



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES**

**SPECIAL MEETING
February 25, 2010
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Helene Schneider called the meeting to order at 1:34 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schneider.

ROLL CALL

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

Councilmembers absent: None.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

NOTICES

The City Clerk has on Monday, February 22, 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.

WORK SESSIONS

Subject: Budget Work Session (230.05)

Recommendation: That Council receive a report from staff covering revenue and expenditure projections and potential strategies for addressing projected General Fund budget shortfalls for Fiscal Years 2010 and 2011.

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Subject: Budget Work Session (230.05)**Documents:**

- February 25, 2010, report from the Interim Finance Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: City Administrator James Armstrong, Interim Finance Director Robert Samario, Fire Chief Andrew DiMizio, Assistant City Administrator/Community Development Director Paul Casey, Police Chief Camarino Sanchez.
- Members of the Public: Nikolai Lambert; Terry Tyler; Jon Turner, Santa Barbara City Firefighters Association; George Green, Service Employees International Union Local 620.

Discussion:

Staff began their presentation by describing the City's budgetary/financial structure, including the sources and uses of General Fund monies. Staff also defined significant projected General Fund shortfalls to be resolved for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2010 and for Fiscal Year 2011. Potential strategies to address these problems were outlined, and the need for labor concessions in order to avoid significant service cuts was emphasized. All Councilmembers made comments, and their questions were answered.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting at 3:52 p.m.

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HELENE SCHNEIDER
MAYOR

ATTEST:



SUSAN TSCHECH, CMC
DEPUTY CITY CLERK