



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
JULY 27, 2021
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cathy Murillo called the meeting to order at 2:02 p.m. (The Ordinance and Finance Committees, which ordinarily meet at 12:30 p.m., did not meet on this date.)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Murillo.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Eric Friedman, Alejandra Gutierrez, Oscar Gutierrez, Meagan Harmon, Mike Jordan, Kristen W. Sneddon, Mayor Murillo.
Councilmembers absent: None.

Staff present: City Administrator Paul Casey, City Attorney Ariel Pierre Calonne, City Clerk Services Manager Sarah Gorman.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the Public: Barbara Muller, Miriam Lindbeck, Ronald Buckley, Stephen Abbey, Katie Mickey, Laura Bustard.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Item Nos. 1 – 13)

The titles of ordinances related to Consent Calendar items were read.

Motion:

Councilmembers Jordan/Friedman to approve the Consent Calendar as recommended.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

1. Subject: Introduction Of An Ordinance For A License Agreement Renewal With Epic Cruises, Inc., D.B.A. Celebration Cruises Of Santa Barbara, For Azure Seas And Whisper (570.03)

Recommendation: That Council introduce and subsequently adopt, by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Authorizing the Waterfront Director to Execute a Five-Year License Agreement and One Five-Year Option with Epic Cruises, Inc., D.B.A. Celebration Cruises of Santa Barbara, for the Yacht, Azure Seas, and the Duffy, Whisper.

Action: Approved the recommendation (July 27, 2021, Report from the Waterfront Director; proposed ordinance).

2. Subject: Introduction Of An Ordinance For A License Agreement Renewal With Epic Cruises, Inc., D.B.A. Celebration Cruises Of Santa Barbara, For The Lil' Toot Water Taxi Service (570.03)

Recommendation: That Council introduce and subsequently adopt, by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Authorizing the Waterfront Director to Execute a Five-Year License Agreement and One Five-Year Option with Epic Cruises, Inc., D.B.A. Celebration Cruises of Santa Barbara, for a Water Taxi Service.

Action: Approved the recommendation (July 27, 2021, Report from the Waterfront Director; proposed ordinance).

3. Subject: Adoption Of An Ordinance For A Lease Agreement With Brophy And Sons, Inc. (330.04)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Approving and Authorizing the Waterfront Director to Execute a Five-Year Lease Agreement and One Five-Year Option with Brophy and Sons, Inc., for Retail Space Known as Brophy's Mercantile, Commencing Upon the Effective Date of the Enabling Ordinance.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 6012.

4. Subject: Adoption Of An Ordinance For A Lease Agreement With Seacoast Of Santa Barbara, Inc. (330.04)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Approving and Authorizing the Waterfront Director to Execute a Five-Year Lease Agreement and One Five-Year Option with

Seacoast of Santa Barbara, Inc., Commencing Upon the Effective Date of the Enabling Ordinance.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 6013.

5. Subject: Adoption Of An Ordinance Enacting A Prohibition Of Natural Gas Infrastructure In New Construction (640.04)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending The Santa Barbara Municipal Code By Adding Chapter 22.100 Prohibiting Natural Gas Infrastructure In New Buildings.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 6014.

6. Subject: Adoption Of An Ordinance For Approving On-Bill Financing Agreement For Lighting Upgrades At City Parking Garages (550.1)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Adopt, by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Authorizing the Sustainability and Resilience Director to Execute an On-Bill Financing Agreement with Southern California Edison in the Amount of \$151,402.19 to Retroactively Fund Lighting Upgrades at Several Downtown Parking Garages; and
- B. Increase estimated revenues and appropriations by \$151,402.19 in the Downtown Parking Capital Fund to fund future capital projects.

Action: Approved the recommendations; Ordinance No. 6015; Agreement No. 27,009 (July 27, 2021, Report from the Sustainability and Resilience Director).

7. Subject: June 30, 2021, Investment Report And June 30, 2021, Fiscal Agent Report (260.02)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Accept the June 30, 2021, Investment Report; and
- B. Accept the June 30, 2021, Fiscal Agent Report.

Action: Approved the recommendations (July 27, 2021, Report from the Finance Director).

8. Subject: Contract With The Santa Barbara South Coast Chamber Of Commerce To Support Visitor Information Center Operations (180.01)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the City Administrator to execute an annual community promotion contract with The Santa Barbara South Coast Chamber of Commerce in an amount of \$56,525 to support year-round expenses of the Visitor Information Center for the period from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 27,010 (July 27, 2021, Report from the City Administrator).

