

AGENDA
OXNARD CITY COUNCIL
February 4, 2025

A. ROLL CALL, POSTING OF AGENDA

At 4:39 p.m., Chair Luis Mc Arthur presided and called to order the regular meeting of the Oxnard City Council convened in the Council Chambers at 305 West Third Street, Oxnard, California concurrently with the Oxnard Housing Authority Board of Commissioners. Councilmembers Gabriela Basua; Luis Mc Arthur; Bert E. Perello; Michaela Perez; Gabriela Rodriguez; Aaron Starr and Gabriel Teran were present. The City Clerk stated that the agenda was posted on Thursday, January 23, 2025 at the Library, City Hall kiosk, City Administrative Offices and on the website.

CONSIDERATION OF TELECONFERENCE PARTICIPATION PURSUANT TO
ASSEMBLY BILL 2449

B. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

No public comments were received.

At 4:41 p.m., the City Council recessed into a closed session.

C. CLOSED SESSION (4:30 PM)

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
(Government Code section 54956.9(d)(2))

Based on existing facts and circumstances, there is significant exposure to litigation against the City and Housing Authority in one potential case.

Legislative Body: City Council and Oxnard Housing Authority Board of Commissioners

2. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION (Government Code section 54956.9(d)(1)).

Name of case: *Dean Basler v. City of Oxnard*

Ventura County Superior Court, Case No. 56-2019-00537598-CU-PA-VTA

Legislative Body: City Council

D. OPENING CEREMONIES (6:00 PM)

At 6:17 p.m. Chair Luis Mc Arthur presided and called to order the regular meeting of the Oxnard City Council in the City Hall Council Chambers at 305 West Third Street, Oxnard, California. Councilmembers Luis Mc Arthur; Bert E. Perello; Michaela Perez; Gabriela Rodriguez; Aaron Starr; Gabriel Teran and Gabriela Basua were present. The City Clerk stated that the agenda was posted on Thursday, January 23, 2025 at the Library, City Hall kiosk, City Administrative Offices and on the website.

Stephen Fischer, City Attorney announced that no reportable actions resulted from the closed session.

The meeting opened with the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States led by Adilene Avila, followed by a moment of silence in remembrance of the tragic aircraft accidents in Washington DC and in Philadelphia.

Staff members present were Alexander Nguyen, City Manager; Eric Sonstegard, Assistant City Manager; Stephen Fischer, City Attorney; Michael Wolfe, Public Works Director; Javier Chagoyen-Lázaro, Chief Financial Officer; Brenda Lopez, Interim Housing Director; and Lourdes A. López, City Clerk.

E. CEREMONIAL ITEMS

1. SUBJECT: Presentation of **Resolution No. 15,845** Commending Clark Owens for Eight Years of Exemplary Service as a Senior Services Commissioner.

Mayor Mc Arthur read **Resolution No. 15,845** and presented it to Clark Owens, who followed with a few words. Marisue Eastlake, Recreation Supervisor congratulated Commissioner Owens and thanked him for the years of dedicated service to the City of Oxnard Senior Services Commission.

It was moved by Mayor Mc Arthur, seconded by Councilwoman Rodriguez, to approve the resolution as presented. VOTE: Perello, Perez, Rodriguez, Starr, Basua, Mc Arthur, and Teran voted in favor; the motion passed 7-0.

2. SUBJECT: Presentation of a Proclamation Designating the Month of February, 2025 as "Black History Month."

ACTION: Mayor Mc Arthur read the proclamation and presented to: LaRita Montgomery with the Martin Luther King, Jr. Committee of Ventura County; Dr. Martha McQueen-Legohn, President of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Oxnard/Ventura Chapter; Lekishia White, President of Ventura County Alumnae Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.; Julia Dixon, President of the 20th Century Onyx Club; Bruce Stewart accept a proclamation on behalf of Juneteenth Committee of Ventura County, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Ventura County NAACP; Eric Hicks with Shrine, Illustrious Potentate; Solomon Williams of the Masons as the Worshipful Master of Unity Lodge Number 22; and Gary L. Harbour member of Kappa Alpha Psi Ventura Alumni Chapter who thanked the City Council for the recognition.

