



## SPECIAL MEETING

# A G E N D A

## Gateway Committee

**Monday, July 12, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.**

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**SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GATEWAY COMMITTEE**  
**Monday, July 12, 2021 at 11:00 a.m.**

**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. ROLL CALL**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Lily Craig          | <input type="checkbox"/> Jay Hoeschler                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cheryl Ebert        | <input type="checkbox"/> Michael Kreski                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Frank Glynn         | <input type="checkbox"/> Brenda Newman                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marsha Hansen       | <input type="checkbox"/> Julie Stolnack                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Christopher Hentzen | <input type="checkbox"/> Barbara Voss/Cristina Reveles |

**C. PRESENTATION**

1. **Gateway Project Update/Status and Next Steps – Elias Sassoon**

**D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS**

**E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES for February 4, 2021 Special Meeting**

**F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

**G. NEW BUSINESS**

**H. ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS**

**J. ADJOURNMENT**

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**City of El Segundo**  
**Special Gateway Committee Meeting**  
**Minutes**  
Thursday, February 4, 2021 at 11 a.m.  
*This meeting was conducted virtually via Zoom conferencing*

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**A. CALL TO ORDER –**

**B. ROLL CALL – virtual**

**Committee Members Present:**

Lily Craig, Cheryl Ebert, Marsha Hansen, Christopher Hentzen, Jay Hoeschler, Michael Kreski, Brenda Newman, Cristina Reveles, Julie Stolnack, and Barbara Voss

**Committee Member Absent:**

Frank Glynn

**City Staff:**

Scott Mitnick, City Manager  
Melissa McCollum, Community Services Director  
Elias Sassoon, Public Works Director  
Lifan Xu, City Engineer  
Jessie LeMay, Executive Assistant

**Others:**

Scot Nicol, Councilmember  
Designers Maryam Eskandari and Julia Nicole Watson

**C. PRESENTATIONS**

**D. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS –**

Carl Jacobson, Mario Pavlovic and Elyse Rothstein spoke during Item F.

**E. APPROVAL OF MINUTES** of the Gateway Committee meeting of December 7, 2020.

MOTIONED by Brenda Newman and SECONDED by Marsha Hansen to approve the minutes of the December 7, 2020 Special Meeting. MOTION CARRIED 10-0.

## **F. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **1. Latest conceptual design update and next step.**

Community Services Director Melissa McCollum gave a recap of the last Gateway Committee Meeting held on December 7, relayed comments received from the Recreation & Parks Commission Meeting on December 9, and shared feedback provided from individual Councilmembers obtained during staff briefings in December. Finally, she gave a general overview of the input received related to the revised project design.

City Manager Scott Mitnick thanked everybody on the Committee for their hard work. He expanded upon the individual Councilmember feedback that Ms. McCollum described, including conveying City Council's general desire for a low-key design that is more reflective of El Segundo's small-town charm, beach orientation, and ties into the evolving nature of the Downtown area (with a connection to the historic El Segundo High School, Library, and Library Park). He added that City Council is interested in developing a broader design program for all of the major entry ways into the City.

Committee Member Jay Hoeschler reminded Staff and the Committee that if we or the City were to give new direction to the designers that is different from the original Creative Brief document developed by the Committee, then the Creative Brief needs to be revised to reflect the new direction to the designers. Art and design can be a very subjective process, and the Brief is necessary to set parameters while still allowing the designer freedom to create within those boundaries.

Councilmember Scot Nicol provided input about past citizen committee recommendations that ended up being different from what the Planning Commissions and City Councils were supportive of.

A discussion among the Gateway Committee members and City staff followed. Designer Maryam Eskandari commented and provided feedback.

City Manager Scott Mitnick proposed to the Committee that moving forward he be allowed to work with City staff and the designers to develop a compromise design, taking into consideration input from Councilmembers, other City projects, and plans in development. The City Manager said he will return to the Gateway Committee before presenting a recommendation to City Council.

MOTIONED by Brenda Newman and SECONDED by Michael Kreski to allow the City Manager and his staff to work with the designers, while keeping the Gateway Committee informed along the way, and then make a recommendation to City Council. MOTION CARRIED 10-0.

## **G. NEW BUSINESS – None**

## **H. ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER COMMENTS - None**

## **I. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:50 p.m. The next meeting is to be determined.