

**MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING
SANTA MARIA CITY COUNCIL**

**CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS
SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA**

APRIL 19, 2016

INVOCATION:

Dorothy Mogavero, of Crestwood Christian Fellowship, gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Councilmember Boysen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Patino called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

City Manager Haydon, City Attorney Trujillo, Director of Community Development Appel, City Librarian Housel, Interim Deputy Fire Chief Jones, Police Chief Martin, Community Programs Manager Narez, Principal Civil Engineer Olds, Director of Recreation & Parks Posada, Deputy City Manager Stilwell, Utilities Director Springer, Director of Administrative Services Visé, Account Clerk Aide Vela, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz.

1. PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

A. LIBRARY VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

Councilmember Zuniga presented a certificate of appreciation and plaque to the Library Volunteer of the Month, Marti Fast, in recognition of her work with the Art Advisory Committee.

B. COMMENDATION FOR ROB LITZINGER – BLOCK GRANTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBER. Councilmember Boysen presented a commendation to Rob Litzinger in recognition of more than nine years as a member of the Block Grants Advisory Committee.

Resolution No. 2016-33 was adopted on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-33 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, COMMENDING ROBERT LITZINGER ON HIS RETIREMENT AS A MEMBER OF THE BLOCK GRANTS ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

Rob Litzinger acknowledged City staff and the Non-profit Directors and volunteers in the audience. He also encouraged everyone to volunteer in a capacity that meets their interests as the work can be so rewarding.

C. PROCLAMATION – DONATE LIFE MONTH

Councilmember Orach presented a proclamation recognizing the month of April 2016 as “Donate Life Month” in the City of Santa Maria.

Joe Darga accepted the proclamation and spoke about his experience as the recipient of a heart transplant.

D. PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING ZODIAC AEROSPACE FOR WATER CONSERVATION EFFORTS. Councilmember Waterfield presented a proclamation in recognition of the water conservation efforts of Zodiac Aerospace with regard to landscaping at their Skyway Facility. The proclamation was accepted by Tony Guy, CEO of Zodiac Aerospace.

Mayor Patino asked Director of Utilities Springer to give an update on the City's water conservation efforts to date. He stated that conservation efforts for the month of March were at 22 percent. He reminded everyone to continue their water saving efforts as the State has extended its 16 percent conservation requirement through October 2016.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Peter Flores, representing One Community Action Coalition, spoke about the cause behind One Community Action and stated that their next meeting will be at the Minami Center, Wednesday, April 27th from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Discussions will focus on community building, education, and family resources.

Linda Greco, Toni Balaam, Robert Walling, Mary Clark, Libby Walling, and Randi Fairbrother, representing the Santa Barbara County Animal Care Foundation along with Voices for the Voiceless and Catalyst for Cats, each spoke about the importance of spaying and neutering pets. They encouraged the Council to adopt a non-mandatory Responsible Pet Ownership Ordinance and discussed low or no-cost spay and neutering programs.

Dan Petry, Brian Zell, Michelle Kelly, and William Wagener each spoke about Public Access TV, the reduction in hours from 40 hours to 11 hours per week, and encouraged the Council to approve an increase to 32 hours for PEG staff. Mr. Wagener also expressed concern that the reduction in hours might be in violation of the PEG contract, and threatened litigation.

Judith Monte spoke about how impressed she was by Police Chief Martin's presentation on the recent MS-13 gang arrests, and Operation Matador. She thanked the City for having the wisdom to collaborate with outside resources and cease the recent violence.

Susan Friesen spoke about her personal experience with organ and tissue donations saying both of her daughters were the healthy recipients of heart transplants.

Terry Breit gave a short presentation regarding a new community service website, JustServe.org, and encouraged the City and community members to use the website to post and find volunteer opportunities.

City Manager Haydon commented that the City has been in discussions with the County and local residents regarding the development of a Responsible Pet Ownership Ordinance. With regard to the Public Access Channel, staff would look into possible violations with the PEG Agreement. He recalled that, in January 2015, there was a lapse in the City's contract with Comcast which reduced funding for PEG operations causing the City to have to reduce PEG operating hours.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Mayor Patino announced that Item 3G (Enos Ranchos Subdivision Improvement Agreement) would be continued to the next meeting on May 3rd at the request of the Developer.

Councilmember Orach indicated that he would be abstaining on Item 3B (Minutes) due to his absence from the last meeting.

