



CITY OF SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING June 16, 2015 COUNCIL CHAMBER, 735 ANACAPA STREET

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Helene Schneider called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. (The Finance Committee and Ordinance Committee, which ordinarily meet 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 (2:04 p.m.), Mayor Schneider.

Councilmembers absent: None.

Staff present: City Administrator Paul Casey, City Attorney Ariel Pierre Calonne, City Clerk Services Manager Gwen Peirce.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Speakers: Phil Walker; Victor Reyes; Melody Baker; Claudia Bratton, Summer Solstice; Tom Widroe, City Watch; Geof Bard.

CONSENT CALENDAR (Item Nos. 1 – 10)

The titles of the ordinance and resolution related to Consent Items were read.

Motion:

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

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

1. Subject: Minutes

Recommendation: That Council waive further reading and approve the minutes of the special meeting of June 1, 2015.

Action: Approved the recommendation.

2. Subject: Adoption of Ordinance For Extension of Fire Management Memorandum of Understanding to June 30, 2018 (440.02)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, An Ordinance of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Ordinance No. 5260, the Memorandum of Understanding Between the City of Santa Barbara and the Santa Barbara Fire Managers Association and Extending the Term of the Agreement Through June 30, 2018.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Ordinance No. 5703; Agreement No. 24,502.1.

3. Subject: Reclassification Of Police Technician Positions In The Police Department (410.06)

Recommendation: That Council adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Amending Resolution No. 14-046, the Position and Salary Control Resolution for Fiscal Year 2015, Affecting the Police Department, Effective December 27, 2014.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Resolution No. 15-046 (June 16, 2015, report from the Police Chief; proposed resolution).

4. Subject: Professional Services Agreement For The Police Memorial Statue Project (520.04)

Recommendation: That Council approve a Professional Services Agreement with Genesis Bronze in the amount of \$60,000, for the creation of a bronze memorial statue to honor fallen Santa Barbara Police Officers.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 25,219 (June 16, 2015, report from the Police Chief).

5. Subject: Contract For Construction Of High School Well Raw Water Main Project (540.10)

Recommendation: That Council award a contract to Tierra Contracting, Inc., in their low bid amount of \$472,310 for construction of the High School Well Raw Water Main Project, Bid No. 3757; and authorize the Public Works Director to execute the contract and approve expenditures up to \$47,231 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.

Action: Approved the recommendation; Agreement No. 25,220 (June 16, 2015, report from the Public Works Director).

6. Subject: Transfer Of All Grant Activities From The Streets Capital Fund To The Streets Grants Fund (230.05)

Recommendation: That Council approve the changes to the Streets Capital Fund and Streets Grants Fund as presented in the Schedule of Proposed Streets Budget Adjustments in order to transfer all grant-related activity for Fiscal Year 2015 into the Streets Grants Fund.

Action: Approved the recommendation (June 16, 2015, report from the Finance Director/Acting Assistant City Administrator and Public Works Director).

7. Subject: Community Action Commission CalGRIP Grant Funding For Youth Employment (570.06)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Accept a disbursement from the Community Action Commission (CAC) in the amount of \$38,028 for the Youth Employment Program in the Parks and Recreation Department; and
- B. Increase appropriations and estimated revenues in the Fiscal Year 2015 Parks and Recreation Department Miscellaneous Grants Fund in the amount of \$38,028.

Action: Approved the recommendations (June 16, 2015, report from the Parks and Recreation Director).

8. Subject: Request For Funding The Buellton Library As Part Of The Santa Barbara Public Library System (570.04)

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Increase estimated revenues by \$35,000 in Fiscal Year 2015 representing the expected balance in County reserves for the benefit of the Buellton Library to be transferred to the City of Santa Barbara;

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- B. Increase appropriations by \$20,000, funded from the expected receipt of the reserves in the City of Santa Barbara County Library Fund Fiscal Year 2015 budget to cover expected costs to operate the Buellton Library through June 30, 2015; and
- C. Increase estimated revenues and appropriations totaling \$191,000 in the County Library Fund Fiscal Year 2016 budget for ongoing operations at the Buellton Library.

Action: Approved the recommendations (June 16, 2015, report from the Library Director).

NOTICES

- 9. The City Clerk has on Thursday, June 11, 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.
- 10. A City Council site visit is scheduled for Monday, June 22, 2015, at 1:30 p.m. to the Franceschi House, located at 1510 Mission Ridge Road, which is the subject of a Council Administrative Item on June 23, 2015, at 2:00 p.m.

This concluded the Consent Calendar.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT****11. Subject: Stage Three Drought Update (540.05)**

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Receive an update on the status of the current drought and related efforts; and
- B. Approve extending three Water Resources Specialist positions that were authorized only through June 30, 2015, and temporarily increasing hours for two regular part-time Water Resources Specialist positions, through June 30, 2016.

