



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
APRIL 9, 2024
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 735 ANACAPA STREET
320-A WEST ORTEGA STREET SANTA BARBARA, CA**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Randy Rowse called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m. (The Finance Committee met at 12:00 p.m. The Ordinance Committee, which ordinarily meets at 12:00 p.m., did not meet this day.)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Rowse.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Eric Friedman, Alejandra Gutierrez (2:10 p.m.), Oscar Gutierrez, Meagan Harmon, Mike Jordan, Kristen W. Sneddon, Mayor Randy Rowse.

Councilmembers absent: None.

Staff present: Interim City Administrator Sarah Knecht, Acting City Attorney Tava Ostrenger, Deputy City Clerk Austin Taylor.

Councilmember Harmon appeared via teleconference from the 320-A West Ortega Street, Santa Barbara address.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1. Subject: Employee Recognition – Service Award Pins

Recommendation: That Council authorize the City Administrator to express the City's appreciation to employees who are eligible to receive service award pins for their years of service through April 30, 2024.

Action: Interim City Administrator Sarah Knecht expressed her gratitude to the employees that received their pins.

2. Subject: National Library Week, April 7-13, 2024 (120.04)

Action: Mayor Rowse presented the proclamation to Chair of the Library Advisory Board Margaret Crocco.

3. Subject: National Poetry Month - April 2024 (120.04)

Action: Mayor Rowse presented the proclamation to Anna Mackies and Lee Williams.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Items 4-6, 8, 10-13)

The titles of the Ordinances and Resolutions were read.

Motion:

Mayor Pro Tem Jordan/ Councilmember Friedman to approve the balance of the Consent Calendar as recommended, minus items 7 and 9.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

4. Subject: Ordinance Amending the Municipal Code Relating to Contracting for Public Works Projects [Ordinance Introduction] (530.01)

Recommendation: That Council introduce and subsequently adopt, by reading of title only, an Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Sections 4.52.050, 4.52.165, and 4.52.200 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code Relating to Contracting for Public Works Projects Pursuant to Approval by the Voters of the Proposed Amendment to City Charter Section 519.

Action: Approved the recommendation (April 9, 2024, report from the Public Works Director; proposed Ordinance).

5. Subject: Restructure of Domestic Violence Solutions Loan on Property Located at 521 West Victoria Street [Ordinance Introduction] (610.04)

Recommendation: That Council introduce and subsequently adopt, by reading of title only, an Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Approving a Restated Loan Agreement in the Amount of \$430,000 with Domestic Violence Solutions Secured by a Restated Deed of Trust, and 90-Year Affordability Control Covenant Imposed on Real Property Located at 521 West Victoria Street, and Authorizing the Community Development Director to Execute Such Agreements, Subject to Approval as to Form by the City Attorney.

Action: Approved the recommendation (April 9, 2024, report from the Finance Director; proposed Ordinance).

6. Subject: Allocation of the City's Share of Transportation Development Act Funds for Bicycle and Pedestrian Projects [Resolution] (670.05)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Authorizing the Filing of a Claim with the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments for an Allocation of \$95,618 in Transportation Development Act Funds for Fiscal Year 2025.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 24-031 (April 9, 2024, report from the Public Works Director; proposed Resolution).

8. Subject: Contract for Design of the Santa Barbara Airport Southfield Redevelopment Phase 2 Project [Resolution; Agreement] (560.04)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Authorize the Public Works Director to execute a City Professional Services contract with Kimley-Horn and Associates, Inc. in the amount of \$340,681 for design services for the Santa Barbara Airport Southfield Redevelopment Phase 2 Project and authorize \$34,068 for potential extra services, for a total expenditure authority of \$374,749; and
- B. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 23-076, Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2024, to Appropriate Funds for the Santa Barbara Airport Southfield Redevelopment Phase 2 Project.

Action: Approved the recommendations; Resolution No. 24-030; Agreement No. 28,495 (April 9, 2024, report from the Airport Director; proposed Resolution).

10. Subject: Resolution Approving the 2024-2027 General Unit Memorandum of Understanding and Amendment of Resolution No. 23-081, the Position and Salary Control Resolution for Fiscal Year 2024 [Resolution; Agreement] (440.02)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Ratify the Memorandum of Understanding between the City and the Service Employees' International Union, Local 620, General Bargaining Unit, for the period of April 1, 2024, through March 31, 2027, by Adopting, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Adopting the 2024-2027 Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Santa Barbara and the General Bargaining Unit; and

B. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 23-081, the Position and Salary Control Resolution for Fiscal Year 2024, Affecting the Salary Ranges for:

1. Classifications in the General Bargaining Unit 2024, implemented in accordance with the negotiated Salary Adjustments effective April 6, 2024;
2. Certain Classifications in the Hourly Bargaining Units 17 and 18, effective April 6, 2024; and
3. Certain Classifications in the Supervisor's Unit affected by compaction, effective April 6, 2024.