Councilmembers Boysen and Waterfield indicated that they would be recusing themselves from voting on Item 3D (Warrants) due to financial conflicts of interest.

Councilmember Zuniga asked to comment on Item 3C (Chamber Agreement regarding SMTID).

Item 3C – Chamber Agreement regarding SMTID

Councilmember Zuniga asked that the outcome reports from the Chamber be tied into specific marketing efforts. She also asked for clarification on the contract language regarding obtaining bids for projects.

Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Glenn Morris responded that Chamber staff would do everything they could to track their efforts, particularly with the website. He went on to say that projects would be put out for multiple quotes whenever possible in an effort to get the best pricing.

Consent Calendar Item 3B only (Minutes) was approved on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 4-0-1

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Councilmember Orach

Consent Calendar Items 3A through 3H (except Items 3B (Minutes), 3D (Warrants), and 3G (Enos Ranchos Agreement)) were approved on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Consent Calendar Item 3D only (Warrants) was approved on motion by Councilmember Orach, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following vote: 3-0-2

AYES: Councilmembers Orach, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: Councilmembers Boysen and Waterfield

A. ORDINANCES

The reading in full of all ordinances and resolutions was waived. Ordinances on the Consent Calendar were adopted by the same vote cast at the first reading unless City Council indicated otherwise.

B. MINUTES

The Minutes of the regular Meeting of the City Council of April 5, 2016, were approved as submitted.

C. TOURISM DISTRICT AGREEMENT WITH THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

The City Council adopted Resolution No. 2016-34 approving an agreement between the Santa Maria Valley Chamber of Commerce and the City of Santa Maria regarding the administration of the Santa Maria Tourism Improvement District (SMTID).

Resolution No. 2016-34 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A CONTRACT WITH THE SANTA MARIA VALLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE VISITOR AND CONVENTION BUREAU TO ADMINISTER THE SANTA MARIA TOURISM IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT.

D. WARRANTS

Warrant Nos. 199569 to 199865 totaling \$1,808,650.88 were ordered ratified subject to having been certified as being in conformity with the budget and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services. Warrant No. 198340 was cancelled.

E. PAYROLL

Payment of payroll was ordered ratified subject to having been certified by the proper Department Heads, as shown on records on file in the Department of Administrative Services and having been approved for payment by the Director of Administrative Services.

F. BETTERAVIA PLAZA UPDATED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

The City Council conducted the second reading and adoption of Ordinance No. 2016-08 approving a revised Development Agreement making changes as it applies to the signatories for the Betteravia Plaza Project.

Ordinance No. 2016-08 adopted. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING A CORRECTED DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT FOR TERRACE PROPERTIES, LLC; HOPE-SHIELDS, LLC; VALLEY OAKS INVESTMENTS, LLC; AND PALMETTO GROUP, LLC, ON APRIL 19, 2016.

G. ENOS RANCHOS SUBDIVISION IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT – This item was continued to the City Council Meeting of May 3, 2016.

H. NO-STOPPING ZONE ON WEST BETTERAVIA ROAD

Resolution No. 2016-36 was adopted establishing a no-stopping zone at West Betteravia Road along the southerly right-of-way, beginning at the westerly right-of-way of "A" Street and extending west for two thousand, six hundred and twelve feet.

Resolution No. 2016-36 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, ESTABLISHING A NO-STOPPING ZONE ON WEST BETTERAVIA ROAD PURSUANT TO SECTION 7-5.16 OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE.

4. PRESENTATION ON THE SUMMER YOUTH EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM. Santa Barbara County 5th District Supervisor Steve Lavagnino gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. The Summer Youth Employment Program provides qualified youth with paid work experience. One in every three youth in Santa Maria live in poverty. The unemployment rate for teens ages 16-19 in Santa Barbara County is 28.9 percent. The goal of the Program is to give adolescents a better chance at

completing high school and going onto college. As well, participants in the Program could see increased salaries over their peers in the years following high school. The Program targets economically disadvantaged freshmen, sophomores, and juniors who are available during the summer. Participants must have a grade point average of at least 2.0, have transportation to the job, and have no more than one criminal offense.

Participants will be employed through the Foundation for California Community Colleges (FCCC). The cost per student is \$3,400 which covers up to 300 hours of work, workers compensation, and payroll fees. The FCCC receives donations toward the Program through an online donation page. Participants start work as early as June 6th and work until school starts. Pre-employment training is provided by the Workforce Development Board and FCCC. The Chamber of Commerce is helping recruit businesses to participate. The Program can take up to 150 participants.

