

**CITY OF SOUTHGATE
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
June 7, 2023
122 Electric Ave.
City building**

Call to Order: Mayor Hamberg called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

The following answered roll call: Council Members Anderson, Okura, Melville, Messmer, and Lycans were present. Councilman Wegener was absent. Also present: City Clerk Barton, Finance Director/Treasurer Edgley, Police Chief Christmann, Public Works Foreman Bowman, Assistant Fire Chief Reusing, and City Attorney Stewart.

Public Comments: Council Member Okura recognized the May Green Thumb Award winners: 103 Joyce and 153 North.

Approval of special budget meeting minutes 5/6/23. Motion/Second: Anderson/Melville. Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.

Approval of regular meeting minutes 5/17/23 with corrections. Motion/Second: Okura:Anderson. Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.

Public Works: Councilman Melville reported that he Beverly Hills Memorial Park work is completed. Two benches were installed (in memory of Robert Paul and Don Berkemeyer) at the Memorial Park by the VFW.

Public Safety: Councilman Anderson had no report. Police Chief Christmann had no report, but said the Beverly Hills Memorial Park dedication went well. Police Officer Boeschstein is in week 7 of field training. Police Officer Snyder is in week 3 at the police academy. Assistant Fire Chief Reusing said the Fire Dept. approved the proposed budget at their meeting.

Code Enforcement: Councilman Messmer said there were 59 citations issued since the last report.

Community Relations & Recreation: Council Member Okura reported on several upcoming events. Super Seniors meeting June 15 with Bingo. Park & Tree Board meets June 12. Ms. Okura recognized Bill and Jean Theis for their 17 years of service on the Park & Tree Board.

Public Buildings: Councilman Lycans had no report.

Finance and Administration: Council Member Wegener reviewed the payables earlier in the week. Approval of April financials. **Motion/Second: Anderson/Lycans. Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.**

Finance Director Edgley summarized the amended budget for 2022-23 and the proposed adopted budget for 2023-24. There was discussion of the max percentage that the Mayor's salary can be increased. City Clerk Barton asked Council if they wanted to cancel the July 5 council meeting due to July 4 holiday. **There was a motion to cancel the meeting on July 5. Motion/Second: Messmer/Anderson. Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.**

City Attorney Stewart had no report, but read the following:

Ordinance 23-03 Amend budget 2022-23 First Reading

Ordinance 23-04 Adopt budget 2023-24 First Reading

Order 23-06 Re-appoint Phyllis Yeager to Code Enforcement Board.

Old Business: Mayor Hamberg said the Beverly Hills Memorial Park dedication on May 28 was with attended with approximately 350 people.

New Business: none.

Payment of Vouchers: Check vouchers #33579-33635 were presented for Council's review.

Mayor & Council Comments: none.

Announcements: none.

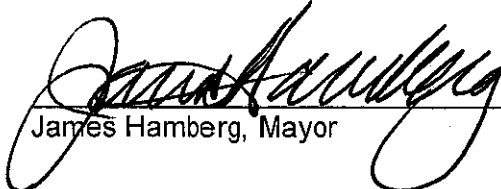
Executive Session – KRS 61.810 (1) (g) (k) Discussions between a public agency and a representative of a business entity and discussions concerning a specific proposal, if open discussions would jeopardize the siting, retention, expansion, or upgrading of the business. Meetings which federal or state law specifically require to be conducted in privacy.

Motion to go into Executive Session. Motion/Second: Anderson/Okura. Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.

Motion to go back into Open Session. Motion/Second: Anderson/Melville. Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0. No Action was taken in Executive Session.

Adjournment: There being no further business, **Motion/Second: Messmer/Anderson. Approved by vote: Aye 5 Nay 0.**

ATTEST: Brandi Barton
Brandi Barton, City Clerk


James Hamberg, Mayor