



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING June 12, 2012 COUNCIL CHAMBER, 735 ANACAPA STREET

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Helene Schneider called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. (The Finance Committee met at 12:30 p.m. The Ordinance Committee, which ordinarily meets at 12:30 p.m., did not meet on this date.)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schneider.

ROLL CALL

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

Councilmembers absent: None.

Staff present: City Administrator James L. Armstrong, City Attorney Stephen P. Wiley, Deputy City Clerk Brenda Alcazar.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers: Ruth Wilson, Angela Bell, Robert Burke, Nancy Tunnell, Phil Walker, Dr. Edo McGowan.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Item Nos. 1 - 10)

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

Motion:

Councilmembers House/Rowse to approve the Consent Calendar as recommended.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

1. Subject: Minutes

Recommendation: That Council waive the reading and approve the minutes of the regular meeting of May 8, 2012, and the regular meeting of May 29, 2012 (cancelled).

Action: Approved the recommendation.

2. Subject: Contract For Water And Wastewater Rate Review And Revenue Plans (540.11)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the Public Works Director to negotiate and execute a contract, in a form acceptable to the City Attorney, with Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc., in an amount not to exceed \$100,000 to provide a cost of service analysis for the City of Santa Barbara water and wastewater rates and to develop a ten-year revenue plan.

Speakers:

Member of the Public: Phil Walker.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Contract No. 24,150 (June 12, 2012 report from the Public Works Director).

3. Subject: Ratification Of The Cachuma Conservation Release Board Fiscal Year 2013 Budget (540.03)

Recommendation: That Council ratify the Fiscal Year 2013 Cachuma Conservation Release Board budget in the amount of \$643,511, with an estimated City share of \$263,043.

Action: Approved the recommendation (June 12, 2012 report from the Public Works Director).

4. Subject: Appropriation Of Highway Bridge Program Funding For The Right-Of-Way Phase Of The Chapala Street Bridge Replacement Project (530.04)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Accept Federal Highway Administration Highway Bridge Program Grant funding in the total amount of \$291,450 for the Right-of-Way Phase of the Chapala Street Bridge Replacement Project; and
- B. Authorize the increase of estimated revenues and appropriations in the Fiscal Year 2012 Streets Grants Capital Fund by \$291,450 for the Chapala Street Bridge Replacement Project.

Action: Approved the recommendations (June 12, 2012 report from the Public Works Director).

5. Subject: Adoption Of Ordinance For Supervisors Memorandum Of Understanding (MOU), Management Salary Plans, And Cancellation of FY 2012 Furlough Deductions For Certain Employee Groups (440.02)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Adopting the 2012-2013 Supervisors MOU; Adopting the 2012-2013 Management Salary Plans for Unrepresented Non-Safety Managers, Including the City Administrator and the City Attorney, and for Certain Unrepresented Safety Managers; and Cancelling Three Pay Periods of Fiscal Year 2012 Furlough Deductions for These Supervisors and Managers, and for Confidential Employees.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 5587; Agreement No. 24,151 (proposed ordinance).

6. Subject: Fiscal Year 2012 Interim Financial Statements For The Ten Months Ended April 30, 2012 (250.02)

Recommendation: That Council accept the Fiscal Year 2012 Interim Financial Statements For The Ten Months Ended April 30, 2012.

Action: Approved the recommendation (June 12, 2012 report from the Finance Director).

7. Subject: TEFRA Hearing For Housing Authority Bond Issuance (660.04)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Hold a public hearing with respect to the proposed issuance by the Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara ("Housing Authority") of debt obligations in an amount of approximately \$23,000,000 ("Bonds"); and
- B. Adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Approving the Incurring of Tax Exempt Obligations by the Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara for the Purpose of Providing Financing for the Acquisition and Rehabilitation of SHIFCO and Villa La Cumbre Senior Rental Housing Facilities.

Public Comment Opened:
2:14 p.m.

Speakers:

- Staff: Project Planner Simon Kiefer.
- Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara: Deputy Executive Director Rob Fredericks.

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Public Comment Closed:
2:19 p.m.

Action: Approved recommendation B; Resolution No. 12-034 (June 12, 2012, report from the Assistant City Administrator/Community Development Director; proposed resolution; affidavit of publication).

8. Subject: Amendment To Housing Authority Loan For Bradley Studios Project (660.01)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the Assistant City Administrator to negotiate and, subject to approval by the City Attorney, to execute an amendment to a loan agreement entered in June 2008 between the Redevelopment Agency (Agency) and City of Santa Barbara Housing Authority (Housing Authority).

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 529.1 (June 12, 2012 report from the Assistant City Administrator/Community Development Director).

NOTICES

9. The City Clerk has on Thursday, June 7, 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.
10. A City Council site visit is scheduled on Monday, June 18, 2012, at 1:30 p.m. to the property located at 336 N. Milpas Street, which is the subject of an appeal hearing set for June 19, 2012, at 2:00 p.m.

This concluded the Consent Calendar.

REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee Chair Dale Francisco reported that the Committee finalized the proposed revisions to the City's Reserve Policies, which will be forwarded to the Council at a future meeting.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

11. Subject: Public Hearing Regarding Proposed City Utility Rate Increases (540.01)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Hold a public hearing, as required by State law, regarding proposed utility rate increases for water, wastewater and solid waste collection services for Fiscal Year 2013; and
- B. Provide direction to staff regarding any changes to the proposed Fiscal Year 2013 utility rates.

