



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**SPECIAL MEETING
May 16, 2012
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Helene Schneider called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schneider.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Dale Francisco, Frank Hotchkiss, Grant House, Cathy Murillo, Randy Rowse, Bendy White, Mayor Schneider.

Councilmembers absent: None.

Staff present: City Administrator James L. Armstrong, City Attorney Stephen P. Wiley, Deputy City Clerk Brenda Alcazar.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

NOTICES

The City Clerk has on Thursday, May 10, 2012, posted this agenda in the Office of the City Clerk, on the City Hall Public Notice Board on the outside balcony of City Hall, and on the Internet.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Subject: Proposed Fiscal Year 2013 Operating And Capital Budget For Library And Community Development Departments (230.05)

Recommendation: That Council hear presentations from the Library and Community Development Departments, including the Redevelopment Successor Agency, on their proposed budgets for Fiscal Year 2013.

Documents:

- May 16, 2012, report from the Finance Director.
- May 16, 2012, PowerPoint presentations prepared and made by Staff.
- May 14, 2012, letter from Islay Investments, General Counsel/Broker/Commercial Property Manager Betty L. Jeppesen.
- May 15, 2012, letters from Christie Graham and City of Goleta Mayor Edward Easton.
- May 16, 2012, letters from CHANCE (Coalition for Housing Accessibility, Needs, Choices and Equality), Inc., Sheila Comin-DuMong, Executive Director, and Carolina Ayala, Housing Case Manager; Santa Barbara Rental Property Association, Joan Brooks, Executive Director; and Consumer Advocacy Coalition, Darla Kaiser, Executive Director.

Public Comment Opened (Continued from May 14, 2012):
2:01 p.m.

Speakers:

- Staff: Library Director Irene Macias, Library Services Manager Scott Love, City Administrator James Armstrong.
- Members of the Public: Deborah Pontifex and Elizabeth Bowman, Friends of the Santa Barbara Public Library; Robert Rowley, Santa Barbara Art Association; Mark McGinnes; Michael A. Petretta.

Discussion:

Library Director Irene Macias provided an overview of the Department and its Fiscal Year 2013 highlights, recent donations made to the Library, and the volunteer program for Fiscal Year 2012. She also discussed the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2013. Library Services Manager Scott Love presented the Library's General Fund budget, detailing key changes, proposed schedule changes for the Eastside Branch, impacts of the elimination of the furlough, and Fiscal Year 2013 key objectives. He also made a presentation on the County Library Fund, describing programs, funding sources, proposed budget and program changes, and Fiscal Year 2013 key objectives. Ms. Macias then presented a proposal reopen the Central Library on Mondays. Staff responded to the Councilmembers' questions.

Recess: 3:03 p.m. - 3:08 p.m. Councilmember House was absent when the Council reconvened.

Proposed Fiscal Year 2013 Operating And Capital Budget For Library And Community Development Departments (Cont'd)

Speakers (Cont'd):

- Staff: Administrative Services Manager Sue Gray, Assistant City Administrator/Community Development Director Paul Casey, City Planner Bettie Weiss, Chief Building Official George Estrella.
- Rental Housing Mediation Task Force: Chair David McDermott, Members Chris Casebeer, Justin Dullum.
- Members of the Public: Mickey Flacks, Santa Barbara County Action Network (SBCAN); Dan Secord; Christine Milme; Susan Shank, League of Women Voters; Martin Osborn; Reverend Jeanette Love; Michael A. Petretta; Alicia St. John; Cory Calderon; Ellen Goodstein, Executive Director, Legal Aid; Hilary Kleger, Rental Housing Roundtable; Sharon Rose, Rental Housing Roundtable and the Mobile Homeowners Project; Maya Ollek; Darla Kaiser, Executive Director, Consumer Advocacy Coalition; Emily Allen, Co-Chair of the Rental Housing Roundtable; Joan Brooks, Executive Director of the Santa Barbara Rental Property Association; Leah Juniper, Consumer Advocacy Coalition, who read a letter from Christie Graham.

Councilmember House returned to the meeting at 3:10 p.m.

Discussion (Cont'd):

Administrative Services Manager Sue Gray provided an overview of the Community Development Department, a summary of its total budget by fund, and staffing levels. She presented proposed changes to the Department's Fiscal Year 2013 Financial Plan, including impacts related to the dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency. Ms. Gray also discussed changes to Performance Plans, the Successor Agency Fund, Affordable Housing Fund, HOME and Community Development and Human Services Block Grant Funds, and the Rental Housing Mediation Task Force Program. Staff responded to the Councilmembers' questions.

Councilmember Rowse left the meeting at 4:20 p.m.

By consensus, the hearing was continued to June 6, 2012, at 9:00 a.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

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HELENE SCHNEIDER
MAYOR

ATTEST:



BRENDA ALCAZAR, CMC
DEPUTY CITY CLERK