

CITY OF VENTURA
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

Matt LaVere
Mayor

Lorrie Brown
Councilmember District 6

Jim Friedman
Councilmember District 5

Cheryl Heitmann
Councilmember At-Large

Erik Nasarenko
Councilmember District 4

Sofia Rubalcava, Deputy Mayor
Councilmember District 1

Christy Weir
Councilmember At-Large

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

SPECIAL MEETING

MAY 11, 2020

IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE CALIFORNIA GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE STAY AT HOME ORDER AND THE COUNTY OF VENTURA HEALTH OFFICER DECLARED LOCAL HEALTH EMERGENCY AND BE WELL AT HOME ORDER RESULTING FROM THE NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (COVID-19), CITY HALL IS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC.

City Council conducted this meeting in accordance with California Governor Newsom's Executive Orders N-20-20 and N-35-20 and COVID-19 pandemic protocols.

1. CALL TO ORDER – SPECIAL MEETING

The San Buenaventura (Ventura) City Council met in Regular Session utilizing WebEx Events Meeting software from various Ventura locations at 4:33 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Councilmembers Nasarenko, Brown, Friedman, Heitmann, Weir, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor LaVere (via teleconference/video conference)

ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere presided.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor LaVere led the pledge of allegiance.

4. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

COVID-19 Update presented by City Manager Alex McIntyre, Economic Development Manager Estelle Bussa, Fire Chief David Endaya and Police Chief Darin Schindler.

City Clerk Antoinette Mann read the following names and topics of electronic communications into the record:

Comments-via Email Kimberly Landberg, Lisa Safford, Kevin James Kirby, and Josh Damigo

Supplemental Packet All Public Communications are listed and posted online

11. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM**11A. Adoption of User Fees and Rates for Fiscal Year 2020-2021**

Mayor LaVere announced the continuation of the Public Hearing on the Adoption of User Fees and Rates for Fiscal Year 2020-2021 from May 4, 2020 to May 11, 2020.

SPEAKERS

Presenters Finance and Technology Director Michael Coon, City Manager Alex McIntyre, Assistant City Manager Akbar Alikhan, Police Chief Darin Schindler and Ventura Water General Manager Susan Rungren

11. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM (continued)SPEAKERS (continued)

Presenters	Clear Source Financial Consultant Terry Madsen
Public	Stephanie Caldwell, Ventura Chamber of Commerce; Josh Damigo and Sandy Smith, Ventura County Economic Development Association

DOCUMENTS

Comments-via Email	Josh Damigo and Jeff Sukayn (received after the 2 pm Supplemental Packet and not read into the record during the meeting)
PowerPoint	
Supplemental Packet	Staff Report Revision; All Public Communications are listed and posted online

The public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Weir moved to approve the amended recommendation to:

- a. Conclude the Public Hearing continued from May 4, 2020 to May 11, 2020 on the proposed user fees and rates.
- b. Adopt a resolution adopting a revised schedule of fees, with a cap of 15% increase per fee, hourly rates and equipment charges for various City services, effective July 10, 2020.
- c. Working towards 100% cost recovery remains a priority.

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, CALIFORNIA, ADOPTING A REVISED SCHEDULE OF FEES, HOURLY RATES, AND EQUIPMENT CHARGES FOR VARIOUS CITY SERVICES
RESOLUTION NO. 2020-019

11. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM (continued)

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

City Clerk Antoinette M. Mann Declared the motion carried 7-0.

12. FORMAL ITEM**12A. Consideration of Amendment to Park and Beach Closure Emergency Ordinance – Discretionary Reopening**

4/5 Vote is required for the Emergency Ordinance to Pass

SPEAKERS

Presenters City Attorney Gregory G. Diaz, Assistant City Attorney Megan Lorenzen, City Manager Alex McIntyre, Parks Recreation & Community Partnerships Director Nancy O'Connor and Police Chief Darin Schindler

DOCUMENTS

Comment-via Email David Eigner

PowerPoint

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Councilmember Weir moved to approve the alternative recommendation related to parks, not beaches, to:

Introduce and adopt as an Emergency Ordinance after making the findings required by the Charter the Emergency Ordinance, title as follows:

“AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 8.1000, ‘TEMPORARY PARK AND BEACH CLOSURE,’ OF THE SAN BUENAVENTURA MUNICIPAL CODE TO GRANT AUTHORITY TO REOPEN FACILITIES AND DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF”

12. FORMAL ITEM (continued)

AN EMERGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 8.1000, 'TEMPORARY PARK AND BEACH CLOSURE,' OF THE SAN BUENAVENTURA MUNICIPAL CODE TO GRANT AUTHORITY TO REOPEN FACILITIES AND DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF
ORDINANCE NO. 2020-017

Councilmember Nasarenko seconded. The vote was as follows:

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

City Clerk Antoinette M. Mann Declared the motion carried 7-0.

16. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS – None**CS4. CLOSED SESSION –**

Closed Session was announced by Mayor LaVere as part of the adjournment.

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

Employee Organizations:
 - a. Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 721
CTW, CLC, representing "G" (General), "S" (Supervisory), and "Q" (Professional) Units
 - b. Ventura Maintenance Employees Association (VMEA)
 - c. Ventura Fire Management Association (VFMA)
 - d. Ventura City Firefighters' Association (VCFA)
 - e. Ventura Police Management Association (VPMA)
 - f. Ventura Police Officers' Association (VPOA)
 - g. Unrepresented employeesAuthority: Government Code Section 54957.6

17. ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m. to Closed Session. Closed Session began at 7:28 p.m. and adjourned at 9:15 p.m.



Antoinette M. Mann, MPPA, MMC, CRM
City Clerk