

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

REGULAR MEETING/WORKSHOP

JUNE 24, 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 5:10 p.m.

CS2. ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: Councilmember Brown

Mayor LaVere presided.

CS3. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS - None

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

Councilmember Brown arrived at 5:30 p.m.

CS4. CLOSED SESSION – City Council Conference Room

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

CS5. ADJOURNMENT

Closed session adjourned at 6:20 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 6:26 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

Councilmember Heitmann announced the grand opening of the new Gold Coast Transit bus facility and introduced Steve Brown, Executive Director of Gold Coast Transit. Mr. Brown invited the public to the grand opening on July 13, 2019, with presentations and self-guided tours of the facility. A Community Access Partners (CAPS) video of Gold Coast Transit was shown.

4. SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (continued)

City Manager Alex McIntyre announced his executive team is fully staffed; introduced Assistant City Manager Akbar Alikhan and Community Development Director Peter Gilli.

Mayor LaVere recognized many City of Ventura employees who helped in interim leadership positions: Gina Dorrington as Interim Assistant General Manager, Susan Rungren as Interim Ventura Water General Manager, Greg Morley as Interim Assistant Finance and Technology Director, Mary Eckman as Interim Finance and Technology Director, Mary Joyce Ivers as Interim Public Works Director, Barbara McCormack as Acting Fleet and Facilities Manager, Brad Starr as Acting City Engineer, Peter Lyons as Interim Community Development Director and Scott Kolwitz and Iain Holt who filled in key areas in supervisory functions. All were presented with a certificate of recognition.

Mayor LaVere presented a certificate of recognition to Associate Planner Veronica Ledesma who was awarded the Vocational Service Award by the Downtown Rotary Club of Ventura. Thanked Veronica for her work with the community and commitment to the City for 27 years.

Mayor LaVere introduced Chief Building Official Yolanda Bundy and presented her with a certificate of recognition to acknowledge receiving the Safer City Building Official of the Year by the Structural Engineers Association of Southern California. A CAPS video about Yolanda was shown. Mayor LaVere congratulated Yolanda for the prestigious award and thanked her for all she does for the community.

5. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

Senior Assistant City Attorney Andy Viets stated City Council met in closed session tonight and there is no reportable action.

6. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS

Councilmember Heitmann attended the Ventura County Housing Trust Fund Board meeting; recognized and thanked Jennie Buckingham as president of the board for her leadership and contribution to the community. Requested tonight's meeting be adjourned in memory of Alfred Vincent "Al" Contarino.

8. CONSENT ITEM**8A. First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement – InfoSend, Inc.**

Councilmember Weir moved to approve the recommendation to:

8. CONSENT ITEM (continued)

Ratify the First Amendment to the InfoSend Service Agreement for utility billing printing and mailing services for a one-year term extension from July 2, 2019 to June 30, 2020, which includes a not to exceed contract amount of \$782,197.44.

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.

Mayor LaVere made the motion to hear Agenda item 12B (Consider Changing Electricity Rate Plans and Creating a Plan to Gradually Move all Rate Plans to the Clean Power Alliance's 100 Percent Renewable Energy Plan) before the Public Hearing Item.

Councilmember Weir moved to approve the recommendation.

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.

12. FORMAL ITEMS

***12B. Consider Changing Electricity Rate Plans and Creating a Plan to Gradually Move all Rate Plans to the Clean Power Alliance's 100 Percent Renewable Energy Plan**

SPEAKERS

Presenters	Finance and Technology Director Michael Coon and Community Development Director Phil Nelson
Public	Michelle Ellison; Kristoffer Young, 350 Ventura County Climate HUB; Leslie Purcell; Janette Daniel-Whitney; Kathy Bremer; Mary Olson; and Ron Whitehurst, 350 Ventura County Climate HUB

12. FORMAL ITEMS (continued)DOCUMENTS

Correspondence Carol Lindberg and Matty Park

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Supplemental Packet

7:27 p.m. Councilmember Friedman absent; 7:29 p.m. present.

Councilmember Friedman moved to approve recommendation:

- a. Move all City electricity accounts to Southern California Edison's rate plan.
- b. Direct Staff to prepare a schedule to gradually move all City electricity accounts back to CPA's 100 percent renewable energy rate plan.

Motion not seconded; motion failed.

Deputy Mayor Rubalcava moved to approve the amended recommendation to:

Keep the non-impacted accounts at the CPA 100% rate plan.

Councilmember Nasarenko seconded. The vote was as follows:

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

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

Councilmember Weir moved to approve the amended recommendation to:

Move City Fund 42 – "Street Lighting District" to Southern California Edison's rate plan and opt down all other impacted accounts to the CPA 36% rate plan.

Councilmember Heitman seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Brown, Heitmann, Weir and Deputy Mayor Rubalcava

12. FORMAL ITEMS (continued)

NOES: Councilmembers Nasarenko, Friedman and Mayor LaVere
ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

11. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM**11A. Fiscal Year 2019-20 Resolution Adopting the Operating and Capital Improvement Budgets and Resolution Adopting Salary Resolutions for 2018-19 and 2019-20**

The public hearing was opened.

