

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

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

MARCH 6, 2018

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Patino called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilmembers Boysen, Cordero, Moats, Waterfield, and Mayor Patino.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

City Manager Stilwell, City Attorney Trujillo, Director of Human Resources & Records Anderson, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

There were no requests to speak.

RECESS:

Mayor Patino recessed to a Closed Session at 5:00 p.m. for: 1) CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS pursuant to Section 54957.6 of the Government Code. Agency representatives: City Manager and Director of Human Resources & Records. Employee Organizations: Service Employees International Union (SEIU) Local 620, Santa Maria Police Association of Middle Management (SMPAMM), Santa Maria City Fire Fighters' Union Local 2020 (Local), Non-Represented Management and Confidential Employees, and Public Safety Managers.

INVOCATION:

Pastor Sergio Gomez of Santa Maria Foursquare Church gave the Invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:

Councilmember Cordero led the Pledge of Allegiance.

RECONVENE THE MEETING AND CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Patino reconvened the meeting and called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m.

ROLL CALL:

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilmembers Boysen, Cordero, Moats, Waterfield, and Mayor Patino.

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

City Manager Stilwell, City Attorney Trujillo, Director of Resources & Records Anderson, Fire Chief Champion, Police Chief Hansen, Director of Finance Harvey, City Librarian Housel, Director of Public Works Kahn, Director of Community Development Ng, Director of Recreation & Parks Posada, Director of Utilities Springer, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz.

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

City Attorney Trujillo announced that there was no reportable action associated with the Closed Session Item.

1. PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:

Councilmember Cordero presented the Proclamation for Arbor Week (March 7-14) to City of Santa Maria Parks & Forest Supervisor, Roy Teniente.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Cheryl Ausan and Jorge Delgado voiced concerns with H2A housing on Via Carro in their neighborhood.

Naomi Vuong, representing Fighting Back Santa Maria Valley Youth Group, spoke about the legalization of cannabis.

Felipe Mendoza expressed concerns about the number of people living in the house next door to him. Mayor Patino summarized his Spanish comments in English for the non-Spanish speakers in the audience.

Joe Garcia, representing the Lompoc Valley Cannabis Coalition, commented on the cannabis ordinance.

Cyrina Brogoitti spoke about the 49th Annual Santa Maria Valley Beautiful Awards and invited residents to participate. Elzy Garcia provided Spanish translation.

Bob Orach spoke about Santa Maria Elks Recreation and the 75th Anniversary of the Rodeo.

Councilmember Waterfield conveyed comments from a constituent about the lack of sidewalks on Betteravia Road to Pappy's restaurant and to the new Popeye's restaurant across the street from the new Enos Ranch development.

Councilmember Moats suggested creating an ordinance that would restrict H2A housing to R-3 zoning and/or motels and rural locations.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Councilmember Boysen recused himself from voting on Item 3F (Warrants) due to a financial conflict of interest.

Mayor Patino commented on Item 3H (new buses for Clean Air Express) thanking Transit Services Manager O'Dell for acquiring the federal asset transfer of 17 commuter buses from Antelope Valley Transit Authority.

Consent Calendar Items 3A through 3H (except Item 3F) were approved on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Moats, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

- AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Cordero, Moats, Waterfield, and Mayor Patino
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: None

Consent Calendar Item 3F only (Warrants) was approved on motion by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Moats, and carried on the following vote: 4-0-1.

- AYES: Councilmembers Cordero, Moats, Waterfield, and Mayor Patino
- NOES: None
- ABSENT: None
- ABSTAIN: Councilmember Boysen.

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 February 20, 2018, were approved as submitted.

C. UPDATED CITY OF SANTA MARIA SALARY SCHEMATIC

Resolution No. 2018-14 was adopted approving a City of Santa Maria updated salary schematic based on the financial report for the Second Quarter ending December 31, 2017.

Resolution No. 2018-14 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE UPDATED CITY OF SANTA MARIA SALARY SCHEMATIC.

D. CANNABIS REGULATIONS

Ordinance No. 2018-01 repealing Chapter 12-54, Cannabis Regulations, from the Zoning Code (Title 12), and adding new Chapter 6-12, Cannabis Regulations, in the Public Safety and Welfare Code (Title 6) of the Santa Maria Municipal Code prohibiting all cannabis uses in the City of Santa Maria except for deliveries of medical marijuana from dispensaries located outside of the City of Santa Maria.

Ordinance No. 2018-01 adopted. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 12-54 AND ADDING CHAPTER 6-12 TO COMPREHENSIVELY REGULATE CANNABIS.

E. ANNUAL UPDATES TO THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE

Ordinance No. 2018-02 was adopted amending various sections of the Santa Maria Municipal Code with regard to municipal waterworks funds, growth mitigation fees, library code of conduct, and shopping cart violations.

Ordinance No. 2018-02 adopted. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING VARIOUS SECTIONS OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE RELATING TO MUNICIPAL WATERWORKS FUNDS, GROWTH MITIGATION FEES, LIBRARY CODE OF CONDUCT, AND SHOPPING CART VIOLATIONS.

F. WARRANTS

Warrant Nos. 212648 to 212894 totaling \$1,593,242.44 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 Finance. Warrant Nos. 210415 and 212253 were cancelled.

G. PAYROLL

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

H. NEW BUSES FOR CLEAN AIR EXPRESS

Resolution No. 2018-15 was adopted approving the appropriation of \$644,986 of Transportation Development Act funds for the federal asset transfer of 17 commuter buses from the Antelope Valley Transit Authority for the Clean Air Express.

Resolution No. 2018-15 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE FEDERAL ASSET TRANSFER AND RECEIPT OF SEVENTEEN (17) COMMUTER BUSES FROM ANTELOPE VALLEY TRANSIT AUTHORITY FOR THE USE OF CLEAN AIR EXPRESS REGIONAL BUS SERVICE OPERATED BY THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS.

Mayor Patino moved Agenda Items 5 and 6 to be heard next.

5. AMENDMENT TO THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE REGARDING RULES FOR CITY PARKING STRUCTURES. The City Council considered an ordinance amending Title 8 of the Santa Maria Municipal Code to add Chapter 8-19 establishing rules for the use of City-owned and/or operated parking structures.

Director of Recreation & Parks Posada gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. Staff has drafted an ordinance to set up ground rules for accessing parking facilities, thus enabling City Rangers and Police Officers to enforce rules with regard to conduct. The ordinance was prompted by recent issues with loitering, skateboarding, and thefts in City parking structures. Additionally, the ordinance specifies one vehicle per parking space and the size of car allowed in that space based on whether it is a compact or full-sized vehicle. Backing into parking spaces will no longer be allowed so that City Rangers or Police are able to see the license plates and registration stickers without having to get out of their car and walk around a parked car. Overnight parking will not be allowed without a permit, thus allowing for maintenance crews to sweep in the early morning hours.

Written Communications

There were no written communications.

Public input

There were no requests to speak.

Council discussion

Councilmember Moats expressed concerns about trucks not being able to back into parking spaces and requested that 8-19.03(a)(9)(b) be stricken from the Ordinance. Councilmember Boysen agreed. There was not a consensus of the Council to strike the subsection referenced.

Councilmember Cordero asked if the ordinance would affect parking lots, for example the lot on Chapel at Town Center West.

Director of Recreation & Parks Posada responded that the ordinance was more specific to parking facilities and structures where there have been evident problems, particularly in the Mall and Library lots.

Councilmember Boysen commented that the City gave significant parking concessions to multi-family residences that are built within 500 feet of a City parking structure and asked how the City would address the overnight parking issue, for example, guests spending the night who may not have had time to obtain a parking sticker.

Director of Recreation & Parks Posada responded that a permit system or designated areas within a parking structure would be determined. The current regulation prohibits overnight parking in a parking structure.

City Attorney Trujillo indicated that the order of Section 8-19.04, Penalty for Violation, and Section 8-19.05, Bicycles, Skateboards, and Roller-Skates should be switched. Penalty for Violation language will be modified to add the words “an infraction” before “...subject to the provisions of Chapter 1-6 and 1-9 of the Santa Maria Municipal Code.” Future fine-tuning of the ordinance could be done when the annual Technical Amendments are processed.

Ordinance No. 2018-03 was introduced amending Title 8 of the Santa Maria Municipal Code to add Chapter 8-19 establishing rules for the use of City-owned and/or operated parking structures, as amended, on motion by Councilmember Waterfield, seconded by Councilmember Cordero, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Cordero, Moats, Waterfield, Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Ordinance No. 2018-03 introduced. AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING TITLE 8 OF THE SANTA MARIA MUNICIPAL CODE TO ADD CHAPTER 8-19 REGULATING THE USE OF CITY-OWNED/OPERATED PARKING STRUCTURES.

6. REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED 2018-2020 CITYWIDE PRIORITIES. The City Council received a presentation from City staff on the proposed Citywide priorities and goals as developed by the City Council during the February 12, 2018, Goal-Setting Workshop; and adopted a resolution confirming the priorities for 2018-20, as well as the minutes of the workshop.

City Manager Stilwell gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. Council workshops are held biannually ahead of the budget process to set the path for the next two years. The February 12th workshop was divided into team building activities and goal setting. The overarching principle the Council agreed on was to maintain financial health, a balanced budget, strong reserves, and address rising pension costs. In addition, there were two tiers of top priorities. Tier 1 priorities were to pursue economic development and higher paying jobs; make progress in developing the downtown and implementing the Downtown Specific Plan; and plan and develop the South Broadway area. Tier 2 priorities were to reduce youth and gang violence; develop an annexation strategy to provide land for economic development, housing, medical facilities, and educational institutions; and advocate for Vandenberg’s expansion of commercial launch to aid the City’s economic development.

