



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING APRIL 30, 2024 COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 735 ANACAPA STREET

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Randy Rowse called the meeting to order at 2:00 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, 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, City Clerk Services Manager Sarah Gorman.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Item Nos. 1 - 2)

The titles of the Ordinances and Resolutions were read.

Motion:

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

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

1. Subject: Adoption of an Ordinance Authorizing Airport Patrol to Join Peace Officer Standards and Training [Ordinance Adoption] (560.01)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, an Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending the Municipal Code by Adding Section 2.12.035 Regarding Airport Patrol Peace Officer Standards and Training Participation, and Accepting the Requirements of California Penal Code Sections 13510, 13512 and 13522, Relating to the Recruitment and Training of Peace Officers for the Airport Patrol.

Speakers:

- Members of the Public: Mark Sheridan.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 6152.

2. Subject: March 31, 2024, Investment Report and March 31, 2024, Fiscal Agent Report (260.02)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Accept the March 31, 2024, Investment Report; and
- B. Accept the March 31, 2024, Fiscal Agent Report.

Speaker:

Staff: Finance Director Keith DeMartini

Action: Approved the recommendations; (April 30, 2024, report from the Finance Director).

REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee Chair A. Gutierrez reported that the Committee considered the Fiscal Year 2025 Downtown Parking City Administrator's Recommended Budget Proposal and recommended that Council discuss the proposed changes.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the Public: Mark Wofford; Mike McGrew; Jason Carlton; Stephen Meade; Jenna Berg; Ian Garcia; Evan Reed; Drake Bayles; Cooper Swaim; David Valesquez; Bella Romo; Claire Fackler; Pam Gifford.

PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

None.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

Councilmember Friedman reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. Central Coast Water Authority meeting; 2. Library Advisory Board; 3. Earth Day celebration; 4. Essential SB meeting.

Councilmember O. Gutierrez reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. Housing Crisis Committee meeting.

Councilmember Sneddon reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. Joint City/County Affordable Housing Group; 2. CCRB Special Meeting; 3. Earth Day celebration booth.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

3. Subject: Saturday Santa Barbara Farmers Market Relocation to 900-1000 Blocks State Street and 00 Blocks Carrillo Street Update [Agreement] (180.02)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Receive an update on the Saturday Santa Barbara Farmers Market Relocation to the 900-1000 Blocks of State Street and 00 Blocks of Carrillo Street;
- B. Authorize the Public Works Director to execute the Saturday Santa Barbara Farmers Market License Agreement allowing the market to operate within the public right- of- way;
- C. Approve a sole source contract with Meridian Rapid Defense Group (Meridian) in the amount of \$251,607 for fabrication of the vehicle gate barriers and storage trailers and authorize the Public Works Director to execute the contract; and
- D. Determine that the project is exempt under California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines § 15301 Existing Facilities, approve the Saturday Santa Barbara Farmers Market Relocation to the 900-1000 Blocks of State Street and 00 Blocks of Carrillo Street Update, and direct the filing of a Notice of Exemption in compliance with California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines § 15062.

Documents:

- April 30, 2024, report from the Public Works Director.

- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Supervising Transportation Planner Jessica Grant; Fire Marshal Ryan DiGuilio; Police Assistant Chief Marylinda Arroyo.
- Santa Barbara Certified Farmer's Market: Sam Edelman.
- Members of the Public: Mark Sheridan.

Discussion:

- Councilmembers' questions were answered.

Motion:

Councilmembers Harmon/Sneddon to approve staff recommendations with direction that public safety experts work with transportation staff and city administrator's office and the Farmer's Market Board to develop a safety mitigation plan and provide direction that our staff consider alternatives to this location to be implemented in the event this license is revoked.

Vote:

Majority roll call vote; Agreement Nos. 28,503 and 28,504 (Noes: Councilmember A. Gutierrez, Mayor Rowse).

AIRPORT DEPARTMENT

4. Subject: General Western Aero Hangars Restoration Analysis Study, Environmental Review, and Proposed Public Outreach (560.09)

Recommendation: That Council:

- Receive a presentation on the General Western Aero Hangars Project Analysis Study, Environmental Review, and Proposed Public Outreach; and
- Provide staff with direction on the next steps regarding public outreach for potential private funding for General Western Aero Hangars.

Documents:

- April 30, 2024, report from the Airport Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Airport Director Chris Hastert; Administrative Analyst Jessica Metzger.
- Members of the Public: John Blankenship; Kevin Haeberle; Mike Cleary; Dana Newquist; Rick Closson; Michael Baker; James Merrick; Joe Danely.

Motion:

Councilmembers A. Gutierrez/Friedman to approve staff recommendations.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

RECESS

4:30 p.m. - 4:52 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

5. Subject: Monthly Update on State Street Interim Operations (650.05)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Receive an update on State Street Interim Operations;
- B. Discuss, evaluate, and direct pilot program activities; and
- C. Provide individual comments on proposed alternative configurations for the 1300 block of State Street.

Documents:

- April 30, 2024, report from the Public Works Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Public Works Manager Sarah Clark; City Engineer Brian D'Amour; Assistant City Attorney Dan Hentschke.
- Historic Landmarks Commission Chair: Anthony Grumbine.
- Access Advisory Chair: James Marston.
- Members of the Public: Robin Elander.

Discussion:

- Councilmembers' questions were answered.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

6. Subject: Interviews for City Advisory Groups (140.05)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Hold interviews of applicants to various City Advisory Groups (Estimated time: 6:00 p.m.); and

- B. Continue interviews of applicants to May 7, 2024 (Estimated time: 3:00 p.m.).

Documents:

- April 30, 2024, report from the City Administrator.

Speakers:

- Staff: Deputy City Clerk Norma Welche.

Councilmember Harmon was excused from the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

The following applicants were interviewed:

Architectural Board of Review

William Anderson

Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals

Nick Koonce

Central Coast Commission for Senior Citizens

E. Howard Green

Downtown Parking Committee

Anita Stahl

Neighborhood Advisory Council

Sebastian Aldana, Jr.

Rental Housing Mediation Board

E. Howard Green

Santa Barbara Youth Council

Kieran Stone

Sophia Mills

Itzel Leon

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

COUNCILMEMBER ENGAGEMENTS

Councilmember A. Gutierrez reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. Earth Day; 2. NALEO housing conference; 3. Met community members in district.

Councilmember Sneddon reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. South Coast Chamber Hospitality Committee meeting; 2. Tenant's Union Renter's Forum; 3. Earth Day; 4. Santa Barbara City College Umoja graduation ceremony; 5. Planned Parenthood Birds and Bees event.

PUBLIC COMMENT (IF NECESSARY)

No one wished to speak.

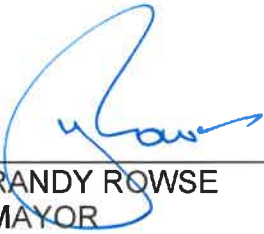
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Rowse adjourned the meeting at 7:07 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Barbara on May 21, 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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