



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 12, 2019
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 735 ANACAPA STREET

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Cathy Murillo called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. (The Finance Committee met at 12:30 p.m. The Ordinance Committee, which ordinarily meets at 12:30 p.m., did not meet on this day.)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Murillo.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Jason Dominguez, Eric Friedman, Oscar Gutierrez, Meagan Harmon, Randy Rowse, Mayor Murillo.

Councilmembers absent: Kristen W. Sneddon.

Staff present: City Administrator Paul Casey, City Attorney Ariel Calonne, Deputy City Clerk Angela Rodriguez.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1. Subject: Arbor Day March 12, 2019 (120.04)

Action: Proclamation presented to Penny Haberman, President Santa Barbara Beautiful.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the Public: Maddie Weicht, Westmont College; Terrell Armstrong, Westmont College; Phil Walker; Lee Moldaver; Anna Marie Gott; Rick Closson; Shelby Messner; Lanny Ebenstein; Ed St. George.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Item Nos. 2 - 4)

The titles of the Ordinances and Resolutions related to Consent Items were read.

Motion:

Councilmembers Dominguez/Rowse to approve the Consent Calendar as recommended.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote; (Councilmember Sneddon absent).

2. Subject: Adoption Of Ordinance For The Lease And Operation Of A Visitor Information Center At 120 State Street (330.04)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, an Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Approving and Authorizing the Community Development Director to Execute a Ten-Year Lease Agreement with Four Ten-Year Options Between the City of Santa Barbara and 35 State Street Hotel Partners, LLC; a Sublease Between the City and Visit Santa Barbara; and the Second Amendment to the Owner Participation Agreement Dated April 13, 2004, Pertaining to the Lease of a 1,184 Square Foot Tenant Space at 120 State Street to be Used as Visitor Information Center and Public Restrooms within the Hotel Californian Development.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 5877; Agreement Nos. 26,386; 26,387; 24,664.1.

3. Subject: Resolution Approving The Application For \$500,000 In Grant Funds For The California River Parkways Grant Program For The Arroyo Burro Creek Restoration At Palermo Drive – Property Acquisition (570.08)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Approving the Application for \$500,000 in Grant Funds for the California River Parkways Grant Program for the Arroyo Burro Creek Restoration at Palermo Drive – Property Acquisition.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 19-013 (March 12, 2019, report from the Parks and Recreation Director; proposed Resolution).

NOTICES

4. Subject: The City Clerk has on Thursday, March 7, 2019, 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.

This concluded the Consent Calendar.

REPORT FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee Chair Dominguez reported that the Finance Committee unanimously approved to bring the Mills Act Program to Council.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

5. Subject: Presentation From Visit Santa Barbara (180.02)

Recommendation: That Council receive a presentation from Visit Santa Barbara.

Documents:

- March 12, 2019, report from the City Administrator.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Visit Santa Barbara.

Speakers:

- Visit Santa Barbara: Kathy Janega-Dykes, President & CEO.

Discussion:

- Topics covered included commercials of Santa Barbara attractions; new advertising campaign; funding and investments for Visit Santa Barbara; and partnership with Amtrak for car free travel to Santa Barbara. Councilmembers' questions were answered.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

6. Subject: Five-Year Capital Improvement Program For Fiscal Years 2020 Through 2024 (230.01)

Recommendation: That Council accept the Five-Year Capital Improvement Program for Fiscal Years 2020 through 2024.

Documents:

- March 12, 2019, report from the Public Works Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Public Works Director Rebecca Bjork, Fire Operations Division Chief Lee Waldron, City Administrator Paul Casey, Facility & Energy Manager Mike Wiltshire.
- Member of the Public: Bonnie B. Raisin.

Motion:

Councilmembers Gutierrez/Harmon to approve the staff recommendation.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote; (Councilmember Sneddon absent).

7. Subject: Capital Improvement Projects Status Report (230.01)

Recommendation: That Council receive a presentation from staff regarding Capital Improvement Projects that have been recently completed or are currently in design or construction.

Documents:

- March 12, 2019, report from the Public Works Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: City Engineer Brian D'Amour.

Discussion:

- Topics covered included construction projects completed; projects in the progress; and design projects. Councilmembers' questions were answered.

QUASI-JUDICIAL HEARING RULES APPLY TO THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEM

PUBLIC HEARINGS

8. Subject: Appeal Of The Historic Landmarks Commission's Decision To Deny Removal Of Two Sidewalk Fountains In The 500 Block Of State Street (640.07)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Consider Tamara Erickson's appeal of the Historic Landmarks Commission's decision to deny a Review After Final request to remove two existing sidewalk fountains located in the 500 block of State Street; and
- B. Direct staff to return to Council with decision and findings reflecting the outcome of the appeal.

Public Hearing opened: 3:58 p.m.

Ex Parte Communications: There were no ex parte communications.

Documents:

- March 12, 2019, report from the Community Development Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Appellant.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Applicant.
- March 5, 2019, Letter from Heather Buck.

Speakers:

- Staff: Senior Planner Irma Unzueta, Transportation & Parking Manager Rob Dayton, Project Planner Heather Buck.
- Historic Landmarks Commission: Steve Hausz, William Mahan.
- Appellant: Tamera Erickson, Hotel Santa Barbara.
- Applicant: Heather Buck, Project Planner for City of Santa Barbara.
- Members of the Public: Bob Stout; Matt LaBrie, LYNX Property Management; Ashley Hayes, Asher Market.

Public Hearing closed: 4:50 p.m.

Motion:

Councilmembers Dominguez/Rowse to uphold the appeal.

Friendly amendment:

Councilmember Friedman to make the findings based on SBMC 22.22.145(B), Section 4, that there is an impact to an adjacent historic resource with the inclusion of health and safety issues for the public at large within that area.

Councilmember Dominguez, as the maker of the motion, accepted this friendly amendment. Councilmember Rowse, as the seconder of the motion, accepted this friendly amendment.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote; (Councilmember Sneddon absent).

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

- Councilmember Dominguez attended the following events or meetings: 1. League of Cities dinner; 2. Cabrillo Boulevard Drag Race event; 3. Housing Authority Board of Directors meeting; 4. Lobbying Assembly members' and Senators' in Sacramento for local control in cities.
- Councilmember Friedman attended the following events or meetings: 1. League of Cities dinner.
- Councilmember Gutierrez attended the following events or meetings: 1. Restriping of Cabrillo Boulevard workshop; 2. League of Cities dinner; 3. Cabrillo Boulevard Drag Race event.
- Councilmember Harmon attended the following events or meetings: 1. League of Cities dinner; 2. Plaza De La Guerra planning workshop; 3. Judge for the Impact Hub Seed Spot Entrepreneur Pitch Night.
- Mayor Murillo attended the following events or meetings: 1. Coast Rail Coordinating Council meeting where she was voted in as Vice Chair; 2. Sister Cities board meeting; 3. Downtown Santa Barbara board meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT (IF NECESSARY)

RECESS

The Mayor recessed to closed session at 5:06 p.m. and stated that no reportable action is anticipated.

CLOSED SESSIONS

9. Subject: Conference With City Attorney – Existing Litigation (160.03)

Recommendation: That Council hold a closed session to consider pending litigation pursuant to subsection (d)(1) of section 54956.9 of the Government Code and take appropriate action as needed.

The pending litigation is Jeffrey Hanson v. City of Santa Barbara, et al. SBSC Case No. 18CV04769.

Scheduling: Duration, 15 minutes; anytime
Report: None anticipated

Documents:

- March 12, 2019, report from the City Attorney.

Time: 5:05 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.

No report made.

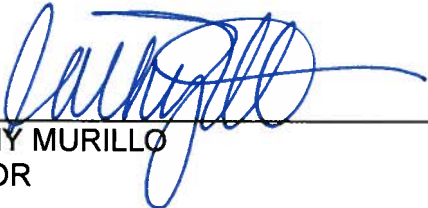
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Murillo adjourned the meeting at 5:45 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Barbara on April 9, 2019.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE



CATHY MURILLO
MAYOR

ATTEST:



SARAH GORMAN
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER