

SOUTH GATE CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, June 10, 2008 at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Gil Hurtado, Mayor
INVOCATION: Father John Provenza, St. Helen Church
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Janna Payne, Risk Manager Consultant
ROLL CALL: Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

MAYOR
Gil Hurtado

CITY CLERK
Carmen Avalos

VICE MAYOR
Henry C. Gonzalez

CITY TREASURER
Rudy Navarro

COUNCIL MEMBERS
Gregory Martinez
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Ronald Bates

CITY ATTORNEY
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OPEN SESSION AGENDA

1. Recognition – Father John Provenza

The City Council will issue a Proclamation to Father John Provenza in recognition of his 8 ½ years of dedicated service to St. Helen Church and the South Gate community. (ADMIN)

2. Proclamation – Safety Awareness Month

The City Council will issue a Proclamation declaring the month of June as “Safety Awareness Month.” (ADMIN)

3. Introduction – Police Canine

The City Council will be introduced to the new narcotics detecting Police Canine “Fester” and his handler Detective Jim Hugar. (PD)

4. Continuance of an Ordinance – Amending Preferential Parking Districts

The City Council will conduct a Public Hearing to continue consideration of an Ordinance amending Preferential Parking Districts [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] to the regular meeting of August 12, 2008. (PW)

5. Resolution – Ordering the Levy for 2008-2009 Street Lighting and Landscaping Special Maintenance District No. 1

The City Council will conduct a Public Hearing to adopt a **Resolution** _____ ordering the levy of the FY 2008-2009 Annual Assessment for the Street Lighting and Landscaping Maintenance District No.1. (PW)

6. Use of Edward Byrne Memorial Congressionally Mandated Award

The City Council will conduct a Public Hearing to authorize utilization of Fiscal Year 2008 Edward Byrne Memorial Congressionally Mandate Award for the School Resource Officer Program. (PD)

7. Entertainment Permit for El Parral

The City Council will conduct a Public Hearing to determine whether to approve a dance hall and entertainment permit for El Parral. (FIN)

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 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.

8. Traffic Study Recommendations for Southern Avenue in the Vicinity of Cesar Chavez

The City Council will consider: (PW)

- a. Approving the Traffic Consultant, Hartzog and Crabill, Inc. (HCI), recommendations for Southern Avenue, between Long Beach Boulevard and Santa Fe Avenue, in the vicinity of Cesar Chavez Park (Phase II); and
- b. Authorizing the Director of Public Works to install: a three-way stop at the intersection of Southern Avenue and Stanford Avenue, on-street parking restrictions for approximately 30 feet on the south side of Southern Avenue just east and west of Stanford for improved sight visibility, and two-way left-turn center lane on Southern Avenue between Stanford and Santa Fe/Truba Avenues.

9. As-Needed Engineering Services for Project Manager Support Services Report

The City Council will consider receiving and filing a report pertaining to as-needed engineering services for project manager support services. (PW)

10. City Council Meeting Minutes

The City Council will consider approving the Special City Council Meeting Minutes of May 20, 2008 and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of May 27, 2008. (CLERK)

11. Resolution – Designating CDC as Lead Agency & Itself as Responsible Agency for Environmental Impact Report

The City Council will consider adopting a **Resolution** _____ designating the Community Development Commission as the lead agency and the City of South Gate as the responsible agency under CEQA for environmental review of proposed Plan Amendment No. 13 to existing Project Area No. 1. (CD)

12. Annual Housing Activity Summary Report

The City Council will consider receiving and filing the Annual Housing Activity Summary Report. (CD)

13. Warrant Register

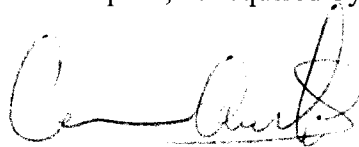
The City Council will consider approving the Warrants and Cancellations for June 10, 2008. (FIN)

Total of Checks:	\$1,663,230.78
Total of Payroll Deductions:	\$ <37,762.09>
Grand Total:	\$ 1,625,468.69

Cancellations: 136821, 141445, 134104, 136833, 136597, 136877, 134629, 136887, 138050, 134587, 135876, 132749, 135582, 134792, 135021, 134731, 133986, 133341, 132057, 132093, 133260, 133464, 133402, 133023, 133342, 132142, 132690, 134823, 134833, 134019, 134093, 134095, 135717, 135640, 133520, 133521, 134078, 133494, 132821, 138189, 138801, 138198, 136750, 139409, 137049, 137063, 137060, 137386, 136235, 138375, 136575, 136869, 136896, 138444, 132891, 132574, 133072, 133418, 133420, 134593, 135890, 133999, 133461

8. Adjournment

I, Carmen Avalos, City Clerk, certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Meeting Agenda was posted on June 5, 2008 at 3:30 p.m., as required by law.



Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE

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City of South Gate Item No. 1
CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA BILL

For the Regular Meeting of: June 10, 2008

Originating Department: Administration

Dept. Head Ronald Bates: 

City Manager Ronald Bates: 

SUBJECT: A PROCLAMATION FOR FATHER JOHN PROVENZA FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE TO ST. HELEN CHURCH AND THE SOUTH GATE COMMUNITY

ACTION: Mayor Hurtado will issue a Proclamation to Father John Provenza in recognition of his 8 ½ years of dedicated service to St. Helen Church and the South Gate community.

FISCAL IMPACT: None

REPORT SUMMARY: This item was placed on the Agenda at the request of Mayor Hurtado.

The City was informed of Father John's transfer to Mary Star of the Sea Parish in San Pedro, with his last day being June 30, 2008. Father John has been with St. Helen Church since December 13, 1999, and his tenure has gained the trust, confidence and loyalty of South Gate citizens, and increased faith and good will. Father John volunteered his time to serve as a South Gate Police Chaplin for five years, providing spiritual guidance to individuals in need of support during a crisis.

Parishioners, South Gate citizens, and City Officials and staff enjoyed working with Father John, admire him for his leadership, and appreciate his sincere concern and involvement in the betterment of the community.

ATTACHMENT: Proclamation

City of South Gate

From the Honorable
Mayor



PROCLAMATION

Presented to

Father John Provenza

*In recognition of his 8 ½ years of
dedicated service to St. Helen Church and the
South Gate community*

WHEREAS, *Father John was born and raised in nearby West Covina on January 20, 1964; and*

WHEREAS, *after completion of studies at St. John's Seminary in Camarillo, California, Father John was ordained by the Roman Catholic Church into the priesthood on June 9, 1990; and*

WHEREAS, *on December 13, 1999, Father John was assigned as the Pastor of St. Helen Church; and*

WHEREAS, *since his tenure with St. Helen Church, Father John gained the trust, confidence and loyalty of the citizens of South Gate, and increased faith, prosperity and good will; and*

WHEREAS, *Father John volunteered his time to serve as a South Gate Police Chaplin for five years, providing spiritual guidance to individuals in need of support during a crisis; and*

WHEREAS, *in his free time, Father John enjoys playing countless hours of golf and racquetball with his friends; and*

WHEREAS, *Cardinal Roger Mahony and the Clergy Personnel Board decided to entrust Father John with Mary Star of the Sea Parish in San Pedro because they believe he is the best qualified person to lead the parish and schools; and*

WHEREAS, *parishioners, South Gate citizens, City Officials and staff, had the pleasure and benefit of interacting with this esteemed professional and wish him the best on his transfer on June 30, 2008;*

NOW, THEREFORE, *on this tenth day of June 2008, I, Gil Hurtado, Mayor of the City of South Gate, on behalf of the City Council and the citizens, do hereby recognize and duly thank him for his 8 ½ years of dedicated service to St. Helen Church and the South Gate community, and bid him a fond farewell.*

/s/ Gil Hurtado
Gil Hurtado, Mayor

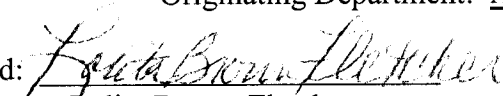
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City of South Gate Item No. 2
CITY COUNCIL

AGENDA BILL

For the Regular Meeting of: June 10, 2008

Originating Department: Administration/Personnel

Dept. Head: 
Lolita Brown Fletcher

City Manager: 
Ronald Bates

SUBJECT: A PROCLAMATION FOR "SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH"

ACTION: Mayor Hurtado will issue a Proclamation declaring the month of June as "Safety Awareness Month."

FISCAL IMPACT: None

REPORT SUMMARY: As an annual practice, the City will join the efforts of the National Safety Council in recognizing the month of June as "Safety Awareness Month." The National Safety Council is aligned with government agencies to further strengthen workplace safety and help reduce the number of injuries and fatalities. The National Safety Council is a nonprofit, nongovernmental public service organization dedicated to protecting life and promoting health. The National Safety Council is a membership organization, founded in 1913 and chartered by the U.S. Congress in 1953. Members include more than 51,000 businesses, labor organizations, schools, public agencies, private groups and individuals. The National Safety Council's mission is to "educate and influence people to prevent accidental injury and death," and its vision is "making our world safer."

In 1996 the National Safety Council established June as National Safety Month to increase public awareness of safety and health risks and ultimately decrease the number of accidental injuries and deaths. Each week focuses on a specific safety venue: workplace, traffic, home, and community.

This year, the National Safety Month theme is "Make a Difference." National Safety Month activities will address the most significant reasons for unintentional injuries and deaths in the American workplace, on the road and in the home and community. A safe community comes together to promote safe and healthy behaviors that protect people from hurt and harm in all aspects of their lives. While workplace injuries are on the decline the number of unintentional injuries incurred off-the-job continues to rise. Since a person inhabits many different communities throughout the day – work, home and every stop in-between – the National Safety Council encourages businesses and individuals to take advantage of safety education and reduce the risk of unintentional injury and death in everyday life. The City of South Gate will join the National Safety Council to "Make a Difference" in both on and off the job safety.

ATTACHMENT: Proclamation

City of South Gate



From the Honorable
Mayor

PROCLAMATION

"SAFETY AWARENESS MONTH"

June 2008

WHEREAS, the safety and security of South Gate employees, residents and their families is a top priority for South Gate officials; and

WHEREAS, each person including parents, educators, law enforcement, elected leaders, and community leaders must play a part in advocating safety to our community through education; and

WHEREAS, with the resources of the National Safety Council, its local member agency and members, the City of South Gate can help increase awareness regarding safety within our City; and

WHEREAS, safety is a key component of the quality of life in South Gate attracting business, industry and contributing to the continued competitiveness in the state of California; and

WHEREAS, the importance of this issue is underlined by statistics indicating that each year more than 20 million Americans suffer disabling injuries. Another 100,000 die from their injuries; and

WHEREAS, the City Council of South Gate is dedicated to keeping residents and visitors safe, especially during the summer months when travel and vacation time increases and children and youth are out of school;

*NOW, THEREFORE, on this tenth day of June 2008, I, **Gil Hurtado, Mayor of the City of South Gate**, on behalf of the City Council and citizens, do hereby proclaim the month of June 2008 as "Safety Awareness Month" in the City of South Gate, and urge all citizens to be committed to the safety and security of its residents and their families.*

15/Gil Hurtado
Gil Hurtado, Mayor

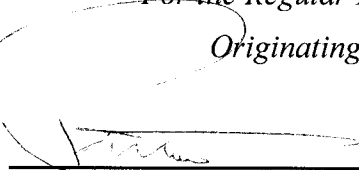
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AGENDA BILL

For the Regular Meeting of: June 10, 2008

Originating Department: Police

Department Head:



Robert Todd

City Manager:



Ronald Bates

SUBJECT: INTRODUCTION OF NEW POLICE CANINE "FESTER"

ACTION: The City Council will be introduced to the new narcotics detecting Police Canine "Fester" and his handler Detective Jim Hugar.

FISCAL IMPACT: None

REPORT SUMMARY: We are pleased to announce as of April 21, 2008, the South Gate Police Department has added Canine Fester to the Narcotics Unit. Canine Fester was brought into the Narcotics Unit to replace Canine Laika, who retired last year after 8 years of exemplary service with his handler Manuel Gutierrez. Canine Fester was born June 8, 2006 and is a Belgian Malinois. He was trained in the Czech Republic before being purchased by Adlerhorst International. The City purchased him on March 7, 2008, and his five week training with Officer Hugar began on March 17, 2008. To date, Canine Fester has located 20 kilos of cocaine, 27 ½ pounds of methamphetamine and assisted in the seizure of \$180,000 in United States currency.

ATTACHMENTS: None

JUN 04 2008

AGENDA BILL

For the Regular Meeting of June 10, 2008

Originating Department: Public Works

Department Head:

Robert T. Dickey
Robert T. Dickey

City Manager:

Ronald Bates
Ronald Bates

SUBJECT: INTRODUCTION OF AN ORDINANCE PERTAINING TO PREFERENTIAL PARKING DISTRICTS

ACTION: Open the public hearing and continue consideration of an Ordinance amending Preferential Parking Districts [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] to the regular meeting of August 12, 2008.

FISCAL IMPACT: None.

NOTICING PROCEDURES: A Public Hearing Notice was published on Thursday, April 10, 2008, in *The Press*.

REPORT SUMMARY: This item was continued from the meeting of April 22, 2008. The existing Preferential Parking Ordinance No. 2234 was adopted on September 25, 2007 and became effective October 26, 2007. Ordinance No. 2234 requires amendment to clarify definitions such as voters, ballot measures, and process improvements for the City Clerk to manage elections.

Staff is requesting that this item be continued to the August 12, 2008 meeting to allow staff and the City Attorney to conduct additional research and develop a detailed recommendation.

ATTACHMENT: Notice of Public Hearing

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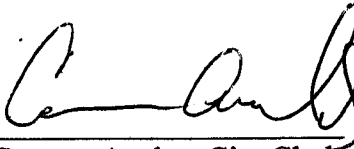
CITY OF SOUTH GATE
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City Council of South Gate, California will conduct a public hearing for the purpose of introducing an 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.** A copy of the Ordinance may be reviewed at the City Clerk's office during normal business hours.

DATE: April 22, 2008
TIME: 6:30 p.m.
LOCATION: COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SOUTH GATE CITY HALL
8650 CALIFORNIA AVENUE
SOUTH GATE, CA 90280

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that any and all persons interested in the matter hereinabove set forth are privileged to attend said hearing and then there testify or present evidence upon any matter relating thereto.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN by order of the City Clerk of said City and is dated April 7, 2008.


Carmen Avalos, City Clerk

Publication date: Thursday, April 10, 2008