

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF SOUTH GATE**

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2007

- CALL TO ORDER** The regular meeting of the Community Development Commission of the City of South Gate was called to order by Chairperson De Witt at 5:37 p.m.
- ROLL CALL** Carmen Avalos, Recording Secretary
- PRESENT** Chairperson Bill De Witt, Vice Chairperson Gil Hurtado, Commission Board Member Henry C. Gonzalez and Commission Board Member Maria Davila; Executive Director Ronald Bates, Special Legal Counsel Rick Navarrette and Director of Community Development Steve Lefever
- LATE** Commission Board Member Gregory Martinez arrived at the dais at 6:25 p.m.
- EXCUSED** Legal Counsel Raul Salinas
- CONSENT CALENDAR** Agenda Item 1 was approved during the adoption of the Consent Calendar, by motion of Commission Board Member Gonzalez and seconded by Vice Chairperson Hurtado. Commission Board Member Martinez was absent.
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MINUTES The Commission approved the minutes for the Regular Community Development Commission meeting of November 27, 2007, during consideration of the Consent Calendar. Commission Board Member Martinez was absent.
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DEVELOPMENT The Commission approved dd's Discounts as the anchor tenant, by motion of Vice Chairperson Hurtado and seconded by Commission Board Member Gonzalez; and
- a) Authorized the Board Chair to execute Resolution No. 2007-06-CDC entitled – A Resolution of the Community Development Commission of the City of South Gate granting a request to approve Ross Stores dd's Discounts as the anchor tenant in the space previously occupied by Miller's Outpost at 3848 Tweedy Boulevard.
- ROLL CALL:** Chairperson De Witt, yes; Vice Chairperson Hurtado, yes; Commission Board Member Davila, No; Commission Board Member Gonzalez, yes; Commission Board Member Martinez, absent.

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COMMENTS FROM
THE AUDIENCE

Angel Colon, 3606 Tweedy Boulevard, wished everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. He informed the Commission that the Tweedy Mile Association has reconsidered and is excited that the Millers Outpost Center will be filled. The Tweedy Mile Association is looking for a future for the Tweedy Mile Business District. He also made a formal request for the refurbishment and revaluation of Tweedy Mile Business District.

Mayor De Witt appreciates Mr. Colon's business on the avenue. He informed Mr. Colon that the City has put money up and is working hard to make a change for Tweedy Boulevard.

Commission Board Member Gonzalez explained that department stores, clothing stores, etc now require certain size of buildings in order to relocate. The downfall is that the City doesn't own all properties. He also explained that Eminent Domain will be appearing on the ballot.

CLOSED SESSION

The Commission Board Members recessed into Closed Session at 5:53 p.m. and reconvened at 6:25 p.m. with four (4) Board Members present. Special Legal Counsel Rick Navarrette reported the following: Commission Board Member Martinez was absent.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – PENDING LITIGATION
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a)
 - a) In Re Southland (Receivership Proceedings)

There was no reportable action taken on item 1(a).

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:26 p.m., Chairperson De Witt moved, Commission Board Member Davila seconded and the motion carried (5-0) to adjourn the Community Development Commission meeting.

PASSED and **APPROVED** this 8th day of January, 2008.

W.H. (Bill) De Witt, Chairperson

Steven A. Lefever, Secretary