



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**SPECIAL MEETING
MARCH 6, 2014**

DAVID GEBHARD PUBLIC MEETING ROOM, 630 GARDEN STREET

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Helene Schneider called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Frank Hotchkiss, Gregg Hart, Cathy Murillo, Randy Rowse, Bendy White, Mayor Schneider.

Councilmembers absent: Councilmember Francisco, Hart.

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

Councilmember Gregg Hart arrived at 9:40 a.m.

The Planning Commission meeting was called to order, and the meeting continued in joint session.

Planning Commissioners present: Bruce Bartlett, June Belletto de Pujo, John P. Campanella, Sheila Lodge, Deborah L. Schwartz, Addison Thompson.

Planning Commissioners absent: Commissioner Chair Michael Jordan.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

NOTICES

The City Clerk has on Thursday, February 27, 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: Joint Council And Planning Commission Work Session Regarding Planning Division Workload And Program Activities (650.01)

Recommendation: That Council hold a joint work session with the Planning Commission to receive status reports and discuss major work program activities in the Planning Division, including: Long Range Planning & General Plan Implementation; Zoning Information & Enforcement; Design Review & Historic Preservation; and Development & Environmental Review.

Documents:

- March 4, 2014, report from the Assistant City Administrator.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

Staff: City Planner Bettie Weiss, Principal Planner II John Ledbetter, Senior Planner Danny Kato.

Discussion:

City Planner Bettie Weiss discussed the activities of the Planning Division highlighting accomplishments, major work underway, and projects on hold or pending. Principal Planner John Ledbetter discussed upcoming changes to the Local Coastal Program, which included goals, sea level rise, regional coordination and a timeline for future projects. Senior Planner Danny Kato gave an overview of the update to the Zoning Ordinance which will be simplified and more flexible, and will provide planning staff with greater authority to approve minor items.

Councilmembers and Planning Commissioners discussed the items, made comments, and their questions were answered.

The Planning Commission meeting was adjourned at 11:35 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting at 11:35 a.m.

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HELENE SCHNEIDER
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
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