With regard to the upcoming district elections, governance of the City will not change. The Council will govern on an at-large basis with consideration given to the needs and interests of the entire community. Customer service will be a top priority of the Council. The professional management of a strong City Manager form of government will continue with the best management practices that are expected. Resources will be allocated based on needs and expertise. Current practices regarding invitations to members of Council for events and appointments to committees and various bodies will remain in effect. Staff recommends going forward with a resolution approving the at-large governance of the City and plans to prepare a budget that meets the needs as determined at the workshop.

Councilmember Cordero clarified that a Councilmember could appoint a Board/Commission member from anywhere in the City and not just the district the Councilmember served.

City Manager Stilwell confirmed his statement.

Councilmembers Boysen and Cordero spoke in support of adopting a resolution clearly defining the Council's desire to manage the affairs of the City using an at-large governance approach versus by-district.

Public input

Mary Jacka spoke in favor of the at-large governance.

Council discussion

There was no Council discussion.

Resolution No. 2018-16 was adopted confirming the priorities and goals of the City Council for 2018-20, and approving the minutes of the February 12, 2018, Goal-Setting Workshop, on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Cordero, and carried on the following vote: 5-0

AYES: Councilmembers Boysen, Cordero, Moats, Waterfield, and Mayor Patino
NOES: None
ABSENT: None
ABSTAIN: None

Resolution No. 2018-16 adopted. A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, CONFIRMING THE PRIORITIES AND GOALS OF THE CITY COUNCIL FOR 2018-20, AND APPROVING THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 12, 2018, GOAL-SETTING WORKSHOP.

4. MEASURE U2012 CITIZENS' OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT. The City Council received a presentation of the Measure U2012 Annual Report for the period ending June 30, 2017; and received and filed the Measure U2012 Citizens' Oversight Committee 2016-17 Annual Report.

City Manager Stilwell gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. In 2012, Santa Maria voters approved Measure U to provide a quarter-cent sales tax. Subsequently, the City Council created a Citizens' Oversight Committee to monitor the finances of this tax. This past fiscal year, Measure U expenditures were \$4.4 million, 91 percent of which was spent on public safety. At the beginning of the fiscal year, the Measure U fund balance was \$419,000 and at the end of the year \$101,000. The independent audit by Moss, Levy & Hartzheim was reviewed and approved by the Committee at its annual January meeting based on the fact that the revenue received, and expenses made, were consistent with the intent set forth by the City Council. Comments from the Committee included concern over rising pension costs, interest in seeing how much revenue Enos Ranch would generate, and the continued trend of expenditures exceeding revenues.

Public input

There were no requests to speak.

Council discussion

Councilmember Waterfield asked if the growth in the housing market had been taken into consideration.

City Manager Stilwell responded that some of the Committee's discussion had revolved around the impact new development would have.

Councilmember Cordero commented that realized revenues from the new Enos Ranch development would not be seen for about a year.

The Council approved filing the report with the City Clerk's Office.

REPORT BY CITY MANAGER:

City Manager Stilwell reported the next Regular City Council Meeting would be March 20, 2018. Items on the agenda would include the Governance Policy; the General Plan Annual Report; the Weed Abatement Program; the Chamber of Commerce Annual Report; and CDBG annual allocations.

Mayor Patino asked staff to look into creating an ordinance regarding texting while walking. Montclair, California recently passed a similar ordinance.

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

Councilmember Boysen reported that he attended a CCWA Board Meeting and a Surf Development Meeting.

Councilmember Waterfield reported she attended the Hancock College Promise Announcement Press Conference regarding the \$1 million donation from Rabobank; the Veterans Connect Resource Center Celebration at the Library; and the World of Pinot Noir celebration in Santa Barbara. She invited Chamber CEO, Glenn Morris, to say a few words about the celebration.

Councilmember Moats reported that he attended the City's Public Art Committee Meeting.

Councilmember Cordero reported he attended the Santa Maria Communications Technology Summit; the Veterans Connect Resource Center Celebration at the Library; and an Empowerment Event at Santa Maria High School.

Mayor Patino reported that she attended the Santa Maria Communications Technology Summit; an APCD meeting; a Mayor's Task Force Intervention Steering Committee Meeting; the Hancock College Promise Announcement Press Conference regarding the \$1 million donation from Rabobank; the Veterans Connect Resource Center Celebration at the Library; an SBCAG Meeting; the District 7 High School Rodeo; and a Rotary Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

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MARCH 6, 2018

APPROVED:

March 20, 2018

Date

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

ATTEST:

Alice M. Patino
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria

Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC
Chief Deputy City Clerk