



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING
April 22, 2010
COUNCIL CHAMBER, 735 ANACAPA STREET

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Helene Schneider called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Schneider.

ROLL CALL

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

Councilmembers absent: Grant House.

Staff present: City Administrator James L. Armstrong, Assistant City Attorney Michelle Montez, Deputy City Clerk Brenda Alcazar.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one wished to speak.

NOTICES

The City Clerk has on Thursday, April 15, 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.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS

FINANCE DEPARTMENT

Subject: Fiscal Year 2011 Recommended Operating And Capital Budget (230.05)

Recommendation: That Council hear presentations from several General Fund departments on their recommended Fiscal Year 2011 budgets.

Documents:

- April 22, 2010, report from the Interim Finance Director.
- April 22, 2010, PowerPoint presentations prepared and made by Staff.
 - Affidavit of Publication.
 - April 22, 2010, "Request to Maintain City Funding to The Santa Barbara Channels," submitted by The Santa Barbara Channels.

Public Comment Opened:

1:31 p.m.

Councilmember House entered the meeting at 1:39 p.m.

Speakers:

- Staff: City Administrator James Armstrong, Interim Finance Director Robert Samario.
- The Santa Barbara Channels: J. A. Ted Baer; teve Engles; Barry Spacks, who read David Starkey's written comments; Jon Williams; Cheryl Kelmar; Ryan Johnson Kelmar; Dee Hamby; Ron Buckley; Oscar Guitierrez; Elizabeth Robinson; Silvia Rodriguez; Lisa Angle; David Pritchett; Laurella Meyer; and Barry Spacks, who read a poem entitled "Cuts."
- Members of the Public: Nancy Tunnell; David Wass; Darrell Ghan; Beth Anderson; René Correa; Frank Hernandez; Melindz Palacio; Bob Lovgren; James Wickham; Mavis Thibodeaux; Tom Rattican; Gail Osherenko; Joni Kelly; Michael Nicholson; Roger Thompson, Consumer Advocacy Coalition; Mary Heebner; Andrea Sanchez; George Brooks, Jr.; Ken Meyer.

Discussion:

City Administrator James Armstrong provided a brief overview of the budget presentation. Interim Finance Director Robert Samario provided an outline of the information provided in the Recommended Operating and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2011. His presentation of the Finance Department's proposed budget included organizational changes, reduction in staffing, a summary of service level impacts, and key performance objectives. Additional possible reductions and associated service level impacts not currently included in the proposed budget were also presented. Staff responded to questions from the Councilmembers.

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Subject: Fiscal Year 2011 Recommended Operating And Capital Budget (Cont'd)

Recess:

3:52 p.m. - 4:05 p.m. Councilmembers House and Williams were absent when the Council reconvened.

Speakers (Cont'd):

Staff (Cont'd): Assistant City Administrator/Administrative Services Director Marcelo Lopez, Information Systems Manager Tom Doolittle, Assistant to the City Administrator Nina Johnson, City TV Production Supervisor Tony Ruggieri.

Councilmember House returned to the meeting at 4:11 p.m.

Discussion (Cont'd):

Assistant City Administrator/Administrative Services Director Marcelo López presented an overview of the Administrative Services Department. He then presented the proposed budget for the City Clerk and Human Resources Divisions, including recommended budget adjustments, staff reductions, service level impacts, Fiscal Year 2010 accomplishments, and key performance objectives for Fiscal Year 2011. Additional possible reductions and related service level impacts not included in the proposed budget were also presented. Tom Doolittle, Information Services Manager, presented the proposed budget for the Information Services Division. Staff responded to questions from the Councilmembers.

Nina Johnson, Assistant to the City Administrator, presented the proposed budgets for the City Administrator's Office and the Mayor and Council's Office, including an overview of the functions of each office, recommended budget adjustments, staff reductions and a summary of service level impacts. Additional possible reductions and related service level impacts not included in the proposed budget were also presented. Staff responded to questions from the Councilmembers.


By consensus, the public hearing was continued to April 29, 2010, at 9:00 a.m.


ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting at 5:15 p.m.

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HELENE SCHNEIDER
MAYOR

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DEPUTY CITY CLERK