



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**SPECIAL MEETING
May 5, 2010
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Helene Schneider called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schneider.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Dale Francisco, Frank Hotchkiss, Grant House, Michael Self, Bendy White, Mayor Schneider.

Councilmembers absent: Das Williams.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers: Gary Linker, New Beginnings Counseling Center.

NOTICES

The City Clerk has on Thursday, April 29, 2010, 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: Fiscal Year 2011 Recommended Operating And Capital Budget (230.05)

Recommendation: That Council hear presentations from several General Fund departments on their recommended Fiscal Year 2011 budgets.

Documents:

- May 5, 2010, report from the Interim Finance Director.
- PowerPoint presentations for Community Development and Library Departments' budgets, prepared and made by Staff.
- May 5, 2010, letter from the Santa Barbara Association of Realtors.

Speakers:

- Staff: Assistant City Administrator/Community Development Director Paul Casey, City Planner Bettie Weiss, City Administrator James Armstrong, Chief Building Official George Estrella, Housing and Redevelopment Manager Brian Bosse.
- Members of the Public: Ginny Brush, Santa Barbara County Arts Commission; Jim Caldwell and Lauren Abbott, Santa Barbara Association of Realtors; Adrienne Schuele; Kyle Kemp and Elaine Abercrombie, Santa Barbara Association of Realtors; Bill Collyer, Downtown Organization.

Councilmember Williams entered the meeting at 11:08 a.m.

Discussion:

Community Development Department Staff presented the Department's recommended Fiscal Year 2011 budget, including an outline of General Fund programs, proposed budget reduction measures and associated service level impacts, fee increases and key performance objectives. The Redevelopment Agency's portion of the department's budget was presented separately and included revenues and expenditures for redevelopment and housing funds, the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program, and the proposed capital program for the Agency. Councilmembers made comments, and their questions were answered.

Councilmember Williams left the meeting at 12:23 p.m.

Speakers (Cont'd):

- Staff: Library Director Irene Macias, Library Services Managers Myra Nicholas and Sarah Rosenblum.
- Members of the Public: Jeri Moulder, Friends of the Santa Barbara Public Library.

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Subject: Fiscal Year 2011 Recommended Operating And Capital Budget (Cont'd)

Discussion:

Staff's presentation of the Library Department's Fiscal Year 2011 budget highlighted service level reductions to date, the balancing strategy proposed and related impacts to services, and the significant drop in the collections budget. An overview of the allocation of funds provided by Santa Barbara County was also presented.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting at 1:02 p.m.

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HELENE SCHNEIDER
MAYOR

ATTEST:



SUSAN TSCHECH, CMC
DEPUTY CITY CLERK