CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE
ADJOURNED REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 11, 2020 5:30 P.M.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1415 N. SANTA ANITA AVENUE
SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733

1. **ROLL CALL**

Mayor Olmos called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

PRESENT:Councilmembers: Acosta, Angel, Olmos, and Retamoza.
ABSENT: Councilmember: Delgado.

Also present: (City Attorney) Anthony R. Taylor, (City Manager) Rachel Barbosa, (City Clerk) Rose Juarez, (Public Works Director) Rene Salas, and (Deputy City Clerk) Paola Lara.

2. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Mayor Olmos announced the City Council would not recess to Closed Session.

A motion was made by Angel, seconded by Retamoza and carried (4 - 0, Delgado "absent") to approve the agenda as amended.

AYES: Councilmembers: Acosta, Angel, Olmos, and Retamoza.
NAYS: None.
ABSENT:Councilmember: Delgado.

Councilmember Delgado arrived to the meeting at 5:55 p.m.

3. **PRESENTATIONS**

a. **PRESENTATION ON STATE OF THE HOMELESSNESS IN SOUTH EL MONTE BY CORRAL CONSULTING**

Mr. Richard Corral presented a PowerPoint entitled Homelessness Overview that included data on the 2018 vs. 2019 South El Monte Homeless Count, LA County Homeless Service System, State Funding, LA County Funding, San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments Funding, and Tri-City Homeless Cohort (Baldwin Park, El Monte and South El Monte).

In conclusion, Mr. Corral stated the Tri-City Homelessness Cohort received $1.07 million from the LA County Homeless Initiative (Measure H) grant that supports coordinated strategies and collaborative partnerships to combat homelessness, and holds bi-monthly planning meetings to develop strategies and budgets for projects across all three cities.

The City Manager stated the Orange County settlement agreement for cities who were served lawsuits negotiated the amount of shelter beds they needed in order

to enforce anti-nuisance and anti-camping laws within their cities, and although South El Monte does not have to enter into the settlement agreement, the Tri-City Homeless Cohort will be using some of their language and resolutions to provide the correct amount of shelter beds needed and to enforce anti-nuisance and anti-camping ordinances within the City.

The City Attorney stated the City of Cypress entered into the Orange County settlement agreement and as their City Attorney he spent the past year working with them on the document.

In response to Councilmember Acosta's questions, Mr. Corral stated the homeless count numbers are official numbers from the Los Angeles County Homeless Count, the homeless concentration in the San Gabriel Valley increased for families and seniors, the numbers for the Tri-City Cohort decreased, however, the numbers increased in cities that have adjoining large public spaces such as Whittier Narrows Park, and stated an example of a coordinated strategy would be to set up a service coordination hub at the El Monte Transit Center as well as satellite locations in South El Monte and Baldwin Park for an individual to engage with homeless individuals and coordinate services across all three cities.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Olmos opened public comment.

Jose Robles, South El Monte Resident, requested the City's help to pay for his son to attend Junior Day football program and to pay for a street sweeping citation.

After determining there was no one else wishing to speak, Mayor Olmos closed public comment.

5. **CLOSED SESSION**

The City Council did not recess to closed session.

a. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957**

Title: City Manager

b. **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT - GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957**

Title: Assistant City Manager

6. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business coming before this body, Mayor Olmos adjourned the meeting at 6:04 p.m.

Rose Juarez, City Clerk

Gloria Olmos, Mayor