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Public comments were received from Chris Cisneros, Luis Guereca, Crystal Lopez, Jesiah Henricksen, Victor Valadez, Leo Martinez, Vanessa Valdez, Gabriel Hoffman, Amba Norton, Rosie Cervantes, Myriah Ramos, Adrienne Francisco, Elizabeth España, Veronica Hernandez Prado, Miguel Mote Hernandez, Jorge Toledano Ortiz, Alondra Mendoza Martinez, Eulalia Mendoza, Juan Carlos Diaz, Raul Lopez, Erica Valenzuela, Heather Naxu Luhn, Daisy Sampablo, Ilien Tolteca, Mayra Tamayo, Justin Tolteca, Josue Vasquez, Claudia G, Karla Alejandra, Ludi, Jazmin, Briana Becerra, Martin Cazarez, Greg Runyon, Noemi Tungu, Gerardo Santos, Javier Garnica, Carlos Munoz, Arely Garcia, Alina Ramiez, Eduardo Huerta, Vanessa Teran, Santino Mendez, Stanley Espinosa, Jason Mc Comb, Pat Brown, Marco

Lopez, Julie Pena, Arthur Valenzuela, Jr., Alejandra Valencia, Alexes, Cristian, Marisol Starr, Isabel, Nidia Bello, Caller 2981, Douglas Partello, and Mia Hernandez.

G. REPORT OF CITY MANAGER/EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR/SECRETARY

The City Manager stated that our Police Department does not cooperate with ICE and that it's not only a City policy but also a California State law. He provided an update on the availability of sandbags throughout the City.

H. CITY COUNCIL BUSINESS/COMMITTEE REPORTS

RECESS

At 9:28 p.m., the City Council recessed and at 9:35 p.m., the City Council reconvened.

The members of the Council provided brief announcements regarding their various activities.

Councilwoman Perez requested: 1) requested staff to consider vetting for credible resources and creating a section on the City of Oxnard's website for know your rights information that contains pertinent information to know your rights in multiple languages; 2) asked that the City Manager meet with and consider providing a grant to a local non-profit for them to provide community education to inform our residents of their rights; and 3) asked staff to work with our community organizations to review the current language of our resolution and conduct research relevant to our 2025 policies.

Councilman Starr requested: 1) staff maintain a list of open future agenda item requests that are being considered be recorded each meeting with the tentative dates; 2) anti-camping ordinance (update); 3) sober living facilities ordinance.

Mayor Mc Arthur requested: 1) update on his previous requests; 2) creating a committee to explore the differences between a Safe and Sanctuary City; 3) creating a historic district committee; 4) landscape maintenance district; lighting on Oxnard Boulevard between Gonzales and Colonia Road; 5) solar lighting at parks; and 6) signage on Oxnard Boulevard coming into our City.

At 9:58 p.m., the Council voted to continue the meeting past 10:00 p.m., and take action on the remainder of the items on the agenda.

I. REVIEW OF INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

Item Nos. K-2, K-3, K-4, K-5, K-7 and K-8 were reviewed and discussed among the Council and staff.

J. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA

No public comments were received.

K. INFORMATION/CONSENT AGENDA**1. City Clerk Department**

SUBJECT: Minutes of the Oxnard City Council.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve the regular meeting minutes of Oxnard City Council for January 7, 2025.

3. Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Public Project Agreement 32500358 with At Your Service Construction & Energy, Inc., for Restroom Improvement Project - College Estates Park, Specification No. PW 23-28.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve and authorize:

1. A total of \$458,160 in Project funds for the Restroom Improvement Project - College Estates Park, Specification No. PW 23-28;
2. The Mayor to Execute an Agreement with At Your Service Construction & Energy, Inc. in the amount of \$381,800 and a Project contingency amount of \$38,180 (10%) for a total not to exceed contract value of \$419,980 for the Project; and
3. A Project allocation amount of \$38,180 (10%) for engineering, inspection, survey and project management for the Project.

(This item did not originate in Committee as this is a capital improvement project specifically listed in the City's Capital Improvement Program budget, which was previously approved by the City Council.)

4. Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Trade Service Agreement 32500297 with County First Fire, LLC (dba County Fire Protection) for Fire Extinguisher Services, Specification No. PW 25-46.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute an Agreement with County First Fire, LLC (dba County Fire Protection) for a two-year term from February 5, 2025 to February 4, 2027, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$200,000 for fire extinguisher services in various City facilities, vehicles, and equipment.

(As of the date of this City Council agenda being posted, there is not yet an outcome from the January 28, 2025 Public Works and Transportation Committee. Staff is available to answer any questions.)

5. Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Public Project Agreement 32500337 with Langkilde's Fire Protection Inc. for Maintenance, Inspections and On-Call Minor Repairs for Fire Suppression Systems, Specification No. PW 25-08R.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute an Agreement with Langkilde's Fire Protection Inc. for a three-year term for a total contract amount not to exceed \$700,000 for maintenance, inspections, and minor repairs to fire suppression systems at City-owned facilities.

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6. Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Lease and License Agreement A-8566 with Oxnard Drainage District #1.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute a Lease and License Agreement with Oxnard Drainage District No. 1 for an initial term of five years with additional five-year extension term provisions.

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7. Public Works Department

SUBJECT: Multiple Agreements for On-Call Professional Engineering Services for Water, Wastewater, and Recycled Water Systems.

RECOMMENDATION: That the City Council approve and authorize the Mayor to execute the following Agreements, each with an initial term of one year from February 5, 2025, to February 4, 2026, with an option for four consecutive one-year period extensions ending February 4, 2030, for on-call professional engineering services for Water, Wastewater, and Recycled Water Systems:

1. Agreement 32500306 AECOM Technical Services, Inc. for a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000;
2. Agreement 32500307 Brown & Caldwell for a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000;
3. Agreement 32500308 Carollo Engineers, Inc. for a total not-to-exceed amount of \$1,000,000;
4. Agreement 32500309 Dudek for a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000;
5. Agreement 32500310 GHD, Inc. for a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000;
6. Agreement 32500311 Kennedy Jenks Consultants, Inc., for a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000;
7. Agreement 32500326 Michael K. Nunley & Associates, Inc. DBA MKN for a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000;
8. Agreement 32500328 MNS Engineers, Inc. for a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000;
9. Agreement 32500312 Stantec Consulting Services, Inc. for a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000; and
10. Agreement 32500313 Woodard & Curran for a total amount not to exceed \$1,000,000.

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8. Finance Department

SUBJECT: Monthly Investment Report as of December 31, 2024.

RECOMMENDATION: This is an information item for the City Council to receive and file.

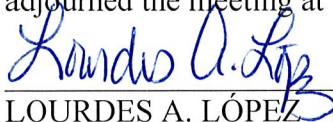
(This item did not originate in Committee.)

Consent Items K.1 – K.8

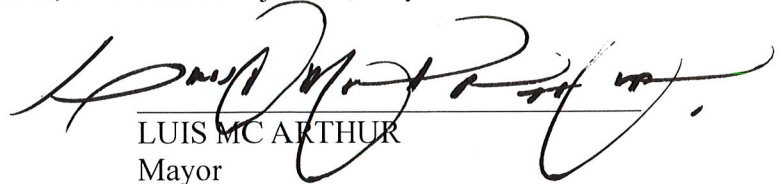
It was moved by Councilmember Perello, seconded by Councilwoman Basua, to approve the Information/Consent item as presented. VOTE: Perello, Basua, Mc Arthur, Perez, Rodriguez, Starr, and Teran voted in favor; the motion passed 7-0.

L. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business on the agenda, and without objection, Mayor Mc Arthur adjourned the meeting at 10:43 p.m.



LOURDES A. LÓPEZ
City Clerk



LUIS MC ARTHUR
Mayor