Mayor and City Council

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About Mayor and City Council

The Office of the Mayor and six City Councilmembers comprise the City Council. The Mayor presides over the City Council meetings held weekly in open public session in the Council Chamber.

The seven-member governmental body serves the City at large. Its duties under the City Charter include approval of the Annual Budget and oversight of the financial affairs of the City. The Mayor and City Councilmembers appoint the City Administrator and the City Attorney. The City Council has the power to adopt ordinances and resolutions; make appointments to advisory boards and commissions; establish policy and approve programs; act on program and administrative recommendations of City staff; appropriate funds and approve contracts; and respond to concerns and needs of residents.

The Mayor and Councilmembers serve as the Board Members of the Redevelopment Agency. Individually, Councilmembers may represent the City by serving on state and regional boards and local civic organizations.

Fiscal Year 2011 Budget Highlights

The Mayor and Council will oversee the:

- General Plan update;
- Airport terminal remodel;
- Sustainable Santa Barbara Program;
- Continuing support for the youth of the community;
- City's capital and transportation needs and funding options; and
- Adoption of the City's budget

Staff to the Mayor and City Councilmembers assist in responding to numerous calls and letters from citizens each week, including conducting research and drafting responses.

The Mayor and City Council oversee and evaluate the programs and accomplishments of departments.

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Department Financial and Staffing Summary

	9.00 1,250		9.00 130		Projected FY 2010 9.00 130		Adopted FY 2011 8.00 0	
Authorized Positions								
Hourly Employee Hours								
Revenues								
Overhead Allocation Recovery	\$	460,891	\$	349,860	\$	349,860	\$	310,771
General Fund Subsidy		347,189		397,890		331,863		376,048
Total Department Revenue	\$	808,080	\$	747,750	\$	681,723	\$	686,819
Expenditures								
Salaries and Benefits	\$	549,189	\$	543,320	\$	477,616	\$	492,120
Supplies and Services		256,711		203,630		202,904		193,899
Special Projects		2,180		800		1,203		800
Total Department Expenditures	\$	808,080	\$	747,750	\$	681,723	\$	686,819

The Office of the Mayor and City Council is budgeted in the General Fund.

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Response to Economic Crisis

The Mayor and Council's Office budget was combined with the City Administrator's Office budget to evaluate potential cost saving measures. For more information on budget adjustments, please refer to the City Administrator's Office section.

City of Santa Barbara Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2011

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL PROGRAM

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(Program No. 1111)

Mission Statement

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Program Activities

- o Respond to the needs and concerns of citizens.
- Establish policy and approve programs.
- o Oversee the City's finances.
- Oversee and evaluate the programs and accomplishments of departments.
- Serve as liaisons on all City boards, commissions, and advisory groups and appointees on regional, state, and national committees.
- Advise staff on pending litigation and personnel issues.
- Create City Council Goals to guide department budget and program decisions.

Key Objectives for Fiscal Year 2011

- Hold weekly Council Meetings to set policy and act on recommendations from staff.
- o Adopt the Fiscal Year 2012 budget by June 30, 2011.
- Act on staff and Advisory Board and Commission recommendations at weekly Council meetings.
- Appoint members to the City Advisory Boards and Commissions twice annually.
- Provide guidance to the City's negotiating team related to collective bargaining agreements and other employee compensation decisions.



RECENT PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS

The City Council adopted the Fiscal Year 2010 budget within the established timeline.

Financial and Staffing Information

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Program Performance Measures

Performance Measures	Actual	Projected	Adopted
	FY 2009	FY 2010	FY 2011
Council meetings held	75	70	70

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