



Council Minutes

October 1, 2024, 5:30 p.m.
Council Chambers, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo

Council Members Present: Council Member Jan Marx, Council Member Michelle Shoresman, Council Member Emily Francis (for Closed Session only,) Vice Mayor Andy Pease, Mayor Erica A. Stewart

Council Members Absent: Council Member Emily Francis (for Regular Meeting only)

City Staff Present: City Manager Whitney McDonald, Christine Dietrick, City Attorney, Teresa Purrington, City Clerk

1. CLOSED SESSION (4:30 - 5:30 PM)

1.a CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Erica A. Stewart called the Closed Session to order at 4:30 p.m. in the Council Hearing Room at City Hall, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo.

Council Member Francis attended the Closed Session virtually due to illness.

1.b PUBLIC COMMENT ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY

Public Comments:

None

---End of Public Comment---

1.c PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION - GOALS

Action: Mayor Stewart indicated that no reportable action was taken on this item.

1.d ADJOURNMENT

The Closed Session adjourned at 5:40 p.m. **Council Member Francis left the meeting.**

2. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the San Luis Obispo City Council was called to order on October 1, 2024 at 5:45 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo, by Mayor Stewart. **Council Member Francis was absent for the Regular meeting.**

4. PRESENTATIONS

4.a DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

Mayor Stewart presented a proclamation declaring October as "Domestic Violence Awareness Month" to Jill LeMieux on behalf of Lumina Alliance.

4.b FIRE PREVENTION MONTH PROCLAMATION

Mayor Erica A. Stewart presented a proclamation declaring the month of October as "Fire Prevention Month" to Fire Chief Todd Tuggle on behalf of the San Luis Obispo Fire Department.

4.c NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS MONTH PROCLAMATION

Mayor Erica A. Stewart presented a proclamation declaring the month of October as "National Cybersecurity Awareness Month" to Interim Assistant City Manager Greg Hermann on behalf of the City's Information and Technology Department.

4.d CAL POLY ENROLLMENT/HOUSING PRESENTATION

The City Council received an update on enrollment and housing from Courtney Kienow, Director of Community Relations and Economic Development, Terrance Harris, Vice President of Strategic Enrollment Management, Associate Vice President for Student Affairs Jo Campbell and Vice President of Facilities Management & Development Mike McCormick at Cal Poly.

4.e CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager Whitney McDonald provided a report on upcoming projects.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

Council Member Shoresman requested that Item 6e be pulled from the Consent agenda for discussion.

Motion By Vice Mayor Pease

Second By Council Member Shoresman

To approve Consent Calendar Items 6a to 6d and 6g to 6h. Item 6f removed from the agenda prior to the meeting.

Ayes (4): Council Member Marx, Council Member Shoresman, Vice Mayor Pease, and Mayor Stewart

Absent (1): Council Member Francis

CARRIED (4 to 0)

6.a WAIVE READING IN FULL OF ALL RESOLUTIONS AND ORDINANCES

Waive reading of all resolutions and ordinances as appropriate.

6.b MINUTES REVIEW - SEPTEMBER 17, 2024 COUNCIL MINUTES

Approve the minutes of the City Council meeting held on September 17, 2024.

6.c SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1740 (2024 SERIES) APPROVING AN AMENDMENT TO TABLE 2-1 IN TITLE 17 (ZONING REGULATIONS) OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE WITH APPROVAL OF CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT

Adopt Ordinance No. 1740 (2024 Series) entitled, "An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of San Luis Obispo, California, approving amendments to Table 2-1 (Uses Allowed by Zone) in Title 17 (Zoning Regulations) to allow Cannabis Retail Storefronts to conduct retail sales by delivery with approval of a Conditional Use Permit or by amendment to an existing Conditional Use Permit. The project is exempt from environmental review (CEQA) (CODE-0401-2024)."

6.d APPROVE A MILLS ACT HISTORICAL PROPERTY PRESERVATION AGREEMENT FOR THE SNYDER HOUSE AT 1406 MORRO STREET (HIST-0386-2024)

As recommended by the Cultural Heritage Committee, adopt a Draft Resolution entitled, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of San Luis Obispo, California, approving a Historic Property Preservation Agreement between the City and the owner of the Snyder House at 1406 Morro Street (Application No. HIST-0386-2024)."

6.f AMENDMENT TO COMMUNITY WORKFORCE AGREEMENT FOR PRADO ROAD INTERCHANGE AND PUBLIC SAFETY CENTER PROJECTS

This item was pulled by staff and continued to a date uncertain.

6.g SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1741 (2024 SERIES) TO AMEND QUALIFICATION FOR CONSTRUCTION BOARD OF APPEALS

Adopt Ordinance No. 1741 (2024 Series) entitled, “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of San Luis Obispo, California, amending Section 15.04.020, Subsection N, of the San Luis Obispo Municipal Code,” which will remove the local requirement to maintain an Accessibility Board of Appeals pursuant to Health and Safety Code 19957.5.

6.h SECOND READING AND ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 1742 (2024 SERIES) TO ESTABLISH AN IMPACT FEE DEFERRAL PROGRAM FOR ELIGIBLE AFFORDABLE FOR-RENT RESIDENTIAL PROJECTS

Adopt Ordinance No. 1742 (2024 Series) entitled, “An Ordinance of the City Council of the City of San Luis Obispo, California, amending section 4.56.050 (Payment of Fees) of the Municipal Code to establish a development impact fee deferral program for eligible affordable housing projects.”

6.e AMENDMENT NO. 1 TO GRANT AGREEMENT WITH SAN LUIS OBISPO REPERTORY THEATRE

Public Comments:

Kevin Harris

---End of Public Comment---

Motion By Council Member Shoresman

Second By Council Member Marx

Approve Amendment No. 1 to Grant Agreement between the San Luis Obispo Repertory Theatre and the City of San Luis Obispo to provide grant funding in the additional amount of \$2,760,000 and authorize the Mayor to execute the agreement *with the following amendment made to the Agreement:*

- *Section 9 of the Agreement - The quarterly reports should begin when construction begins on the building.*

Ayes (4): Council Member Marx, Council Member Shoresman, Vice Mayor Pease, and Mayor Stewart

Absent (1): Council Member Francis

CARRIED (4 to 0)

7. PUBLIC HEARING AND BUSINESS ITEMS

7.a 2023-24 ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TOURISM BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT

Economic Development & Tourism Manager Molly Cano, Tourism & Community Promotions Manager Jacqui Clark-Charlesworth and TBID Chair Lydia Bates provided an in-depth staff report and responded to Council questions.

Public Comments:

None

---End of Public Comment---

Motion By Vice Mayor Pease

Second By Mayor Stewart

1. To receive and approve the TBID Board’s annual report for FY 2023-24; and
2. Adopt a Draft Resolution of Intention entitled, “A Resolution of the City Council of the City of San Luis Obispo, California, declaring its intention to continue the San Luis Obispo Tourism Business Improvement District, to continue the basis for and to levy the assessment for the district, and to set a date for the Public Hearing on the district and the assessment for 2024-25.”

Ayes (4): Council Member Marx, Council Member Shoresman, Vice Mayor Pease, and Mayor Stewart

Absent (1): Council Member Francis

CARRIED (4 to 0)

7.b ANNUAL UPDATE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLAN

Deputy City Manager Greg Hermann, Economic Development & Tourism Manager Molly Cano and Economic Development Analyst McKenzie Taffe provided an in-depth staff report and responded to Council questions.

Public Comments:

Rachel Whalen

Shana Paulson

---End of Public Comment---

Motion By Council Member Marx
Second By Council Member Shoresman

Receive and file the annual update on the implementation status of the Economic Development Strategic Plan (EDSP).

Ayes (4): Council Member Marx, Council Member Shoresman, Vice Mayor Pease, and Mayor Stewart

Absent (1): Council Member Francis

CARRIED (4 to 0)

7.c FISCAL YEAR 2023-24 YEAR END BUDGET REPORT

Finance Director Emily Jackson and Principal Budget Analyst Riley Kuhn provided an in-depth staff report and responded to Council questions.

Public Comments:

None

---End of Public Comment---

Action: By consensus the Council directed staff to receive and file the FY 2023-24 Year End Budget Report; and the Revised Long-Term Forecast, 2025-27 Financial Plan calendar and community outreach survey in preparation for the 2025-27 financial planning process.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:14 p.m. The next Regular City Council Meeting is scheduled for October 15, 2024 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo.