



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 13, 2024
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 date.)

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. 2 – 3)

The titles of the Ordinances were read.

Motion:

Councilmembers Jordan/Harmon to approve Items 2 – 3 as recommended.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

2. Subject: Amend Street Improvement and Permitting Requirements [Ordinance Introduction] (530.04)

Recommendation: That Council introduce and subsequently adopt, by reading of title only, an Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending the Santa Barbara Municipal Code by Amending Chapter 22.44 Relating to Street Dedication and Improvement Requirements, Chapter 22.60 Relating to Permits for Work on Street and Sidewalks, Chapter 22.32 Relating to Building Numbering, Section 22.64.010 Relating to Gates Adjacent to Streets or Sidewalks, Section 27.08.010 Relating to Subdivision Requirements for Streets and Sidewalks, Section 10.56.010 Relating to Obstruction of Sidewalks, and by the Addition of Chapter 22.46 Relating to Acquisition of Property for Public Improvements.

Action: Approved the recommendation (February 13, 2024, report from the Public Works Director; proposed Ordinance).

3. Subject: Design and Implementation Services for the El Estero Water Resource Center SCADA Upgrades Project [Agreement] (540.13)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the Public Works Director to execute a City of Santa Barbara Professional Services contract with Northern Digital, Inc., in the amount of \$415,575 for design and implementation services for the El Estero Water Resource Center Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition Upgrades Project and authorize the Public Works Director to approve expenditures of up to \$41,558 for extra services that may result from necessary changes in the scope of work, for a total expenditure authority of \$457,133.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 28,478 (February 13, 2024, Report from the Public Works Director).

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the Public: Carol Shaw; Victoria Valente; Levi Maaia; Aron Ashland.

PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

1. Subject: Lease Amendment with Sanbros, LLC DBA The Harbor Restaurant, Located at 210 Stearns Wharf [Ordinance Introduction] (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 Approving and Authorizing the Waterfront Director to Execute the Amendment to Lease Agreement No. 20,493 with Sanbros, LLC, Deferring Three Months Base Rent with Lease Terms Ending December 31, 2028, Commencing Upon the Effective Date of the Enabling Ordinance.

Action: Approved the recommendation (February 13, 2024, report from the Waterfront Director; proposed Ordinance).

Documents:

- February 13, 2024, report from Waterfront Director.
- Proposed Ordinance.

Speakers:

- Staff: Waterfront Director Mike Wilshire.
- Members of the Public: None.

Motion:

Councilmembers Harmon/O. Gutierrez to approve the staff recommendation.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

- Councilmember O. Gutierrez reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. UCSB Economic Forecast; 2. Monthly leaders update on homelessness; 3. Franceschi House community meeting.
- Councilmember Sneddon reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. Water Division career training and education outreach event; 2. Franceschi House community meeting.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCE

4. Subject: Update on the Management and Operation of the County's ReSource Center at the Tajiguas Landfill (630.01)

Recommendation: That Council receive an update from the County of Santa Barbara on the management and operation of the ReSource Center at the Tajiguas landfill.

Documents:

- February 13, 2024, report from the Sustainability and Resilience Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Environmental Services Specialist Dustin Merback.
- County of Santa Barbara: Carlyle Johnson.
- Members of the Public: None.

Discussion:

- Councilmembers' questions were answered.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

5. Subject: Lower Eastside Community Connectivity Active Transportation Plan [Resolution] (670.08)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Approve the Lower Eastside Community Connectivity Active Transportation Plan;
- B. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Supporting the Lower Eastside Safety Enhancements Project and Pedestrian and Bicycle Overcrossing Project, and Directing Staff to Apply for a Grant to Fund Design, Environmental Review, and Construction; and
- C. Determine that the Lower Eastside Community Connectivity Active Transportation Plan is exempt under California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines and Public Resources Code Section 21080.20, and direct the filing of a Notice of Exemption in compliance with California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines § 15062.

The title of the Resolution was read.

Documents:

- February 13, 2024, report from the Public Works Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by staff.
- Proposed Resolution.

Speakers:

- Staff: Public Works Director Cliff Maurer; Project Planner Chelsey Swanson; Supervising Transportation Planner Jessica Grant; Public Works Manager Sarah Clark.
- Members of the Public: Kathleen Rodriguez; Barry Remis; Alex Gravenor; Jett Black; Tristen Miller; Kira Pusch; Ian Baucke.

Motion:

Councilmembers A. Gutierrez/O. Gutierrez to approve the staff recommendations; Resolution No. 24-013.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

COUNCILMEMBER ENGAGEMENTS

- Councilmember Friedman attended the following meetings or events: 1. SBIFF Opening Night; 2. Library Foundation retreat; 3. UCSB Economic Forecast; 4. Coastal Access Summit meeting.
- Councilmember O. Gutierrez attended the following meetings or events: 1. Harding School ribbon cutting of opening of campus to community after school hours; District also opening La Cumbre campus to community; 2. SBIFF Opening Night; 3. Ribbon Cutting of Cookie Plug Bakery; 4 Dog adoption event on State Street; 5. Chinese New Year celebration at the Presidio; 6. Mardi Gras celebration put on by Theresa and La Boheme Group; 7. Acknowledged passing of Cecilia Torres.
- Councilmember Sneddon attended the following meetings or events: 1. SBIFF opening night; 2. UCSB Library Archives talk on Pearl Chase.

PUBLIC COMMENT (IF NECESSARY)

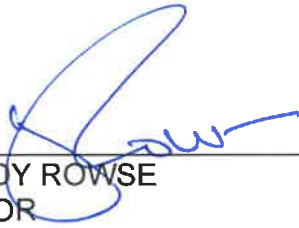
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Rowse adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Barbara on June 4, 2024.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE



RANDY ROWSE
MAYOR

ATTEST: 

SARAH GORMAN
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER