



CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

MONDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2022

SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION – 5:00 P.M.
SPECIAL MEETING - 6:00 P.M.

CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS – CITY HALL - 501 POLI STREET, VENTURA, CA 93001
TELECONFERENCE LOCATION - 23400 HIGHWAY 17, LOS GATOS, CA 95033

JOE SCHROEDER, MAYOR

Councilmembers:

DISTRICT 1 – LIZ CAMPOS
DISTRICT 2 – DOUG HALTER
DISTRICT 3 – MIKE JOHNSON

DISTRICT 6 – JIM DURAN
DISTRICT 5 – BILL MCREYNOLDS
DISTRICT 4 – JEANNETTE SANCHEZ-
PALACIOS, DEPUTY MAYOR

Akbar Alikhan
Acting City Manager

Andrew Heglund
City Attorney

Michael B. MacDonald
City Clerk

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CALL TO ORDER – CLOSED SESSION – 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: *Public comments on Closed Session Items only.*

CLOSED SESSION: *Teleconference/Video Conference Meeting. The Public may not participate in the Closed Session, other than for Public Comments.*

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – POTENTIAL LITIGATION**

One Case

Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)

ADJOURNMENT: *Adjourn to Regular Meeting.*

CALL TO ORDER – SPECIAL SESSION – 6:00 p.m.: *The regular meetings of the San Buenaventura (Ventura) City Council also serve as regular meetings of the Successor Agency and Public Facilities Financing Authority when Successor Agency and Public Facilities Financing Authority items are listed on the agenda.*

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

FORMAL ITEMS: *The public may comment on each item listed on the agenda for Formal Items as the item is taken up. Formal Items may be reordered at the discretion of the Chair. The public may speak up to three (3) minutes on each agenda item.*

1. **Consideration to Terminate Billing of Fees and Refund Property Owners Included in the Fire Hazard Reduction Program (FHRP)**

Staff: Akbar Alikhan, Acting City Manager
David Endaya, Fire Chief

RECOMMENDATION

- a. Authorize the Acting City Manager to terminate the current Fire Hazard Reduction Program billing process and cease charging fees for inspections to property owners.

FORMAL ITEMS (CONTINUED)

- b. Authorize the Finance Department to refund all fees that have been paid pursuant to the Fire Hazard Reduction Program.
- c. Authorize the Finance Department to increase appropriations within the Fire Department budget from General Fund Unassigned Fund Balance to cover all costs associated with the Fire Hazard Reduction Program.
- d. Authorize the Finance Department to analyze and execute methods for quickly and efficiently refunding monies already obtained from the billing process in a cost-effective manner.

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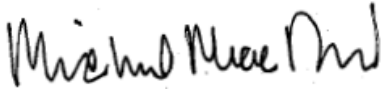
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- [City Council Goals 2021-2022](#)
- [Budget Principles 2021-2022](#)
- [City Charter](#)

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Michael B. MacDonald, CMC  
City Clerk