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Rachel Barbosa, City Manager
Donna G. Schwartz, City Clerk

CALL AND NOTICE OF SPECIAL MEETING

CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE

CALLED BY MAYOR GLORIA OLMOS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of El Monte on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall Council Chambers, 1415 N. Santa Anita, Avenue, South El Monte, CA 91733

AGENDA

SPECIAL NOTICE REGARDING COVID-19

On March 17, 2020, Governor Newsom issued Executive Order N-29-20 in response to the COVID-19 pandemic, which authorizes the City Council to hold public meetings via teleconferencing and to make public meetings accessible telephonically or otherwise electronically to all members of the public seeking to observe and to address the local legislative body. All requirements of the Brown Act requiring the physical presence of Council Members, staff, or the public as a condition of participation in or quorum for a public meeting have been waived.

Public participation will be allowed via the information below.

TELECONFERENCE

Members of the public will have access to listen to and participate in the meeting by calling-in at the information below. Teleconference participation shall be available to the public at the following USA Toll-Free number,
1-888-204-5987, Access Code: 9671457.

LIVE TELECAST

The public may also view a live telecast online at
www.cityofsouthelmonte.org/129/City-Council-Agendas-Minutes

GENERAL COMMENT

Members of the public wishing to submit a general comment or a comment on an agenda item, can email dschwartz@soelmonte.org or call (626) 579-6540 to leave a voicemail message. All comments received by 4:30 p.m. on Wednesday, September 16, 2020 will be added to the City Council agenda as part of the public comment.

MEETINGS

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

POSTING LOCATIONS OF AGENDA AND/OR CANCELLATION NOTICES

Regular and Adjourned Regular meeting agendas will be posted at least 72 hours before the meeting (GC 54954(a)(1)).

Agenda and Cancellation Notices can be viewed online and are also posted at the following three (3) locations: City Hall located at 1415 Santa Anita Avenue, Senior Center located at 1556 Central Avenue and the Community Center located at 1530 Central Avenue, South El Monte, California.

VIEWING OF AGENDA PACKETS

Full agenda packets can be viewed either at www.cityofsouthelmonte.org/129/City-Council-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

For issues related to the agenda please contact Donna G. Schwartz, CMC, City Clerk at (626) 579-6540 ext. 3280 or (626) 274-0412 Cell or Paola Lara, Deputy City Clerk at (626) 579-6540 ext. 3220 or (626) 522-5341 Cell.

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1. **ROLL CALL** Councilmembers: Acosta, Angel, Delgado, Retamoza, (Mayor) Olmos

2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

By motion of the City Council, this is the time to notify the public of any changes to the agenda, and/or rearrange the order of the agenda.

3. **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. Pursuant to the Brown Act, the City Council cannot discuss or take action on items not on the agenda. Matters brought before the City Council that are not on the agenda may, at the City Council's discretion, be referred to staff or placed on the next agenda.

4. **CORRESPONDENCE**

4.a. **CONSIDERATION OF A REQUEST BY THE CITY OF PALMDALE FOR CONTRIBUTIONS TOWARDS A REWARD FUND TO HELP FIND, ARREST, AND CONVICT PERPERTRATOR(S) WHO ABMUSHED AND SHOT TWO LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPUTIES WHILE ON DUTY ON SEPTEMBER 12, 2020**

SUMMARY: Request by the City of Palmdale to donate \$10,000 to increase the County reward of \$100,000 that was approved by the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors on Tuesday, September 15, 2020, for information leading to the apprehension and/or conviction of the perpetrator(s) responsible for the heinous ambush shooting of two Los Angeles County Sheriff's (LASD) Deputies on September 12, 2020.

RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends City Council discuss the request by the City of Palmdale and provide direction to staff.

5. **ADJOURNMENT**

I Donna G. Schwartz, hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted not less than 24 hours at City of South El Monte City Hall, Senior Center and Community Center and made available at www.cityofsouthelmonte.org on this 15th day of September 2020.



CMC, City Clerk



City Council Special Meeting Agenda Report

Agenda
Item No.
4.a

DATE: September 16, 2020

TO: Honorable Mayor and Members of the City Council

APPROVED BY: Rachel Barbosa, City Manager

PREPARED BY: Donna G. Schwartz, CMC, City Clerk

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FISCAL IMPACT: There have been no funds budgeted during Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-2021 to address an unplanned incident of helping to fund a reward. During the first quarter budget amendment, a determination may be made to reallocate funds from another activity or appropriate an additional amount for this item.

DISCUSSION: On Saturday, September 12, 2020, at approximately 6:58 p.m., the LASD responded to the MLK Transit Center in the City of Compton after receiving a distress call from two Sheriff Deputies. It was learned a lone gunman ambushed two LASD Deputies while they were sitting in their patrol vehicle at the MLK Transit Center. The suspect approached the vehicle from behind and fired several rounds from his firearm at the Deputies, striking them and critically injuring both Deputies. The suspect is described as a male, Black, 28-30 years of age, wearing black clothing at the time of the shooting. The suspect was last seen driving northbound on Willowbrook Avenue in a black, 4-door sedan. As this investigation is ongoing, LASD investigators are seeking the public's assistance in locating witnesses that may have information leading to the apprehension of the perpetrator(s).

ATTACHMENT(S): Letter from the City of Palmdale



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September 14, 2020

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Dear Contract Cities Partner:

I know that you are as sickened (distraught, upset, disgusted, disturbed) as I am about the ambush shooting of two Los Angeles County sheriff's deputies last weekend.

No matter what anyone thinks of the current state of law enforcement and all that is going on in our nation, all of us can agree that the deputies and officers who put their lives on the line every day for our communities do not deserve this. Growing up as the son of a Philadelphia police officer and living with the fear that one day my father might not come home, it gave me an even greater appreciation for what they do.

Thankfully, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors authorized a \$100,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the gunman.

To help that cause, I am asking each of our partner contract cities to join the City of Palmdale in donating \$10,000 to increase the County reward. If all 42 of us were to agree to contribute, the total reward would be \$520,000 and can make a huge difference in getting the information needed to apprehend the suspect.

I ask you to thoughtfully consider making this important contribution. Together, we can make a statement and better yet, a difference, in helping bring the gunman to justice.

Please email me your thoughts and potential commitment to jjmurphy@cityofpalmdale.org.

Sincerely,

J.J. Murphy, ICMA-CM
Palmdale City Manager

CC: Palmdale Mayor and City Council