



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING January 10, 2012 COUNCIL CHAMBER, 735 ANACAPA STREET

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Helene Schneider called the joint meeting of the Council and Redevelopment Agency to order at 2:00 p.m. (The Ordinance and Finance Committees, which ordinarily meet at 12:30 p.m., did not meet on this date.)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schneider.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Dale Francisco, Frank Hotchkiss, Randy Rowse, Michael Self, Bendy White, Mayor Schneider.

Councilmembers absent: Grant House.

Staff present: City Administrator James L. Armstrong, City Attorney Stephen P. Wiley, City Clerk Services Manager Cynthia M. Rodriguez.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1. Subject: Comments By Outgoing Councilmember Self

Councilmember Self stated it has been an honor serving on the City Council, and thanked Staff and the community for their support.

2. Subject: Recognition Of Outgoing Councilmember Self

Mayor Schneider extended her gratitude to Councilmember Self for her service and presented her with a letter of recognition on behalf of the residents of Santa Barbara.

3. Subject: Comments By The Public

No one wished to speak.

4. Subject: Affirmation Of Allegiance By Councilmembers Dale Francisco And Randy Rowse, And Councilmember-Elect Cathy Murillo

Action: Affirmations administered.

5. Subject: Presentation Of Certificates Of Election

Action: Presented.

6. Subject: Seating Of Newly-Installed Councilmembers

Action: Councilmembers were seated.

7. Subject: Comments By Councilmembers Francisco, Murillo, And Rowse

Councilmember Rowse thanked the residents of the community and former Councilmember Michael Self. He congratulated newly-installed Councilmember Murillo and stated that he looked forward to working with her on the Council.

Councilmember Francisco commented that it's an honor and privilege to represent the people of Santa Barbara. He stated that he will continue to work with his colleagues to make the best policy decisions for the City.

Councilmember Murillo stated that it's an honor to be elected to the Council. She thanked family members, campaign workers and volunteers who assisted with her campaign, and dedicated today's ceremony to her late Grandmother.

8. Subject: Presentation Of Poem By City Of Santa Barbara Poet Laureate

Poet Laureate Paul Willis read a poem entitled, "On City Council."

9. Subject: Comments By The Public

No one wished to speak.

RECESS

2:20 p.m. - 2:47 p.m.

ROLL CALL OF NEW COUNCIL

Councilmembers present: Dale Francisco, Frank Hotchkiss, Cathy Murillo, Randy Rowse, Bendy White, Mayor Schneider.

Councilmembers absent: Grant House.

Staff present: City Administrator James L. Armstrong, City Attorney Stephen P. Wiley, City Clerk Services Manager Cynthia M. Rodriguez.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS (CONT'D)

10. Subject: Employee Recognition - Service Award Pins (410.01)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the City Administrator to express the City's appreciation to employees who are eligible to receive service award pins for their years of service through January 31, 2012.

Documents:

January 10, 2012, report from the Assistant City Administrator/
Administrative Services Director.

Speakers:

Staff: City Administrator James Armstrong.

By consensus, the Council approved the recommendation. The following employees were recognized:

5-Year Pin

Hong Lieu, Library Systems Tech II, Library
Elizabeth Smith, Creeks Outreach Coordinator, Parks & Recreation
Jared Hall, Police Officer, Police
Lea Salcedo-Dunihue, Police Records Specialist, Police
Heidi Braunger, Project Engineer I, Public Works
Joshua Canning, Sr. Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator, Public Works
Gaylen Fair, Laboratory Analyst II, Public Works

10-Year Pin

Robert Castro, Police Officer, Police
Craig Rullman, Police Officer, Police
Browning Allen, Transportation Manager, Public Works

15-Year Pin

Kevin Corbett, Firefighter, Fire
Darin Biamonte, Police Officer, Police
Andre Feller, Police Officer, Police
Warren Holtke, Police Sergeant, Police
Gregory Hons, Police Officer, Police
Gary Siegel, Jr., Police Officer, Police