Documents:

- June 12, 2012 joint report from the Public Works Director and Finance Director.
- June 12, 2012 PowerPoint presentations prepared and made by Staff.
- April 6, 2012 letter from Susie Tomlinson.
- April 10, 2012 letter from Thomas Modugno.
- April 15, 2012 letter from Bret Sean Bretz.
- April 16, 2012 letter from John M. Maraldo.
- April 17, 2012 letter from Yolanda Yfuralde.
- April 18, 2012 letters from Anna Matau and John M. Maraldo.
- April 19, 2012 letter from Frances L. Green.
- April 21, 2012 letter from N. and R. Jaffe.
- April 25, 2012 letter from Robert Allbright.
- April 28, 2012 letter from J. LaTorre.
- May 6, 2012 letter from John A. and Shirley B. Hutchings.
- May 8, 2012 letter from Bret Sean Bretz.
- May 9, 2012 letter from Diane Grant.
- May 20, 2012 letter from Alice H. Gerety.
- May 24, 2012 letter from Gloria Buczek.
- June 4, 2012 letter from Michael R. Thompson.
- June 6, 2012 email from Greg Helms.
- June 8, 2012 letter from Margaret Carswell.
- Undated letters from Liz Young, Rebecca Buel, Valiant Group, and Douglas Furse.
- June 12, 2012 written comments submitted by Steven Little, President of Westwood Hills Avocado Alliance.

Public Comment Opened:

2:21 p.m.

Speakers:

- Staff: Water Resources Manager Rebecca Bjork, Environmental Services Manager Matthew Fore, Water Resources Supervisor Alison Jordan, Finance Director Robert Samario.

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Speakers (Cont'd):

- Members of the Public: Bonnie Raisin; Kira Redmond and Marc Brody, Santa Barbara ChannelKeeper; Venessa Kay; Owen Lincoln; Dr. Edo McGowan; Steve Little, Westwood Hills Avocado Alliance; Margaret Carswell; Kalia Rork; Clair Fachler; Hillary Hauser, Heal the Ocean; R. Wade.

Public Comment Closed:
3:45 p.m.

Motion:

Councilmembers House/Murillo to approve the recommended utility rate increases, with the exception of the agriculture irrigation rate increases.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote.

12. Subject: Lower Mission Creek Flood Control Project Update (530.03)

Recommendation: That Council receive a status update on the Lower Mission Creek Flood Control Project.

Documents:

- June 12, 2012 report from the Public Works Director.
- June 12, 2012 PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Assistant Public Works Director/City Engineer Pat Kelly.
- County of Santa Barbara: Deputy Public Works Director Tom Fayram.

By consensus, the Council received the status report.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

13. Subject: Interviews For City Advisory Groups (140.05)

Recommendation: That Council hold interviews of applicants to various City Advisory Groups.

(Estimated Time: 4:00 p.m.; Continued from June 5, 2012, Agenda Item No. 13)

Speakers:

The following applicants were interviewed:
Central Coast Commission for Senior Citizens:
Brenda Powell

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Speakers (Cont'd):

Community Events & Festivals Committee:

- Rebekah Altman
- Charles Huff

Fire and Police Pension Commission:

Luis Esparza

Housing Authority Commission:

- Sarah Maria Anthony
- Geoff Green

Measure P Committee:

Luis Esparza

Neighborhood Advisory Council:

- Roane Akchurin
- Mari Mender
- Ed Cavazos

Parks and Recreation Commission:

- Charles Huff
- Charmaine Jacobs
- Christina Gonzalez
- Megan Alley (Diaz)

Rental Housing Mediation Task Force:

Charles V. Eckert

Santa Barbara Youth Council:

- Sami Soto
- Naomi Zamudio
- Rocio Pacheco Garcia

Single Family Design Board:

Lisa James

Transportation and Circulation Committee:

- Jonathan H. Ziegler
- Kathleen Rodriguez
- Daniel Ramirez

Water Commission:

Luis Esparza

COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

Information:

- Councilmember Murillo mentioned her attendance at the First Annual Babatunde Fodayemi Visual and Performing Arts Festival.
- Councilmember White reported on his attendance at the Water Commission meeting.
- Mayor Schneider said she attended a meeting at the County regarding the proposed Resource Recovery Project at Tajiguas Landfill.
- Councilmember Hotchkiss spoke briefly about the new Courthouse clock and fountain.

RECESS

Mayor Schneider recessed the meeting at 5:27 p.m. in order for the Council to reconvene in closed session for Agenda Item Nos. 14 and 15, and said that no reportable action is anticipated.

CLOSED SESSIONS

14. 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. Pending litigation considered is a workers' compensation claim: Russell Alfino v. City of Santa Barbara, WCAB case number ADJ8059798.

Scheduling: Duration, 10 minutes; anytime

Report: None anticipated

Documents:

June 12, 2012 report from the Finance Director.

Time:

5:30 p.m. - 5:35 p.m.

No report made.

15. Subject: Conference With Labor Negotiator (440.05)

Recommendation: That Council hold a closed session, per Government Code Section 54957.6, to consider instructions to City negotiator Kristy Schmidt, Employee Relations Manager, regarding negotiations with the City's General bargaining unit, the Police Management Association, and regarding discussions with certain unrepresented managers about salaries and fringe benefits.

Scheduling: Duration, 45 minutes; anytime

Report: None anticipated

Documents:

June 12, 2012 report from the Assistant City Administrator/Administrative Services Director.

Time:

5:35 p.m. - 6:20 p.m.

No report made.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m. in memory of former City Councilmember Sidney Smith.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

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_____ ATTEST: _____
HELENE SCHNEIDER
MAYOR
BRENDA ALCAZAR, CMC
DEPUTY CITY CLERK