Assistant City Clerk Tracy Oehler stated that affidavits of publication and posting are on file in the City Clerk's Office.

8:15 p.m. Councilmember Heitmann absent; 8:18 p.m. present. 8:16 p.m. Mayor LaVere absent; 8:17 p.m. present.

SPEAKERS

Presenters	Finance and Technology Manager Greg Morley, Human Resources Director Elizabeth Foushee, Fire Chief David Endaya and Finance and Technology Director Michael Coon
Public	Elizabeth Baumer and Shawn Hughes, Ventura City Firefighters Association

DOCUMENTS

Correspondence	Michael Lucero, Sam K. H., Beth Baumer, Susan Herrmann, Patrick O'Leary, Brie Metz, Matt McLaughlin, JD Archibald, Kevin Todd, Mark Nielsen, Celeste Lord, Susan Chavez, Morgan Clark, Sarah Bailey, Joseph Cameron, Cynthia Medina, Pamela Latimer, Michael Smith, Doug Stuart, Corina Wondoloski, Elias Barnes, Paul Waltz, Brad Kerman, Colby McCaslin, David Yi, Kevin Corbett, Nolan Barickman, Danielle Gomez, Erik Hernandez, Sandra Adams Romero, Clair Gillette, Jeff Wondoloski, Rochelle Glasspoole, Judy Wisma, John Pryor, Taylor Fitzpatrick, Kevin Mulvehill, Dina Carrillo, Jeremy Henderson, Robin
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11. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM (continued)

Mulvehill, Amber Henderson, Noreen Oconnor, Kyle Tong, Jessica Caldwell, Christine McCaslin, Tessa Calahan, Lee Wan, Melinda Valenzuela, Martin Menez, Daniel Plum, Matthew Miniello and Giovanni Campanella Jr.

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Supplemental Packet

9:03 p.m. Deputy Mayor Rubalcava absent; 9:06 p.m. present. 9:10 p.m. Councilmember Friedman absent; 9:12 present.

The public hearing was closed.

Councilmember Heitmann moved to approve the amended recommendation to:

- a. Conduct a public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2019-20 Operating and Capital Improvement Budget.
- b. Adopt a Resolution providing for approval of the Operating Budget and Capital Improvement Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20; and, establishing appropriation limits in accordance with Article XIII B of the California Constitution, along with any changes authorized by the City Council after concluding the public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2019-20 Operating Budget.
- c. Adopt a Resolution Providing for a Systematic Classification of Positions and a Standardization of Salaries of Certain Paid Officers and Employees of the City (Salary Resolution) for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 Fiscal Years and previously approved actions.
- d. Adopt a Resolution Providing for a Systematic Classification of Positions and a Standardization of Salaries for Maintenance Unit Employees for the City (Salary Resolution) for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 Fiscal Years and previously approved actions for Ventura Maintenance Employees' Association.
- e. Adopt Resolutions Providing for a Systematic Classification of Positions and a Standardization of Salaries for General, Professional and Supervisory Employees for the City (Salary Resolution) for the 2018-2019 and 2019-2020 Fiscal Years and previously approved actions for Service Employees International Union, Local 721.

11. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM (continued)

- f. Adopt a Resolution Providing for Benefits and Additional Compensation for Unrepresented Employees in Salary Schedules "E", "M", "C" and "D" of the Salary Resolution (Benefits Resolution).
- g. Appropriate \$100,000 from the Reserve or Fund Balance for the Fire Department study.

A RESOLUTION PROVIDING FOR APPROVAL OF THE OPERATING BUDGET AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2019-20; AND, ESTABLISHING APPROPRIATION LIMITS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE XIII B OF THE CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION, ALONG WITH ANY CHANGES AUTHORIZED BY THE CITY COUNCIL AFTER CONCLUDING THE PUBLIC HEARING ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2019-20 OPERATING BUDGET

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-028

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 FOR THE 2018-2019 AND 2019-2020 FISCAL YEARS AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2019-007

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-029

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA PROVIDING FOR A SYSTEMATIC CLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS AND A STANDARDIZATION OF SALARIES OF MAINTENANCE UNIT EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY FOR THE 2018-2019 AND 2019-2020 FISCAL YEARS AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2018-054

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-030

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA PROVIDING FOR A SYSTEMATIC CLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS AND A STANDARDIZATION OF SALARIES OF GENERAL UNIT EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY FOR THE 2018-2019 AND 2019-2020 FISCAL YEARS AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2018-057

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-031

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA PROVIDING FOR A SYSTEMATIC CLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS AND A STANDARDIZATION OF SALARIES OF PROFESSIONAL UNIT EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY FOR THE 2018-2019 AND 2019-2020 FISCAL YEARS AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2018-058

RESOLUTION NO. 2019-032

11. PUBLIC HEARING ITEM (continued)

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA PROVIDING FOR A SYSTEMATIC CLASSIFICATION OF POSITIONS AND A STANDARDIZATION OF SALARIES OF SUPERVISORY UNIT EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY FOR THE 2018-2019 AND 2019-2020 FISCAL YEARS AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2018-059
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-033

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" FOR THE 2018-2019 AND 2019-2020 FISCAL YEARS AND RESCINDING RESOLUTION NO. 2018-042
RESOLUTION NO. 2019-34

Councilmember Nasarenko seconded. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Councilmembers Nasarenko, Friedman, Brown, Heitmann, Weir, Deputy Mayor Rubalcava and Mayor Laveré

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

12. FORMAL ITEMS (continued)**12A. Adoption of a Resolution Amending the Compensation and Terms of the City Manager's Employment Agreement****SPEAKER**

Presenter

Mayor LaVere

Councilmember Nasarenko moved to approve the recommendation to:

Adopt a Resolution amending the compensation and terms of the City Manager's Employment Agreement No. 2018-77, providing a 3% merit increase to the City Manager's base pay effective the first pay period following City Council approval, a 2.25% cost-of-living adjustment, a \$250 per month increase to a 401(a) deferred compensation program, and contribution of 1% of base salary into a Retirement Health Savings account in accordance with the City Manager's Employment Agreement, Sections 3.2, 3.3, 4.4, and 4.6.
AGREEMENT NO. 2018-077.1

12. FORMAL ITEMS (continued)

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2019-007, AND THE COMPENSATION AND TERMS OF EMPLOYMENT FOR THE POSITION OF CITY MANAGER RESOLUTION NO. 2019-035

Councilmember Friedman seconded. The vote was as follows:

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

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

13. WORKSHOP**13A. Broadband Strategy**

9:32 p.m. Mayor LaVere absent; 9:36 p.m. present.

SPEAKERS

Presenters Deputy City Manager Barry Fisher, Senior Management Analyst Mitchell Cameron and Interim Economic Development Manager Jim Cogan
Magellan Consultant Jory Wolf and Charter Communications Steven Soria

9:47 p.m. Councilmember Nasarenko absent; 9:51 p.m. present.

Public William Lind, Byi V. Havle, Dolores-Ann Janda and George Amandola

DOCUMENTS

Comment Card George Amandola

Handout William Lind

PowerPoints

10:05 p.m. Deputy Mayor Rubalcava absent; 10:07 p.m. present. 10:26 p.m. Councilmember Brown absent; 10:33 p.m. present.

13. WORKSHOP (continued)

Councilmember Friedman moved to approve the recommendation to:

- a. Receive and file the Broadband and Fiber Master Plan recommended by Magellan Advisors, LLC.
- b. Direct Staff to coordinate with local Internet Service Providers to increase service levels in the City.
- c. Direct Staff to collaborate with private investment firms to create a fiber optic network in the City.

Councilmember Heitmann seconded. The vote was as follows:

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

Mayor LaVere declared the motion carried.

7. PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

SPEAKER Chuck Eskew, Ventura Manufacturers Residents Council

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 June 5, 2019 Action: Approved
PROJ-11549 – DRC-8-17-41769 & HPDR-4-17-40154**

271 West Prospect Street Accessory Dwelling Unit: Request for Historic Preservation Design Review to demolish an existing 80 square-foot shed and construct a new 750 square-foot Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) and 431 square-foot single-car garage in front of an existing 670 square-foot single-family residence on a 5,833 square-foot lot located at 271 West Prospect Street; Jesse and Ariel Carmody, applicants; Multiple Family (R-3-5) Zone, Simpson Tract Historic District Overlay Zone.

14. PUBLIC NOTICES (continued)**Design Review Committee June 5, 2019 Action: Approved
PROJ-12419 – DRC-4-18-44941 & HPDR-4-18-45031**

305 West Prospect Street Accessory Dwelling Unit: Request for Historic Preservation Design Review to demolish an existing 285 square-foot garage and construct a new 750 square-foot Accessory Dwelling Unit with an attached 710 square-foot garage behind an existing 713 square-foot 1-story single family residence on a 5,833 square-foot lot located at 305 West Prospect Street; Juan Godinez, applicant; Multiple Family (R-3-5) Zone, Simpson Tract Historic District Overlay Zone.

**Design Review Committee June 5, 2019 Action: Approved
PROJ-13350 – DRC-3-19-49522 & MC-3-19-49524**

Ventura Harbor Village Façade Modification: Request for Formal Design Review for a facade remodel consisting of a new paint scheme applied to nine (9) commercial buildings, and the construction of 3,700 square feet of new trellis structure and 1,560 square feet of awnings and a Minor Change to the existing Planned Development Permit to reduce the rear yard setback from 25 feet to 12 feet to the proposed trellis structures located on three parcels within the Harbor Commercial (HC) Zone with a land use designation of Harbor Commercial. All of the buildings are located at 1431, 1449, 1559, 1567, 1575, 1583, 1591 and 1691 Spinnaker Drive along the Ventura Harbor and are collectively described as “The Ventura Harbor Village”; Jeff Zook, applicant.

**15. CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS/REPORTS – REGIONAL
BOARDS/COMMISSIONS/COMMITTEES - None****16. CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS - None****17. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned in memory of Alfred Vincent “Al” Contarino at 10:40 p.m.



Tracy Oehler, MPPA, MMC
Assistant City Clerk

*Items out of order