



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING MAY 6, 2025 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 the 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: Oscar Gutierrez, Meagan Harmon, Mike Jordan, Wendy Santamaria, Kristen W. Sneddon, Mayor Randy Rowse.

Councilmembers absent: Eric Friedman.

Staff present: City Administrator Kelly McAdoo, Assistant City Attorney Tava Ostrenger, City Clerk Services Manager Sarah Gorman.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1. Subject: Wildfire Preparedness Month (120.04)

Action: Mayor Rowse presented the proclamation to Fire Chief Chris Mailes, Fire Marshal Ryan DiGiulio, Fire Inspector Mark vonTillow.

2. Subject: Employee Recognition – Service Award Pins (120.04)

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 May 31, 2025.

Action: City Administrator Kelly McAdoo expressed her appreciation to all employees being recognized on this day. Mayor Rowse presented a service award pin to Senior Planner I Marisela Salinas.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

There were no changes to the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Item Nos. 3 - 4, 6 - 11)

The titles of the Ordinances and Resolutions related to the consent calendar were read.

Motion:

Councilmembers Harmon/Gutierrez to approve the consent calendar as recommended.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote (Absent: Councilmember Friedman).

3. **Subject: Minutes (000.00)**

Recommendation: That Council waive reading and approve the minutes for the special meeting of April 22, 2025; and for the regular meetings of April 15, and April 22, 2025.

Action: Approved the recommendation.

4. **Subject: Amending Santa Barbara Municipal Code by Adding Section 17.12.200 Relating to Vessel Insurance Requirements; and Section 17.12.210 Relating to Process, Enforcement and Ability to Appeal [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 Amending the Santa Barbara Municipal Code ("SBMC") by Adding Section 17.12.200 Relating to Vessel Insurance Requirements; and Section 17.12.210 Relating to Process, Enforcement and Ability to Appeal.

Action: Approved the recommendation (May 6, 2025, report from the Waterfront Director; proposed Ordinance).

6. Subject: Contract for Construction of the De La Vina Street Bridge Replacement Project [Resolution; Agreement] (530.04)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Award a contract with Lash Construction, Inc. in their low bid amount of \$12,368,193 for construction of the De La Vina Street Bridge Replacement Project, Bid No. 5082; and authorize the Public Works Director to execute the contract and approve expenditures up to \$1,236,819 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;
- B. Authorize the Public Works Director to execute the fourth amendment to Contract No. 25,746-A with Bengal Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$150,000 for design support during construction and authorize \$15,000 for potential extra services, for a total expenditure authority of \$1,520,817; and
- C. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 24-066 Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2025, to Appropriate Funds for the De La Vina Street Bridge Replacement Project.

Action: Approved the recommendations; Resolution No. 25-048; Agreement Nos. 28,697, 24,745-A.4; (May 6, 2025, report from the Interim Public Works Director; proposed Resolution).

7. Subject: Contracts for Construction of the Dwight Murphy Field Renewal Project [Resolution; Agreement] (570.05)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Award a contract to Ohno Construction for their best value proposal of \$26,773,425 for the construction of the Dwight Murphy Field Renewal Project; and authorize the Public Works Director to execute the contract and approve additional expenditures up to \$2,677,343 that may result from contract change orders or extra and differences between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities measured for payment;
- B. Authorize the Public Works Director to execute the Third Contract Amendment with RRM Design Group for construction administration support for the Dwight Murphy Field Renewal Project, Contract No. 28,009, in the amount of \$311,960, for a total expenditure authority of \$1,252,441;

- C. Accept a donation from the Gwendolyn Strong Foundation in the amount of \$6,000,000 for the construction of the Dwight Murphy Field Renewal Project; and
- D. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 24-066, Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2025, to Increase Revenue and Expenditure Appropriations by \$6,000,000 in the Fiscal Year 2025 Capital Outlay Fund for the Dwight Murphy Field Renewal Project.

Action: Approved the recommendations; Resolution No. 25-049; Agreement Nos. 28,698, 28,009.3; (May 6, 2025, report from the Interim Public Works Director; proposed Resolution).

8. Subject: Santa Barbara Airport Environmental Review for the Terminal Improvement Project [Resolution; Agreement] (560.04)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Authorize the Airport Director to execute a City Professional Services contract with RS&H, Inc. in the amount of \$573,969 for environmental review services related to the Terminal Improvement Project at the Santa Barbara Airport, and authorize the Airport Director to approve additional expenditures of up to \$57,397 for potential extra services, for a total expenditure authority of \$631,366; and
- B. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 24-066, Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2025, to Appropriate Funds for Environmental Review of the Terminal Improvement Project at Santa Barbara Airport.

Action: Approved the recommendations; Resolution No. 25-050; Agreement No. 28,699; (May 6, 2025, report from the Airport Director; proposed Resolution).

9. Subject: Contract Amendment for Environmental Services for the Santa Barbara Police Station Project [Agreement] (700.08)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the Public Works Director to execute the First Contract Amendment with Rincon Consultants, Inc. for environmental soils excavation monitoring services for the Santa Barbara Police Station Project, Contract No. 22500070, in the amount of \$223,081, for a new total contract amount of \$307,747, and to authorize additional expenditures of up to \$30,775 for potential extra services that may result from necessary changes in the scope of work, for a total expenditure authority of \$338,522.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 28,700; (May 6, 2025, report from the Interim Public Works Director).

