

CITY OF SOUTH GATE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MINUTES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 27, 2007

CALL TO ORDER Mayor Bill De Witt called the Regular Meeting of the City Council to order at 6:51 p.m.

INVOCATION Steve Lefever, Director of Community Development led the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE Ronald Bates, City Manager 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 Gregory Martinez and Council Member Maria Davila; City Treasurer Rudy Navarro, City Manager Ronald Bates and City Attorney Raul F. Salinas

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PRESENTATIONS The City Council presented Certificates of Appreciation to the South Gate Police Department Explorer Academy Class #2 Graduates.

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UNCLASSIFIED USE PERMITS The City Council conducted a public hearing and adopted Resolution No. 7220 entitled – A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate approving Unclassified Use Permit No. 62, a Wireless Telecommunications Facility at 2809 Tweedy Boulevard, by motion of Council Member Gonzalez and seconded by Mayor De Witt. Council Member Martinez voted no.

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UNCLASSIFIED USE PERMITS The City Council conducted a public hearing and adopted Resolution No. 7221 entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate approving Unclassified Use Permit No. 60, a Wireless Telecommunications Facility at 4354 Tweedy Boulevard, by motion of Council Member Gonzalez and seconded by Vice Mayor Hurtado. Member Martinez voted no.

COMMENTS FROM THE AUDIENCE Virginia Johnson, 5751 McKinley Avenue, informed City Council that Big A Drug in Hollydale will be closing after 60 years. She welcomed the new City Manager.

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REPORTS AND COMMENTS

FROM CITY OFFICIALS

Mayor De Witt reported that the South Gate Rotary Club with the assistance of students from South Gate High School and Southeast High School served over four hundred fifty (450) people on Thanksgiving Day at the South Gate Auditorium.

Vice Mayor Hurtado reported that Albertson's in South Gate has bad quality produce.

Mayor De Witt suggested sending a letter to Albertson's management headquarters and notifying the health department. He attended the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) meeting in Downtown L.A. and discussed an issue having to do with their Transportation Committee. The SCAG members will be preparing a letter to be approved at their next meeting that would include certain maglev projects for Southern California. He mentioned that the Orangeline Authority was not on the agenda of projects.

Council Member Gonzalez spoke against an editorial he read in the paper regarding an ordinance allowing the public to speak for three (3) minutes.

Steve Lefever, Director of Community Development informed City Council that he met with the Executive Director for the facilities for the Los Angeles Community College District and they signed a Letter of Intent to acquire the former Firestone Plant.

Robert Todd, Chief of Police highlighted upcoming community events.

Ronald Bates, City Manager informed City Council that the Tile Company has pulled permits to rebuild. He also mentioned that Waste Management has placed three additional supports for the routes.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Agenda Items 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 were unanimously approved during consideration of the Consent Calendar by motion of Council Member Gonzalez and seconded by Council Member Martinez.

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MUNICIPAL CODE ADMINISTRATION

The City Council unanimously waived the reading and adopted Ordinance No. 2243 entitled – An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of South Gate amending Title 5 (Streets and Sidewalks) by adding a new Chapter 5.35 (“Road Mitigation Fee Program”) of the South Gate Municipal Code relating to thoroughfare and bridge fee programs, during consideration of the Consent Calendar.

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MUNICIPAL CODE
ADMINISTRATION

The City Council unanimously waived the reading and adopted Ordinance No. 2244 entitled – An Ordinance amending Chapter 9.01 (Building Standards Administrative Code), Chapter 9.02 (Building Code), Chapter 9.03 (Electrical Code), Chapter 9.04 (Mechanical Code), Chapter 9.05 (Plumbing Code), Chapter 9.06 (Energy Code), Chapter 9.07 (Historical Building Code), Chapter 9.08 (Code of Building Conservation), Chapter 9.09 (Referenced Standards Code), Chapter 9.12 (Administrative Code), Chapter 9.14 (Swimming Pool, Spa and Hot Tub Code) and Chapter 9.15 (Solar Energy Code) of Title 9 (Buildings) of the South Gate Municipal Code by adopting by reference the California Codes of Regulations; and adding a new Chapter 9.16 (Building Relocation), during consideration of the Consent Calendar.

6
TRANSPORTATION
PLANNING/ADMIN

The City Council unanimously adopted Resolution No. 7222 entitled - A Resolution of the City Council of the City of South Gate approving the amended Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement (Contract No. 1693) of the Gateway Cities Council of Governments, during consideration of the Consent Calendar.

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COMMERCIAL ASSESSMENT
DISTRICTS

The City Council unanimously approved an Agreement (Contract No. 2415) between the City of South Gate and the Tweedy Mile Association for special patrol services along the Tweedy Mile business district, during consideration of the Consent Calendar.

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LEGAL OPERATIONS

The City Council unanimously approved the Agreement (Contract No. 2416) for Legal Services between the City of South Gate and the law firm of Liebert Cassidy Whitmore, during consideration of the Consent Calendar; and

- a. Authorized the Mayor to execute the Agreement in a form approved by the City Attorney.

9
BUDGET ADMIN

The City Council unanimously approved an adjustment to the City's FY 2006-2007 books to move the proceeds from the sale of the Ameron property to the Redevelopment Fund from the General Fund, during consideration of the Consent Calendar.