

Gloria Olmos, Mayor  
Richard Angel, Mayor Pro Tem  
Manuel Acosta, Councilmember  
Hector Delgado, Councilmember  
Gracie Retamoza, Councilmember



Anthony R. Taylor, City Attorney  
Rachel Barbosa, City Manager  
Donna G. Schwartz, City Clerk

## CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE

### REGULAR MEETING OF THE SOUTH EL MONTE CITY COUNCIL

#### AGENDA

April 13, 2021, 6:00 PM  
City Council Chambers  
1415 Santa Anita Avenue  
South El Monte, CA 91733

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**1. ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers: Acosta, Delgado, Retamoza, Mayor Pro Tem Angel, and Mayor Olmos

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Councilmember Hector Delgado**

**3. INVOCATION - Pastor Noe Mendoza, Ark of Montebello Church, Montebello, California**

**4. PRESENTATIONS**

**4.a. CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION PRESENTED TO DR. HUMBERTO RAMOS ON HIS APPOINTMENT BY THE ARCHDIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES AS PARISH LIFE DIRECTOR OF EPIPHANTY CHURCH, SOUTH EL MONTE, CALIFORNIA**

**4.b. PROCLAMATION PRESENTED TO NANCY JOLLEY, ONELEGACY AMBASSADOR, PROCLAIMING APRIL 2021 AS DONATE FOR LIFE MONTH**

**4.c. PROCLAMATION PROCLAIMING APRIL 2021 AS AUTISM AWARENESS MONTH**

**4.d. CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION PRESENTED TO BOOK AUTHOR CARRIBEAN FRAGOZA ON BEING FEATURED IN THE NEW YORK TIMES FOR "EAT THE MOUTH THAT FEEDS YOU" AND IN THE LA TIMES FOR ONE OF THE YEAR'S MOST ANTICIPATED BOOK "EAST OF EAST: THE MAKING OF GREATER EL MONTE"**

**4.e. CERTIFICATE OF RECOGNITION PRESENTED TO SANDRA AMEZCUA ROCHA, SENIOR FROM SOUTH EL MONTE HIGH SCHOOL FOR RECEIVING THE EDISON INTERNATIONAL SCIENCE TECHNOLOGY ENGINEERING AND MATH (STEM) COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP IN THE AMOUNT OF \$40,000**

**4.f. CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS ("CIP") UPDATE**

Council to receive and file the triannual CIP update from the Public Works Department.

**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 comment 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

Items on the consent calendar are considered to be routine and customary and are enacted by a single motion with the exception of items previously removed by a member of the City Council during "Approval of the Agenda" for individual consideration. Any items removed shall be individually considered immediately after taking action on the Consent Calendar.

### 7.a. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF ADJOURNED AND REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES FOR MARCH 23, 2021

Staff seeks Council approval of the Minutes for the Adjourned and Regular City Council Meeting held Tuesday, March 23, 2021

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff recommends City Council approve the Adjourned and Regular City Council Meeting Minutes of March 23, 2021.

### 7.b. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 21-20, APPROVING WARRANTS FOR THE PERIOD OF MARCH 24, 2021 THROUGH APRIL 13, 2021

Authorizing payment of City expenditures for the period of March 24, 2021 through April 13, 2021 totaling \$1,664,281.21.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff recommends City Council adopt Resolution No. 21-20, authorizing payment of City expenditures.

**7.c. CITY OF SOUTH EL MONTE HOUSING ELEMENT ANNUAL PROGRESS REPORT**

Submittal of the City of South El Monte Housing Element Progress Report to the California Department of Housing and Community Development and the Governor's Office of Planning and Research will ensure compliance with Government Code Section 65400(a).

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Receive and file the City of South El Monte Housing Element Annual Progress Report.

**8. PUBLIC HEARINGS – None**

**9. GENERAL BUSINESS**

**9.a. PRESENTATION ON FRANCHISE FEES AND UTILITY USER TAX (UUT)**

Staff was requested to provide an overview of the existing Franchise Fees being collected by the City. In order to accomplish this, the existing franchise agreements were reviewed, annual revenues were summarized, and observations have been made of current franchise activities. The City is in compliance with State Law and is maximizing revenue opportunities. There are two areas where further revenue enhancement in franchise fees may be possible, which requires further examination and discussion. Staff was additionally requested to research and provide information to explore the possible implementation of a Utility User Tax (UUT). To accomplish this objective, four key areas were examined. First, is the identification of the various types of utilities within the City that are eligible for applying a UUT. Second, is to benchmark other California cities and counties on which types of utilities are being selected for the application of the UUT. In addition, ten local San Gabriel Valley cities were examined to provide local perspective and the impact of additional revenue being received. Third, is an overview of how to implement the UUT in order to obtain the desired revenue level. Fourth, is to examine the ballot measure and voter approval requirements. City Council direction is being sought to determine what additional actions that they would like to be undertaken.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff recommends City Council discuss and/or provide direction on Franchise Fees and UUT revenue opportunities.

**9.b. CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION NO. 21-21, AWARDING CONSTRUCTION CONTRACT TO KDC dba DYNAELECTRIC FOR THE SANTA ANITA AVENUE AND KLINGERMAN STREET, RUSH STREET, AND CENTRAL AVENUE TRAFFIC SIGNAL MODIFICATION PROJECT, FUNDED BY HSIP, HSIPL-5352(019)**

On February 16, 2021, the Engineering Department solicited bids for the Santa Anita Avenue and Klingerman Street, Rush Street, and Central Avenue Traffic Signal Modification Project. The work includes installation of traffic signal and lighting to include new poles, foundations, controllers, conduit, traffic striping, curb, gutter, sidewalk and curb ramps at Santa Anita Avenue and Klingerman Street, Santa Anita Avenue and Rush Street and Santa Anita Avenue and Central Avenue intersections. The lowest responsive bid was submitted by KDC Inc. dba Dynaelectric L.A. in the amount of \$799,782.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Staff recommends City Council adopt Resolution No. 21-21, to do the following:

1. Adopt and approve the plans and specifications for Project No. 294 (Santa Anita Avenue and Klingerman Street, Rush Street, and Central Avenue Traffic Signal Modification Project, Funded By HSIP, HSIPL-5352(019));
2. Review the bids submitted for the work to be performed and find that KDC Inc. dba Dynaelectric L.A. has submitted the lowest responsive bid for the Project;
3. Award the Santa Anita Avenue and Klingerman Street, Rush Street, and Central Avenue Traffic Signal Modification Project contract to KDC Inc. dba Dynaelectric L.A. in the amount of \$799,782, approving a 10% contingency amount of \$79,978, for a total project construction cost, not to exceed \$879,760;
4. Authorize Transtech Engineers, Inc. to proceed with construction management, grant coordination and inspection services, in the amount of \$87,976 (10% of construction cost), pursuant to their existing engineering services agreement; and,
5. Approve \$485,256 in Prop C funds for a total project budget of \$967,736.

**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. **MAYOR GLORIA OLMOS**

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:**

- 1. Discussion on Code Enforcement Patrolling on a More Consistent Basis for Excess Bulky Items.
- 2. Discussion on Graffiti Removal at New Temple Park and Various Locations in the City.

- 13. **CLOSED SESSION - None**
- 14. **ADJOURNMENT**

Tuesday, April 27, 2021, 6:00 p.m.

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 72 hours at City of South El Monte City Hall, Senior Center and Community Center and made available at [www.cityofsouthelmonte.org](http://www.cityofsouthelmonte.org) on this 8<sup>th</sup> day of April 2021.



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City Clerk, CMC