



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 10, 2026
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Rowse.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Eric Friedman, Oscar Gutierrez, Meagan Harmon, Wendy Santamaria (2:13 p.m.), Kristen W. Sneddon, Mayor Randy Rowse.

Councilmembers absent: Mike Jordan.

Staff present: Assistant City Administrator Rene Eyerly, City Attorney John S. Doimas, Deputy City Clerk Caitlin Colyer

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1. Subject: Black History Month 2026

Action: Mayor Rowse presented the proclamation to Leticia Forney Resch, Faith Kingsberry, and Jazmine, from Healing Justice Santa Barbara.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Item Nos. 2 – 11)

The titles of the ordinances and resolutions related to the consent calendar were read.

Motion:

Mayor Pro Tem Sneddon/Councilmember Friedman to approve the consent calendar.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

2. Subject: Minutes

Recommendation: That Council waive reading and approve the minutes for the special meeting of January 13, 2026; and the regular meetings of December 2, 2025, January 13, 2026, and January 27, 2026.

Action: Approved the recommendation.

3. Subject: Authorize Execution of the Second Amendment to the Clean Water State Revolving Fund Installment Sale Agreement for the Braemar Wastewater Lift Station Rehabilitation Project [Ordinance Adoption]

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, an Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Approving the Second Amendment to the Installment Sale Agreement with the State Water Resources Control Board for the Braemar Lift Station Rehabilitation Project (Project No. 8602-110).

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 2026-6211.

4. Subject: Adoption of an Ordinance Approving Agreement 202507 with Kenneth Hall, Sole Proprietor, dba Goleta Building Materials, Inc. at the Airport [Ordinance Adoption; Agreement]

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, an Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Approving and Authorizing the Airport Director to Execute Agreement No. 202507 with Kenneth Hall, Sole Proprietor, dba Goleta Building Materials, Inc., a California corporation, for the Premises Located at 91 Frederick Lopez Road, 90 Frederick Lopez Road, and 90-A Frederick Lopez Road, Santa Barbara, CA, Commencing Upon the Effective Date of the Enabling Ordinance.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 2026-6208; Agreement No. 28842.

5. Subject: Adoption of an Ordinance Approving Agreement 202501 with M/E Inc, at the Airport [Ordinance Adoption; Agreement]

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, an Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Approving and Authorizing the Airport Director to Execute Agreement Number 202501 with M/E Inc, a California Corporation, Located in the Santa Barbara Airport Airline Terminal at 500 James Fowler Road, Commencing Upon the Effective Date of the Enabling Ordinance.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 2026-6209; Agreement No. 28843.

6. Subject: Establish a City of Santa Barbara Water Resources Department [Ordinance Adoption]

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, an Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Title 2 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code by Adding Chapter 2.35 and Amending Section 2.39.040 Relating to the Establishment of a Water Resources Department.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 2026-6210.

7. Subject: Acceptance of Parma Park Trust Funds [Resolution]

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 25-066, Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2026, to Increase Revenue and Expenditure Appropriations by \$108,414 in the Parks and Recreation Department Fiscal Year 2026 Miscellaneous Grants Fund for Parma Park Maintenance and Special Projects.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 2026-008 (February 10, 2026, report from the Parks and Recreation Director; proposed Resolution).

8. Subject: Acceptance of Grant Funds from the Parks and Recreation Community Foundation for the A.C. Postel Memorial Rose Garden Revitalization Project [Resolution]

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 25-066, Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2026, to Increase Revenue and Expenditure Appropriations by \$20,000 in the Parks and Recreation Department Fiscal Year 2026 Miscellaneous Grants Fund for the A.C. Postel Memorial Rose Garden Revitalization Project.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 2026-009 (February 10, 2026, report from the Parks and Recreation Director; proposed Resolution).

9. Subject: Adoption of Resolution for a Street Widening Setback Variance at 330 State Street [Resolution; Agreement]

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara, Granting a Street Setback Variance at 330 State Street, Assessor Parcel Numbers 037-254-014 and 037-254-016, and Authorizing Execution of a Street Setback Variance Agreement.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 2026-010; Agreement Nos. 28848; 28849 (February 10, 2026, report from the Public Works Director; proposed Resolution).

10. Subject: Electrical Facilities Cost Sharing Agreement with Caltrans [Agreement]

Recommendation: That Council authorize the Public Works Director to execute a superseding Electrical Facilities Cost Sharing Agreement between the City of Santa Barbara and the State of California Department of Transportation regarding US Highway 101 and State Highways within City limits, including future amendments that may become necessary.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 28850 (February 10, 2026, report from the Public Works Director).

11. Subject: Contract for Construction of the Fiscal Year 2026 Storm Drain Lining Project [Agreement]

Recommendation: That Council award a contract to Nu Line Technologies, LLC in their low bid amount of \$283,675 for the construction of the Fiscal Year 2026 Storm Drain Lining Project, Bid No. 5073, and approve expenditures up to \$28,367 to cover any cost increases that may result from contract change orders for extra work and differences between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities measured for payment, for a total expenditure authority of \$312,042.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 28851 (February 10, 2026, report from the Public Works Director).

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the Public: Maurice Fisher; Dylan Mancuso.

PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

None.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

12. Subject: Santa Barbara South Coast Chamber 5-Year Strategic Plan

Recommendation: That Council receive the 5-year strategic plan from the Santa Barbara South Coast Chamber of Commerce.

Documents:

- February 10, 2026, report from the City Administrator.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Deputy City Administrator Anthony Valdez
- Consultants: Chamber of Commerce Board Chair Randy Burke; Chambers of Commerce President and CEO Kristin Miller; Chamber of Commerce Director of Public Policy Dustin Hoiseth.
- Members of the Public: Amy Steinfeld; Randal Hernandez.

Discussion:

- Staff gave Council a presentation covering topics regarding their five-year strategic plan.
- Councilmembers' questions were answered.

SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCE

13. Subject: Introduction of Ordinance to Regulate Single-Use Materials [Ordinance Introduction]

Recommendation: That Council introduce and subsequently adopt, by reading of title only, an Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Section 2.42.040, Chapter 9.160 and Chapter 9.165, and Repealing Chapter 9.150 of the Santa Barbara Municipal Code Relating to Expanded Polystyrene, Single-Use Plastics, and Solid Waste Reduction.

Councilmember Friedman recused himself from this item at 2:46 p.m. due to a possible conflict of interest arising out of his employment at a grocery store.

Documents:

- February 10, 2026, report from the Sustainability and Resilience Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by staff.
- Proposed Ordinance.

Speakers:

- Staff: Environmental Services Specialist Daniela Rosales.
- Members of the Public: Kathi King; Penny Owens; Maria Stockham; Susie; Sky Young; Nick Miller.

Motion:

Mayor Pro Tem Sneddon/Councilmember Harmon to approve the staff recommendation.

Vote:

Majority roll call vote (No: Mayor Rowse; Abstention: Councilmember Friedman; Absent: Councilmember Jordan.)

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS & ENGAGEMENTS

- Councilmember Harmon attended the following meetings or events: 1. Coastal Commission.
- Councilmember Sneddon attended the following meetings or events: 1. Santa Barbara International Film Festival opening; 2. Neighborhood Advisory Committee; 3. Update from KCI re end sex trafficking of children; 4 Sustainability Committee; 5. Cachuma Conservation Release Board; 6. Downtown Santa Barbara Improvement Association; 7. Community Development and Human Services Committee.

PUBLIC COMMENT (IF NECESSARY)

No one wished to speak.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Rowse adjourned the meeting at 4:08 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Barbara on March 3, 2026.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

SANTA BARBARA
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE



RANDY ROWSE
MAYOR

ATTEST:



SARAH GORMAN
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER