



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**SPECIAL MEETING
May 3, 2007
630 GARDEN STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Marty Blum called the meeting to order at 1:04 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Brian B. Barnwell, Iya G. Falcone, Grant House, Helene Schneider, Das Williams, Mayor Blum.

Councilmembers absent: Roger L. Horton.

Staff present: Assistant City Attorney Michelle Montez, Deputy City Clerk Susan Tschech.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

NOTICES

The City Clerk has on Thursday, April 26, 2007, 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

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

- 1. Subject: Neighborhood Improvement Program Status Report - Progress, Challenges And Plans (610.04)**

Recommendation: That City Council receive a status report on the accomplishments, planned projects and activities of the Neighborhood Improvement Program.

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Documents:

- May 3, 2007, report from the Administrative Services Director.
- Neighborhood Improvement Program Status Report entitled "Progress, Challenges and Plans" and dated May 3, 2007.

Discussion:

City Special Projects Manager Don Olson led the Council on a partial tour of the City to highlight progress made to address longstanding, ongoing problems related to the infrastructure of certain neighborhoods. He also pointed out several developments which have been targeted for enforcement actions.

Recess: 2:30 p.m. to 2:38 p.m. The Council reconvened in the David Gebhard Public Meeting Room at 630 Garden Street; Councilmember Horton and City Administrator James Armstrong were present when the Council reconvened.

Discussion (Cont'd):

Administrative Services Director Marcelo Lopez briefly summarized the Neighborhood Improvement Program Status Report. A video produced by City TV was then shown which described improvement projects undertaken in four priority neighborhoods and emphasized the long-term goal of safe, clean and cohesive neighborhoods. Councilmembers made comments and their questions were answered.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Blum adjourned the meeting at 3:36 p.m.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

CYNTHIA M. RODRIGUEZ, CMC
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER

MARTY BLUM
MAYOR

ATTEST: _____
SUSAN TSCHECH, CMC
DEPUTY CITY CLERK