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CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE

REGULAR MEETING OF THE SOUTH EL MONTE CITY COUNCIL AND THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE SOUTH EL MONTE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

AGENDA

September 15, 2026, 6:00 PM
1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, CA 91733

PUBLIC COMMENT

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Each speaker will be limited to five minutes. Time limits may not be shared with other speakers. This is the only opportunity for public input except for scheduled public hearing items. All comments or queries shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any specific member thereof. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(2), the Ralph M. Brown Act, no action or discussion by the City Council shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except to briefly provide information, ask for clarification, provide direction to staff, or schedule a matter for a future meeting.

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CONFLICT OF INTEREST

City Council Members with a conflict of interest under the Political Reform Act are required to make disclosure of financial interest when the item is called and recuse themselves.

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MEETINGS

The City Council holds regular meetings on the first and third Tuesday of every month. Regular meetings start at 6 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 1415 Santa Anita Avenue, South El Monte, California. Special and Adjourned Regular meetings start times are to be determined.

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VIEWING OF AGENDA PACKETS

Full agenda packets can be viewed either at <https://www.cityofsouthelmonte.org/129/Meeting-Agendas-Minutes> or in the City Clerk's Office during normal business hours Monday through Thursday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Closed on Fridays and major holidays.

ISSUES RELATED TO AGENDA

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AGENDA BEGINS ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Councilmembers/Boardmembers: Acosta, Delgado, Rodriguez, Mayor Pro Tem/Vice Chair Bojorquez, and Mayor/Chair Olmos

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Gloria Olmos

3. INVOCATION

Pastor Patricia Garrett, Faith Dominion Church

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.a. Presentation of a Proclamation to Ben Lira, South El Monte Boxing Coach, for his pivotal role in the win of Heavyweight Champion of the World Filip Hrgovic.

4.b. Presentation by Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Captain Sherif Morsi.

4.c. Sheriff's Department Report for the months of July and August 2026.

4.d. Code Enforcement and Parking Enforcement Report for the months of July and August 2026.

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AND WAIVER OF FULL READING OF ORDINANCES

By motion of the City Council, this is the time to notify the public of any changes to the agenda, remove items from the consent calendar for individual consideration and/or rearrange the order of the agenda.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers may provide public comments on any matter within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council, including items on the agenda. Each speaker will be limited to five minutes. Unless a majority of the Council objects, the Mayor may provide speakers more or less time to speak. All comments or queries shall be addressed to the Council as a body and not to any specific member thereof. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(2), the Ralph M. Brown Act, no action or discussion by the City Council shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except to briefly provide information, ask for clarification, provide direction to staff, or schedule a matter for a future meeting.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR - CITY COUNCIL

Items on the consent calendar are considered to be routine and customary and are enacted by a single motion with the exception of items previously removed by a member of the City Council during "Approval of the Agenda" for individual consideration. Any items removed shall be individually considered immediately after taking action on the Consent Calendar.

Consent Calendar Items 7.a. through 7.c. next page.

CONSENT CALENDAR (CONTINUED)

7.a. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES OF JULY 7, 2026, AND JULY 21, 2026

Staff is requesting approval of the minutes for the July 7 and July 21, 2026, Regular City Council Meetings.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff is requesting approval of the minutes for the July 7 and July 21, 2026, Regular City Council Meetings.

7.b. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 26-064, APPROVING WARRANTS FOR THE PERIOD OF AUGUST 27, THROUGH SEPTEMBER 9, 2026

Authorizing payment of City expenditures for the period of August 27, 2026, through September 9, 2026, totaling \$1,576,562.60.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends City Council adopt Resolution No. 26-064, authorizing payment of City expenditures.

7.c. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 26-065, APPROVING THE MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND THE CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY REGIONAL FOOD RECOVERY PROGRAM

California's Senate Bill 1383 (SB 1383), passed in 2016, established strict methane reduction targets that required the state to decrease organic waste disposal by 75% and rescue 20% of surplus edible food. To meet these goals, a phased mandate required large commercial edible food generators (EFGs)—such as grocery stores in 2022 and large-scale restaurants and hotels in 2024—to establish contracts and donate their surplus food to food recovery organizations (FROs). To assist local jurisdictions with education, enforcement, and capacity building, the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) launched the FRESH SGV Regional Food Recovery Program in 2021. Funded by a CalRecycle grant, this regional initiative directly supports the City of South El Monte by conducting compliance inspections, providing operational resources and staffing to local FROs, and offering local food generators paid access to the Careit recordkeeping application to streamline food rescue logistics.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends City Council authorize the City Manager or designee to negotiate and execute a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA), including authority to negotiate and execute any future amendments related to budget and scope, with the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments (SGVCOG) for implementation of the FRESH SGV Program for a total "Not to Exceed" amount of \$81,682.00.

Consent Calendar Items 7.d. and 7.e. next page.

CONSENT CALENDAR (CONTINUED)

7.d. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE 2026 "CHRISTMAS WISH TOY GIVEAWAY" EVENT DONATION LETTER, AUTHORIZATION TO INCLUDE CITY COUNCIL SIGNATURES, AND THE DISTRIBUTION OF THE DONATION LETTERS TO THE SOUTH EL MONTE BUSINESS COMMUNITY

The Community Services Department is requesting approval of the 2026 "Christmas Wish Toy Giveaway" event donation letter, authorizing to include the City Council members' signatures, and distribution of the letters to the South El Monte business community.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends City Council:

1. Approve the 2026 "Christmas Wish Toy Giveaway" event donation letter;
2. Authorize the use of the City Council members' signatures; and
3. Authorize distributing the donation letters to the South El Monte business community.

7.e. APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 26-066, AWARDING PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) SERVICES TO INFINITY TECHNOLOGIES.

On May 6, 2026, the City issued a Request for Proposals (RFP) for IT Services and received 18 proposals by the deadline of June 11, 2026 by 4:00pm. Staff has reviewed the proposals and determined that of the 18 proposals, Infinity Technologies is the firm that can best meet the needs of the City.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council award an IT Services Professional Services Agreement to Infinity Technologies, by adopting Resolution 26-066, which approves an IT Services Agreement between the City and Infinity Technologies.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR - SUCCESSOR AGENCY

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8.a. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETING MINUTES FOR JULY 21, 2026

Staff is requesting approval of the minutes of the July 21, 2026, Successor Agency Meeting.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff is requesting approval of the minutes of the July 21, 2026, Successor Agency Meeting.

9. PUBLIC HEARINGS - None

10. GENERAL BUSINESS - None

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS

AB 1234, section 53232.3(d) requires Members of a legislative body to provide brief reports on meetings attended at the expense of the local agency (i.e., League of California Cities Conferences, ICSC conferences, etc.) at the next regular meeting of the legislative body.

12. CORRESPONDENCE

12.a. LETTER FROM FAITH DOMINION CHURCH REQUESTING A FACILITY FEE WAIVER AND CONSIDERATION TO WAIVE ALL THE FEES ASSOCIATED WITH THE RESERVATION FOR THE USE OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER AMPHITHEATER

Faith Dominion Church is requesting a facility fee waiver for the use of the South El Monte Community Center Amphitheater to host Sunday services for members of the community on Sunday, September 20, 2026 and Sunday, September 27, 2026. In addition, Faith Dominion Church is requesting to waive all the fees associated with the reservation.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends City Council consider and discuss:

1. The facility fee waiver request for the use of the Community Center Amphitheater in the amount of \$350.00; and
2. The request to waive the remaining fees associated with the reservation in the amount of \$912.00.

13. COUNCILMEMBERS' AGENDA - None

14. CLOSED SESSION

14.a. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code § 54956.9(d)(1)

Name of case: GLORIA OLMOS, an individual, Plaintiff v. CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE

15. ADJOURNMENT OF CITY COUNCIL AND SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETING

NEXT REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING:

Tuesday, October 6, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I, Adrian Garcia, MMC, City Clerk of the City of South El Monte, or my designee, hereby certify under penalty of perjury that a true, accurate copy of the foregoing agenda was posted on September 10, 2026, seventy-two (72) hours prior to the meeting per Government Code 54954.2 at the following locations: City of South El Monte City Hall, Senior Center and Community Center and made available at www.cityofsouthelmonte.org.



Adrian Garcia, MMC