9. Subject: Request From La Cumbre Mutual Water Company For A Long-Term Water Supply Agreement (540.08)

Recommendation: That Council direct Staff to initiate negotiations with the La Cumbre Mutual Water Company in support of a long-term water supply agreement.

Action: Approved the recommendation (July 27, 2021, Report from the Acting Public Works Director).

10. Subject: Contract With Visit Santa Barbara For Tourism Marketing Services (230.02)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the City Administrator to execute an annual community promotion contract with Visit Santa Barbara to provide marketing services that promote Santa Barbara as a tourism destination, in an amount of \$1,311,000.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 27,011 (July 27, 2021, Report from the City Administrator).

11. Subject: Contract With Old Spanish Days (180.02)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the City Administrator to execute a community promotion contract with Old Spanish Days in an amount of \$93,690, covering the period from July 1, 2021, to June 30, 2022.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 27,012 (July 27, 2021, Report from the City Administrator).

NOTICES

12. Received a letter of resignation from Housing Authority Commission member Latria Pratt; the vacancy will be included in the next City Advisory Groups recruitment. (140.02)
13. Subject: Received a letter of resignation from Neighborhood Advisory Council member Beverly Perkins; the vacancy will be included in the next City Advisory Groups recruitment. (140.02)

This concluded the Consent Calendar.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

HUMAN RESOURCES

14. Subject: Presentation From The Community Formation Commission (520.04)

Recommendation: That Council receive a presentation from the Chair and Vice-Chair of the Community Formation Commission on their recent work efforts and timeline, in order to provide a recommendation to Council in March 2022.

Documents:

July 27, 2021, Report from the City Administrator

Speakers:

- Community Formation Commission: Chair Gabriel Escobedo, Vice-Chair Ana Zepeda.
- National Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement: Director of Training and Education Cameron McElhiney.
- Staff: City Administrator Paul Casey.
- Members of the Public: Chelsea Lancaster, Amy Blair, David Moore.

By consensus, the Council received the presentation.

PUBLIC COMMENT (IF NECESSARY)

Speakers: Amy Blair, Danielle Blunk.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

Information:

- Councilmember Sneddon reported on her attendance at meetings of the Historic Landmarks Commission and Cachuma Operation and Maintenance Board.
- Councilmember Oscar Gutierrez made some remarks in response to public comment regarding COVID protection measures.
- Councilmember Friedman commented on proceedings at recent meetings of the City's Legislative Committee and the Central Coast Water Authority; he also recognized today's date as Korean War Veterans Armistice Day.
- Mayor Murillo reported on her attendance at the following meetings or events: 1. Community Choice Energy Subcommittee, for the launch of a new energy program for the community; 2. Affordable Housing Task Group; 3. Women's Political Committee; and 4. a Latino Leaders breakfast sponsored by the Santa Barbara School District Superintendent's Office.
- Several Councilmembers commented on the memorial service held for Hal Conklin.

RECESS

The Mayor recessed the meeting at 3:35 p.m. in order for the Council to reconvene in closed session for Item No. 15. She stated that no reportable action is anticipated.

CLOSED SESSION

15. Subject: Conference With City Attorney--Anticipated Litigation -- Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(2) & (e)(3) (160.03)

Recommendation: That Council hold a closed session to consider significant exposure to litigation (one potential case) pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) & (e)(3) and take appropriate action as needed. The anticipated litigation is based upon significant exposure arising out of the May 13, 2021, litigation threat from the Santa Barbara Rental Property Association through the law firm of Fisher Broyles.

Scheduling: Duration, 15 minutes; anytime
Report: None anticipated

Documents:
July 27, 2021, Report from the City Attorney

Time:
3:36 p.m. – 3.51 p.m.

No report made.

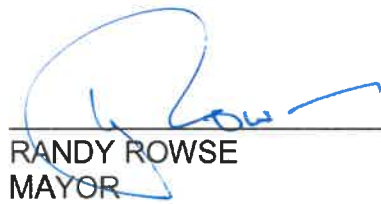
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Murillo adjourned the meeting at 3:51 p.m. in memory of Hal Conklin and Korean War veterans.

Approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Barbara on March 29, 2022.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

SANTA BARBARA
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE



RANDY ROWSE
MAYOR

ATTEST:



SARAH GORMAN
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER

