



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING November 17, 2015 COUNCIL CHAMBER, 735 ANACAPA STREET

CALL TO ORDER

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

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schneider.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Dale Francisco, Gregg Hart, Frank Hotchkiss, Cathy Murillo, Randy Rowse, Bendy White, Mayor Schneider.

Councilmembers absent: None.

Staff present: City Administrator Paul Casey, City Attorney Ariel Pierre Calonne, Deputy City Clerk Susan Tschech.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers: Michael Baker, United Boys & Girls Clubs; Wanda Livernois; W. Scott Burns; Robert Hansen; Nancy McCradie; Kurt Magness; Karla Alejandra Jaime; John; Ed Meyers; Jenny Slaughter, Nancy Ferguson, and Bill Hawksworth, Citizens to Preserve the Douglas Family Preserve.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Item Nos. 1 – 6)

Motion:

Councilmembers Murillo/White to approve the Consent Calendar as recommended.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote.

1. **Subject: Receipt Of Grant From Santa Barbara County Community Awareness & Emergency Response For Outreach Materials In Spanish (520.02)**

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Authorize the receipt of grant funds totaling \$750 from the Santa Barbara County Community Awareness & Emergency Response Committee; and
- B. Increase appropriations and estimated revenues by \$750 in the Fire Department's General Fund Emergency Services & Public Education Division for Fiscal Year 2016.

Action: Approved the recommendations (November 17, 2015, report from the Fire Chief).

2. **Subject: Five-Year Lease Agreement With The National Park Service, Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary, And The Santa Barbara Maritime Museum For Visitor Center (330.04)**

Recommendation: That Council approve a five-year lease agreement with the National Park Service, Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary, and the Santa Barbara Maritime Museum for a 547 square-foot public Visitor Center located on the third floor of the Waterfront Center Building at 113 Harbor Way.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 25,365 (November 17, 2015, report from the Waterfront Director).

3. **Subject: Approval Of Emergency Purchase Order For Lugar Del Consuelo Sewer Main Replacement (540.13)**

Recommendation: That Council approve an Emergency Purchase Order to Tierra Contracting, Inc., in the amount of \$36,400 to replace a failing sewer main on Lugar Del Consuelo.

Action: Approved the recommendation (November 17, 2015, report from the Public Works Director).

4. **Subject: Professional Services Agreement For Property Tax Management Services (270.06)**

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Approve and authorize the Finance Director to execute a professional services agreement with HdL Coren & Cone to provide property tax management services, secured and unsecured parcel audits, budget projections, and Successor Agency support; and

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4. (Cont'd)

- B. Allocate \$14,000 from General Fund appropriated reserves to the Fiscal Year 2016 Finance Department budget to cover the cost of the contract.

Action: Approved the recommendations; Agreement No. 25,366 (November 17, 2015, report from the Finance Director).

NOTICES

5. The City Clerk has on Thursday, November 12, 2015, 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.
6. Receipt of communication advising of vacancy created on the Building and Fire Code of Appeals with the resignation of Stephen Metsch. This vacancy will be part of the next recruitment.

This concluded the Consent Calendar.

REPORT FROM THE ORDINANCE COMMITTEE

Ordinance Committee Chair Randy Rowse reported that the Committee met to review a proposed ordinance to establish a definition of "Vessel" for craft berthed, moored or anchored in the Harbor District. The Committee approved and forwarded the ordinance to the City Council for introduction and subsequent adoption.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

7. Subject: Stage Three Drought Update (540.05)

Recommendation: That Council receive an update on the status of the current drought, drought-response capital projects, and continuing conservation efforts.

Documents:

- November 17, 2015, report from the Public Works Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

Staff: Water Resources Manager Joshua Haggmark, Water Resources Specialist Madeline Ward, Public Works Director Rebecca Bjork.

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7. (Cont'd)

Discussion:

Staff presented information regarding the weather forecast for the next three months, water supply planning, Lake Cachuma and Gibraltar Reservoir operations, drought response capital projects, impacts to the Division's budget, and aspects of the Water Conservation Program. Councilmembers' questions were answered.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

8. Subject: Request From Councilmembers Hotchkiss And Francisco Regarding The Average Unit-Size Density Incentive Program (640.02)

Recommendation: That Council consider the request from Councilmembers Hotchkiss and Francisco regarding the Average Unit-Size Density (AUD) Incentive Program.

Documents:

- November 17, 2015, report from the City Administrator.
- PowerPoint presentation made by Councilmember Francisco.
- November 16, 2015, letters from Kaitlyn Wentz Fitzgerald, Jan Hochhauser, Sally Sphar.
- November 16, 2015, e-mails from Berni Bernstein, Sue Mellor.
- Undated letters from Manoel Bezerra Leite Filho, Wadih Mously.

Speakers:

- Staff: City Planner Renee Brooke.
- Members of the Public: Monica Calles; Mr. Estrada; Mickey Flacks; Sheila Lodge; Eric Weinicke; Natasha Todorovic; Paul Hernadi, Citizens Planning Association; Keith Rivera; Barry Winick, American Institute of Architects Santa Barbara; Howard Wittausch; John Campanella; Sarah Griffin; Brian Cearnal; Tony Tomasello; Neil Dipaola.

Discussion:

The Council discussed the implementation of the AUD Incentive Program and agreed that no changes to the program will be made at this time.

RECESS

4:27 p.m. – 4:37 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARINGS

9. Subject: Appeal Of Architectural Board Of Review Approval Of 806 Alberta Avenue (640.07)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Deny the appeal of Catherine "Lily" Bastug Vicenti, David Hale, James and Karen Hurst, Roberta VanRossen, Susan Lafond, and Brian King, and uphold the Architectural Board of Review's Project Design Approval of the proposed accessory dwelling unit and new garages at 806 Alberta Avenue; and
- B. Direct Staff to return to Council with Decision and Findings reflecting the outcome of the appeal.

Documents:

- November 17, 2015, report from the Community Development Director.
- Copy of March 25, 2003, Council Agenda Report regarding amendments to the R-2 Two-Family Residence Zone.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.
- Undated letter with exhibits submitted by Brian King.

Public Comment Opened:

4:39 p.m.

Speakers:

- Staff: Senior Planner Jaime Limón, Assistant City Attorney Scott Vincent, City Attorney Ariel Calonne.
- Architectural Board of Review: Member Howard Wittausch.
- Appellant: James Griffith, Attorney.
- Applicant: Jyl Ratkevich, Architect.
- Members of the Public: Brian King, Susan Lafond.

Public Comment Closed:

5:24 p.m.

Motion:

Councilmember Hotchkiss to uphold the appeal and refer the project back to the Architectural Board of Review with direction to the Applicant to redesign the proposed accessory dwelling unit to be one story in height.

The motion died for lack of a second.

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Motion:

Councilmembers Francisco/Hart to deny the appeal and direct Staff to return to Council with a Decision and Findings resolution which includes the following project conditions of approval: 1) reconfiguration of the common open yard; 2) adjustment to the plans to reflect the proper location of the hedge; and 3) recordation against the property of a Zoning Compliance Declaration.

Vote:

Majority voice vote (Noes: Councilmember Hotchkiss).

COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

Information:

- Councilmember Rowse commented on a site visit he made with Councilmember Hotchkiss to the Douglas Family Preserve and on the opening of the Police Department Fitness Center.
- Councilmember Murillo reported on recent meetings of the Rental Housing Mediation Board and Santa Barbara Youth Council; she also mentioned that the Westside Boys & Girls Club is coordinating a food security project with The Foodbank.
- Mayor Schneider reported that she has sent a letter to the City's State government representatives requesting legislation giving more local control over the design of projects such as the Sycamore Creek Mobilehome Park on Punta Gorda Street.
- Councilmember White described an oak tree planting project being undertaken at Cachuma Lake.

RECESS

5:55 p.m. – 6:04 p.m.

Mayor Schneider presiding.

Councilmembers present: Francisco, Hart, Hotchkiss, Murillo, Rowse, White, Mayor Schneider.

Councilmembers absent: None.

Staff present: City Administrator Casey, City Attorney Calonne, Deputy City Clerk Tschech.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL REPORTS

10. Subject: Interviews For City Advisory Groups (140.05)

Recommendation: That Council hold interviews of applicants to various City Advisory Groups.

(Continued from October 27, 2015, Item No. 16)

Speakers:

The following applicants were interviewed:

Access Advisory Committee:

James Marston

Architectural Board of Review:

Kirk Gradin

Kevin Moore

Arts Advisory Committee:

William Smithers

Nathan Vonk

Linda Wolcott Moore

Darian Bleacher

Thea Palencia

Community Development and Human Services Committee:

Doedy Orchowski

Community Events and Festivals Committee:

Antoinette Chartier

Katrina Carl

Creeks Advisory Committee:

James Hawkins

Kathleen "Betsy" Weber

Downtown Parking Committee:

Ed France

Ethan Shenkman

Fire and Police Pension Commission:

Scott Tracy

The Mayor stated that appointments to fill advisory group vacancies will be made on December 8, 2015.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE



HELENE SCHNEIDER
MAYOR

ATTEST: 

SUSAN TSCHKECH, CMC
DEPUTY CITY CLERK