

CITY OF VENTURA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Matt LaVere
Mayor

Lorrie Brown
Councilmember District 6

Erik Nasarenko
Councilmember District 4

Jim Friedman
Councilmember District 5

Sofia Rubalcava, Deputy Mayor
Councilmember District 1

Cheryl Heitmann
Councilmember At-Large

Christy Weir
Councilmember At-Large

Alex D. McIntyre, City Manager
Gregory G. Diaz, City Attorney
Antoinette M. Mann, City Clerk

REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 4, 2019

CS1. CALL TO ORDER – CLOSED SESSION

The San Buenaventura (Ventura) City Council met in Closed Session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 501 Poli Street, Ventura at 5:08 p.m.

CS2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Councilmembers Friedman, Heitmann, Weir, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor LaVere

ABSENT: Councilmembers Nasarenko and Brown

Mayor LaVere presided.

CS3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS - None

City Council convened in a closed session for the following purpose:

5:15 p.m. Councilmember Brown present.

CS4. CLOSED SESSION – City Council’s Conference Room

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL**
Significant Exposure to Litigation (Two Cases)
Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)

2. **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS**
City Negotiators: Alex D. McIntyre, City Manager
and Elizabeth Foushee, Human Resources Director

Employee Organization:
Ventura City Firefighters’ Association (VCFA)

Authority: Government Code Section 54957.6

CS5. ADJOURNMENT

Closed session adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR SESSION

The San Buenaventura (Ventura) City Council met in Regular Session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 501 Poli Street, Ventura at 6:09 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Councilmembers Friedman, Brown, Heitmann, Weir, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor LaVere

ABSENT: Councilmembers Nasarenko

Mayor LaVere presided.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor LaVere led the pledge of allegiance.

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor LaVere introduced Mayor for a Moment student Darby Mussehl, Blanche Reynolds Elementary School 5th grader, who read her essay on Honesty. A Community Access Partners (CAPS) video about Darby Mussehl, Blanche Reynolds Elementary School and Honesty was shown. Mayor LaVere presented Darby Mussehl with a Key to the City.

Mayor LaVere introduced Mayor for a Moment student Ammar Atiah, Elmhurst Elementary School 5th grader, who read his essay on Respect. A Community Access Partners (CAPS) video about Ammar Atiah, Elmhurst Elementary School and Respect was shown. Mayor LaVere presented Ammar Atiah with a Key to the City.

5. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney Gregory G. Diaz stated City Council met in closed session tonight and there is no reportable action.

6. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Brown attended the Independent Cities Association Conference, February 1-3, in Santa Barbara featuring educational topics on public safety.

Councilmember Heitmann attended the Arroyo Verde Park Workshop with Councilmember Weir and Mayor LaVere. The public participated and expressed their ideas to design an inclusionary playground. Money will be raised through Ventura Community Partners Foundation to assist with the cost. Thank you to the Park's Department and Park and Recreation Commission for their leadership on this project.

7. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

SPEAKERS

Kate Mills, Betsy Erickson, Ted Temple and Spencer Noren

6:38 p.m. Councilmember Nasarenko present.

8. CONSENT ITEMS

Councilmember Heitmann moved to approve the recommendation to:

8A. Move all resolutions and ordinances presented tonight be deemed read by title only and all further reading be waived.

Councilmember Friedman seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Nasarenko, Brown, Friedman, Weir,
Heitmann, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor LaVere
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

8B. Approval of City Council Minutes – January 8, 2019, January 14, 2019, January 19, 2019 and January 28, 2019

Councilmember Heitmann moved to approve the recommendation to:

Approve the Minutes of January 8, 2019, January 14, 2019, January 19, 2019 and January 28, 2019.

Councilmember Friedman seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Nasarenko, Brown, Friedman, Weir,
Heitmann, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor LaVere
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

8C. Ventura Water Reclamation Facility Aeration Blower Project – Second Amendment with HDR Engineering, Inc.

Councilmember Heitmann moved to approve the recommendation to:

Authorize the City Manager to execute the Second Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement with HDR Engineering, Inc., for additional work required on the Ventura Water Reclamation Facility – Aeration Blower Project in an amount of \$242,685.00; total contract not-to-exceed \$655,593, plus \$36,000 in remaining contingency funds.

AGREEMENT NO. 2016-051.2

8. CONSENT ITEMS (continued)

Councilmember Friedman seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Nasarenko, Brown, Friedman, Weir,
Heitmann, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor LaVere
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

***8E. Telegraph Road Anacapa Middle School Safe Routes to School - Authorization to Advertise**

Councilmember Heitmann moved to approve the recommendation to:

Approve the contract plans and specifications for the Telegraph Road Anacapa Middle School Safe Routes to School project, Specification No. 2016-032, and authorize the advertisement for bids to be received on March 14, 2019 at 2:00 p.m. in the City Clerk's office.

Councilmember Friedman seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Nasarenko, Brown, Friedman, Weir,
Heitmann, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor LaVere
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

***8G. Increase in Blanket Purchase Order Limit for Polydyne**

Councilmember Heitmann moved to approve the recommendation to:

Approve an increase to the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Blanket Purchase Order by \$250,000, from \$250,000 to \$500,000, for Polydyne for the supply of polymer for use in the wastewater treatment process.

Councilmember Friedman seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Nasarenko, Brown, Friedman, Weir,
Heitmann, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor LaVere
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

8. CONSENT ITEMS (continued)

***8F. Award Contract to Water Systems Consulting, Inc. for Strategic Communication Planning and Outreach for the Ventura Water Supply Projects**

SPEAKERS

Staff Interim Ventura Water General Manager Susan Rungren and City Attorney Gregory Diaz

Public Burt Handy

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Councilmember Friedman moved to approve the recommendation to:

Approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Water Systems Consulting, Inc., for the Strategic Communication Planning/Outreach for the Ventura Water Supply Projects which includes the VenturaWaterPure Advanced Treatment Potable Reuse Facility. The contract term is February 15, 2019 through October 15, 2020, not-to-exceed \$420,050.00. AGREEMENT NO. 2019-017

Councilmember Heitmann seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Nasarenko, Brown, Friedman, Weir, Heitmann, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor LaVere
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

***8D. Street Resurfacing – Johnson Drive, Bristol Road to U.S. Highway 101**

SPEAKERS

Staff Interim Public Works Director Mary Joyce Ivers and City Attorney Gregory Diaz

Councilmember Weir moved to approve the recommendation to:

- a. Approve awarding of contract and authorize the Mayor to execute an agreement with the lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Hardy and Harper, Inc., for the Street Resurfacing – Johnson Drive, Bristol Road to U.S. Highway 101, Specification No. 2018-032, in the amount of \$1,414,064.

8. CONSENT ITEMS (continued)

- b. Authorize the transfer from the following enterprise funds and increase appropriations in the street resurfacing projects; Street Resurfacing – Johnson Drive, Bristol Road to U.S. Highway 101 Project (91064) for the adjustment of sewer manholes and water valves to grade:
 - i. \$20,500 Wastewater Maintenance Operations (Fund 51)
 - ii. \$47,000 Water Distribution Operations (Fund 52)
- c. Authorize the encumbrance of contingency funds for the project in the amount of \$141,406 for use by the Public Works Director as needed during construction.
- d. Authorize Finance and Technology to transfer appropriated funds to the proper funds, projects and accounts.

Councilmember Heitmann seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Nasarenko, Brown, Friedman, Weir, Heitmann, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor LaVere
 NOES: None
 ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

12. FORMAL ITEMS**12A. Goals Session Items Ratification****SPEAKERS**

Presenters City Manager Alex McIntyre and City Attorney Gregory Diaz

Public Joseph Vandertol, Pierpont Bay Community Council; Douglas Wood; and Brian Brennan

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Councilmember Weir moved to approve the recommendation to:

- a. Approve the Budgeting Principles for Fiscal Year 2019-2020 as submitted; and

12A. Formal item (continued)

- b. Adopt the proposed 2019-2020 City Council Initiatives, 1-6, as submitted.

Councilmember Brown seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Nasarenko, Brown, Friedman, Weir,
Heitmann, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor LaVere
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

Councilmember Nasarenko introduced a motion to add a seventh item for consideration only at this time, related to the Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Ordinance. City Attorney to provide information to City Council, with time permitting, including input from the City Manager and Interim Finance & Technology Director and Rent Administrator on what is currently happening with respect to capital improvements, what the County Ordinance is doing to ease the burden of capital improvements pass-throughs to residents residing in County mobile home parks and to give us a sense of legal expenses and staff resources that an Ordinance amendment will require. If this policy consideration goes forward, input will be required from residents from all mobile home parks as well as park owners/managers before the Mobile Home Rent Stabilization Ordinance is considered for an amendment.

Councilmember Brown seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Nasarenko, Brown, Friedman, Weir,
Heitmann, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor LaVere
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

**15. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS – REGIONAL
BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES**

Councilmember Heitmann attended the Ventura County Transportation Commission (VCTC) meeting; VCTC is receiving a \$950,000 grant for an active transportation plan.

Councilmember Friedman inquired when the Council Chambers upgrades and technology will be coming back to City Council. City Manager Alex McIntyre responded staff is adding more specifics to the report and will come back to City Council in March 2019.

16. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Alex McIntyre reported the regular City Council meeting of February 11, 2019 is cancelled. A Special Closed Session Meeting will be held on February 11, 2019 at 5:30 p.m. The next regular City Council meeting is February 25, 2019, with the first budget workshop.

17. ADJOURNMENT

Adjourn to the Regular Meeting on February 25, 2019 and cancelling the Regular Meeting of February 11, 2019.

Meeting adjourned at 7:55 p.m.



Antoinette M. Mann, MMC, CRM
City Clerk

*Items heard out of order