25-Year Pin

Margarita Sanchez, Accounting Assistant, Finance
Lee Waldron, Fire Battalion Chief, Fire
Stephen Palacio, Sr. Grounds Maintenance Worker, Parks & Recreation
Damian Gadal, Accounting Coordinator, Waterfront

30-Year Pin

Joseph Poire, Fire Prevention Division Chief, Fire
David Straede, Network Administrator, Police

PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers: George Thurlow; Steven A. Amerikaner, Peak Las Positas Partners; Kenneth Loch; Ruth Wilson; Kira Redmond, Santa Barbara Channelkeeper; Kate Smith; Pastor Wallace K. Shepherd, Second Baptist Church.

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Rowse recommended that Council consider directing Staff to add the discussion of a potential ballot measure to the Veronica Meadows agenda item scheduled for January 24, 2012.

Motion:

Councilmembers Rowse/Hotchkiss to direct Staff to include a discussion of a potential ballot measure, including the cost thereof, to the January 24, 2012, agenda item related to the Zoning Ordinance Amendment for the Veronica Meadows Specific Plan.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (Absent: Councilmember House).

CONSENT CALENDAR (Item Nos. 11 – 15, 17 and 18)

The titles of the ordinance and resolutions related to the Consent Calendar were read.

Motion:

Councilmembers Francisco/White to approve the Consent Calendar as recommended.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

11. Subject: Adoption Of An Ordinance For The Annexation Of 455 And 457 North Hope Avenue (680.04)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Chapter 28.12 (Zone Map) of Title 28 of the Municipal Code Pertaining to the Zoning Upon Annexation of Assessor's Parcel Numbers 057-191-011 and 057-191-014 Located at 455 North Hope Avenue and Assessor's Parcel Number 057-170-012 Located at 457 North Hope Avenue in the Hope Neighborhood.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 5578.

12. Subject: Records Destruction For The Community Development Department (160.06)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Relating to the Destruction of Records Held by the Community Development Department in the Records Center Office of the Building and Safety Division.

Speakers:

Members of the Public: Kate Smith.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 12-001 (January 10, 2012, report from the Assistant City Administrator/Community Development Director; proposed resolution).

13. Subject: Records Destruction For Waterfront Department (160.06)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Relating to the Destruction of Records Held by the Waterfront Department in the Administration Office.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 12-002 (January 10, 2012, report from the Waterfront Director; proposed resolution).

14. Subject: Fiscal Year 2012 Interim Financial Statements For The Five Months Ended November 30, 2011 (250.02)

Recommendation: That Council accept the Fiscal Year 2012 Interim Financial Statements for the Five Months Ended November 30, 2011.

Action: Approved the recommendation (January 10, 2012, report from the Finance Director).

15. Subject: Animal Control Donation (520.05)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Authorize the acceptance of a \$6,400 donation from the Deborah K. Oldham Trust of 2001 to the Santa Barbara Police Department's Animal Control Program, of which \$3,500 would be used for assistance in maintenance of an Animal Control vehicle for one year, and the balance of \$2,900 would be used to purchase various items, including advanced dart rifles, animal crates, catch poles, and video monitor recorders; and
- B. Increase the estimated revenues in the Fiscal Year 2012 General Fund by \$6,400 and appropriate the funds to the Police Department's Animal Control Program.

Action: Approved the recommendations (January 10, 2012, report from the Chief of Police).

Item No. 16 appears in the Redevelopment Agency minutes.

NOTICES

17. The City Clerk has on Thursday, January 5, 2012, posted this agenda in the Office of the City Clerk, on the City Hall Public Notice Board on the outside balcony of City Hall, and on the Internet.
18. Cancellation of the regular City Council and Redevelopment Agency meetings of January 17, 2012.

This concluded the Consent Calendar.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

19. Subject: Designation Of The City Of Santa Barbara As The Successor Entity To The Redevelopment Agency Of The City Of Santa Barbara And Election To Retain The Housing Assets And Functions (620.01)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Designating the City of Santa Barbara as the Successor Entity to the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Santa Barbara, and Electing to Have the City Retain the Housing Assets and Assume the Functions Previously Held and Performed by the Redevelopment Agency of the City of Santa Barbara.

