

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

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

**MAY 1, 2018**

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Pro Tem Waterfield called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councilmembers Boysen, Cordero, Moats, and Mayor Pro Tem Waterfield

Mayor Patino arrived for Closed Session at 5:19 p.m.

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

City Manager Stilwell, Assistant City Attorney Sinco, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

There were no requests to speak.

**RECESS:**

Mayor Pro Tem Waterfield recessed to a Closed Session at 5:17 p.m. for a CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION pursuant to Subdivision (d)(1) of Government Code Section 54956.9., Cathleen Kromer v. City of Santa Maria, Workers' Compensation Claim No. ADJ10367874.

**INVOCATION:**

Mayra Ramos of Harvest Community Center gave the Invocation.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG:**

Councilmember Waterfield led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Patino reconvened the meeting and called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

**ROLL CALL:**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

City Manager Stilwell, Assistant City Attorney Sinco, Director of Human 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, Assistant City Manager Wiemiller, and Chief Deputy City Clerk Garietz.

**CLOSED SESSION REPORT**

Assistant City Attorney Sinco announced that there was no reportable action associated with the Closed Session item.

**1. PROCLAMATIONS/COMMENDATIONS/PRESENTATIONS:**

**A. PROCLAMATION – WATER AWARENESS MONTH**

Councilmember Boysen presented a Proclamation in recognition of Water Awareness Month. Water Conservation Specialist Ritchie accepted the Proclamation and spoke about various ways the Utilities Department promotes water conservation.

**B. PRESENTATION - WATER AWARENESS SCHOOL POSTER CONTEST WINNERS**

Water Conservation Specialist Myra Ritchie presented awards to the winners of the 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Water Awareness Month Poster Contest: 2<sup>nd</sup> Honorable Mention, Vanessa Hernandez-Garcia; 1<sup>st</sup> Honorable Mention, William Vicente Flores; 3<sup>rd</sup> Place, Ariana Carreon; 2<sup>nd</sup> Place, Wendy Jacobo; and 1<sup>st</sup> Place, Christopher Rosales.

**C. PROCLAMATION – GO RODEO DAYS**

Mayor Patino presented a Proclamation declaring May 1 – June 3, 2018, as “Go Rodeo Days” in the City of Santa Maria, and encouraging all residents to enter into the rodeo spirit by wearing western apparel. The Proclamation was accepted by Peter Sterling, President of Santa Maria Elks Recreation.

**D. PROCLAMATION – COMPOST AWARENESS WEEK**

Councilmember Boysen presented a Proclamation declaring May 6 – 12, 2018, as “Compost Awareness Week” in the City of Santa Maria, in recognition of the efforts of the composting councils, extension agents, householders, landscapers, farmers, recyclers, public workers, composters, gardeners, and plant growers everywhere. The Proclamation was accepted by Bob Engel of Engel & Gray, Inc., who invited everyone to a Lawn & Garden Workshop at the Mussell Senior Center on May 12<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

**E. PROCLAMATION – PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION WEEK**

Councilmember Moats presented a Proclamation in recognition of “Public Service Recognition Week” in the City of Santa Maria in recognition of the efforts of civil workers everywhere. The Proclamation was accepted by Jayne Anderson, Director of Human Resources & Records for the City of Santa Maria. She shared highlights of employees doing out-of-the-box work in each of the City’s Departments.

**F. PROCLAMATION – NATIONAL POLICE WEEK AND PEACE OFFICERS’ MEMORIAL DAY**

Councilmember Cordero presented a Proclamation declaring May 13 –19, 2018, as “National Police Week” and Wednesday, May 16, 2018, as “Peace Officers’ Memorial Day” in the City of Santa Maria, encouraging all residents to remember those individuals who gave their lives in the line of duty and express appreciation to those who continue to dedicate themselves to making Santa Maria a safer place in which to live. The Proclamation was accepted by Sergeant Todd Logan. He introduced Officer Ricky Arias and Sergeant Nate Totorica, and invited everyone to the Peace Officers Memorial Celebration on May 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 a.m. at the Santa Maria Police Department, 1111 W. Betteravia Road.

**G. PROCLAMATION – DAY OF PRAYER**

Councilmember Waterfield presented a Proclamation declaring May 3, 2018, as “Day of Prayer” in the City of Santa Maria, encouraging people of all faiths to participate in Day of Prayer according to their own traditions. Kathy Staples accepted the Proclamation and invited everyone to join in the Day of Prayer luncheon on May 3<sup>rd</sup> at 11:00 a.m. at the Santa Maria Fairgrounds.

**H. PROCLAMATION – MARCH FOR MOMS RALLY TO IMPROVE BIRTH DAY**

Councilmember Waterfield presented a Proclamation declaring May 6, 2018, as “March for Moms Rally to Improve Birth Day” in the City of Santa Maria recognizing ImprovingBirth.org for bringing awareness to evidence-based care and promoting respect for women and their decisions in labor and delivery. Zabrina Cox, Coordinator of the March for Moms Rally, accepted the Proclamation and invited everyone to participate in the March on May 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. at Edwards Community Center.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Cheryl Ausan and Gale McNeeley spoke about the Council’s decision to let the H-2A housing Urgency Ordinance expire, and expressed concern about H-2A housing being allowed to have more than six workers in one house.

Mayor Patino asked Assistant City Attorney Sinco to provide an update on the City’s progress regarding H-2A housing.

Assistant City Attorney Sinco reported that Recreation & Parks staff along with the City Attorney’s Office are coordinating dates in the upcoming months to hold “Town Hall” meetings at various locations in the City offering an opportunity for stakeholders in the community to discuss the issue. Staff has contacted the County of Santa Barbara and invited them to the first meeting. The purpose of the meetings is to learn more about the H-2A housing situation in the City and to allow staff time to create a permanent ordinance addressing the concerns and offering comprehensive solutions.

Ernest Armenta spoke about H-2A housing and upcoming County Supervisor elections.

**3. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Consent Calendar Items 3A through 3N were approved 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

**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 17, 2018, were approved as submitted.

**C. UPDATED SALARY SCHEMATIC**

Resolution No. 2018-36 was adopted approving an updated salary schematic.

**Resolution No. 2018-36 adopted.** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE UPDATED CITY OF SANTA MARIA SALARY SCHEMATIC.

**D. WARRANTS**

Warrant Nos. 213638 to 213905 totaling \$1,587,908.74 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 No. 209173 was cancelled.

**E. 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.

**F. SURPLUS EQUIPMENT SALE TO SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT**

Resolution No. 2018-37 was adopted declaring a Police GEM (Global Electric Motorcar) cart as surplus, and approving its sale to the Santa Maria Joint Union High School District (SMJUHS).

**Resolution No. 2018-37 adopted.** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE SALE OF SURPLUS POLICE EQUIPMENT TO THE SANTA MARIA JOINT UNION HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT.

**G. TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT CLAIM 2018-19**

Resolution No. 2018-38 was adopted approving the annual Transportation Development Act Claim for Fiscal Year 2018-19.

**Resolution No. 2018-38 adopted.** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A CLAIM WITH THE SANTA BARBARA COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS FOR ALLOCATION OF TRANSPORTATION DEVELOPMENT ACT FUNDS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-19.

**H. NOTICE OF CONTRACT COMPLETION – BID NO. 2016/11 NORTH DEPOT IMPROVEMENTS**

The City Council approved the Notice of Contract Completion for Bid No. 2016/11, North Depot Street Improvements, and directed the Chief Deputy City Clerk to record the same.

**I. NOTICE OF CONTRACT COMPLETION – BID NO. 2017/02 SANTA MARIA MONUMENT SIGN**

The City Council approved the Notice of Contract Completion for Bid No. 2017/02, Santa Maria Monument Sign Project, and directed the Chief Deputy City Clerk to record the same.

**J. NOTICE OF CONTRACT COMPLETION – BID NO. 2017/03 2017 CHIP SEAL PROJECT**

The City Council approved the Notice of Contract Completion for Bid No. 2017/03, 2017 Chip Seal Project, and directed the Chief Deputy City Clerk to record the same.

**K. NOTICE OF CONTRACT COMPLETION – BID NO. 2017/05 2017 SLURRY SEAL PROJECT**

The City Council approved the Notice of Contract Completion for Bid No. 2017/05, 2017 Slurry Seal Project, and directed the Chief Deputy City Clerk to record the same.

**L. AGREEMENT FOR CELLULAR COMMUNICATIONS SITE AT SIMAS PARK**

Resolution No. 2018-39 was adopted authorizing and directing the Director of Utilities to enter into a Communications Site License Agreement with Airtouch Cellular, Inc., doing business as Verizon Wireless, for the lease of a Cellular Communications Site at Simas Park.

**Resolution No. 2018-39 adopted.** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES TO ENTER INTO A COMMUNICATIONS SITE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH AIRTOUCH CELLULAR, INC., DOING BUSINESS AS VERIZON WIRELESS FOR THE LEASE OF A COMMUNICATIONS SITE ON A PORTION OF PROPERTY AT SIMAS PARK, 600 SOUTH MCCLELLAND STREET.

**M. MOU FOR INTEGRATED REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

Resolution No. 2018-40 was adopted authorizing and directing the Director of Utilities to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding between Santa Barbara County Water Agency and cooperating partners to continue participating in the Integrated Regional Water Management Program.

**Resolution No. 2018-40 adopted.** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES TO ENTER INTO A MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN SANTA BARBARA COUNTY WATER AGENCY AND COOPERATING PARTNERS.

**N. AGREEMENT FOR LOBBYING SERVICES**

Resolution No. 2018-41 was adopted authorizing and directing the Director of Utilities to enter into an Agreement with Thorn Run Partners for Federal Lobbying Services.

**Resolution No. 2018-41 adopted.** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE DIRECTOR OF UTILITIES TO ENTER INTO AN AGREEMENT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES WITH THORN RUN PARTNERS FOR FEDERAL LOBBYING SERVICES.

**PUBLIC HEARING**

**4. MEASURE “A” PROGRAM OF PROJECTS.** The City Council considered approving the Measure “A” Five-Year Local Program of Projects for Fiscal Years 2018-19 through 2021-22.

Director of Public Works Kahn gave a presentation as detailed in the Council Agenda Report. The official title of Measure “A” is *Road Repair, Traffic Relief, and Transportation Safety Measure*. The Measure is a ½ - cent sales tax in place from 2010 to 2040 that is expected to raise over \$1 billion in 30 years. County voters approved it in 2008. There are two (2) types of programs with the Measure. Regional (divided into North County and South County) and Local. For Santa Maria, the 5-year Local projection of sales tax anticipated from the County is approximately \$5.3 million. These funds are used to finance Public Works equipment, staff, and materials that maintain the infrastructure in the City. This includes roadways/bridges (35 percent), safety improvements (33 percent), traffic signal coordination and maintenance (10 percent), alternative transportation (15 percent), and right-of-way landscape maintenance (7 percent).

Councilmember Moats asked if there were plans to create new bicycle paths in Santa Maria.

Director of Public Works Kahn responded that staff is creating a Master Bicycle Plan. The area of Depot and Railroad had been striped for a bicycle lane. Staff plans to continue that lane south to the section between Carmen Lane and Betteravia Road. Staff was also looking at property at Jones Street between Bradley and College currently owned by the Towbes Group. Staff was negotiating the purchase of an old section of right-of-way to place a bike trail on it. Public Works staff was also working with the Community Development Department on the Streetscape Plan to allow bicycles on the sidewalk down Main Street between Pine/Miller and Fesler/Cook. Staff would work with Caltrans to create bike lanes along Broadway when the re-striping of the road is done after paving in 2020.

Mayor Patino invited staff to bring the bike path plans and maps to Council to share with everyone.

Councilmember Boysen asked how last year’s funding for bicycle facilities was used.

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Director of Public Works Kahn responded that much of the money was spent on re-stripping current bike lanes and enhancing existing bikeways on Jones, Suey, Depot, and Railroad.

Written communications

There were no written communications.

Public hearing

Mayor Patino opened the public hearing at 6:49 p.m.

Ernest Armenta spoke about the proposed projects and the possibility of re-prioritizing them at the next available public workshop.

Hearing no other requests to speak, Mayor Patino closed the public hearing at 6:53 p.m.

Council discussion

Councilmember Boysen asked if the area from Broadway to Bradley Road on Stowell Road could be developed to be more pedestrian friendly. He added that previous priorities in working with PG&E had been to remove the powerlines on Stowell and College.

Director of Public Works Kahn responded that the area has been a challenge due to the proximity of the cemetery to Stowell Road, and the bushes make current sidewalks like narrow walkways. Staff is exploring removing the bushes and powerlines to put in a new sidewalk from Miller to the east.

Councilmember Moats asked about fences that are in poor condition on the north side of Stowell Road between Miller Street and Bradley Road. He said he hoped that putting in new sidewalks would entice property owners to upgrade their fences.

Resolution No. 2018-42 was adopted approving the Measure "A" Five-Year Local Program of Projects for Fiscal Years 2018-19 through 2021-22; and certifying that the City of Santa Maria would provide sufficient funding to meet the Measure "A" Maintenance of Effort requirement, on motion by Councilmember Boysen, seconded by Councilmember Waterfield, 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. 2018-42 adopted.** A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MARIA, CALIFORNIA, APPROVING THE MEASURE "A" FIVE-YEAR LOCAL PROGRAM OF PROJECTS FOR FISCAL YEAR 2018-19 THROUGH FISCAL YEAR 2022-23.

**REPORT BY CITY MANAGER:**

City Manager Stilwell reported the next regular City Council meeting would be May 15, 2018. Items on the agenda would include the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Budget Report. He reminded the City Council to dress in western wear for the next meeting in honor of "Go Rodeo Days."

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

Councilmember Cordero reported he attended several United Way meetings; a talk by Assemblyman Jordan Cunningham on human trafficking; and a monthly CAC Planning Committee meeting.

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Councilmember Moats reported that he attended a Committee, Inc., luncheon.

Councilmember Waterfield reported she attended the Committee, Inc., luncheon; a talk by Assemblyman Jordan Cunningham on human trafficking; the Downtown Street Scape Plan public workshop; the Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Town Hall meeting; and a meeting regarding City projects.

Mayor Patino reported that she attended a County Planning & Development Budget Hearing; a Committee, Inc., luncheon; the Women in Technology Dinner; the SBCAG monthly Board Meeting; an Elks Rodeo window painting planning meeting; met with Mayra Ramos of the Harvest Community Center; an H-2A housing meeting with representatives from the California state Employment Development Department; a talk by Assemblyman Jordan Cunningham on human trafficking; the Nipomo Rotary meeting; a Mayor's Task Force on Youth Safety meeting; the Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Town Hall meeting; and a meeting at the Dispatch Center with County Board Supervisor Peter Adam and Chief Executive Officer Mona Miyasato.

Councilmember Boysen reported that he attended the Central Coast Water Authority meeting.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

There being no further business before the City Council, Mayor Patino declared the City Council meeting adjourned at 7:06 p.m.

**APPROVED:**

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Date                      May 15, 2018

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

**ATTEST:**

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/s/ Alice M. Patino  
Alice M. Patino  
Mayor of the City of Santa Maria

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/s/ Rhonda M. Garietz  
Rhonda M. Garietz, CMC  
Chief Deputy City Clerk