



# CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING  
FEBRUARY 28, 2023  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Randy Rowse called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. (The Finance Committee met at 12:30 p.m. The Ordinance Committee, which normally meets at 12:30 p.m., did not meet on this day.)

## **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Rowse.

## **ROLL CALL**

Councilmembers present: Eric Friedman, Alejandra Gutierrez, Meagan Harmon, Mike Jordan, Kristen W. Sneddon, Mayor Rowse.

Councilmembers absent: Oscar Gutierrez.

Staff present: City Administrator Rebecca Bjork, City Attorney Sarah Knecht, Deputy City Clerk Niko Lopez.

## **Motion:**

Councilmembers A. Gutierrez/Friedman to approve the remote participation of Councilmember O. Gutierrez.

## **Vote:**

Majority roll call vote (Absent: O. Gutierrez).

Councilmember O. Gutierrez was marked present at the meeting at 2:04 p.m.

## **CEREMONIAL ITEMS**

### **1. Subject: Peace Corps Week February 26 - March 4, 2023 (120.04)**

Action: Mayor Rowse delivered a proclamation to Charles Feinstein who accepted the proclamation and made a brief statement.

## CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

City Administrator Rebecca Bjork announced that Item #11 will be pulled and heard at a later meeting.

**11. Subject: Parking Management Agreement with Republic Parking Systems LLC and Parking Access Revenue Control Systems Replacement with TIBA, LLC [Agreement] (550.08)**

Recommendation: That Council find it in the City's best interest to waive the formal bid procedure as authorized by Municipal Code Section 4.52.070(L), and authorize the Airport Director to execute a three-year professional parking management agreement, with two one-year options, with Republic Parking Systems LLC, for \$39,690 annually over the three-year term, with incremental increases if the Airport exercises the additional options, professional parking management services, and leasing, installation and maintenance of parking access revenue control software and equipment (PARCS) the Airport's short and long-term parking lots, as well as shuttle service and other services as may be required.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the Public: John Hanna; Stanley Tzankov; Rick Hansen; Kenny Chism; Steve St. Ong; Wendy Santamaria; Patricia Guererra; Marcella Ortiz; Amber Asher; Olivia Asher; Max Golding; Teresa Patiño; Dan Villano.

## CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 2 – 10, 12)

Motion:

Councilmembers Friedman/A. Gutierrez to approve the Consent Calendar as recommended.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote

**2. Subject: Minutes**

Recommendation: That Council waive reading and approve the minutes of the regular meetings of December 6, 2022; January 24, 2023; January 31, 2023; and February 7, 2023.

Action: Approved the recommendation.

**3. Subject: Construction and Operating Agreement and Reciprocal Easements for Chase Palm Park and the Future Waterfront Hotel [Ordinance Adoption; Agreement] (640.08)**

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Authorizing the City Administrator to execute the Declaration of Construction and Operating Covenants and Reciprocal Easements by and between American Tradition LLC, RGC Santa Barbara Hotel, LLC, and the City of Santa Barbara, a Copy of Which is on File with the Parks and Recreation Department.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 6105; Agreement No. 28,260 (February 28, 2023 Council Agenda Report and any attachments).

**4. Subject: Acceptance of California State Library Infrastructure Grant [Resolution] (570.04)**

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Accept a grant in the amount of \$1,490,826 from the California State Library to provide support for Library infrastructure improvements; and
- B. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 22-059, Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2023, to Approve an Increase in Revenue and Expenditure Appropriations in the Library's Miscellaneous Grants Fund in the Amount of \$1,490,826 from the California State Library.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 23-017 (February 28, 2023 Council Agenda Report and any attachments).

**5. Subject: Contract for Design of the Santa Barbara Municipal Airport Taxiways M, J, and G Pavement Rehabilitation Project [Resolution; Agreement] (560.04)**

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Authorize the Public Works Director to execute a City Professional Services contract with Mead and Hunt, Inc. in the amount of \$262,780 for design services of the Santa Barbara Municipal Airport Taxiways M, J, and G Pavement Rehabilitation Project, and authorize the Public Works Director to approve expenditures of up to \$26,278 for extra services of Mead and Hunt, Inc. that may result from necessary changes in the Scope of Work; and
- B. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 22-059, Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2023, to Appropriate Funds for the Santa Barbara Municipal Airport Taxiways M, J, and G Pavement Rehabilitation Project.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 23-018; Agreement No. 28,261 (February 28, 2023 Council Agenda Report and any attachments).

**6. Subject: Designation of Authorized Agents to Execute Disaster Assistance Applications on Behalf of the City of Santa Barbara for the Purpose of Obtaining Federal and State Financial Assistance [Resolution]**

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of the title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara designating the Finance Director, Assistant Finance Director, and Accounting Manager, as the City of Santa Barbara's Agent for California Governor's Office of Emergency Management Disaster Assistance for Three (3) years, expiring January 31, 2026.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 23-019 (February 28, 2023 Council Agenda Report and any attachments).

**7. Subject: Bequest from the Peter and Christel Hann Trusts to the City of Santa Barbara for Exclusive Use and Benefit of the Library and Parks and Recreation Departments [Resolution] (570.04)**

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Accepting a Bequest from the Peter and Christel Hann Trust in the Total Amount of \$15,640 to the City of Santa Barbara for Exclusive Use and Benefit of the Library, and the Parks and Recreation Department.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 23-020 (February 28, 2023 Council Agenda Report and any attachments).