Documents:

- January 10, 2012, report from the Assistant City Administrator/Community Development Director.
- Proposed Resolution.

The title of the resolution was read.

Speakers:

- Staff: Assistant City Administrator/Community Development Director Paul Casey.
- Members of the Public: Joyce McCullough; Robert Pearson, Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara.

Motion:

Councilmembers Francisco/Hotchkiss to approve the recommendation; Resolution No. 12-003.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote (Absent: Councilmember House).

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

20. Subject: UCSB-TV Educational Access Channel Launch (150.02)

Recommendation: That Council hear a presentation from University of California Santa Barbara (UCSB) staff on the new educational access channel, UCSB-TV, debuting January 10, 2012, on Channel 72 of the regional cable system operated by Cox Communications.

Documents:

- January 10, 2012, report from the Finance Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Treasury Manager Jill Taura.
- University of California Santa Barbara: Vice Chancellor Ron Cortez, Professor of Film & Media Studies Constance Penley.

By consensus, the Council heard the presentation.

21. Subject: Update On Conversion Technology Project (630.01)

Recommendation: That Council receive a report from staff regarding the status of the conversion technology project.

Documents:

- January 10, 2012, report from the Finance Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Environmental Services Manager Matt Fore.
- Mustang Renewable Power: Chief Executive John Dewey.
- County of Santa Barbara: Deputy Director Mark Schleich, Resource Recovery and Waste Management.

Councilmember White left the dais at 5:05 p.m. and did not return to the meeting.

By consensus, the Council heard the presentation.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

22. Subject: Appointment Of Mayor Pro Tempore, Ordinance Committee, And Finance Committee (130.01)

Recommendation: That Council consider the appointment of a Mayor Pro Tempore, and Chairs and Members of the Ordinance and Finance Committees.

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Documents:

January 10, 2012, report from the City Administrator.

Speakers:

Members of the Public: Ethan Shenkman.

Motion:

Mayor Schneider/Councilmember Rowse to appoint Councilmember Hotchkiss as Mayor Pro Tempore.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (Absent: Councilmembers House, White).

Motion:

Councilmembers Hotchkiss/Francisco to appoint Councilmembers Frank Hotchkiss, Grant House, and Randy Rowse to the Ordinance Committee and Councilmembers Dale Francisco, Cathy Murillo, and Bendy White to the Finance Committee.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (Absent: Councilmembers House, White).

RECESS

Mayor Schneider recessed the meeting at 5:22 p.m. in order for the Council to reconvene in closed session for Agenda Item Nos. 23 and 24, and she stated that no reportable action is anticipated.

CLOSED SESSIONS

23. Subject: Conference With Legal Counsel - Pending Litigation (160.03)

Recommendation: That Council hold a closed session to consider pending litigation pursuant to subsection (a) of section 54956.9 of the Government Code and take appropriate action as needed. The pending litigation is Santa Barbara Channelkeeper v. City of Santa Barbara, USDC Case No. CV-1103624 JHN (AGRx).

Scheduling: Duration, 15 minutes; anytime

Report: None anticipated

Documents:

January 10, 2012, report from the City Attorney.

Time:

5:25 p.m. - 6:07 p.m. Councilmembers House and White were absent.

No report made.

24. Subject: Conference With Legal Counsel - Anticipated Litigation (160.03)

Recommendation: That Council hold a closed session to consider significant exposure to litigation (one potential case) pursuant to subsection (b)(1) of section 54956.9 of the Government Code and take appropriate action as needed.

Scheduling: Duration, 15 minutes; anytime

Report: None anticipated

Documents:

January 10, 2012, report from the City Attorney.

Time:

6:08 p.m. - 6:27 p.m. Councilmembers House and White were absent.

No report made.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting at 6:27 p.m.

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

HELENE SCHNEIDER
MAYOR

ATTEST:

CYNTHIA M. RODRIGUEZ, CMC
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER