



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

**REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 12, 2024
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, 735 ANACAPA STREET**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Randy Rowse called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. (The Finance and Ordinance Committee, which ordinarily meet at 12:00 p.m., did not meet on this day.)

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Rowse.

ROLL CALL

Councilmembers present: Eric Friedman, Alejandra Gutierrez, Oscar Gutierrez, Meagan Harmon, Kristen W. Sneddon, Mayor Randy Rowse.

Councilmembers absent: Mike Jordan.

Staff present: City Administrator Kelly McAdoo, City Attorney Sarah J. Knecht, City Clerk Services Manager Sarah Gorman.

CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1. Subject: National Law Enforcement Records And Support Services Week (120.04)

Action: Proclamation presented by Mayor Randy Rowse and received by Police Chief Kelly Gordon and staff.

2. Subject: Employee Recognition – Service Award Pins (120.04)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the City Administrator to express the City's appreciation to employees who are eligible to receive service award pins for their years of service through November 30, 2024.

Action: Mayor Rowse presented a service award pin to Building Inspector Samuel Blackwell, thanking him for his many years of service.

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

City Administrator Kelly McAdoo stated that the following item will be continued to the November 19, 2024, meeting:

7. Subject: Contracts for Construction of the Laguna Stormwater Pump Station and Tide Gate Renewal Project [Resolution; Agreement] (540.06)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Award a contract with Cushman Contracting Corporation, in their low bid amount of \$5,036,400 for construction of the Laguna Stormwater Pump Station and Tide Gate Renewal Project, Bid No. 3959; and authorize the Public Works Director to execute the contract and approve expenditures up to \$503,640 to cover any cost increases that may result from contract change orders for extra work and differences between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities measured for payment; for a total expenditure authority of \$5,540,040;
- B. Authorize the Public Works Director to execute an Amendment to the agreement with DCME Inc., in the amount of \$438,300 for construction management services of the Laguna Stormwater Pump Station and Tide Gate Renewal Project and authorize \$43,830 for potential extra services, for a total expenditure authority of \$482,130; and
- C. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 24-066, Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2025, to Appropriate Funds for the Laguna Stormwater Pump Station and Tide Gate Renewal Project.

Councilmember Harmon requested postponing the hearing of Administrative Item No. 18 to a later date and City Attorney Sarah Knecht recommended a motion to move Item 18 as the first administrative item on the agenda and then discuss at that time to move the item to another date.

Motion:

Councilmembers Harmon/Friedman to move Item 18 to be the first administrative item.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote (Absent: Councilmember Jordan).

CONSENT CALENDAR (Item Nos. 3 – 6, 8 - 15)

The titles of the Ordinances and Resolutions were read.

Motion:

Councilmembers Friedman/Harmon to approve the Consent Calendar as recommended excepting Item 7.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote (Absent: Councilmember Jordan).

3. Subject: Ordinance for the Second Amendment to The Hertz Corporation Concession Agreement at the Airport [Ordinance Adoption] (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 Airport Director to Execute the Second Amendment to the Concession Agreement with The Hertz Corporation, Located at 500 James Fowler Road, Commencing Upon the Effective Date of the Enabling Ordinance.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 6164.

4. Subject: Amending Chapter 18.40 and Repealing Section 2.12.035 of the Municipal Code Pertaining to Airport Police and Enforcement [Ordinance Introduction] (560.01)

Recommendation: That Council introduce and subsequently adopt, by reading of title only, an Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Chapter 18.40 and Repealing Section 2.12.035 of the Municipal Code Pertaining to Airport Police and Enforcement.

Action: Approved the recommendation (November 12, 2024, report from the Airport Director; Proposed Ordinance.).

5. Subject: Records Destruction for the Community Development Department [Resolution] (160.06)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Relating to the Destruction of Records Held by the Community Development Department in the Housing and Human Services, and Building and Safety Office/Division.

Action: Approved the recommendations; Resolution No. 24-121; (November 12, 2024, report from the Community Development Director).

6. Subject: Fiscal Year 2024 Fourth-Quarter Budget Adjustments [Resolution] (230.05)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution 23-076, to Approve Proposed Fourth-Quarter (Q4) Adjustments to FY2024 Revenue and Expenditure Appropriations as Detailed in the Attached Schedule of Proposed Q4 Adjustments.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 24-122 (November 12, 2024, report from the Finance Director).

8. Subject: Authorization to Amend the Legal Services Agreement with Richards Watson & Gershon [Resolution; Agreement] (560.04)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Authorize the City Attorney to execute a third amendment to the legal services agreement with Richards Watson & Gershon, a professional corporation, relating to litigation to enforce the City's waterline easements by increasing the agreement not to exceed amount by \$190,000 (from \$240,000 to \$430,000), to be paid from funds appropriated to the Public Works Water Resources Division; and
- B. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 24-066, Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2025, to Appropriate Funds for the Small Tunnel Air Binding Project.

Action: Approved the recommendations; Resolution No. 24-124; Agreement No. 28,437.3 (November 12, 2024, report from the City Attorney).

9. Subject: Contract for Construction of the Upper De La Vina Street and Milpas Street at U.S. Highway 101 Operational Improvements Project [Resolution; Agreement] (530.04)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Award a contract with Lash Construction, Inc., in their low bid amount of \$7,323,130 for construction of the Upper De La Vina Street and Milpas Street at U.S. Highway 101 Operational Improvements Project, Bid No. 5022; and authorize the Public Works Director to execute the contract and approve expenditures up to \$732,313 to cover any cost increases that may result from contract change orders for extra work and differences between estimated bid quantities and actual quantities measured for payment;

- B. Authorize the City Administrator to execute an Amendment to the Memorandum of Understanding between the City of Santa Barbara and the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments to increase the funding from the Santa Barbara County Association of Governments by \$1,280,979, for a total amount not to exceed \$1,675,979 for construction of the Milpas Street at U.S. Highway 101 Operational Improvements Project; and
- C. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 24-066, Adopting the Budget for Fiscal Year 2025, to Appropriate Funds for the Upper De La Vina Street and Milpas Street at Highway 101 Operational Improvements Project.

Action: Approved the recommendations; Resolution No. 24-125; Agreement Nos. 28,585 & 26,901.2 (November 12, 2024, report from the Public Works Director).

10. Subject: Approval of Banking Services Agreement [Agreement] (210.03)

Recommendation: That Council approve a new Banking Services Agreement with US Bank, at an estimated net cost of \$2,000 per month.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 28,586 (November 12, 2024, report from the Finance Director).

11. Subject: Grant Agreement with Summer Solstice Celebration, Inc. [Agreement] (180.02)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the City Administrator to execute a grant agreement with Summer Solstice Celebration Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$64,600 for the period July 1, 2024, to June 30, 2025.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 28,587 (November 12, 2024, report from the Parks and Recreation Director).

12. Subject: Contract Amendment for Construction Management Services for the Wastewater Small Diameter Closed Circuit Television Program for Fiscal Years 2023-2025 [Agreement] (540.13)

Recommendation: That Council authorize the Public Works Director to execute the First Contract Amendment with Water Systems Consulting, Inc. for construction management services for the Wastewater Small Diameter Closed Circuit Television Program for Fiscal Years 2023-2025, Contract No. 28,340, in the amount of \$99,855 for a total expenditure authority of \$422,117.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 28,340.1 (November 12, 2024, report from the Public Works Director).

13. Subject: Self-Insured Workers' Compensation Program Annual Report (350.08)

Recommendation: That Council receive the annual Self-Insured Workers' Compensation Program Annual Report for the Year Ended June 30, 2024.

Action: Approved the recommendation (November 12, 2024, report from the Finance Director).

14. Subject: Measure C Annual Accountability Report for Fiscal Year 2024 (260.02)

Recommendation: That Council accept the Measure C Annual Accountability Report for the Fiscal Year (FY) Ended June 30, 2024.

Action: Approved the recommendation (November 12, 2024, report from the Finance Director).

15. Subject: Cancellation of Certain Council Meetings in 2025 (120.09)

Recommendation: That Council cancel the regular Council Meetings on the following dates: January 21, February 18, March 25, April 1, May 27, June 24, July 8, July 15, July 22, August 26, September 2, October 28, November 4, November 11, November 25, December 23, and December 30, 2025.

Action: Approved the recommendation (November 12, 2024, report from the City Administrator).

GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT

Member of the Public: Monica Renteria.

PULLED CONSENT ITEMS

None.

COUNCILMEMBER COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENT REPORTS

- Councilmember Sneddon reported on their attendance at the following events or made the following comments: 1. Toba, Japan Sister Cities meeting; 2. CCRB meeting; 3. Public Works meet and greet with author Sherry Goodwin.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

18. Subject: Presentation on the Findings and Recommendations from the Housing Crisis Ad Hoc Committee (170.01)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Receive a presentation on behalf of the Housing Crisis Ad Hoc Committee regarding its key findings and recommendations; and
- B. Advise staff on priorities and give direction for further research and exploration.

Documents:

- November 12, 2024, report from the City Administrator.

Speakers:

- Members of the Public: Amber Asher; Stephen Sharp Queener; Stanley Tzankov; Miguel Avila; Monica Renteria; Jaquelina Inda; Veronica Strauss; Staci Caplan; Rob Fredericks; Nick Gonzales; Wendy Santamaria; Dustin Hoiseth; Elizabeth Adams; Michele Carbone; Linda Hance; Linda Honikman; Maria Navarro; Jessica Wishan de L'Arbre; James Carbone; Dona Maria Perez.

Motion:

Councilmembers Harmon/Sneddon to continue the hearing of the item to a future date, with public comment to be heard today, and at the continued date to have the staff presentation and additional public comment.

Substitute motion:

Councilmembers Harmon/Sneddon to have the date of the continuation be certain on December 3, 2024; with public comment to be heard today, and at the continued date to have the staff presentation and additional public comment

Vote on Substitute Motion:

Unanimous roll call vote (Absent: Councilmember Jordan).

16. Subject: Legislative Update to City Council (170.01)

Recommendation: That Council hear a presentation related to current state legislation and the advocacy efforts of Townsend Public Affairs, Inc. on behalf of the City of Santa Barbara and provide guidance to staff and Townsend on the City's legislative priorities for the coming year.

Documents:

- November 12, 2024, report from the City Administrator's Office.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by consultant.

Speakers:

- Staff: Senior Assistant to the City Administrator Barbara Andersen.
- Consultant: Carly Shelby, Townsend Public Affairs; Eric O'Donnell, Townsend Public Affairs.
- Members of the Public: Linda Honikman.

Discussion:

- Councilmembers' questions were answered.

Councilmember Harmon was excused at 4:00 p.m.

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

17. Subject: Contract for the Construction of the Santa Barbara Police Station [Resolution; Agreement] (520.02)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Award a contract to ProWest Constructors Inc., for their best value proposal of \$95,998,811 for the construction of the new Santa Barbara Police Station; and authorize the Public Works Director to execute the contract and approve expenditures up to \$9,600,000 that may result from contract change orders or extra scope of work that may be required; and
- B. Adopt, by reading of title only, a Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Authorizing the Finance Director and Risk Manager to Acquire and Execute Policies of Insurance and Other Agreements Necessary to Implement an Owner-Controlled Insurance Program for the New Police Station Construction Project.

The title of the Resolution was read.

Documents:

- November 12, 2024, report from the Public Works Director.
- Proposed Resolution.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by staff.

Mayor Rowse stated that he knows a ProWest Constructors executive.

17. Subject: Contract for the Construction of the Santa Barbara Police Station [Resolution; Agreement] (520.02) (CONT'D)

Speakers:

- Staff: Police Chief Kelly Gordon; Principal Project Manager Brad Hess; Risk Manager Mark Howard.
- Members of the Public: None.

Motion:

- Councilmembers A. Gutierrez/Friedman to approve the recommended action; Resolution No. 24-126; Agreement No. 28,588.

Vote:

- Unanimous roll call vote (Absent: Councilmembers Harmon, Jodan).

COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS

COUNCILMEMBER ENGAGEMENTS

- Councilmember Friedman attended the following meetings or events: 1. Veteran's Day Ceremony; 2. Military Ball; 3. Congressman Carbajal event; 4. Sustainability Committee; 5. Author Sherry Goodman presentation; 6. BEACON Executive Committee meeting; 7. Library Plaza-Palooza; 8. Special Olympics Fired Up; 9. Apple Academy; 10. Chaucer's Book Store 50th Anniversary celebration.
- Councilmember O. Gutierrez attended the following meetings or events: 1. District Attorney Dia de Los Muertos event; 2. Chaucer's Book Store 50th anniversary celebration; 3. McDermot Crocket Dia de Los Muertos celebration; 4. Friendship Center Wine Down; 5. 9th Annual Fired Up Special Olympics; 6. 100th Birthday Celebration of Richard; 7. El Presidio Dia de Los Muertos event and market; 8. Library Plaza-Palooza; 9. Kingdom Causes Fundraiser; 10. Coffee With A Cop; 11. Ribbon cutting of Namaste Bistro; 12. Soul Bites Jazz Event; 13. Kids Draw Architecture Foundation Gallery; 14. Veterans Day Ceremony; 15. Red Kettle Kickoff for the Salvation Army.
- Councilmember A. Gutierrez attended the following meetings or events: 1. Dos Pueblos High School Walk-Out.
- Mayor Rowse attended the following meetings or events: 1. Santa Barbara Half Marathon; 2. Announced Alzheimer's Walk.

PUBLIC COMMENT (IF NECESSARY)

No one wished to speak.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Rowse adjourned the meeting at 4:41 p.m.

Approved and adopted by the City Council of the City of Santa Barbara on December 10, 2024.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

SANTA BARBARA
CITY CLERK'S OFFICE



RANDY ROWSE
MAYOR

ATTEST:



SARAH GORMAN
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER