

CITY OF VENTURA
CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

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SPECIAL MEETING
TUESDAY, MAY 31, 2022
SPECIAL CLOSED SESSION – 5:00 P.M.
SPECIAL MEETING – 6:00 P.M.

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Resource Items for the Public:

- [City Council Protocols](#) which includes Rules of Decorum for the Public
- [City Council Goals 2021-2022](#)
- [Budget Principles 2021-2022](#)
- [City Charter](#)

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The Public can only attend the Public Comments portion of Closed Session VIRTUALLY. Council Chambers are closed for this meeting. Join the Webex Meeting using the URL on page 2, at 4:45 p.m. to provide live Public Comments at the Closed Session.

Closed Session Meetings are not broadcasted or recorded.

CS1. CALL TO ORDER – CLOSED SESSION – 5:00 p.m.

CS2. ROLL CALL

CS3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: Public comments on Closed Session Items only – may be submitted electronically prior to the closed session starting. **Refer to Page 3 of the Agenda on how to submit your Public Comments electronically to the City Clerk for the Closed Session If you wish to speak at Closed Session, you must join the Webex at 4:45 pm.**

CS4. 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-EXISTING LITIGATION**
Name of Case: Santa Barbara Channelkeeper v. State Water Resources Control Board and City of San Buenaventura
Los Angeles Superior Court Case No.: 19STCP01176
(Previously San Francisco Superior Court Case No.: CPF-14-513875)
Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

CS5. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn to Regular Meeting.

1. CALL TO ORDER – 6:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

4A. Community Highlight – Denise Wise

6. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Per Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(2), the Council Communications section of the agenda provides City Council the opportunity to ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report on his or her own activities.

7. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

9. CONSENT ITEMS

Matters appearing on the Consent Calendar are expected to be non-controversial and will be acted upon by City Council at one time without discussion unless a Councilmember, the Administration, or a member of the public requests an opportunity to address any given item. Items removed from the Consent Calendar will be discussed at the beginning of the Formal Items. Approval by the City Council of Consent Items means the recommendation of the Administration is approved along with the terms and conditions described in the Administrative Report.

9A. Move all resolutions and ordinances presented tonight be deemed read by title only and all further reading be waived.

9B. Request for Authorization to Amend Outside Counsel Services – Best, Best & Krieger for On Call Services

Staff: Andy Heglund, City Attorney

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Attorney to amend the legal services agreement with Best, Best and Krieger, LLP to increase the compensation to an amount not to exceed \$175,000 (increase of \$75,000).

9C. Approval of Fiscal Year 2022-2023 State Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 Project List (SB1)

Staff: Phillip Nelson, Public Works Director

RECOMMENDATION

- a. Approve the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 Project List.
- b. Adopt a Resolution for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Project List to add the Telegraph Road Resurfacing Project and the Navigator Drive, Spinnaker Drive/Anchors Way Resurfacing Project to the Road Repair and Accountability Act of 2017 Project List. Resolution titled:

“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2022-2023 LIST OF PROJECTS FUNDED BY SB1: THE ROAD REPAIR AND ACCOUNTABILITY ACT”

9. CONSENT ITEMS (CONTINUED)

9D. [Consideration of Approval of General Services Agreement with Merrimac Energy Group for Fuel Supplier Services](#)

Staff: Phillip Nelson, Public Works Director

RECOMMENDATION

- a. Approve and authorize the Mayor to sign an agreement with Merrimac Energy Group, in the amount of \$784,640 for an initial term of July 1, 2022, through June 30, 2023, and an option to extend for up to four one-year terms for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$3,923,200.
- b. Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute four annual amendments, in the amount of \$784,640 each, to extend the term of the contract, for which sufficient funds have been appropriated, for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$3,138,560.
- c. Authorize the City Manager or designee to execute future modifications to the annual appropriations in an amendment, with modifications not to exceed \$50,000.

9E. [Amendment No. 2 to National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Implementation Agreement Ventura Countywide Stormwater Quality Management Program](#)

Staff: Phillip Nelson, Public Works Director

RECOMMENDATION

Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute Amendment No. 2 to the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System Implementation Agreement Ventura Countywide Stormwater Quality Management Program and extend the term of Agreement one (1) year to end on September 11, 2023.

9. CONSENT ITEMS (CONTINUED)

9F. Consideration of the Second Amendment to Professional Services Agreement 2021-061 with Waterways Consulting, Inc. for Design Services on Project 97945 – Ventura River Fish Passage Improvements at Foster Park Phase 1

Staff: Phillip Nelson, Public Works Director

RECOMMENDATION

- a. Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the Second amendment to Professional Services Agreement 2021-061 with Waterways Consulting, Inc. with a new contract completion date of December 31, 2022.
- b. Authorize the Public Works Director or designee to execute future amendments to the subject Agreement up to a total time extension of 180 calendar days.

9G. Three Year On Call Professional Services Agreements to provide Professional Engineering and Technical Support Services

Staff: Phillip Nelson, Public Works Director

RECOMMENDATION

Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the subject Three-Year On Call Professional Services Agreements with 62 firms across 32 disciplines of work, to provide professional engineering and technical support services over a three-year period (June 1, 2022 – June 30, 2025).

9H. Groundwater Sustainability Agencies Director Appointments

Staff: Susan Rungren, Ventura Water General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

- a. Adopt a Resolution appointing a Director and Alternate Director to the Board of Directors of the Upper Ventura River Groundwater Agency. Resolution titled:

“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, CALIFORNIA, APPOINTING DIRECTOR AND ALTERNATE DIRECTOR TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UPPER VENTURA RIVER GROUNDWATER AGENCY”

9. CONSENT ITEMS (CONTINUED)

- b. Adopt a Resolution appointing a Director to the Board of Directors of the Mound Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency. Resolution titled:

“A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, CALIFORNIA, APPOINTING A DIRECTOR TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MOUND BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY”

9I. [Final 2022 Comprehensive Water Resources Report and Water Shortage Event Update](#)

Staff: Susan Rungren, Ventura Water General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

- a. Receive the Final 2022 Comprehensive Water Resources Report.
- b. Confirm that a water shortage stage is not triggered based on current supply and demand projections referenced in the Final 2022 Comprehensive Water Resources Report and triggers as described in the 2020 Water Shortage Event Contingency Plan.
- c. Authorize the City Manager or designee to expand the public information campaign for water conservation to comply with the State Drought Related Emergency Regulation for Water Conservation as adopted by the State Water Resources Control Board on May 24, 2022.

12. PUBLIC HEARING ITEMS

12A. [2022-2023 Community Development Block Grant Applications Review](#)

Staff: Peter Gilli, Community Development Director

RECOMMENDATION

- a. Conduct a Public Hearing and receive comments.
- b. Provide direction on recommended funding for the applications received.

13. FORMAL ITEMS

13A. Adoption of Revised Salary and Benefits Resolutions

Staff: Danielle Keys, Human Resources Director

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the City Council:

- a. Adopt a Resolution Providing for a Systematic Classification of Positions and a Standardization of Salaries of Certain Paid Officers and Employees as of May 31, 2022. Resolution titled:

“A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA PROVIDING FOR A SYSTEMATIC CLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS AND A STANDARDIZATION OF SALARIES OF CERTAIN PAID OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA AS OF MAY 31, 2022”

- b. Adopt a Resolution Providing for Benefits and Additional Compensation for Unrepresented Employees in Salary Schedules “E”, “M”, “C” and “D” effective May 31, 2022. Resolution titled:

“A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA PROVIDING FOR BENEFITS AND ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION FOR UNREPRESENTED EMPLOYEES IN SALARY SCHEDULES “E”, “M”, “C” and “D” EFFECTIVE MAY 31, 2022”

13B. Redflex Traffic Systems Agreement

Staff: Darin Schindler, Chief of Police

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Manager to negotiate a new five-year Redflex Traffic System Agreement for \$473,040 annually or \$2,365,200 over five years.

13. FORMAL ITEMS (CONTINUED)

13C. [Fiscal Year 2022 – 2023 Budget Workshop #2](#)

Staff: Michael Coon, Chief Financial Officer

RECOMMENDATION

Receive staff's presentation and provide feedback on proposed changes to the FY 2022 – 2023 Proposed Operating and Capital Improvement Budget.

8. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Refer to Page 2 of the Agenda on how to submit your Public Comments electronically to the City Clerk or scan this QR Code to access the form.

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17. ADJOURNMENT

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