Businesses interested in participating are invited to call the Workforce Development Board Executive Director Ray McDonald at (805) 681-4453, or Yvonne Biely at Supervisor Lavagnino's office at (805) 346-8400. Donations may be made at <http://foundationccc.org/santabarbaracconnect> and more information can be found at <http://sbc2csummeryouthemployment.org>.

Mayor Patino asked if Goleta or Santa Barbara have work education programs.

Supervisor Lavagnino responded that he did not know, but that both Districts were partnering with the Summer Youth Employment Program.

Councilmember Boysen asked if the Program was specific to businesses rather than personal hiring situations.

Supervisor Lavagnino said that was correct, the Program is for business environments.

Councilmember Waterfield asked what kind of businesses were participating.

Supervisor Lavagnino responded that MIYB was involved, along with some construction, retail, and insurance businesses.

Councilmember Zuniga requested a final report be brought back to Council to hear how the Program succeeded.

City Manager Haydon added that the City's Recreation and Parks Department plans to participate in the Program, and he encouraged local businesses to participate as well.

5. 2016-17 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) ALLOCATIONS. City Attorney Trujillo shared a few words regarding conflicts of interest. He indicated that if a financial conflict of interest exists, the FPPC requires a Councilmember to step down, state on the record what the conflict is, and to leave the room. Several Councilmembers serve on the Board of Directors for a number of grant recipients. It has been the Council's past practice to recuse themselves in order to avoid the appearance of a conflict, even if no financial conflict of interest exists. He indicated that if the Council followed that past practice, the Council would lose a quorum. He recommended that, where applicable, each Councilmember make the following disclosures: 1) Identify the organization they were affiliated with; 2) Indicate for the record that they serve on such an organization, that their decision would not be influenced, and that they could remain impartial; and 3) Confirm they did not have a financial conflict of interest and were participating only to provide a quorum so the Council could act on the matter.

Mayor Patino indicated that she currently serves as a non-paid Board Member for Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley, and that her service with that Board would not influence her decisions this evening, that she could remain impartial and unbiased, that she did not have a financial conflict of interest, and that she was participating in order to establish a quorum to allow the Council to act on the item.

Councilmember Zuniga stated she currently serves as a non-paid Board Member for Good Samaritan, Santa Maria Valley Youth Services, the Community Action Commission, and is affiliated with the Santa Barbara County Sexual Assault Response Team. She stated her service with these organizations would not influence her decision, that she could remain impartial and unbiased, that she did not have a financial conflict of interest, and that she was serving to establish a quorum so as to allow the Council to act on the item.

Councilmember Waterfield stated she currently serves as a non-paid, advisory committee member with the Salvation Army. She stated her service with this organization would not influence her decision, that she could remain impartial and unbiased, that she did not have a financial conflict of interest, and that she was serving to establish a quorum so as to allow the Council to act on the item.

Councilmember Boysen announced he is a paid employee of the Good Samaritan Shelter as Chief Financial Officer, and has a financial conflict of interest. He said he would participate in the Capital Development and HOME Program items only and would not participate in the Public Service Allocations portion of the meeting. He asked City Attorney Trujillo if he could expect to participate in the Capital Projects item given that Buena Vista Park is in close proximity to Good Samaritan Shelter.

City Attorney Trujillo responded that the Attorney's Office had looked into that issue and there was no reason for Councilmember Boysen not to participate in the Capital Projects item.

Staff announced that Jose Hernandez was available for Spanish translation if needed; however, there were no requests for translation during the presentation of this item.

Community Programs Manager Narez introduced members of the Block Grants Advisory Committee who were in attendance and acknowledged them for all of their work determining the 2016-17 CDBG allocations.

Community Programs Manager Narez gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. The CDBG Program is the primary Federal program providing state and local governments with grant funds for local programs and projects to address a variety of complex physical, economic, and social needs. The main objective of the program is to develop viable urban communities by providing decent housing, a suitable living environment, and expanded economic opportunities. The program is administered by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). The funds may be used at the discretion of the City as long as the City's activities comply with Federal regulations and meet one of the three national objectives, which are: 1) to be a primary benefit to low and moderate income persons; 2) to prevent or eliminate slums/blight; and/or 3) to meet an urgent community-wide need, such as an event caused by a major catastrophic event.

