

**CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING - MINUTES  
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2020**

**1. ROLL CALL**

Mayor Olmos called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

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

ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Anthony R. Taylor, City Attorney; Donna G. Schwartz, City Clerk; Colby Cataldi, Community Development Director; William Fox, Interim Finance Director; Ian McAleese, Assistant Planner and Paola Lara, Deputy City Clerk (Via teleconference).

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54953, Subdivision (B) and Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-25-20, dated March 12, 2020, and Executive Order N-29-20, dated March 17, 2020, Teleconference was provided for the Public and Zoom/Video was utilized By all City Councilmembers and the City Attorney's Office.

**2. INVOCATION**

Pastor Ben Garrett, Faith Dominion Church, offered the Invocation.

**3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commander Mark Tavera, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Greater El Monte VFW Post of 10218 led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**4. SINGING OF NATIONAL ANTHEM**

Raymundo Monge, South El Monte Resident and Recording Artist, sang the National Anthem.

**5. APPROVED THE AGENDA AND WAIVED FULL READING OF ORDINANCES**

A motion was made by Angel seconded by Acosta and carried 5 – 0, approve the agenda.

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

NAYS: None

6. **CERTIFICATION OF ELECTION RESULTS**

6.a. **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 20-131, ADOPTING CERTIFICATE OF CANVASS CERTIFYING RESULTS FOR THE CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE'S GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020, AND SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1250, RELATING TO AND CONTAINING THE PROVISIONS/TEXT OF A SALES TAX MEASURE (MEASURE "ES") APPROVED BY VOTERS AT SAID ELECTION**

Mayor Olmos introduced the item.

City Attorney Taylor read the title of Ordinance No. 1250.

A motion was made by Delgado seconded by Angel and carried 5 – 0, to approve Resolution No. 20-131, reciting the facts of the November 3, 2020, General Municipal Election, and adopt Ordinance No. 1250, containing the provisions/text of Measure "ES".

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

NAYS: None

7. **OATH OF OFFICE TO BE TAKEN BY RE-ELECTED MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

7.a. **RE-ELECTED COUNCILMEMBER - HECTOR DELGADO**

City Clerk Schwartz congratulated newly re-elected Councilmember Hector Delgado, presented a "Certificate of Election" and welcomed Congresswoman Judy Chu.

Congresswoman Judy Chu administered the Oath of Office to Councilmember Hector Delgado.

7.b. **RE-ELECTED COUNCILMEMBER - RICHARD ANGEL**

City Clerk Schwartz congratulated newly re-elected Councilmember Richard Angel, presented a "Certificate of Election" and welcomed Richard Angel Jr.

Richard Angel Jr. administered the Oath of Office of Councilmember Richard Angel.

7.c. **RE-ELECTED MAYOR - GLORIA OLMOS**

City Clerk Schwartz congratulated newly re-elected Mayor Gloria Olmos, presented a "Certificate of Election" and welcomed Senator Susan Rubio.

Senator Susan Rubio administered the Oath of Office to Mayor Gloria Olmos.

8. **COMMENTS BY RE-ELECTED MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Mayor Olmos, Councilmember Angel, and Councilmember Delgado thanked the residents and their loved ones for supporting their re-election.

Mayor Olmos thanked the City of Rosemead and Senator Susan Rubio's office for providing Certificates of Recognition to her, Re-Elected Councilmember Angel and Re-Elected Councilmember Delgado.

At 6:33 p.m. Mayor Olmos recessed the meeting.

At 6:41 p.m. Mayor Olmos reconvened the meeting.

9. **PRESENTATIONS**

9.a. **SENATOR SUSAN RUBIO TO PROVIDE REMARKS TO NEWLY RE-ELECTED MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL**

Senator Susan Rubio congratulated Mayor Olmos, Councilmember Angel, and Councilmember Delgado on their re-election during Item 7.c.

9.b. **SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER 2020**

Deputy Rosales provided a report on the October Crime Statistics including Part I Crime Statistics for October 2020, Target Crimes, Part I Crime Statistics Year to Date, Part I Crimes 2019, September Arrests 2019-2020, and Part I Crimes Year End 2018-2019.

9.c. **CODE ENFORCEMENT AND PUBLIC SAFETY DEPARTMENT REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER 2020**

Code Enforcement/Public Safety Officer presented a report on the November calls for service including Property Maintenance, Health and Safety, Building Code, Zoning, Streets and Sidewalks, Vehicle and Traffic, and Business, and Bulk Items Report November 2020.

10. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Mayor Olmos opened public comment, there being none, closed public comment.

11. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

- a. Approved the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of November 10, 2020.

- b. Adopted Resolution No. 20-125, authorizing payment of City expenditures for the period of November 11, 2020 through December 8, 2020 totaling \$1,877,559.77
- c. Adopted Resolution No. 20-126, authorizing the City Manager to use Measure M funds as a match resource in the amount of \$38,000 as required for the awarded grant contract with Caltrans for fiscal year (FY) 2020-21 Caltrans Sustainable Transportation Planning, Sustainable Communities Grant
- d. Adopted Resolution No. 20-127, approving an agreement with Dudek for conducting an update to the Housing Element, and creation of the Safety and Environmental Justice Elements, for an amount not to exceed \$199,995.
- e. Adopted Resolution No. 20-128 denouncing xenophobia and anti-API sentiment and all macroaggressions and hate crimes.
- f. Adopted Resolution No. 20-129 authorizing the allocation of \$150,000 from general fund balance and authorizing the City Manager to enter into a contract for the extension of three years of a Land Management System, the scanning of physical documents, and supplemental funding of the Housing Element update.
- g. Adopted Resolution No. 20-130 approving and adopting the campaign contributions set by the State, maintaining the status quo of no local ordinance and defaulting to the State requirements of AB 571.

A motion was made by Angel seconded by Acosta and carried 5 – 0, to approve the Consent Calendar.

AYES: Councilmember(s): Acosta, Angel, Delgado, Retamoza and Mayor Olmos.  
NAYS: None

## 12. GENERAL BUSINESS

- a. ACCEPT CITY CLERK'S CERTIFICATION OF SIGNATURES SUBMITTED IN SUPPORT OF AN INITIATIVE MEASURE TO PERMIT/REGULATE CERTAIN CANNABIS BUSINESSES, REGULATE PERSONAL CANNABIS USE, AND IMPOSE A 6% EXCISE TAX ON THE RETAIL SALES OF CANNABIS/EDIBLES; AND, PURSUANT TO ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 9215, ADOPT THE INITIATIVE MEASURE BY ORDINANCE, OR SUBMIT THE INITIATIVE MEASURE TO THE VOTERS AT A GENERAL OR SPECIAL ELECTION, OR ORDER A REPORT ON THE INITIATIVE MEASURE PURSUANT TO ELECTIONS CODE SECTION 9212, OR PROVIDE OTHER DIRECTION TO STAFF

Mayor Olmos introduced the item.

City Attorney Taylor and Attorney Khuu presented the staff report.

Council discussed at length the various options available in regards to this initiative measure.

A motion was made by Angel and seconded for discussion by Delgado to adopt Resolution No. 20-132 accepting the City Clerk's Certification of Sufficiency for the Measure.

Council discussed the possibility of the City developing a competing measure with the citizen initiative measure for the General Municipal Election to be held on November 8, 2022.

A motion was made by Angel seconded by Delgado and carried 5 – 0, to adopt Resolution No. 20-132 accepting the City Clerk's Certification of Sufficiency for the Measure.

Councilmember(s): Acosta, Angel, Delgado, Retamoza and Mayor Olmos.  
NAYS: None

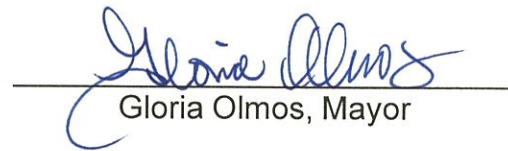
A motion was made by Angel seconded by Acosta and carried 5 – 0, to submit the Measure to the voters at a general municipal election on November 8, 2022, and to receive a report on the Measure.

Councilmember(s): Acosta, Angel, Delgado, Retamoza and Mayor Olmos.  
NAYS: None

13. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business coming before this body, at 7:40 p.m. Mayor Olmos adjourned to an Adjourned Regular Meeting on Tuesday, January 12, 2021 at 5:30 p.m.

  
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Donna G. Schwartz, CMC, City Clerk

  
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Gloria Olmos, Mayor