

MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING: GLENDALE CITY COUNCIL
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
613 E. Broadway, 2nd Floor
Glendale, CA 91206
OCTOBER 8, 2024

The Special Public Meeting of the Glendale City Council convened in the City Hall Council Chambers, in said City, at 3:22 p.m., on the above date, pursuant to a call for such meeting signed by the City Clerk of the City Council, and on file with the City Clerk, a copy of which is as follows:

October 4, 2024
Date

A **SPECIAL PUBLIC MEETING** of the City Council is hereby called to meet at 3:00 PM on Tuesday, October 8, 2024, in the Council Chamber, 613 E. Broadway, 2nd Floor, Glendale, CA 91206 to consider the following item(s) of business, to wit;

- 1. Community Development, re: Acceptance of state funds from the State of California Governor’s Office of Economic Development; and Authorization to Negotiate with Up to Two Tech Startup Growth Program Proposer(s) to Develop and Implement the Startup Growth Program(s)**
 - a. Motion approving acceptance of state funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the State of California Governor’s Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-BIZ)
 - b. Resolution of Appropriation in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the Glendale Tech Startup Growth Program(s)
 - c. Motion authorizing the City Manager or designee to negotiate and execute professional services agreements and all related documents with FoundersBoost and SmartGateVC LLC for the operation and program management of Tech Startup Growth Programs located in Glendale

Written Notice of said meeting was given, which Notice consisted of a copy of the foregoing Call, and was served on each Member of the Council not joining in the Call, and upon the in said City not less than 24 hours before the time fixed in said Call for said meeting, as follows:

Upon Dan Brotman	at 5:00 p.m.	October 4, 2024	Glendale, CA
Upon Vartan Gharpetian	at 5:00 p.m.	October 4, 2024	Glendale, CA
Upon Ardy Kassakhian	at 5:00 p.m.	October 4, 2024	Glendale, CA
Upon Ara Najarian	at 5:00 p.m.	October 4, 2024	Glendale, CA
Upon Elen Asatryan	at 5:00 p.m.	October 4, 2024	Glendale, CA

Mayor Asatryan called the meeting to order at 3:22 p.m.

Roll Call

- Absent: Najarian
- Report of the City Clerk of the City Council, re: Posting of Agenda. The Agenda for the Tuesday, October 8, 2024, Special Public Meeting of the City Council was posted on October 4, 2024, on the Bulletin Board Outside City Hall.

1. Community Development, re: Acceptance of state funds from the State of California Governor's Office of Economic Development; and Authorization to Negotiate with Up to Two Tech Startup Growth Program Proposer(s) to Develop and Implement the Startup Growth Program(s)

Staff Comment:

Roubik Golanian, City Manager

Presenting:

Soua Vang, Deputy Director of Community Development/Economic Dev.

David Crawley Delgado, Senior Economic Development Coordinator

Public Comments:

Blake Caldwell, FoundersBoost

Justin Brezahnev, Hacker Fund

Eric Eide, Alliance for Southern California Innovation

Jeff Harris

Steve Rappaport

Tori Wright

George Francisco

Patricia Spencer

Scott Witt

Eva Vheng

Krystle Ongjanco

Emi Wayner

Mushegh Gevorgyan

Moaz Hamid

Arezu Aghasey

Sree Batchu

- a. Motion approving acceptance of state funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 from the State of California Governor's Office of Business and Economic Development (GO-BIZ)

Moved: Kassakhian

Seconded: Gharpetian

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Asatryan

Noes: None

Absent: Najarian

Abstain: None

- b. Resolution 24-171 of Appropriation in the amount of \$1,000,000 for the Glendale Tech Startup Growth Program(s)

Moved: Kassakhian

Seconded: Gharpetian

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Asatryan

Noes: None

Absent: Najarian

Abstain: None

- c. Motion authorizing the City Manager or designee to negotiate and execute professional services agreements and all related documents with FoundersBoost and SmartGateVC LLC for the operation and program management of Tech Startup Growth Programs located in Glendale

Moved: Kassakhian

Seconded: Gharpetian

Vote as Follows

Ayes: Brotman, Gharpetian, Kassakhian, Asatryan

Noes: None

Absent: Najarian

Abstain: None

ADJOURNMENT – 4:22 p.m.

Moved: Brotman

Seconded: Gharpetian

Mayor of the City of Glendale

City Clerk of the City of Glendale