Action: Approved the recommendations; Resolution Nos. 24-034 and 24-033; Agreement No. 28,496 (April 9, 2024, report from the Human Resources Director; proposed Resolutions).

11. Subject: Lease Amendment with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration [Agreement] (570.03)

Recommendation: That City Council approve a five-year extension to lease agreement with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration for office space located at 113 Harbor Way, at a rent of \$1,505 per month.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 28,497 (April 9, 2024, report from the Waterfront Director).

12. Subject: Professional Services Agreement Extension with Foster & Foster Consulting Actuaries, Inc. for Actuarial Services [Agreement] (210.01)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the Finance Director to approve and execute a professional services agreement extension with Foster & Foster Consulting Actuaries, Inc., to perform actuarial services in connection with the City's Post-Retirement Health Benefits, Sick Leave Benefits, and Article XV and XVA Safety Retirement Plans covering Fiscal Years 2024 and 2025, in an amount of \$43,000 for a new not to exceed amount of \$128,000.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 26,557.2 (April 9, 2024 report from the Finance Director).

13. Subject: Pre-Bid Constructability Review Services for the Cater Water Treatment Plant Reservoir Resiliency Project [Agreement] (540.1)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the Public Works Director to execute a City Professional Services contract with Mimiaga Engineering Group Inc., in the amount of \$275,740 for pre-bid constructability review services for the Cater Water Treatment Plant Reservoir Resiliency Project and authorize the Public Works Director to authorize \$27,574 for potential extra services, for a total expenditure authority of \$303,314.

Action: Approved the recommendations; Agreement No. 28,498 (April 9, 2024, report from the Public Works Director).

REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Councilmember A. Gutierrez reported that Finance Committee received a presentation on proposed water and wastewater rates for Fiscal Years 2025-2028 and solid waste rates for Fiscal Year 2025; recommended that Council set a Public Hearing date for June 25, 2024, at 2:00p.m. for consideration of increases to the City's water, wastewater, and solid waste rates; and recommended that Council direct staff to send a Notice of Public Hearing to customers informing them of the Public Hearing and proposed changes to water, wastewater, and solid waste rates.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the Public: Dianne Black, League of Women Voters of SB.

PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

7. Subject: Amendment to Police Department Fees and Charges for Concealed Carry Permit Program [Resolution] (520.04)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 23-078, Schedule of Penalties, Fees, and Service Charges, for Fiscal Year 2024, to Approve the Removal of the \$150 Psychological Exam Fee to Obtain a Concealed Carry Weapon Permit.

Documents:

- April 9, 2024, report from the Police Chief.
- Proposed Resolution.

Speakers:

- Staff: Chief of Police Kelly Gordon.
- Members of the Public: None.

Motion:

Councilmembers A. Gutierrez/O. Gutierrez to approve staff's recommendation; Resolution No. 24-029.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

9. Subject: Library Department Acceptance of Lunch at the Library 2024 Grant [Resolution] (570.04)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Accept a grant in the amount of \$85,197 from the California State Library for free summer meals and programming for children and teens in Summer 2024; and
- B. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 23-076 Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2024, to Accept a Grant in the Amount of \$85,197 funded by the California State Library.

Documents:

- April 9, 2024, report from the Library Director.
- Proposed Resolution.

Speakers:

- Staff: Acting Library Director Brandon Beaudette.
- Members of the Public: None.

Motion:

Councilmembers Sneddon/Friedman to approve staff's recommendations; Resolution No. 24-032.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

14. Subject: Set a Date for a Public Hearing Regarding Planning Commission's Approval for 101 Garden Street (640.07)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Set the date of June 11, 2024, at 2:00 p.m. for hearing the appeals filed by Lozeau Drury LLP, on behalf of Supporters Alliance for Environmental Responsibility ("SAFER"); Law Office of Marc Chytilo, on behalf of Keep the Funk, Inc.; Steven Johnson; and Rich Untermann.
- B. Set the date of June 10, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. for a site visit to the property located at 101 Garden Street.

Speakers:

- Staff: None.

- Members of the Public: Marc Chytilo.

Motion:

Councilmembers Sneddon / Friedman to set the date of June 25, 2024 at 2:00 p.m. for hearing the appeals filed by Lozeau Drury LLP, on behalf of Supporters Alliance for Environmental Responsibility ("SAFER"); Law Office of Marc Chytilo, on behalf of Keep the Funk, Inc.; Steven Johnson; and Rich Untermann. Council set the date of June 24, 2024, at 1:30 p.m. for a site visit to the property located at 101 Garden Street.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

- Councilmember Friedman reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. Sustainability Committee meeting; 2. Central Coast Water Authority meeting.
- Councilmember Sneddon reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. Cachuma Operations and Management board; 2. CCRB Budget Hearing; 3. Housing Crisis ad hoc meeting; 4. Sustainability Committee meeting.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

WATERFRONT DEPARTMENT

15. Subject: Santa Barbara Cruise Ship Program Update (570.03)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Approve the proposed Cruise Ship Program improvements recommended by both Waterfront staff and Harbor Commission;
- B. Provide input and direction on establishing a cap of twenty cruise ship visits per year versus relying on limiting available cruise ship visit dates with no annual cap; and
- C. Provide additional input and recommendations for the Cruise Ship Program as necessary.

Documents:

- April 9, 2024, report from the Waterfront Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Waterfront Director Mike Wiltshire; Assistant City Attorney John Doimas
- Members of the Public: Dustin Hoiseth; Kristen Miller; Ruairi Bateson; Lee Williams; James Tenant; Ted Morton; Mimi Dequoy; Jeff Phillips; Nate Irwin; Kathy Janega-Dykes; Gail Ward; John Cunningham; Suzane Cotton; Dr. Maria Felice Cunningham; Holly Sherwin; Jonathan Ullman; Philip Henius; Brian Trautwein; Tatiana Frazier; Marcie Kever; Jaime Diamond; Cevan LeSieur; Carol Millar; Irene Cooke; Barbara Greenleaf; Lee Heller.

Motion:

Mayor Pro Tem Jordan/Councilmember Harmon direct staff to adopt a cap of 20 ships, continue to maintain the agreement on discharge, establish requirements for reduction in the zones, negotiate and establish an advanced water treatment requirement by spring 2025, direct staff to develop with harbor commission a package of environmental best practices including a template for minimal requirements, use of industry ratings in scorecards, direct staff to work with the harbor commission to discuss the use of pilots for ships in the channel as well as requirements for smaller ships, and the use of cleaner fuel. Approve all proposed improvements recommended by both waterfront staff and Harbor Commission, other than the changes described above.

Vote:

Majority roll call vote (Ayes: Councilmembers Harmon, O. Gutierrez, Friedman, Jordan, Sneddon, A. Gutierrez; Noes: Mayor Randy Rowse).

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

16. Subject: Proposed Utility Rates (540.11)

Recommendation: That Council:

- Receive a presentation on proposed water and wastewater rates for Fiscal Years 2025 - 2028, and solid waste rates for Fiscal Year 2025;
- Set a Public Hearing date for June 25, 2024, at 2:00 p.m., for consideration of increases to the City's water, wastewater, and solid waste rates; and
- Direct staff to send a Notice of Public Hearing to customers informing them of the Public Hearing and proposed changes to water, wastewater, and solid waste rates.

Documents:

- April 9, 2024, report from the Public Works Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Water Resources Financial Officer Gabrielle Cook; Environmental Services Specialist Dustin Merback; Water Resources Manager Joshua Haggmark.
- HDR Consultant: Shawn Koorn.
- Members of the public: No one wished to speak.

Motion:

Councilmembers Friedman/A. Gutierrez to approve staff's recommendations.

Vote:

Majority roll call vote (Noes: Councilmember Harmon).

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

COUNCILMEMBER ENGAGEMENTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT (IF NECESSARY)

No one wished to speak.

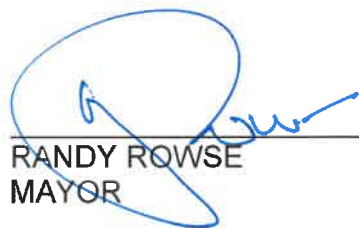
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Rowse adjourned the meeting at 6:23 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Barbara on June 11, 2024.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE



RANDY ROWSE
MAYOR

ATTEST: 

SARAH GORMAN
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER

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