**8. Subject: January 2023 Investment Report (260.02)**

Recommendation: That Council accept the January 2023 Investment Report.

Action: Approved the recommendation.

**9. Subject: Fiscal Year 2023 Second-Quarter Review (230.04)**

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Receive a report from staff on the status of revenues and expenditures in relation to budget for the six months ended December 31, 2022;
- B. Accept the Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Interim Financial Statements for the six months ended December 31, 2022; and

- C. Approve proposed Second Quarter (Q2) adjustments to FY 2023 appropriations and estimated revenues as detailed in the attached schedule of Proposed Q2 adjustments.

Action: Approved the recommendation

**10. Subject: Professional Services Agreement with Geographic Technologies Group for a Geographic Information System Strategic Plan [Agreement] (170.04)**

Recommendation: That Council authorize the Information Technology Director to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Geographic Technologies Group in the amount of \$87,000, for a Geographic Information System master plan to include a Geographic Information System needs assessment, systems and program design, and an implementation plan and authorize the Information Technology Director to approve expenditures of up to \$8,700 for extra services that may result from necessary changes in the Scope of Work.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 28,262 (February 28, 2023 Council Agenda Report and any attachments).

**12. Subject: Set a Date for Public Hearing Regarding Fire and Police Commission's Denial of Taxicab Driver's Permit for Ryan Mark Wabnitz (520.01)**

Recommendation: That Council Set the date of April 25, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. for hearing the appeal filed by Ryan Mark Wabnitz of the Fire and Police Commission's Denial of Taxicab Driver's Permit.

Action: Approved the recommendation.

This concluded the Consent Calendar.

**REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE**

Councilmember Friedman reported that the Finance Committee reviewed the second quarter financials and staff recommended adjustments and approved both items.

**CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS**

**PUBLIC HEARINGS**

**13. Subject: Designation of State Street Parkway between Mission Street and Constance Avenue as a Landmark [Resolution] (640.06)**

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Designating the State Street Parkway Between Mission Street and Constance Avenue as a City Landmark.

Public Hearing opened: 2:38 p.m.

Documents:

- February 28, 2023 Council Agenda Report and any attachment(s)

Speakers:

- Staff: Project Planner Nicole Hernandez
- Historic Landmarks Commission: Dennis Doordan
- Members of the Public: Erick Couch; Rick Barron; Beth Perry; Pat Saley; Mary Louise Days; Fred Sweeney; Bruce Belfiore.

Discussion:

- Councilmembers' questions were answered.

Public Hearing closed: 3:16 p.m.

Motion:

Councilmembers Sneddon/Friedman to move forward with the staff recommendation, in addition to maintaining that palms needing replacement only be replaced with Pindo Palms and that ground cover remain as landscape.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote; Resolution No. 23-021.

**14. Subject: Public Hearing for the 2023 Downtown and Old Town Business Improvement Districts Assessments [Resolution] (290.00)**

Recommendation: That Council:

- Conduct a public hearing and consider appropriate protests to the renewal of the Downtown and Old Town Business Improvement Districts Assessments for 2023, as required under the California Parking and Business Improvement Area Law of 1989; and
- Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Confirming the Fiscal Year 2023 Downtown and Old Town Business Improvement District Annual Assessment Report and Renewing the Downtown Business Improvement District and Old Town Business Improvement District Assessments for 2023.

Public Hearing opened: 3:18 p.m.

Documents:

- February 28, 2023 Council Agenda Report and any attachment(s)

Speakers:

- Staff: Senior Assistant to the City Administrator Brandon Beaudette
- Downtown Santa Barbara: Robin Elander
- Members of the Public: None.

Discussion:

- Councilmembers' questions were answered.

Public Hearing closed: 3:18 p.m.

Motion:

Councilmembers Jordan/Harmon to approve the staff recommendation.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote; Resolution No. 23-022.

## **COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

### **COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS**

Councilmember Friedman reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. PARC Foundation; 2. Coastal Cities Leadership Group monthly meeting; 3. Coastal Commission local government working group monthly meeting; 4. Alliance for Community Media annual meeting; 5. UCSB economic forecast; 6. Drift Hotel ribbon cutting; 7. Monthly Central Coast Water Authority Meeting; 8. Radius economic forecast; 9. Vigil hosted by the Asian American and Pacific Islander Solidarity Network.

Councilmember Sneddon reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. Historic Landmarks Committee meeting where De La Guerra Plaza was discussed; 2. State Street Advisory Committee; 3. Water Commission where wastewater surveillance was discussed; 4. Cachuma Operations and Maintenance Board; 5. Radius economic forecast; 6. UCSB economic forecast; 7. Coast Geological Society meeting

Mayor Rowse reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. City Leadership group of mayors and city managers of Santa Barbara County; 2. Eastside meeting.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT (IF NECESSARY)**

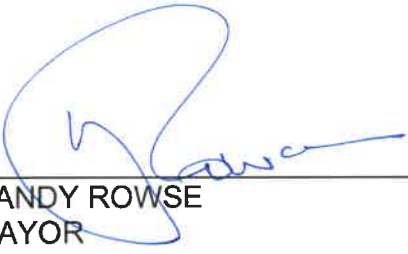
### **ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Rowse adjourned the meeting at 3:44 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Barbara on May 2, 2023.

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

  
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RANDY ROWSE  
MAYOR

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