

**CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, JUNE 28, 2022 - 6:00 PM**

1. ROLL CALL

Mayor Olmos called the meeting to order at 6:02 PM

PRESENT: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta, and Mayor Olmos

STAFF PRESENT: Rene Salas, Deputy City Manager; Anthony R. Taylor, City Attorney; Donna G. Schwartz, City Clerk; Colby Cataldi, Community Development Director (via zoom); William Fox, Interim Finance Director; Andres Gonzalez, Senior Services Supervisor; and Paola Lara, Deputy City Clerk.

STAFF ABSENT: Rachel Barbosa, City Manager.

Zoom was provided for the Public to participate during public comment via teleconference.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Councilmember Hector Delgado led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. INVOCATION – Dr. Ramos, Epiphany Catholic Church, offered the Invocation.

Mayor Olmos requested items 11.a., 11.b., 12.a., and 12.b. be moved up for action after presentations. Council concurred.

4. PRESENTATIONS:

4.a. City Council received a report from the Sheriff's Department and discussed matters concerning law enforcement in the City for the month of May.

4.b. City Council received a report from Code Enforcement/Public Safety Supervisor Joe Martinez on Code Enforcement and Public Safety activities for the month of May.

ITEMS MOVED UP FOR ACTION

11. CORRESPONDENCE:

11.a. LETTER FROM THE 3L CLUB REQUESTING A FACILITY RESERVATION FEE WAIVER FOR USE OF THE SOUTH EL MONTE SENIOR CENTER DINING ROOM

Mayor Olmos announced the item.

Rene Salas, Deputy City Manager introduced Senior Services Supervisor Andres Gonzalez who presented the staff report.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Acosta, seconded by Councilmember Angel to approve the facility reservation fee waiver requested by the 3L Club in the amount of \$32,820.72. Motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta,
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

11.b. LETTER FROM CLUB LATINO DE SUR EL MONTE REQUESTING A FACILITY RESERVATION FEE WAIVER FOR USE OF THE SOUTH EL MONTE SENIOR CENTER DINING ROOM

Mayor Olmos announced the item.

Senior Services Supervisor Andres Gonzalez presented the staff report.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Acosta, seconded by Councilmember Angel to approve the facility reservation fee waiver requested by Club Latino de Sur El Monte in the amount of \$38,920.80. Motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta,
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

12. COUNCILMEMBERS' AGENDA: None

12.a. Councilwoman Gracie Retamoza

1. Discussion and Possible Action on a Resolution Affirming a Vote of No Confidence: Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon.

A motion was made by Councilmember Retamoza, seconded by Councilmember Delgado approving preparation of a resolution affirming a vote of No Confidence for Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon. Motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta,
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

12.b. Councilmember Hector Delgado

1. Mayor Olmos presented "Certificates of Recognition" to Deputies Nelson Tario, Adrian Ruiz and Brittany Wallace for their years of service to the City of South El Monte.

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

A motion was made by Councilmember Angel, seconded by Councilmember Delgado to approve the agenda. Motion carried 5-0, by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

6. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Olmos opened public comment.

1. Rosario Gonzalez, President of 3L Club, requested City Council allow the club to hold cash bingo games.
2. Gilbert Tarin, Treasurer of Club Latino, requested City Council allow the club to hold cash bingo games.
3. Mercedes Casillas, Resident, requested City Council allow the clubs to hold cash bingo games.
4. Irma Figueroa, Senior Center Volunteer, requested City Council allow the club to hold cash bingo games.

There being no further comment, Mayor Olmos closed public comment.

City Attorney Anthony R. Taylor announced he is available to meet with club representatives to discuss the requirements for cash bingo.

7. CONSENT CALENDAR

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Acosta, seconded by Councilmember Delgado to approve the Consent Calendar. Motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta,
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

- 7.a. Approved Minutes for the Regular City Council Meeting held June 14, 2022.
- 7.b. Adopted Resolution No. 22-47, approving warrants for the period of June 14, 2022 through June 28, 2022 totaling \$785,895.78.
- 7.c. Approved City Council "go dark" on Tuesday, August 9, 2022 and Tuesday, August 23, 2022.

8. **PUBLIC HEARINGS: None.**

9. **GENERAL BUSINESS**

9.a. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 22-48
APPROVING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-23 ANNUAL BUDGET**

Mayor Olmos announced the item.

Interim Finance Director William Fox presented the staff report.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Acosta, seconded by Councilmember Delgado to adopt Resolution No. 22-48, approving the FY 2022-23 Budget, which encompasses the General Fund, Special Revenue Funds, and Capital Improvement Projects. Motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta,
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

9.b. **CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 22-49
APPROVING THE GANN LIMIT COMPUTATION**

Mayor Olmos announced the item.

Interim Finance Director William Fox presented the staff report.

A motion was made by Councilmember Delgado, seconded by Councilmember Angel to adopt Resolution No. 22-49, establishing the City's Appropriation Limit at \$170,135,936 for FY 2022-23. Motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta,
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

9.c. **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION 22-50, APPROVING
MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA) BETWEEN THE CITY OF
SOUTH EL MONTE AND SAN GABRIEL VALLEY COUNCIL OF
GOVERNMENTS SGVCOG TO RECEIVE \$50,000 IN GRANT FUNDS
FOR HOMELESS PROGRAM SERVICES FOR FY 22-23**

Mayor Olmos announced the item.

A motion was made by Councilmember Angel, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Acosta to adopt Resolution 22-50, approving the Memorandum of Agreement with the San Gabriel Valley Council of Governments. Motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta,
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

**9.d. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 22-51,
AWARDING A PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT (PSA) TO
SAN GABRIEL VALLEY-HABITAT FOR HUMANITY TO ADMINISTER
AND IMPLEMENT THE CALHOME OWNER-OCCUPIED HOME REPAIR
PROGRAM**

Mayor Olmos announced the item.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Acosta, seconded by Councilmember Delgado to adopt Resolution No. 22-51, awarding a professional services agreement to San Gabriel Valley-Habitat for Humanity to administer and implement the CalHome Home Repair Program for the amount not-to-exceed 10% of the grant amount or \$100,000.00. Motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta,
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

**9.e. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 22-52,
COVERING THE TERMS OF A PRIVATE PLACEMENT OF DEBT
RELATED TO THE CALPERS UNFUNDED DEBT LIABILITY
APPROVING THE FORM OF AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION
AND DELIVERY OF A SITE LEASE AND A LEASE AGREEMENT, AND
AUTHORIZING OTHER MATTERS RELATED TO THE FINANCING
TRANSACTION**

Mayor Olmos announced the item.

A motion was made by Councilmember Delgado, seconded by Councilmember Angel to adopt Resolution No. 22-52, approving the terms of a private placement lease financing, approving the form of and authorizing the execution and delivery of a site lease and lease agreement, a trust agreement, and authorizing required actions in connection with the execution, authorizing other matters relating to the financing, and authorizing the Interim City Manager to sign all documents relating to the authorization of this matter. Motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta,
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

**9.f. CONSIDERATION OF NON-RENEWAL OF CONTRACT AGREEMENT
AND GENERAL RELEASE AND WAIVER OF CLAIMS - CITY MANAGER**

Mayor Olmos announced the item.

City Attorney Anthony R. Taylor disclosed the total of \$100,721.99 plus \$85,000 for a full release.

A motion was made by Councilmember Angel, seconded by Councilmember Delgado to approve this item and the subject agreements. Motion carried 5-0 by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmember(s): Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Acosta,
and Mayor Olmos

NAYS: Councilmember(s): None

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS, INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS

Mayor Pro Tem Acosta announced his attendance at the City's Senior Center Father's Day Luncheon, Rio Hondo College's Taste of Rio event, and the City's Summer Concert.

Councilmember Retamoza announced her attendance at Rio Hondo College's Taste of Rio event, City's Summer Concert in the Park, and the Grand Opening of Krudos Sushi & Modern Kitchen.

Councilmember Delgado announced his attendance at the Grand Opening of Krudos Sushi & Modern Kitchen and announced his daughter Mia Delgado won gold at the 2022 Junior Olympics and will represent the USA in the world championship in Ecuador.

Councilmember Angel announced his attendance at the City's Senior Center Father's Day Luncheon, the City's Summer Concert, Rio Hondo College's Taste of Rio event, and the Grand Opening of Krudos Sushi & Modern Kitchen.

Mayor Olmos announced her attendance at the Breakfast Meeting with Elected & Business Leaders on Economic Development with United States Assistant Secretary Alejandra Y. Castillo and Congresswoman Linda Sanchez, Rio Hondo College's Taste of Rio event, Grand Opening of Krudos Sushi & Modern Kitchen, Los Angeles California Teacher Association meeting, City's Summer Concert, and announced SEAACA still has adoption opportunities.

11. CORRESPONDENCE:

Items 11.a. and 11.b. were moved up after presentations.

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11.b. LETTER FROM CLUB LATINO DE SUR EL MONTE REQUESTING A FACILITY RESERVATION FEE WAIVER FOR USE OF THE SOUTH EL MONTE SENIOR CENTER DINING ROOM

12. COUNCILMEMBERS' AGENDA:

Items 12.a. and 12.b. were moved up after presentations.

12.a. Councilwoman Gracie Retamoza

1. Discussion and Possible Action on a Resolution Affirming a Vote of No Confidence: Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascon

12.b. Councilmember Hector Delgado

1. Mayor Olmos presented "Certificates of Recognition" to Deputies Nelson Tario, Adrian Ruiz and Brittany Wallace for their Years of Service to the City of South El Monte.

13. CLOSED SESSION:

At 7:46 p.m. City Attorney Anthony R. Taylor recessed Council into closed session to discuss item 13.c.

13.c. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT
Government Code Section 54957

Title: Interim City Manager

At 8:05 p.m. Mayor Olmos reconvened to open session.

City Attorney Anthony R. Taylor announced City Council discussed item 13.c. and a motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Acosta to appoint Rene Salas as Interim City Manager, seconded by Councilmember Angel and the motion was unanimously approved.

At 8:06 p.m. City Attorney Anthony R. Taylor recessed Council into closed session to discuss items 13.a. and 13.b.

13.a. CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6

City Negotiator: City Manager

Employee Organizations: South El Monte Employees Association and the South El Monte Executive Management Team Association

Interim City Manager sat in place of City Manager.

13.b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - POTENTIAL LITIGATION

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) and (e)(1) - (Two cases)

At 9:26 p.m. Mayor Olmos reconvened to open session.

City Attorney Anthony R. Taylor announced City Council discussed items 13.a. and 13.b. No action taken, nothing to report.

14. RECESS COUNCIL MEETING

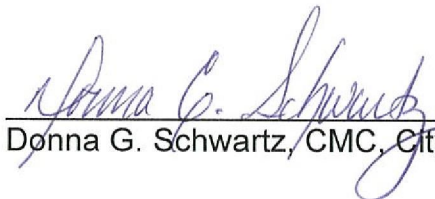
Mayor Olmos recessed the meeting at 9:27 p.m. to the Successor Agency meeting.

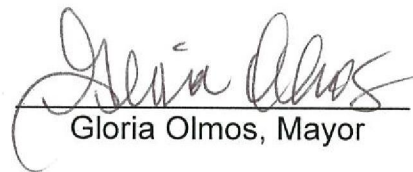
Mayor Olmos adjourned the Successor Agency meeting at 9:28 p.m.

Mayor Olmos reconvened the City Council meeting at 9:28 p.m.

15. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business coming before this body, at 9:29 p.m. Mayor Olmos adjourned the meeting to the South El Monte Financing Authority Meeting immediately following this meeting.


Donna G. Schwartz, CMC, City Clerk


Gloria Olmos, Mayor