



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING June 1, 2009 COUNCIL CHAMBER, 735 ANACAPA STREET

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Marty Blum called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Blum.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Iya G. Falcone, Dale Francisco, Roger L. Horton, Grant House, Helene Schneider, Das Williams, Mayor Blum.

Councilmembers absent: None.

Staff present: City Administrator James L. Armstrong, Acting City Attorney N. Scott Vincent, Deputy City Clerk Susan Tschech.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

NOTICES

The City Clerk has on Thursday, May 28, 2009, 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.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Subject: Fiscal Year 2010 Recommended Operating And Capital Budget (230.05)

Recommendation: That Council hear presentations from the Waterfront, Airport, and Finance Departments on their recommended Fiscal Year 2010 budgets, including the non-departmental section of the General Fund.

Documents:

- June 1, 2009, report from the Finance Director.
- PowerPoint presentations prepared and made by Airport, Waterfront, and Finance Department Staff.

Public Comment Opened (Continued from May 26, 2009):
3:01 p.m.

Speakers:

- Staff: Airport Director Karen Ramsdell, Assistant Airport Director Hazel Johns, City Administrator James Armstrong, Waterfront Business Manager Scott Riedman, Waterfront Director John Bridley, Acting City Attorney N. Scott Vincent, Waterfront Facilities Manager Karl Treiberg.
- Members of the Public: Grant Castleberg, Charley Watson, Lori Rafferty, Gary Longaberger, Rick Decent, Ed Moyors.

Discussion:

Airport Department Staff presented the department's proposed Fiscal Year 2010 budget, which was developed with the goal to maintain the Department's ability to finance the Airline Terminal Project. Adjustments to offset a projected revenue shortfall include a parking fee increase, non-personnel cost reductions, and two staffing changes. Staff also discussed capital projects to be undertaken during the next fiscal year.

Waterfront Department Staff outlined the department's proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2010, which includes reductions to operating expenses and Capital Program funding as well as increases to parking and slip fees. Included in the discussion was a proposed shift to the Waterfront Department of costs for items historically absorbed by the Parks and Recreation Department.

Recess: 5:29 p.m. - 5:38 p.m.

Speakers (Cont'd):

- Staff: Finance Director Robert Peirson, Assistant Finance Director Robert Samario.

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Subject: Fiscal Year 2010 Recommended Operating And Capital Budget (Cont'd)

Speakers (Cont'd)

- Members of the Public: Kathy Janega-Dykes, Santa Barbara Conference and Visitors Bureau; Steve Hyslop, Greater Santa Barbara Lodging and Restaurant Association; Drew Wakefield, Santa Barbara Conference and Visitors Bureau.

Discussion:

Finance Department Staff explained that the department's budget comprises three funds: the General Fund, the Solid Waste Fund, and the Self-Insurance Fund. Achieving the goal to meet the department's share of declines in General Fund revenues in Fiscal Year 2010 includes the elimination of two vacant positions and the Contracted Revenue Audit Program, and the imposition of a late penalty on delinquent utility accounts. The proposed budget for the Solid Waste Program was then presented, and Staff described in detail the issue of recycling revenues, key projects and initiatives being undertaken by the program, and proposed and anticipated changes in rates charged for solid waste collection. The proposed budget for the Self-Insurance Fund was outlined. Finally, Staff presented the budget for Non-Departmental programs, including recommended reductions to funding allocations made to Community Promotion events. Councilmembers' questions were answered.

By consensus, the public hearing was continued to June 2, 2009, at 9:30 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Blum adjourned the meeting at 7:03 p.m.

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MARTY BLUM
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
SUSAN TSCHECH, CMC
DEPUTY CITY CLERK