



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 6, 2022
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Randy Rowse called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Rowse.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Eric Friedman, Alejandra Gutierrez, Oscar Gutierrez, Meagan Harmon, Mike Jordan, Kristen W. Sneddon (1:31 p.m.), Mayor Rowse.

Councilmembers absent: None.

Staff present: City Administrator Rebecca Bjork, City Attorney Ariel Calonne, City Clerk Services Manager Sarah Gorman.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. Subject: Proposal For Implementation Of Recommendations From The Community Formation Commission (520.04)**

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Direct that responsibility for oversight duties of the Police Department remain, and are enhanced, with the Fire & Police Commission, and draft ordinance language to be provided by the City Attorney's Office;
- B. Direct that monitoring responsibilities related to the Police Department be placed with the City Administrator's Office; and
- C. Approve a contract with the Office of Independent Review (OIR) for a strategic analysis of the Police Department with costs not to exceed \$50,000.

Speakers:

- Staff: Special Assistant to the City Administrator Barbara Andersen; Assistant City Attorney John Doimas; Interim Police Chief Barney Melekian.
- Members of the Public: Gabe Escobedo; Louisa Wood; Serefina Chavez; E Howard Green; Kim Johnson; Christian Alonso; Rachel Johnson; Stanley Tzankov; Matt Lowe; Chelsea Lancaster; Simone A.; Jordan Killebrew; Angelica Delmonte.

Discussion:

- Topics discussed included ordinance development, role of Fire and Police Commission, and outreach. Councilmembers' questions were answered.

Motion:

Councilmembers O. Gutierrez/Harmon to adopt staff recommendations and in addition: 1. Require at least a one year contract with an independent monitor professional to assist with creation of the auditor functions; 2. Reconstituting of the Fire and Police Commission; 3. Task the commission with working with the police chief and staff professionals in developing threshold triggers for outside investigations; 4. Provide staff direction to work with whatever members of the Community Formation Commission are still available in developing the ordinance in a formal way before it gets to the Ordinance Committee.

Vote:

Majority roll call vote (No: Councilmember Sneddon). Agreement No. 28,127.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Rowse adjourned the meeting at 3:55 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Barbara on June 28, 2022.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

SANTA BARBARA
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE



RANDY ROWSE
MAYOR

ATTEST:



SARAH GORMAN
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER