Parcel Map No. 62114, 8940 Victoria Avenue, during consideration of the Consent Calendar. Council Member Martinez was absent; and

a) Approving the map for signature and recordation.

8 DEVELOPMENT

The City Council approved an agreement (Contract No. 2390) with Kosmont Companies and authorized the City Manager to execute the contract, during consideration of the Consent Calendar. Council Member Martinez was absent.