Documents:

- June 16, 2015, report from the Public Works Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Water Resources Manager Joshua Haggmark.
- Members of the Public: Kira Redmond, Santa Barbara Channelkeeper.

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11. (Cont'd)**Discussion:**

Staff's presentation included current rainfall totals and the outlook for continued drought conditions, the status of supplemental water supplies, the community's response to the need for conservation, capital projects, drought staffing, and features of the City's Water Conservation Program, specifically requests for graywater systems. Councilmembers' questions were answered.

Motion:

Councilmembers White/Francisco to approve Recommendation B.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote.

12. Subject: Award Of Contract For The Charles E. Meyer Desalination Plant - Final Design Phase (540.10)**Recommendation: That Council:**

- A. Appropriate \$3,755,884 from the Water Operating Fund reserves for the transfer to the Water Drought Fund for reactivation of the Charles E. Meyer Desalination Plant;
- B. Increase appropriations and estimated revenues in the Water Drought Fund by \$3,755,884 to cover the costs of the proposed contracts and City staff costs related to the reactivation of the Desalination Plant, funded from a transfer of reserves from the Water Operating Fund;
- C. Authorize the Public Works Director to execute a Professional Services Agreement, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney, with IDE Americas, Inc. in the amount of \$1,320,000 for the planning phase of the design/build/operate project for the Charles E. Meyer Desalination Plant;
- D. Authorize the Public Works Director to execute a contract, subject to approval as to form by the City Attorney, with Carollo Engineers in the amount of \$2,032,622 for owner support services, and approve expenditures of up to \$203,262 for extra services of Carollo Engineers that may result from necessary changes in the scope of work;
- E. Adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara Replacing Resolution No. 15-017 Stating the City's Intent to Reimburse Expenditures Paid Prior to Either the Issuance of Obligations or the Approval by the State Water Resources Control Board of the Project Funds for Reactivation of the Charles E. Meyer Desalination Plant; and
- F. Adopt, by reading of title only, A Resolution of the Council of the City of Santa Barbara, Approving an Addendum to the 1991 Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse No. 9010859) and 1994 Environmental Impact Report (State Clearinghouse No. 91121020) in Support of the Reactivation of the Charles E. Meyer Desalination Plant in Santa Barbara, California.

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12. (Cont'd)**Documents:**

- June 16, 2015, report from the Public Works Director.
- Proposed resolutions.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

The titles of the resolutions were read.

Speakers:

- Staff: Principal Engineer Linda Sumansky, Water Resources Manager Joshua Haggmark, Assistant City Attorney Sarah Knecht, Public Works Director Rebecca Bjork.
- Consultants to the City: Joe Monaco, Dudek; Joe Lambert, IDE Americas, Inc.
- Members of the Public: Tom Widroe, City Watch; Kira Redmond, Santa Barbara Channelkeeper.

Motion:

Councilmembers White/Hotchkiss to approve Recommendations A – F; Resolution Nos. 15-047 and 15-048; Agreement Nos. 25,221 – 25,222.

Vote:

Unanimous roll call vote.

PUBLIC HEARINGS**13. Subject: Public Hearing Regarding Proposed Utility Rate Increases For Fiscal Year 2016 (540.13)****Recommendation: That Council:**

- A. Hold a public hearing, as required by State law, regarding proposed utility rate increases for wastewater and solid waste collection services for Fiscal Year 2016; and
- B. Provide direction to staff regarding any changes to the proposed Fiscal Year 2016 utility rates for wastewater and solid waste collection services.

Documents:

- June 16, 2015, report from the Finance Director/Acting Assistant City Administrator.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Public Comment Opened:

3:48 p.m.

Speakers:

- Staff: Wastewater System Manager Christopher Toth, Environmental Services Manager Matt Fore.
- Members of the Public: Bonnie Raisin.

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Public Comment Closed:
3: 58 p.m.

Motion:

Councilmembers Rowse/Francisco to approve Recommendation B.

Vote:

Unanimous voice vote.

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4:01 p.m. – 4:15 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS (CONT'D)**FINANCE DEPARTMENT****14. Subject: Fiscal Year 2016 Recommended Operating And Capital Budget (230.05)**

Recommendation: That Council:

- A. Hear and consider the proposed balancing plan based on City Council direction provided to staff at the June 1, 2015 special budget hearing regarding the Fiscal Year 2016 Recommended Budget; and
- B. Provide final direction in preparation of Council's approval of adopting budget resolutions scheduled for approval on June 23, 2015 for Fiscal Year 2016 that begins on July 1, 2015.

Documents:

- June 16, 2015, report from the Finance Director/Acting Assistant City Administrator.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Finance Director/Acting Assistant City Administrator Robert Samario, Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary.
- Parks and Recreation Commission: Chair Lesley Wiscomb.
- Members of the Public: Tom Widroe, City Watch.

Motion:

Councilmembers Francisco/Rowse to approve a two-year plan for returning to policy reserve levels, to be included in the Fiscal Year 2016 Recommended Budget.

Vote:

Majority voice vote (Noes: Councilmember Hart).

CITY ADMINISTRATOR**15. Subject: Potential Ballot Measure On Sales Tax Increase For Infrastructure Needs (110.03)**

Recommendation: That Council consider direction to staff to place a possible sales tax measure on the November 3, 2015 ballot, including the amount of the tax, and size, composition, and duties of an independent oversight committee.

Documents:

- June 16, 2015, report from the City Administrator.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Assistant to the City Administrator Nina Johnson, City Attorney Ariel Calonne.
- Members of the Public: Tom Widroe, City Watch; Bonnie Raisin; Steve Bellamy.

Motion:

Councilmembers White/Rowse to draft a half-cent sales tax measure with the intent of funding infrastructure, that would 1) be in place for 20 years; 2) be a general tax; and 3) include an oversight committee as described in the staff report.

Vote:

Failed to carry by voice vote because a super-majority vote was required to approve the motion (Ayes: Councilmembers Murillo, Rowse, White, Mayor Schneider; Noes: Councilmembers Francisco, Hart, Hotchkiss).

Motion:

Councilmembers Murillo/White to draft a quarter-cent sales tax measure with the intent of funding infrastructure, that would 1) be in place for 20 years; 2) be a general tax; and 3) include an oversight committee as described in the staff report.

Councilmember Murrillo withdrew the motion.

Motion:

Councilmember Hotchkiss to draft a half-cent sales tax measure that would be a specific tax and require a 2/3 majority to pass.

The motion died for a lack of second.

PARKS AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT**16. Subject: Elings Park Foundation Annual Report Presentation (570.05)**

Recommendation: That Council receive a presentation by the Elings Park Foundation on the 2013-2014 Annual Report for the Las Positas Tennis Courts and the 2014 Annual Report for Elings Park.

Documents:

- June 16, 2015, report from the Parks and Recreation Director.
- March 2015 Elings Park Foundation Annual Report.
- PowerPoint presentations prepared and made by Staff and Elings Park Foundation Staff.

Speakers:

- Staff: Parks and Recreation Director Nancy Rapp, Environmental Services Manager Matt Fore, City Planner Renee Brooke.
- Elings Park Foundation: President of the Board of Directors John Britton, Executive Director Mike Nelson.
- Members of the Public: Glenn Gibbons, Karin Van Holk, David Niles, John Milton, Steve Bellamy, Casey Dellabarca, Paul Conliffe, Phil Hill, Bruce Giffin.

By consensus, the Council received the report and their questions were answered.

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7:18 p.m. – 7:26 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL ADMINISTRATIVE AND ATTORNEY REPORTS (CONT'D)**17. Subject: Appeal Of Parks And Recreation Commission Action To Deny The Removal Of The Street Tree At 3740 Pescadero Drive (570.08)**

Recommendation: That Council deny the appeal filed by Carey Ludford, and uphold the Parks and Recreation Commission decision to deny the removal of one *Schinus terebinthifolius* (Brazilian Pepper Tree) located in the parkway at 3740 Pescadero Drive.

Documents:

- June 16, 2015, report from the Parks and Recreation Director.
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.
- Video presentation prepared and made by the Appellant.

Public Comment Opened:

7:30 p.m.

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17. (Cont'd)**Speakers:**

- Staff: Assistant Parks and Recreation Director Jill Zachary, City Arborist Tim Downey.
- Street Tree Advisory Committee: Member Duke McPherson.
- Parks and Recreation Commission: Chair Lesley Wiscomb.
- Appellant: Carey Ludford.

Public Comment Closed:
7:55 p.m.

Motion:

Councilmembers Murillo/Rowse to deny the appeal filed by Carey Ludford, and uphold the Parks and Recreation Commission decision to deny the removal of one Schinus terebinthifolius (Brazilian Pepper Tree) located in the parkway at 3740 Pescadero Drive.

Vote:

Majority voice vote (Noes: Councilmember Francisco).

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Schneider adjourned the meeting at 8:01 p.m. to Monday, June 22, 2015, at 1:30 p.m. at the Franceschi House at 1510 Mission Ridge Road.

SANTA BARBARA CITY COUNCIL

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CITY CLERK'S OFFICE



HELENE SCHNEIDER
MAYOR

ATTEST:



GWEN PEIRCE, CMC
CITY CLERK SERVICES MANAGER