



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**SPECIAL MEETING
February 10, 2014**

CHASE PALM PARK RECREATION CENTER, 236 E. CABRILLO BLVD.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Helene Schneider called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Dale Francisco (2:10 p.m.), Gregg Hart, Frank Hotchkiss, Cathy Murillo, Randy Rowse, Bendy White, Mayor Schneider.

Councilmembers absent: None.

Staff present: City Administrator James L. Armstrong, Interim City Attorney Sarah Knecht, Deputy City Clerk Susan Tschech.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

NOTICES

The City Clerk has on Thursday, February 6, 2014, 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.

WORK SESSIONS

Subject: Fiscal Year 2015 Special Budget Work Session (230.05)

Recommendation: That Council hold a special work session on the Fiscal Year 2015 budget.

Documents:

- February 10, 2014, report from the Finance Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.
- Multi-Year Forecast for the General Fund, submitted by Staff.

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Subject: Fiscal Year 2015 Special Budget Work Session (Cont'd)

Speakers:

- Staff: City Administrator James Armstrong, Finance Director Robert Samario, Interim City Attorney Sarah Knecht, Assistant City Administrator Paul Casey, Acting Public Works Director Rebecca Bjork, Acting Airport Director Hazel Johns, Waterfront Director Scott Riedman, Parks and Recreation Director Nancy Rapp, Acting Community Development Director Bettie Weiss, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary, Police Chief Camerino Sanchez.
- Parks and Recreation Commission: Commissioner Lesley Wiscomb.
- Members of the Public: Sheila Lodge, Robert Burke.

Discussion:

City Administrator Armstrong opened Staff's presentation, noting that the budget for Fiscal Year 2015 will represent changes to the second year of the two-year financial plan adopted in 2013. Finance Director Samario reported on the status of the City's finances, including key highlights for the General Fund, and department staff commented briefly on funding issues anticipated for Enterprise Fund programs. Mr. Samario also presented a long-term forecast for the City's finances, with some focus on salary and retirement costs. Mr. Armstrong then discussed the state of the City organization after the recession, as well as areas identified by Staff for the restoration of basic support services. All Councilmembers made comments as to their priorities for possible inclusion in the Fiscal Year 2015 budget.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

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ATTEST:

HELENE SCHNEIDER
MAYOR

SUSAN TSCHECH, CMC
DEPUTY CITY CLERK