10. Subject: Appointment of City Alternate to Central Coast Water Authority (140.07)

Recommendation: That Council appoint Councilmember Mike Jordan as the City's alternate representative to the Central Coast Water Authority.

Action: Approved the recommendation (May 6, 2025, report from the City Administrator).

11. Subject: Authorization of Waiver for Formal Bid Requirements for Pavement Maintenance Materials (530.04)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Waive formal competitive bid requirements for procurement of asphalt for pavement maintenance and repairs as authorized by Municipal Code Section 4.52.070 (L); and
- B. Authorize the General Services Manager to issue purchase orders to two asphalt vendors, Vulcan Materials and Granite Construction Company, in combined amounts not to exceed the amount set aside for this purpose in the budget adopted by Council for each fiscal year, for up to four fiscal years beginning in Fiscal Year 2026.

Action: Approved the recommendations; (May 6, 2025, report from the Interim Public Works Director).

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the Public: None.

PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

5. Subject: Accept Donations from the Santa Barbara Police Foundation for the Police Department Canine, and Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) Units [Resolution] (520.04)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Accept two donations from the Santa Barbara Police Foundation: \$30,000 for the Canine Program, and \$10,000 for the SWAT program; and
- B. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 24-066, Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2025, to Increase Revenue and Expenditure Appropriation by \$30,000 in the Canine Fund, and by \$10,000 in the Miscellaneous Grants Fund for the Exclusive Use and Benefit of the Santa Barbara Police Department for the Purchase of a Canine and Safety Equipment, and Equipment for the SWAT Unit.

Action: Approved the recommendations; Resolution No. 25-047; (May 6, 2025, report from the Chief of Police; proposed Resolution).

Documents:

- May 6, 2025, report from the Police Chief.
- Proposed Resolution.

Speakers:

- Staff: None.
- Members of the public: Tony Vallejo.

Discussion:

- None.

Motion:

Councilmember Sneddon/ Gutierrez to approve the recommendation as made by staff.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote (Absent: Councilmember Friedman).

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

12. Subject: City Administrator's Recommended Two-Year Financial Plan for Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027, and Operating and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2027 (230.05)

Recommendation: That Council hear a presentation on the General Fund Departments, General Fund Capital Expenditures, Measure C Fund, Enterprise Funds, Internal Service Funds, and Other Funds regarding the City Administrator's Recommended Two-Year Financial Plan for Fiscal Years 2026 and 2027, and Operating and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2027.

Mayor Rowse was excused from the meeting at 4:40 p.m. due to his ownership of a slip at the Harbor. Councilmember Sneddon assumed the role of administering the Council meeting.

Documents:

- May 6, 2025, report from the Finance Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Finance Director Keith DeMartini; Budget Manager Natalija Glusac; Administrative Analyst Jordan Needle; Finance Analyst Kat Valencia; Special Assistant to the City Administrator Barbara Andersen; Fire Chief Chris Mailes; Interim Community Development Director Allison DeBusk; Information Technology Director Justin Cure; Interim Library Director Brandon Beaudette; Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary; Police Chief Kelly Gordon; Interim Public Works Director Brian D'Amour; Water Resources Director Joshua Haggmark; Waterfront Business Manager Cesar Barrios; Finance Analyst Diego Martin.
- Members of the public: Whitney Rubison; Lizzie Rodriguez; Rich Appelbaum; Larry Severance; Rob Fredericks; Laura Robinson; Linda Honikman

Discussion:

- Staff gave Council a presentation regarding the budget. Councilmembers' questions were answered. Council gave direction to Staff.

Mr. Rowse returned to the meeting at 4:48 p.m.

RECESS

5:08 p.m. – 5:22 p.m.

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS AND ENGAGEMENTS

- Councilmember Gutierrez attended the following meetings or events: 1. Tip A Cop; 2. Illumination Film Festival opening; 3. May Day Rally at Courthouse; 4. Habitat for Humanity fundraiser; 5. Southern California Sister Cities Committee meeting; 6. Blessing of the Bikes; 7. Cyclemania event at Bici Centro.
- Councilmember Santamaria attended the following meetings or events: 1. Fire and Police Commission; 2. UPTE and AFSCME strikes at UCSB; 3. May Day Rally at Courthouse; 4. Habitat for Humanity fundraiser; 5. Assembly of tenants across the city.
- Councilmember Sneddon attended the following meetings or events: 1. Tip A Cop event; 2. Vic Trace Reservoir public meeting; 3. Eucalyptus Hill Association annual meeting; 4. Coast Geological Society field trip.
- Mayor Rowse attended the following meetings or events: 1. Vic Trace Reservoir public meeting; 2. Eucalyptus Hill Association annual meeting; 3. MOXI brunch.

PUBLIC COMMENT (IF NECESSARY)

No one wished to speak.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Rowse adjourned the meeting at 6:03 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Barbara on May 20, 2025.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE



RANDY ROWSE
MAYOR

ATTEST:



SARAH GORMAN
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER