



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING
June 8, 2007

DAVID GEBHARD PUBLIC MEETING ROOM, 630 GARDEN STREET

JOINT CITY COUNCIL AND SANTA BARBARA BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING (150.05)

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

The joint meeting of the Council and the Santa Barbara Board of Education was called to order at 1:34 p.m.

Councilmembers present: Grant House, Helene Schneider, Das Williams, Mayor Marty Blum.

Councilmembers absent: Brian B. Barnwell, Iya G. Falcone, Roger L. Horton.

Staff present: City Administrator James L. Armstrong, Deputy City Clerk Susan Tschech.

Board Members present: Dr. Laura Malakoff, Dr. Robert Noel, Kate Parker, President Nancy Harter.

Board Members absent: Annette Cordero.

Staff present: Superintendent J. Brian Sarvis.

2. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Blum.

3. Introductions, Proclamations, Presentations, or Recognitions

Alma Florez stated she was available for Spanish translation.

School Districts Superintendent J. Brian Sarvis introduced two Santa Barbara High School students and recognized them for the completion of an outstanding number of community service hours.

4. Public Comments

Speakers: Karolyn Renard.

5. Statement of Purpose for Joint Meeting

Documents:

June 8, 2007, joint report from the City Administrator and School Districts Superintendent, including detailed information for Agenda Item Nos. 6 - 11.

Mayor Blum stated the purpose of today's meeting to be the discussion of items of mutual interest pertaining to our children.

6. Joint Use Committee Annual Report

Documents:

June 8, 2007, joint report from the City Administrator and School Districts Superintendent, including the 2006/07 Annual Report of the City of Santa Barbara/Santa Barbara School Districts Joint Use Committee.

Speakers:

City of Santa Barbara: Recreation Programs Manager Sarah Hanna.

7. Progress Report in Preparation for the City to Vacate Street Easements on Santa Barbara School Campuses

Documents:

June 8, 2007, joint report from the City Administrator and School Districts Superintendent.

Speakers:

Santa Barbara School Districts: Director of Facilities and Operations David Hetyonk.

8. Report on School District and City Collaboration on Environmental and Sustainability Programs

Documents:

June 8, 2007, joint report from the City Administrator and School Districts Superintendent, including information on the following:

- School District Integrated Pest Management Program
- Recycling and Waste Reduction
- Water Conservation

9. Report on Status of School Property Task Group

Documents:

June 8, 2007, joint report from the City Administrator and School Districts Superintendent.

10. Report on Status of City Projects

Documents:

June 8, 2007, joint report from the City Administrator and School Districts Superintendent, including information on the following:

- Safe Routes to School Project
- Coronel/Ladera Street Bikepath
- Montecito Street Pedestrian Lighting

11. Report on Status of School District Projects

Documents:

June 8, 2007, joint report from the City Administrator and School Districts Superintendent, including information on the following.

- Career Technical Education
- Facilities Master Plan Update
- Bond Construction Projects
- Properties Adjacent to Washington Elementary School

Speakers:

Santa Barbara School Districts: Director of Facilities and Operations David Hetyonk.

12. Presentation on the School Districts' Budgets for FY 2008

Documents:

"Identified Budget Reductions, Adopted by the Board of Education on April 24, 2007."

Speakers:

- Santa Barbara School Districts: Superintendent J. Brian Sarvis, Assistant Superintendent of Business Services Edward Diaz.
- Member of the Public: Karolyn Renard.

Discussion:

School Districts Staff detailed the efforts made to reduce the expenditures of the Districts' labor-intensive budget. Assistant Superintendent Diaz stated that the Districts are not funded sufficiently to meet the cost of the services being provided.

13. Presentation on Initiatives in Response to Youth Violence

Documents:

"Initiatives in Response to Youth Violence," submitted by Santa Barbara School Districts Staff.

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Speakers:

- City of Santa Barbara: Police Chief Camarino Sanchez, Parks and Recreation Director Nancy Rapp.
- Santa Barbara School Districts: Superintendent J. Brian Sarvis, Director of Compliance and Categorical Programs Michael Gonzalez.
- Member of the Public: Karolyn Renard.

Discussion:

Staff of both the City and School Districts described the programs and partnerships established by the two agencies to address the issue of youth violence in the community.

14. Additional Matters for Placement on a Future Agenda

Discussion:

The following issues were requested for placement on a future agenda:

- Truancy Program, including explanations of: 1) how success is evaluated; 2) screening; and 3) how our society categorizes children in general. (It was suggested by Board of Education President Harter that the Council should receive copies of the report on this program already considered by the Board.)
- Serious Habitual Offender Program
- Report on Fighting Back Program
- Report on Healthy Kids Survey
- Report on School Property Task Group

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Blum adjourned the meeting at 4:06 p.m.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

CYNTHIA M. RODRIGUEZ, CMC
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER

MARTY BLUM
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
SUSAN TSCHECH, CMC
DEPUTY CITY CLERK