

CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE

**REGULAR MEETINGS OF THE SOUTH EL MONTE CITY COUNCIL AND THE
SUCCESSOR AGENCY TO THE SOUTH EL MONTE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT
AGENDA**

JANUARY 28, 2020, 6:00 PM

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS
1415 N. SANTA ANITA AVENUE
SOUTH EL MONTE, CA 91733**



**GLORIA OLMOS, MAYOR/CHAIRPERSON
GRACIE RETAMOZA, MAYOR PRO TEM/VICE CHAIRPERSON
MANUEL ACOSTA, COUNCILMEMBER/COMMISSIONER
RICHARD ANGEL, COUNCILMEMBER/COMMISSIONER
HECTOR DELGADO, COUNCILMEMBER/COMMISSIONER**

**ANTHONY R. TAYLOR, CITY ATTORNEY/GENERAL COUNSEL
RACHEL BARBOSA, CITY MANAGER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
ROSE JUAREZ, CITY CLERK/SECRETARY**

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1. **ROLL CALL** Councilmembers: Acosta, Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, (Mayor) Olmos
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Mayor Pro Tem Gracie Retamoza
3. **INVOCATION** City Employee Laura Lozano, On Eagles Wings Christian Family Church
4. **PRESENTATIONS**

4.a. **FOURTH QUARTER EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION (#SEMSTARS AWARDS)**

The Mayor and City Council will recognize Laura Lozano for her excellent customer service during the fourth quarter of 2019.

4.b. **CERTIFICATES OF RECOGNITION TO THE 2019 HOLIDAY DECORATION CONTEST WINNERS**

The Mayor and City Council will present Certificates of Recognition to the 2019 Holiday Decoration Contest Winners for Best Overall, Most Holiday Spirit, Most Animated, and Best Use of Lights.

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 that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City Council, including items on the agenda. Each speaker may speak for up to five minutes. With respect to non-public hearing agenda items, speakers shall provide their comments at this time. With respect to public hearing agenda items, speakers are encouraged to speak during the public hearing if they want their comments to be included in the record of the public hearing. Unless a majority of the Council objects, the Mayor may provide to speakers more or less time to speak. Any documents for review should be presented to the City Clerk for distribution.

7. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

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7.a. **MINUTES**

Staff seeks City Council approval of the Minutes of the Adjourned Regular meeting of December 3, 2019, and Adjourned Regular and Regular meetings of January 14, 2020.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve the above referenced minutes.

[Minutes](#)

7.b. **WARRANTS**

Authorizing payment of City expenditures for the period of January 15, 2020 through January 28, 2020 totaling \$1,039,333.10.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 20-05, authorizing payment of City expenditures.

[Resolution No. 20-05](#)

7.c. **CITY MANAGER'S WEEKLY INFORMATIONAL ITEMS**

Report on staff activities beginning the week of January 6, 2020 and ending the week of January 16, 2020.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council receive and file the reports.

[Weekly Informational Items](#)

7.d. **FACILITY RESERVATION FEE WAIVER REQUESTED BY SOUTH EL MONTE SENIOR COED SOFTBALL TEAM FOR THE USE OF NEW TEMPLE PARK FIELD #1**

The South El Monte Senior Coed Softball Team is requesting a fee waiver for the use of New Temple Park Field #1 for softball practices every Monday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. beginning March 2, 2020 to September 29,

2020.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve the fee waiver request by the South El Monte Senior Coed Softball Team for the use of New Temple Park Field #1 in the amount of \$4,000.00.

[Attachment A - Reservation Cost Breakdown](#)

[Attachment B - Reservation Application](#)

[Attachment C- Fee Waiver Request Letter](#)

7.e. FACILITY RESERVATION FEE WAIVER REQUESTED BY EPIPHANY SCHOOL FOR THE USE OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER GYMNASIUM

Epiphany School is requesting a fee waiver for the use of the Community Center Gymnasium to host basketball practices on Mondays from 1:15 p.m. to 2:15 p.m. and Wednesdays from 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m. beginning January 29, 2020 to March 11, 2020.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council approve the fee waiver requested by Epiphany School for the use of the Community Center Gymnasium in the amount of \$1,800.00.

[Attachment A - Reservation Cost Breakdown](#)

[Attachment B - Reservation Application](#)

[Attachment C - Fee Waiver Request Letter](#)

7.f. ADOPT RESOLUTION 20-06, ACCEPTING STATE GENERAL FUND ALLOCATIONS FOR VARIOUS CITY PARK AND CIVIC CENTER IMPROVEMENTS

The City presented the project list to the Valle Lindo School Board at a Joint Meeting with City Council on December 18th. The School Board revised and prioritized the list of projects for New Temple Park, Shively Park, Mary Van Dyke Park, and the Civic Center as shown in Attachment B.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council adopt Resolution No. 20-06, accepting State General Fund allocations for various City Park and Civic Center improvements.

[Attachment A - Resolution No. 20-06](#)

[Attachment B - Park and Civic Center Projects](#)

[Attachment C - Project Agreement](#)

[Attachment D - Project Information Form](#)

8. PUBLIC HEARINGS

8.a. **SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1241, AMENDING THE SOUTH EL MONTE MUNICIPAL CODE BY MODIFYING TITLE 15 THEREOF ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2020 LOS ANGELES COUNTY BUILDING CODE (TITLE 26), ELECTRICAL CODE (TITLE 27), PLUMBING CODE (TITLE 28), MECHANICAL CODE (TITLE 29), RESIDENTIAL CODE (TITLE 30), GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE (TITLE 31) AND EXISTING BUILDING CODE (TITLE 33), WITH CERTAIN AMENDMENTS, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS THERETO**

Every three years, the California Building Standards Commission updates and publishes Title 24 the "California Building Standards Code." These codes were published on July 1, 2019 and will become effective January 1, 2020. Due to Los Angeles County's late approval of their building codes, the City must adopt the final version of the State's building codes.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council conduct a second reading and adopt Ordinance No. 1241.

[Attachment A - Ordinance No. 1241](#)

[Attachment B - 2020 Building Code](#)

9. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

9.a. **DISCUSSION REGARDING THE SELECTION OF THE 2020 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES BANDS**

The 2020 Summer Concert Series will feature six (6) bands. The City Council will discuss the selection of the 2020 Summer Concert bands.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council discuss and provide direction on the selection of the 2020 Summer Concerts Series bands.

[Attachment A - Band Recommendations Based on Community Feedback](#)

[Attachment B - 2020 Summer Concert Series Bands Confirmed](#)

[Attachment C - LA County Arts Musician Roster](#)

[Attachment D - Musicians Application Guidelines](#)

9.b. **APPOINTMENT OF PLANNING COMMISSIONERS**

Staff is seeking City Council direction on the appointment of five residents to serve on the Planning Commission.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council consider appointing five individuals from amongst the nine

applicants seeking an appointment on the Planning Commission for a one year term commencing January 29, 2020 and ending January 31, 2021.

[Maddy Act Appointment List](#)

9.c. APPOINTMENT OF COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMISSIONERS

Staff is seeking City Council direction on the appointment of seven residents to serve on the Community Services Commission.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council consider appointing seven individuals from amongst the 11 applicants seeking an appointment on the Community Services Commission for a one year term commencing January 29, 2020 and ending January 31, 2021.

[Maddy Act Appointment List](#)

9.d. APPOINTMENT OF PATRIOTIC COMMISSIONERS

Staff is seeking City Council direction on the appointment of five residents to serve on the Patriotic Commission.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the City Council consider appointing the five individuals seeking reappointment on the Patriotic Commission for a one year term commencing January 29, 2020 and ending January 31, 2021.

[Maddy Act Appointment List](#)

9.e. UPDATE ON 60% DESIGN FOR MERCED AVENUE GREENWAY PROJECT

On March 26, 2019, Staff presented three design options for City Council consideration to determine a preferred design and landscape palette for the Merced Avenue Greenway Project (project), which aims to improve stormwater management, water quality, and community health in the City. Option B was chosen for the section of Merced south of Rush and a combination of A & C was selected for north of Rush.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: No actions required. The City received the Draft 60% Design Plans for the southern residential section from the design team on January 15th. (Note: The remaining design for the northern section is not yet funded and will be part of a future phase). The plans are currently under review with the City's Planning and Engineering staff.

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS:

AB 1234 requires that councilmembers must briefly report, orally or in writing, on meetings attended at City expense (for example, Contract City and League of California Cities Conferences, ICSC conferences, etc.) at the City Council meeting following the meeting.

11. CORRESPONDENCE None.

12. COUNCILMEMBERS' AGENDA

12.a. COUNCILMEMBER MANUEL ACOSTA

1. Status Request on the April 9, 2019 Agenda Item Exploring the Feasibility of Imposing a Warehouse Space Tax
2. Resolution on New City Financial Policies

12.b. MAYOR GLORIA OLMOS

1. Discussion on Safety Measures Regarding Solicitors.
2. Exploring the Feasibility of Imposing a Foreign Tax for Land Purchase in South El Monte.

13. CLOSED SESSION

13.a. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT - GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957

Title: Assistant City Manager

13.b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Discussion of potential for initiation of litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(4) - 6 potential cases.

14. RECESS COUNCIL MEETING

15. ANNOUNCEMENT OF CITY CLERK (PRIOR TO CONVENING THE SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETING)

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54952.3, the City Clerk will announce that Board Members do not receive any compensation or stipend for attending the Successor Agency meeting.

16. SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETING - CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Board Members: Acosta, Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, (Chairperson) Olmos

17. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

This is the time for the Board to remove any items from the consent calendar for individual consideration, table, continue, add items, or to make a motion to rearrange the order of this agenda.

18. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Persons wishing to address the Board on any item on the agenda, or any other matter, are invited to do so at this time. Pursuant to the Brown Act, the Board cannot discuss or take action on items not on the agenda. Matters brought before the Board that are not on the agenda may, at the Board's discretion, be referred to staff or placed on the next agenda.

19. CONSENT CALENDAR

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19.a. MINUTES

Staff seeks Agency Board approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 22, 2019.

RECOMMENDED ACTION: Staff recommends that the Agency Board approve the above referenced minutes.

[Minutes](#)

20. **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S AGENDA** None.
21. **ADJOURNMENT OF SUCCESSOR AGENCY MEETING**
22. **RECONVENE AND ADJOURN COUNCIL MEETING** February 11, 2020, 5:30 p.m.