



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING October 20, 2015 COUNCIL CHAMBER, 735 ANACAPA STREET

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schneider.

ROLL CALL

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

Councilmembers absent: Dale Francisco, Frank Hotchkiss.

Staff present: City Administrator Paul Casey, City Attorney Ariel Pierre Calonne, Deputy City Clerk Susan Tschech.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1. Subject: Proclamation Declaring October 26 - 30, 2015, As National Red Ribbon Week (120.04)

Action: Proclamation presented to Ed Stonefelt, Luis Gomez, and Selena Rockwell, representatives of the Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.

Councilmember Francisco entered the meeting at 2:09 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers: Richard Robinson; Scott Wenz, Cars Are Basic; Melody Baker; Cruzito Herrera Cruz.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Item Nos. 2 – 4)

Motion:

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

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (Absent: Councilmember Hotchkiss).

2. Subject: Minutes

Recommendation: That Council waive further reading and approve the minutes of the regular meetings of September 22, and October 6, 2015, and the special meeting of October 12, 2015.

Action: Approved the recommendation.

3. Subject: Contract For Citywide Traffic Model Update (530.05)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Authorize the Public Works Director to execute a City Professional Services Agreement with Fehr & Peers Transportation Consulting Firm in the amount of \$79,675, for traffic modeling services to update the City's 2008 traffic model with counts, data, and projections for travel patterns based on 2015 land uses, employment, and population growth, as well as the Plan Santa Barbara 2030 horizon year General Plan provisions; and
- B. Approve an increase in appropriations in the Streets Fund by \$79,675, funded from available Streets Fund reserves.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 25,350 (October 20, 2015, report from the Public Works Director).

NOTICES

- 4. The City Clerk has on Thursday, October 15, 2015, 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.

This concluded the Consent Calendar.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

5. Subject: Review Of Fiscal Year 2017 Human Services And Community Development Block Grant Funding Priorities, Application Release, And Funding Process (230.06)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Review and provide input and direction to the Community Development and Human Services Committee (CDHSC) on proposed funding priorities for the Fiscal Year 2017 Human Services and Community Development Block Grant allocation process;
- B. Authorize staff to release the Fiscal Year 2017 funding application along with the committee application review process, criteria, and schedule; and
- C. Establish a funding commitment for Fiscal Year 2017 from the General Fund in the amount of \$726,150 (3% increase over Fiscal Year 2016) for the Human Services Program.

Documents:

- October 20, 2015, report from the Community Development Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

Staff: Community Development Programs Specialist Elizabeth Stotts.

Motion:

Councilmembers Hart/White to approve the recommendations.

Vote:

Majority voice vote (Noes: Councilmember Francisco; Absent: Councilmember Hotchkiss).

PUBLIC HEARINGS

6. Subject: Appeal Of Parks And Recreation Commission Action To Approve Removal Of Two Setback Trees Located At 1187 Coast Village Road (570.08)

Recommendation: That Council deny the appeal filed by the Montecito Association and uphold the Parks and Recreation Commission decision to approve the removal of two *Pinus canariensis* (Canary Island Pine Trees) located in the front setback at 1187 Coast Village Road.

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Documents:

- October 20, 2015, report from the Acting Parks and Recreation Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.
- Correspondence from the Applicant:
 - September 28, 2015, letter from Westree.
 - October 14, 2015, letter from Suzanne Elledge Planning & Permitting Services, Inc.
 - PowerPoint presentation made during the public hearing.

Public Comment Opened:

2:31 p.m.

Speakers:

- Staff: Urban Forest Superintendent Timothy Downey, City Attorney Ariel Calonne, City Administrator Paul Casey, Acting Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary.
- Parks and Recreation Commission: Commissioner Beebe Longstreet.
- Street Tree Advisory Committee: Desmond O'Neill.
- Appellant (Montecito Association): President Cindy Feinberg, Executive Director Victoria Greene.
- Applicant: Heidi Jones, Suzanne Elledge Planning & Permitting Services.
- Members of the Public: Jennifer DeSandre, Karen Quinn, Tracey Crain, Rob Kooyman, Marie Schumacher, Trey Pinner, Lee Artman.

Public Comment Closed:

3:25 p.m.

Motion:

Councilmembers Hart/White to deny the appeal and approve the project, making the findings outlined in the Council Agenda Report, but direct Staff to return to Council in three weeks with a resolution of decision and findings which includes a condition of approval requiring the Applicant to install two skyline box trees, to be specified pursuant to discussion with City Staff, in the median adjacent to the subject property.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote (Absent: Councilmember Hotchkiss).

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS (CONT'D)

7. Subject: Stage Three Drought Update (540.05)

Recommendation: That Council receive an update on the status of the current drought, drought-response capital projects, and continuing conservation efforts.

Documents:

- October 20, 2015, report from the Public Works Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

Staff: Water Supply Manager Kelley Dyer, Acting Water Conservation Coordinator Madeline Ward.

Discussion:

Staff's presentation included information on the weather forecast, the community's water conservation achievements, water supply strategy, Lake Cachuma operations, capital projects being undertaken to respond to the drought, and the City's Water Conservation Program. Councilmembers' questions were answered.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

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

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Hold interviews of applicants to various City Advisory Groups; and
- B. Continue interviews of applicants to October 27, 2015, and November 17, 2015.

(Estimated Time: 4:00 p.m.)

Documents:

October 20, 2015, report from the Administrative Services Director.

Speakers:

The following applicants were interviewed:

Arts Advisory Committee:

Joan Rosenberg-Dent

Margie Yahyavi

Nancy Gifford

Civil Service Commission:

Donna Lewis

Alan Kasehagen

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Speakers (Cont'd):

Community Development and Human Services Committee:

Veronica Loza

Nicolas Crisosto

Community Events and Festivals Committee:

Doreen Stevenson

Brad Nack

Fire and Police Commission:

Melody Joy Baker

John Torell

Jennifer Christensen

Harbor Commission:

Stephen MacIntosh

Historic Landmarks Commission:

Michael Drury

Anthony Grumbine

Neighborhood Advisory Committee:

Nicolas Crisosto

Rental Housing Mediation Board:

Nicolas Crisosto

Lynn Goebel

Single Family Design Board:

Lisa James

Water Commission:

James Davis

Mayor Schneider stated that interviews would be continued on October 27, 2015.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

Information:

- Councilmember Murillo reported on the following meetings/events: 1) activities to improve the Westside neighborhood; 2) a fundraiser for Special Olympics; and 3) the recent meeting of the South Coast Gang Task Force.
- Councilmember Rowse mentioned his involvement in judging an art contest sponsored by the Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse.
- Councilmember White reported on the proceedings of recent meetings of the Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board, Neighborhood Advisory Council, Santa Barbara County Association of Governments, and the Santa Barbara County Air Pollution Control District.

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Information (Cont'd):

- Mayor Schneider reported on a meeting of the U.S. Conference of Mayors' Water Council in Los Angeles; she also commented on her introduction of Robert Pearson, Chief Executive Officer of the Housing Authority of the City of Santa Barbara, for his receipt of a Lifetime Achievement Award from the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Organizations.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

HELENE SCHNEIDER
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
SUSAN TSCHECH, CMC
DEPUTY CITY CLERK