The City of Santa Maria has participated in CDBG since 1975 and receives funding annually based on a HUD formula that includes factors like population growth, level of poverty, age of housing, and extent of overcrowding. The HOME Program is also administered by HUD and provides affordable housing for low income households. As of July 1st, the City will no longer be a sub-recipient to the County as part of a consortium, but instead, will apply for HOME funds through the State as a direct entitlement grantee.

Staff was informed that the City of Santa Maria would receive an estimated CDBG allocation of \$1,337,810. Staff would apply twenty percent (approximately \$267,562) to General Administration, 15 percent

(approximately \$200,672) to Public Services, and the remaining 65 percent (approximately \$869,576) would be available for Capital Projects. In addition, staff was able to add \$80,000 due to reprogramming of 2012-13 funding that had not been utilized.

A community needs assessment in 2015 determined the priorities for funding would remain the same as they had been for the 5-year Consolidated Plan and include the prevention of homelessness, addressing critical emergencies, at-risk youth, and special needs populations. It was also determined that emphasis should be placed on revitalizing existing neighborhoods and youth education and development opportunities. A Notice of Funding Availability was posted in October of 2015 and applications were due December 4, 2015. Staff received 20 applications for public services totaling \$299,658; 7 applications were for capital development totaling \$1,212,138, and one application was received for HOME totaling \$743,000.

The BGAC conducted site visits with each applicant and held deliberations on February 22, 2016 to formulate recommendations. Ms. Narez indicated that public comment and Council discussion would be done by each category of funding starting with the HOME projects and CDBG Capital projects, followed by the CDBG Public Service programs.

HOME and CAPITAL FUNDS

Staff and the BGAC are recommending that the requested amount be allocated to the Housing Trust Fund for a Workforce Homebuyer Program.

BGAC members recommended funding six out of the seven applications received. \$769,910 was recommended for the Buena Vista Park renovation. \$80,000 was recommended for the Community Action Partnership of SLO County, Inc.'s Minor Home Repair Program. \$34,816 was recommended to the Camp Fire/Buena Vista Cabin City Services. \$25,000 was recommended for MIYB Spaces/Santa Maria Business Development Center. \$25,000 was recommended for Women's Economic Ventures. And, \$15,000 was recommended for the TBRA Administration which helps potential renters by paying half of their deposit.

Written Communications on HOME and Capital Funds

There were no written communications regarding HOME Funds.

Regarding the Capital Funds, Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz indicated that staff received four emails from Judith Dal Porto, an Early Childhood Studies Coordinator at Allan Hancock College; Ken Miles, the Executive Director of Camp Fire Central Coast of California; Donna Reiner; and Maria Sanchez, a Program Manager of Buena Vista Head Start, expressing concerns about the Buena Vista Park design plans, and encouraging City representatives and staff to work with the Buena Vista Beautifiers to develop design plans that meet the needs of the community, and ensure that the historical aspects of the park are retained. Copies of these emails were provided to all Councilmembers.

Public Input regarding HOME Funds and Capital Projects

Mayor Patino opened the public hearing regarding HOME Funds and Capital Projects at 8:02 p.m.

Leah Gonzales, representing Women's Economic Ventures (WEV), spoke in favor of the proposed CDBG allocation and summarized recent activities, successes, and expansion of the WEV Program.

Kenneth Wolf, representing Buena Vista Beautifiers, commented that Buena Vista Park is a positive resource to the City.

Mark Muller, representing Buena Vista Beautifiers, spoke about the group's recommendations for the park and encouraged the City Council to adopt the resolution approving the proposed Capital Projects allocations.

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Virginia Perry Souza, representing Buena Vista Beautifiers, spoke about the group and their presence in the community. She stated that Buena Vista Beautifiers has never advocated to demolish the park and start over, and that to do so would go against what CDBG stands for. She encouraged City staff to have youth specialists sit down with the project architect to design the park.

Hazel Davalos, representing CAUSE and Buena Vista Beautifiers, spoke about collaborations with residents, students, and non-profits in Santa Maria involving Buena Vista Park. She encouraged Council to approve the CDBG allocations with the condition that Buena Vista Beautifiers have final approval on the design.

Kirsten Cahoon, representing Good Samaritan Shelter, spoke of how busy the park has become and encouraged the Council to approve the allocation.

Anne Cremarosa, representing Santa Maria Business Development Center, thanked the BGAC for considering allocations to new groups. She said she hoped the City would be proud of the resources the Development Center offers to people who want to start a business and she encouraged Council to approve the proposed Capital allocations to MIYB.

Justin Hitchcock, representing GRID Alternatives, spoke about how his business helps low income families gain access to solar energy and offers training for people wanting to start a career in solar industries. He commented his business recently received State funds and said they were disappointed that the BGAC did not grant GRID Alternatives request for funding. He also stated that his organization is the only non-profit solar company in the area.

Jeanne Sparks, representing Buena Vista Beautifiers, spoke about how Buena Vista Beautifiers has brought the Park back into consideration for renovations (compared to its visibility two years ago). She said the group has done 166 surveys in the area regarding the park and various options on renovating it. She asked that Council support the CDBG allocation toward the park, and require the Recreation and Parks Department to work with Buena Vista Beautifiers to preserve the historic value of the park and enhance the park as it stands now.

Ken Hough, representing Santa Barbara County Action Network, spoke about how important parks are to sustainable communities. Through surveys, it was learned the public wanted more playgrounds, benches, soccer fields, baby changing stations, and picnic areas. The proposed plan for the park does not include picnic tables and lends itself to more pedestrian activity on the grass instead of the sidewalk. He urged Council to direct staff to seek out the Buena Vista Beautifiers approval of the final design for the park.

Hearing no other requests to speak on HOME Funds and Capital Projects, Mayor Patino closed the public hearing at 8:28 p.m.

Council discussion regarding HOME Funds

There was no discussion by the City Council.

Council discussion regarding Capital Projects

Councilmember Waterfield asked for clarification with regard to the Community Action Partnership with San Luis Obispo County (CAPSLO)/Minor Home Repair and the \$80,000 allocation. She asked if the money would be used outside of City limits.

Community Programs Manager Narez responded that CAPSLO will come into the City and rehabilitate homes within the City. The money would not be leaving the area and could potentially fund 12-18 homes for projects such as ramp installations or corrections to code violations.

Councilmember Boysen asked Recreation and Parks Director Posada for his input regarding comments from Buena Vista Beautifiers.

Recreation and Parks Director Posada spoke about the history of Buena Vista Park saying that, in the 1990's, Buena Vista Park had undergone a major renovation. That project had also been a CDBG funded project. The park has always been a popular place for high school students. In evaluating the design of the park, the Recreation and Parks Department took into consideration safety, lighting, and providing a playing field for activities. Meetings were conducted with Police, Fire, and Public Works to talk about safety, design, and accessibility issues that needed to be taken into consideration with the renovation.

Mr. Posada continued, saying that the new plans were designed for better accessibility and take into account environmental issues. The proposed work would start with the western border of the park and the rest of the design would be implemented over time. Once the work in the park was finished, picnic tables and any other furniture amenities will be placed were needed. The entry point on Morrison is going to be fixed up to be the gateway entry to the park. Plans are to make the park a major focal point for the community and the hope is that guests from the Santa Maria Inn will take advantage of it. The Recreation and Parks Commission has reviewed the project and approved the conceptual design. The architectural firm and the City engineering department have begun work. The Santa Maria Municipal Code relegates responsibility for parks to the Recreation and Parks Commission. To take that responsibility from the Commission and delegate it to another group would violate the Code.

Councilmember Zuniga commented that she was aware of the large amount of work Buena Vista Beautifiers had put into collecting information regarding renovating the park and she encouraged the Recreation and Parks Department to continue meeting with the group to meet in the middle on some of the issues they are not agreeing on. She said she did not approve of taking away final approval from the Recreation and Parks Department.

Councilmembers Orach and Boysen commented that they agreed with Councilmember Zuniga and did not support taking final design authority away from the Recreation & Parks Commission. They also encouraged the continued collaboration between the Recreation and Parks Department and the Buena Vista Beautifiers.

Councilmember Boysen added that a no-smoking policy was probably going to be established in City parks in the near future. He also acknowledged that the project had been moved along quickly thanks to the efforts of the Buena Vista Beautifiers.

Councilmember Waterfield agreed and thanked the group for their efforts.

Councilmember Orach commented, following a motion and second to adopt Resolution Nos. 2016-38 and 2016-39, about his concern that in some cases a large percentage of the funds being allocated were going to salaries and not back into the local economy.

HOME Investment Partnerships Program Allocation

Resolution No. 2016-39 was adopted approving the following allocation for the HOME Investment Partnerships Program for fiscal year 2016-17:

Housing Trust Fund/Workforce Homebuyer Program	\$743,000
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on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following 5-0 vote:

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NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-39 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE ACTIVITIES AND ALLOCATIONS UNDER THE HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIPS PROGRAM FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND ANY DESIGNEE(S) TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA FOR APPLICATION OF THE FUNDS.

Capital Development Activities

Resolution No. 2016-38 was adopted approving the following revised Capital Development allocations under the CDBG Program for fiscal year 2016-17:

HOUSING – RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATION	
Community Action Partnership of SLO County, Inc. (CAPSLO, Inc.)	\$ 80,000
NON-PROFIT FACILITIES PROGRAM	
Camp Fire/Buena Vista Cabin City Services	\$ 34,816
MIYB/Spaces/SM Business Development Center	\$ 25,000
Women’s Economic Ventures/WEV	\$ 25,000
PUBLIC FACILITIES AND IMPROVEMENTS	
City of Santa Maria Buena Vista Park	\$ 769,910
TBRA Administration	\$ 15,000
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION	\$ 267,562

on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Zuniga, and carried on the following 5-0 vote:

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-38 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES AND ALLOCATIONS UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR 2016-17 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND ANY DESIGNEE(S) TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA FOR APPLICATION OF THE FUNDS.

Councilmember Boysen excused himself and left the Chambers at 8:56 p.m.

PUBLIC SERVICES

Community Programs Manager Narez continued her presentation saying that all of the recommended allocations in public services addressed Homelessness/Critical Needs, Special Needs and the Elderly, At-Risk-Youth, and Education and Literacy Training. All 20 Public Service applicants were being recommended for funding. Approximately \$112,000 was recommended to agencies addressing Homelessness/Critical Needs. More than \$37,000 was recommended to agencies addressing Special Needs/Elderly. More than \$45,000 was recommended to agencies addressing At-Risk Youth. And, about \$5,000 was recommended to one agency toward Education/Literacy Training.

Councilmember Waterfield asked for clarification about funding salaries with CDBG allocations.

Community Services Manager Narez responded that approximately 60 percent of the allocations will be used for salaries in Public Service. The reason being that funding is sometimes needed for agencies to hire the employees who will actually execute the programs. Occasionally, the agencies also receive funding from other sources that may cover other costs associated with administering their programs.

Councilmember Orach commented that he would like to have a joint meeting between the City Council and the Block Grants Advisory Committee to re-evaluate youth services and activities for next year's CDBG allocations.

Mayor Patino commented that she also wanted to review funding salaries during next year's CDBG deliberations.

Councilmember Zuniga commented that some of the agencies run programs funded by federal money and that may make their budget seem larger than it really is. In addition, funding salaries may help give agencies a competitive edge allowing them to retain valuable staff they have invested time training.

Written Communications regarding Public Services

There were no written communications regarding Public Services.

Public Input regarding Public Services

Mayor Patino opened the public hearing regarding Public Services at 9:05 p.m.

Judith Monte, representing the Foodbank, commented that the City of Santa Maria receives the most services from Foodbank in the County. The allocations the BGAC are proposing to the Foodbank will also affect several other agencies in town. She said she wanted to let everyone know that the Foodbank is partnering with Dignity Health focusing on diabetes nutrition and health training. She also stated the drought has driven up the cost of food to the Foodbank and she appreciated Council's support.

Karin Powers, representing North County Rape Crisis and Child Abuse Prevention Center, commented on how the organization serves youth by educating students on appropriate behavior. The organization also works with law enforcement and juvenile hall to fight human trafficking in the City. All of the services the organization offers are free of charge, and the CDBG allocations do help to pay salaries for trained people.

Kirsten Cahoon, representing the Good Samaritan Shelter, commented on the number of non-profits in the Santa Maria community and said she appreciated the efforts of the BGAC in their decision-making. She thanked Council for their support.

Sandy Delos, representing Domestic Violence Solutions, thanked the Committee and City Council for their support and work determining which agencies receive the CDBG allocations. She said she would be happy to provide an accounting of how the money would be spent.

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David Coelho, representing Catholic Charities, commented on how important funding salaries is to some organizations saying that federal grant money does not get applied to salaries. Catholic Charities has about 30 volunteers, but they do not meet the professional aspects that funding salaries allows. Some of the money also helps pay the organization's water bills.

Sylvia Grayham, representing Alliance for Pharmaceutical Access, commented on how the organization helps less fortunate individuals obtain medication free of charge and said all the CDBG money they receive funds salaries.

Hearing no further requests to speak regarding Public Services, Mayor Patino closed the public hearing at 9:19 p.m.

Council discussion regarding Public Services

The City Council thanked the Block Grants Advisory Committee for their hard work.

Councilmember Zuniga commented that she had attended the deliberations and she encouraged the public to attend to see how the allocations are decided upon.

Community Program Manager Narez announced the final allocations approved by the City Council would be incorporated into the City's Annual Action Plan and will be considered at the May 17, 2016 City Council Meeting.

Public Service Activities

Resolution No. 2016-37 was adopted approving the following revised Public Service allocations under the CDBG Program for Fiscal Year 2016-17:

Alliance for Pharmaceutical Access	\$ 6,000
Campfire Central Coast	\$ 7,000
Catholic Charities	\$ 19,935
Central Coast Literacy Council	\$ 5,000
Child Abuse Listening Mediation	\$ 8,500
Community Action Commission/Senior Nutrition	\$ 5,000
Community Partners in Caring	\$ 7,500
Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse – Teen Court	\$ 10,000
Domestic Violence Solutions / Emergency Shelter	\$ 8,000
Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley / Foundations for Success	\$ 5,000
Foodbank of Santa Barbara County / Warehouse Program	\$ 19,000
Good Samaritan Shelter, Inc. / Emergency Shelter Services	\$ 18,000
Independent Living Resource Center / Deaf Outreach	\$ 8,000
Legal Aid Foundation of Santa Barbara County	\$ 8,000
North County Rape Crisis & Child Protection Center	\$ 14,000
Santa Barbara County Sexual Assault Response Team	\$ 6,000
Santa Maria Valley FISH Meals On Wheels	\$ 10,000
Santa Maria Valley Youth and Family Center	\$ 15,000
The Salvation Army/Hot Lunch Program	\$ 13,737
Transitions Mental Health Association	\$ 7,000

on motion by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and carried on the following 4-0-1 vote:

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AYES: Councilmembers Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: Councilmember Boysen
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-37 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE PUBLIC SERVICE ACTIVITIES AND ALLOCATIONS UNDER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM FOR 2016-17 AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND ANY DESIGNEE(S) TO EXECUTE THE NECESSARY DOCUMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA FOR APPLICATION OF THE FUNDS.

Councilmember Boysen returned to the Chambers at 9:22 p.m.

6. 2016 ANNUAL WEED ABATEMENT. Principal Engineer Olds gave a presentation as detailed in the written Council Agenda Report. Each year the Public Works Department administers the Weed Abatement Program removing weeds, rubbish, and other undesirable materials from public spaces. The program reduces health hazards to the public by aiding in fire prevention and pest reduction and helping with upkeep of lots lacking regular maintenance. On March 15, 2016, the City Council adopted Resolution No. 2016-24 declaring that certain public and unimproved private lots constituted a public nuisance and set April 19, 2016, as the date Council would hear comments or objections regarding the requirements to remove weeds, rubbish, refuse, and dirt from said properties.

The 2016 City Weed Abatement Program began with Streets and Facilities staff mailing abatement letters to the owners of 242 properties listed in Resolution No. 2016-24. The letter advised owners they had the option to sign and return the letter to the Streets & Maintenance Supervisor as an indication of their intention to accomplish abatement on their own. Their signature would indicate they would continually abate said nuisances in the case of recurrence. Owners of undeveloped lots who could not be reached by mail had their lots posted. Posting was performed within two (2) working days of receiving the returned abatement letter back from the US Postal Service. Staff posts developed lots only at the request of the City of Santa Maria Code Compliance Office or the Fire Department.

Property owners who do not choose to perform their own abatement on their property subject their property to abatement by City contractor and are then charged for the service. Actual City abatement cost, plus an assessment for program administration, would be added to their property tax bill. Reimbursements are collected by the County of Santa Barbara and remitted to the City of Santa Maria.

Public Input

Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz indicated that no written communications were received.

Mayor Patino opened the Public Hearing at 9:24 p.m., and hearing no requests to speak immediately closed the Public Hearing.

Council discussion

There was no discussion by the City Council.

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Resolution No. 2016-40 was adopted overruling objections to the abatement and directing the abatement of the nuisances on motion by Councilmember Boysen, and seconded by Councilmember Waterfield, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-40 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, OVERRULING OBJECTIONS TO THE ABATEMENT OF WEEDS, RUBBISH, REFUSE, AND DIRT PURSUANT TO TITLE 5, CHAPTER 8 OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE.

7. CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS. Director of Administrative Services Visé indicated that the Central Coast Water Authority was proposing to refinance Revenue Bonds from 2006 to obtain a lower interest rate and save on debt service payments.

Public comment

There were no requests to speak.

Council Discussion

Councilmember Boysen commented that the City of Santa Maria does not participate in the debt service on these obligations, but rather finances its own State water contract obligations. However, being part of the Central Coast Water Authority, the City is required to provide this information for the refinancing.

Resolution No. 2016-41 was adopted approving certain information for inclusion in an official statement relating to the Central Coast Water Authority Refunding Revenue Bonds, Series 2016A and Disclosure Procedures, on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Orach, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Orach, Waterfield, Zuniga and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2016-41 introduced. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING CERTAIN INFORMATION FOR INCLUSION IN AN OFFICIAL STATEMENT RELATING TO THE CENTRAL COAST WATER AUTHORITY REFUNDING REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2016A AND DISCLOSURE PROCEDURES.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER:

City Manager Haydon reported the next City Council meeting would be on May 3, 2016, and would include seven Proclamations/Presentations; a couple of no-stopping zones; a notice of contract completion for the Paul Nelson Pool; and two public hearings – one for Preisker and North Broadway Commercial Development Center, and one regarding Recreation and Parks Sub-division In-lieu Fees.

City Manager Haydon commented that City Hall has been receiving many phone calls regarding a curbside painting business that offers to paint residence house numbers on the curb in front of the home. This is not a City instigated business. It is a for-profit, private business that does not have a

business license or an encroachment permit. Mr. Haydon asked that anyone who sees this company doing work to please call City Hall so the City could send Code Compliance or an enforcement officer out. If it is after normal business hours, he asked that people call police dispatch to send someone out to investigate. Chapter 4-17.1 in the Municipal Code specifically speaks to curb address painting saying it is unlawful to conduct that business within the City without the consent of the property owner.

City Manager Haydon also reminded the viewing public of the *One Community Action Meeting* scheduled for Wednesday, April 27, at 6:30 p.m. at the Minami Center. In closing, City Manager Haydon thanked the City Council for their participation in the recent Serve Santa Maria event and offered to bring an Ordinance regarding Responsible Pet Ownership before Council should they wish to pursue one.

ORAL REPORTS OF COUNCILMEMBERS AND OFFICERS (INCLUDING AB1234 REPORTS):

Councilmember Boysen commented that he would support bringing forward a Responsible Pet Owner Ordinance. He had no reportable meetings.

Councilmember Orach indicated that he also would support bringing forward a Responsible Pet Owner Ordinance. He had no reportable meetings.

Councilmember Waterfield reported she attended the Strawberry Industry Dinner; met with Ed Weaver of Fighting Back Santa Maria; read to children at Los Adobes School; attended the Annual Advisory Meeting regarding ROP/CTE High School Course Validation; attended the League of California Cities Dinner; gave the opening remarks to a National Women in Construction forum; and participated in Serve Santa Maria.

Councilmember Zuniga reported that she attended the Strawberry Recognition Dinner; judged the Orcutt Lions Regional Speech Contest; attended the Roosevelt-Hamer Dinner in Santa Barbara; did a presentation on government activities for a 3rd grade class at Battles School; participated in Serve Santa Maria; and attended Downtown Fridays. She also indicated her support for bringing a Responsible Pet Owner Ordinance before the City Council for consideration.

Mayor Patino reported that she spoke at a Retired Teachers Event; attended the Strawberry Recognition Dinner; participated in Sports Talk Radio with Rick Blaemire and Steve Lavagnino; attended the ground breaking at the Wisdom Center; the Special Olympics competition at Pioneer High School; the Board of Supervisor's Meeting to speak on the North County Jail; spoke at a Santa Maria Association of Realtors meeting; sold newspapers for Day of Hope fundraising; attended a Santa Maria Valley Beautiful meeting; met with Darren Hulstine of the Church of Jesus Christ; attended the League of California Cities Dinner; participated in Serve Santa Maria; attended a meeting with Pete Flores regarding One Community Action; and met with Laura Capps regarding Santa Barbara County's Food Action Plan. Mayor Patino also announced the next Downtown Friday would be Friday, April 22nd.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 9:37 p.m.

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APPROVED:

May 3, 2016

Date

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk and ex officio Clerk of
the City Council

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ATTEST:

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk