

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 / WORKSHOP
FEBRUARY 25, 2019

1. CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR SESSION / WORKSHOP

The San Buenaventura (Ventura) City Council met in Regular Session in the City Hall Council Chambers, 501 Poli Street, Ventura at 6:12 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere presided.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor LaVere led the pledge of allegiance.

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Human Resources Director Elizabeth Foushee announced the criteria for the City of Ventura Employee of the Year and Supervisor of the Year. Mayor LaVere announced the 2019 City of Ventura Employee of the Year Cheryl Bucklin and Supervisor of the Year John Willis.

Mayor LaVere presented certificates and monetary awards to the 2019 City of Ventura Employee of the Year, Parks, Recreation and Community Partnerships Coordinator Cheryl Bucklin and 2019 City of Ventura Supervisor of the Year, Wastewater Plant Supervisor John Willis. Mayor LaVere thanked Cheryl and John on their accomplishment and for being dedicated City employees.

6. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS - None

13. WORKSHOP

13A. Operating Budget Workshop Number 1

SPEAKERS

Presenters Interim Finance and Technology Director Mary Eckman, Interim Public Works Director Mary Joyce Ivers and City Manager Alex McIntyre

Mary Beth Redding, Bartel Associates, LLC

Public George Amandola and David Grau, Ventura County Taxpayers Association

7:57 p.m. Councilmember Brown absent; 8:04 p.m. present. 8:07 p.m. Councilmember Friedman absent; 8:09 p.m. present. 8:17 p.m. Councilmember Heitmann absent; 8:20 p.m. present.

City Council received oral reports and presentations on the City's Operating Budget, Capital Improvement Budget and CalPERS. City Council provided input on budget items to be included and discussed at future Budget Workshops.

14. PUBLIC NOTICES

Items listed under Public Notices are a matter of public record only. These items do not require City Council action.

Recent Decisions of the Design Review Committee**Design Review Committee February 6, 2019 Action: Approved
PROJ-10066 – Case No. DRC-7-17-41010 & SV-7-17-41011**

Formal Design Review for a new Sign Program and a Sign Variance for an increase in height and size area for the monument signs, vehicle directional signs, and wall signs. The Riviera Shopping Center is on seven separate parcels comprising 23.007-acre located at 4714-4726 Telephone Road; Athena Property Management, applicant; Commercial Development (CPD) Zone.

**Design Review Committee February 6, 2019 Action: Approved
PROJ-12531 – Case No. DRC-1-19-48536 & SV-5-18-45450**

Formal Design Review for a new Sign Program and a Sign Variance to increase the maximum allowed signage from one monument sign or one building sign of 40 square feet, to seven building signs totaling 122 square-feet and one 26.75 square-foot monument sign, with a reduced setback for the monument sign from 10 feet from curb to 6 feet from curb, on a 53,108 square-foot two-story commercial office building at 2151 Alessandro Drive on a 148,876 square-foot lot; Church of Scientology, Ventura, applicant; Professional Office (PO) Zone.

SPEAKERS Councilmember Heitmann, Councilmember Friedman, Councilmember Weir, Councilmember Brown, City Attorney Gregory G. Diaz and Interim Community Development Director Dave Ward

8:31 p.m. Councilmember Nasarenko absent; 8:34 p.m. present. 8:48 p.m. Councilmember Nasarenko absent.

City Attorney Gregory G. Diaz explained the “Call for Review” process.

7. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

SPEAKERS Greg Hayward and Spencer Noren

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

Councilmember Heitmann attended the Economic Development Collaboration (EDC); was educational with speaker Susan Mulligan, Calleguas Municipal Water District. Reminded the public about the State Water Interconnection Project and Draft Environmental Impact Report public meeting on February 26, 2019, 5:30 p.m. at Ventura City Hall.

Deputy Mayor Rubalcava attended the Housing Authority of City of San Buenaventura meeting; Housing Authority received a grant for more affordable housing projects.

Councilmember Brown attended the Ventura Port District Board Meeting; Fess Parker project will not move forward. February is Black History Month and thanked residents for electing her to City Council.

16. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

City Manager Alex McIntyre highlighted future City Council agenda topics.

17. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 8:57 p.m.



Antoinette M. Mann, MMC, CRM
City Clerk