



GARDENA CITY COUNCIL

Regular Meeting Notice and Agenda

Council Chamber at City Hall

1700 West 162nd Street, Gardena, California

Website: www.cityofgardena.org

Tuesday, May 28, 2024

Open Session 7:30 p.m.

TASHA CERDA, *Mayor*

MARK E. HENDERSON, *Mayor Pro Tem*

RODNEY G. TANAKA, *Council Member*

PAULETTE C. FRANCIS, *Council Member*

WANDA LOVE, *Council Member*

MINA SEMENZA, *City Clerk*

GUY H. MATO, *City Treasurer*

CLINT OSORIO, *City Manager*

CARMEN VASQUEZ, *City Attorney*

LISA KRANITZ, *Assistant City Attorney*

If you would like to participate in this meeting, you can participate via the following options:

1. **VIEW THE MEETING live on SPECTRUM CHANNEL 22 or ONLINE at**
youtube.com/CityofGardena
2. **PARTICIPATE BEFORE THE MEETING** by emailing the Deputy City Clerk at publiccomment@cityofgardena.org by 5:00p.m. on the day of the meeting and write "Public Comment" in the subject line.
3. **ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON**

PUBLIC COMMENT: The City Council will hear from the public on any item on the agenda or any item of interest that is not on the agenda at the following times:

- Agenda Items – At the time the City Council considers the item or during Oral Communications
- Non-agenda Items – During Oral Communications
- Public Hearings – At the time for Public Hearings listed on the Agenda

If you wish to address the Council, please complete a "Speaker Request" form and present it to the City Clerk or Sergeant of Arms. You will be called to the podium by name when it is your turn to address the Council. The City Council cannot legally take action on any item not scheduled on the Agenda. Such items may be referred for administrative action or scheduled on a future Agenda. Members of the public wishing to address the City Council will be given three (3) minutes to speak.

4. The City of Gardena, in complying with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA), requests individuals who require special accommodations to access, attend and/or participate in the City meeting due to disability, to please contact the City Clerk's Office by phone (310) 217-9565 or email cityclerk@cityofgardena.org at least 24 business hours prior to the scheduled general meeting to ensure assistance is provided. Assistive listening devices are available.

STANDARDS OF BEHAVIOR THAT PROMOTE CIVILITY AT ALL PUBLIC MEETINGS

- Treat everyone courteously;
- Listen to others respectfully;
- Exercise self-control;
- Give open-minded consideration to all viewpoints;
- Focus on the issues and avoid personalizing debate; and
- Embrace respectful disagreement and dissent as democratic rights, inherent components of an inclusive public process, and tools for forging sound decisions

Thank you for your attendance and cooperation

1. ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION

2. CLOSED SESSION

CITY ATTORNEY REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Abraham Chavez and Thomas Njimbong
Kipp Generations Academy

4. INVOCATION

Reverend Edward Hawthorne
Hollypark United Methodist Church

5. PRESENTATIONS

5.A Certificates of Commendation presented to the participants of the City of Gardena's Third Leadership Development Academy (*to be accepted by the City of Gardena Participants*)

[Leadership Development Academy Certificates.pdf](#)

5.B Boards & Commissions Presentation - Senior Citizens Commission

5.C Investment Presentation - *to be given by Chandler Asset Management Inc.*

5.D Gardena Events Video Presentation

6. PROCLAMATIONS

7. APPOINTMENTS

8. **CONSENT CALENDAR**

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC- Roll Call Vote Required On The Consent Calendar

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar will be enacted by one motion unless a Council Member requests Council discussion, in which case that item will be removed from the Consent Calendar and considered separately following this portion of the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT ON CONSENT CALENDAR

- 8.A Waiver of Reading in Full of All Ordinances Listed on this Agenda and that they be Read by Title Only
CONTACT: CITY CLERK
- 8.B Approve Minutes:
Regular Meeting of the City Council, May 14, 2024
CONTACT: CITY CLERK
[05142024 REGULAR Minutes CC Meeting - FINAL.pdf](#)
- 8.C Receive and File of Minutes:
Planning and Environmental Quality Commission, May 7, 2024
CONTACT: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
[2024_05_07 PCMIN - Approved & Signed.pdf](#)
- 8.D Approval of Warrants/Payroll Register, May 28, 2024
CONTACT: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
[Warrant-Payroll Register 05-28-24.pdf](#)
- 8.E Monthly Investment Portfolio, April 2024
CONTACT: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
[April 2024 Investment Report.pdf](#)
- 8.F Personnel Report P-2024-9 5-28-24
CONTACT: ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
[PERS RPT P-2024-9 5-28-24.pdf](#)
- 8.G [RESOLUTION NO. 6671: Denying the appeal of Soul Housing relating to the Community Development Director's decision to deny a business license for a hotel at 15906 S Western Avenue](#)
CONTACT: COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
[RESOLUTION_NO_6671\(Soul_Housing\)](#)
- 8.H [SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE. 1872, An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of Gardena, California, Adopting a Military Equipment use Policy of the City of Gardena, California Governing the use of Military Equipment Pursuant to Assembly Bill 481](#)
CONTACT: POLICE DEPARTMENT
[Attachment 1 - Ordinance 1872 & Policy 706.pdf](#)

- 8.I [RESOLUTION NO. 6669: Adopting a list of projects for Fiscal Year 2024- 2025 funded by SB1: The Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017](#)
CONTACT: PUBLIC WORKS
[Resolution 6669 Adopting Local Road Maint SB 1 2024-2025.pdf](#)
- 8.J [Approve Agreement with the Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority under the ExpressLanes Net Toll Revenue Reinvestment Grant Program to Deploy Weekend Service on Line 5](#)
CONTACT: TRANSPORTATION
[Metro ExpressLanes Grant Application 7_25_2023.pdf](#)
[MX202311 - Net Toll Revenue Funding Agreement.pdf](#)

9. **EXCLUDED CONSENT CALENDAR**

10. **PLANNING & ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COMMISSION ACTION SHEET**

10.A MAY 21, 2024 MEETING:

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT #16-23, CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT #9-23, SITE PLAN REVIEW #5-23, AND VARIANCE #1-23.

The Planning Commission considered the request for a Conditional Use Permit, Site Plan Review, and Variance request to allow construction of a new public utility facility by the Los Angeles County Sanitation Districts, which includes the construction of a new 4,000 square foot building with a height of 35-feet located in the General Commercial (C-3) zone within the City.

Project Location: 1919, 1923, 1931 W. Artesia Boulevard.

Project Applicant: Los Angeles County Sanitation District No. 5

Commission Action:

The Planning Commission approved Resolution No. PC 13-24, by a vote of 5-0, approving Conditional Use Permit #9-24, Site Plan Review #5-23, and Variance #1-23.

City Council Action:

Received and file or Call for Review (By way of two votes from the City Council).

To view the complete Planning Commission agenda packet [CLICK HERE](#).

[2024_05_21 PCAX](#)

11. **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS (LIMITED TO A 30-MINUTE PERIOD)**

Oral Communications by the public will be heard for one-half hour at or before 8:30 p.m. or at the conclusion of the last agenda item commenced prior to 8:30 p.m. Oral Communications not concluded at that time shall be resumed at the end of the meeting after Council Reports. Speakers are to limit their remarks to three minutes, unless extended by the Mayor. An amber light will appear to alert the speaker when two minutes are complete, and a red light will appear when three minutes are over. Your cooperation is appreciated.

12. **DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS - ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES**

- 12.A [Presentation of the City of Gardena's Proposed Two-Year Budget for Fiscal Years 2024-2025 and 2025-2026](#)

Staff Recommendation: Receive and File

[Proposed Budget Presentation FY2025 and FY2026 Final.pdf](#)

[Proposed Budget Fiscal Years 2024-25 & 2025-26.pdf](#)

- 12.B [Approval of Police Managers' Resolution No. 6670 and the First Amendment to the Employment Agreement between The City of Gardena and Michael Saffell](#)

Staff Recommendation: Approve Police Managers' Resolution No. 6670 and First Amendment to the Employment Agreement between The City of Gardena and Michael Saffell

[Resolution No. 6670.pdf](#)

[First Amendment to Employment Agreement - Saffell.pdf](#)

[Classification and Compensation Schedule - May 28 2024.pdf](#)

13. **DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS - COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

- 13.A [PUBLIC HEARING: RESOLUTION NO. 6668](#), Approving a Sustainable Communities Environmental Assessment and adopting a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the 1610 West Artesia Boulevard Project; and

[PUBLIC HEARING: RESOLUTION NO. 6672](#), Approving Site Plan Review #7-23, and Density Bonus request for the development of 300 apartment units, including 17 affordable units, in a six-story, podium apartment building at 1610 W Artesia Boulevard.

[PROJECT LOCATION: 1610 W Artesia Boulevard](#)

[APPLICANT: The Picerne Group, Inc.](#)

Staff Recommendation: Open the public hearing, receive testimony from the public, allow three (3) minutes for each speaker, and close the public hearing.

Staff Recommendation for Motion:

- **Adopt Resolution No. 6668**, approving a Sustainable Communities Environmental Assessment and adopting a Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the 1610 West Artesia Boulevard Project; and
- **Adopt Resolution No. 6672**, approving Site Plan Review #7-23, and Density Bonus request for the development of 300 apartment units, including 17 affordable units, in a six-story, podium apartment building at 1610 W Artesia Boulevard.

[City Council Staff Report.pdf](#)

[Attachment 1 - Planning Commission Staff Report dated May 7, 2024.pdf](#)

[Attachment 2 - Letters of Support.pdf](#)

[Attachment 3 - Planning Commission Resolution No. 11-24.pdf](#)

[Attachment 4 - Planning Commission Resolution No. 12-24.pdf](#)

[Attachment 5 - Resolution No. 6668 approving the SCEA for the Project.pdf](#)

[Exhibit A - Draft SCEA.pdf](#)

[Exhibit B - Final SCEA 1610 W Artesia Blvd.pdf](#)
[Exhibit C - Mitigation Monitoring Program.pdf](#)
[Attachment 6 - Resolution No. 6672 approving Project.pdf](#)
[Exhibit A - Conditions of Approval.pdf](#)
[Exhibit B - Architectural Plans.pdf](#)
[Exhibit C - Affordable Housing Agreement.pdf](#)

- 13.B [PUBLIC HEARING: Consideration of the Proposed 50th Year CDBG Annual Action Plan for FY 2024-2025](#)

Staff Recommendation: Open the public hearing, receive testimony from the public, allow three (3) minutes for each speaker, and close the public hearing.

Staff Recommendation for Motion: Approve the Annual Action Plan for FY 2024-2025, as presented or as may be amended by Council action.

[Staff Report - CDBG 2024-25 Annual Action Plan.pdf](#)
[2024-2025 Draft Action Plan.pdf](#)
[Proof Publication.pdf](#)

- 13.C [Consideration of a contract with spcaLA for Animal Sheltering and Services](#)

Staff Recommendation: Approve the contract between the City and spcaLA for a 14 month term beginning June 1, 2024 through August 31, 2025

[SPCALA Contract 2024-2025.pdf](#)

- 13.D [Consideration of a 5-year agreement with Los Angeles County Animal Control for Animal Control Related Services](#)

Staff Recommendation: Approve 5-year agreement with Los Angeles County Animal Care and Control for animal control related services

[Municipal Services Agreement \(2024-29\) - Gardena.pdf](#)
[Attachment A - Description of Services \(2024-29\) FINAL.pdf](#)
[Attachment B - SLR FY2024-25 South County.pdf](#)
[Attachment C - FY2023-24 Billing Rates.pdf](#)

14. **DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS - ELECTED & CITY MANAGER'S OFFICES**

- 14.A [Approve City Related Towing Services Contract Extension with RSD Tow, Inc., DBA U.S. Tow-Gardena for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2027](#)

Staff Recommendation: Approve Contract
[First Amendment to Agreement with RSD Tow.pdf](#)

15. **DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS - POLICE**

16. **DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS - PUBLIC WORKS**

- 16.A [Award Construction Contract for the Rosecrans Community Center Project, Chase Building Demolition Phase, JN 505, to Integrated Demolition and Remediation, inc., in the amount of \\$338,000, Approve the Project Plans & Specifications, 30% Demolition Contingency and Declare California Environmental Quality Act \(CEQA\) Exemption.](#)

Staff Recommendations:

- **Award Construction Contract**
- **Approve Project Plans and Specifications**
- **Approve Construction Contingency**
- **Declare California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA)**

[JN 505 Rosecrans CC_Chase Bldg Demo Phase_Complete Specs.pdf](#)

[JN 505 Rosecrans CC_Chase Bldg Demo Phase Plans.pdf](#)

[JN 505_Project Location Map.pdf](#)

[JN 505 RCC_Chase Bldg Demo Phase_CEQA NOE.pdf](#)

17. DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS - RECREATION & HUMAN SERVICES

- 17.A [Approval of the Agreement between the City of Gardena and TRIO Community Meals for the provision of the Senior Community Action Meals Program \(SCAMP\) for July 1, 2024 - June 30, 2028. Not to exceed \\$400,000 for year 1.](#)

Staff Recommendation: Approve Agreement

[Attachment A- Caterer Bid Comparison Chart.pdf](#)

[Food Service Agreement - TRIO 7-1-24 \(1\).pdf](#)

18. DEPARTMENTAL ITEMS - TRANSPORTATION

19. COUNCIL ITEMS

20. COUNCIL DIRECTIVES

21. CITY MANAGER REMARKS RE: DIRECTIVES / COUNCIL ITEMS

22. COUNCIL REMARKS

1. COUNCIL MEMBER FRANCIS
2. COUNCIL MEMBER TANAKA
3. COUNCIL MEMBER LOVE
4. MAYOR CERDA
5. MAYOR PRO TEM HENDERSON

23. ANNOUNCEMENT(S)

24. REMEMBRANCES

25. **ADJOURNMENT**

The Gardena City Council will adjourn to the Closed Session portion of the City Council Meeting at 7:00 p.m. followed by the Regular City Council Meeting at 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 11, 2024.

I hereby certify under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing agenda was posted in the City Hall lobby not less than 72 hours prior to the meeting. A copy of said Agenda is available on our website at www.CityofGardena.org.

Dated this 24th day of May 2024

/s/ MINA SEMENZA
MINA SEMENZA, City Clerk