



City of South Gate

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MEASURE P APPROVED BY SOUTH GATE VOTERS ***Citizens Vote Overwhelming to Protect South Gate's Vital City Services***

SOUTH GATE, CA – June 4, 2008

With 100% of all precincts reporting, South Gate's Measure P was approved by 74% of the voters.

"We are very pleased that our community is committed to fulfilling Measure P's promises to maintain and improve public safety and other vital City services," said Mayor Gil Hurtado.

Measure P helps close the City's multimillion-dollar budget deficit and protects the City from potential cuts coming from the State Legislature, ensuring that the City can continue to provide essential services to our community.

Measure P is a one-cent per dollar sales tax increase to protect and improve City services, which takes effect on October 1, 2008. Prescription medicine and groceries are exempt from Measure P. Revenue from Measure P is legally required to stay local, can not be taken by Sacramento nor the County and requires financial oversight through annual independent audits.

"The voters clearly understood the City's financial need and were willing to help protect their important City services. We are fortunate to have a community that values good roads, safe parks, and wants to provide services for our seniors and youth," said Vice Mayor Henry C. Gonzalez. "Thank you to all of our employee service providers, citizen volunteers, business owners who supported us and voters who took an interest in this important issue in our efforts to protect essential City services."

Official election results can be found at: <http://rrccmain.co.la.ca.us/>.

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