



**CITY OF SANTA BARBARA  
NEIGHBORHOOD ADVISORY COUNCIL**

**Monday, July 8, 2019  
6:00 p.m.**

**Louise Lowry Davis Center  
1232 De La Vina St.**

**Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER**

**ROLL CALL**

Aldana, Sebastian  
Barrios, Jacqueline  
Foxen, Sally  
Heaton, Brittany  
Hemingway, Danny  
Lafond, Susan  
Lydon, Stacey  
O'Mahoney, May  
Perkins, Beverly  
Perkins, Don  
Qadri, Rehman

**Staff Present**

Mike Wiltshire, Facilities and Energy Division Manager  
Matt Fore, Senior Assistant to the City Administrator

**Liaisons Present**

Councilmember Jason Dominguez:

- Working on solutions to homelessness in the City and potentially forming a homelessness task force. Notify Councilmember Dominguez if you would like to participate.
- A community meeting with People Assisting the Homeless (PATH) is scheduled for 4:30 pm on July 10 at the Franklin Neighborhood Center.

**Advisory Council Members Absent**

Sanford, Eve

**CHANGES TO THE AGENDA**

None.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

### **1. Alex Chow – Santa Barbara Youth Council Representative:**

- The Youth Council recently installed nine (9) new members.
- Isis Castaneda is the new Youth Council Advisor.
- The Youth Council recently concluded filming of a new public service announcement with Councilmember Gutierrez titled, “See Something, Say Something.”
- The annual Youth Council dinner was held on June 3, 2019; meetings are scheduled for August 2 and 26.

## **COUNCIL AND STAFF COMMUNICATIONS**

None.

## **CONSENT CALENDAR**

### **1. Subject: Approval of the Minutes – For Action (Attachment)**

Recommendation: That the Neighborhood Advisory Council waive reading and approve the minutes of the June 12, 2019 regular meeting.

Action: The Neighborhood Advisory Council approved the minutes of the April 10, 2019 regular meeting (Barrios/Aldana), unanimous with two abstentions (O’Mahoney/Foxen) with revisions to Sebastian Aldana’s Neighborhood Update, which are reflected in the revised minutes.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **2. Subject: Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project and City’s Solid Waste System For Information Only (Attachment)**

Recommendation: That the Neighborhood Advisory Council receive a presentation regarding the Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project and its integration into the City’s solid waste system.

Summary: The presentation provided an overview of the City’s solid waste management system and trends in recycling and waste diversion. It also described the Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project (TRRP) and how this new infrastructure will impact the City’s diversion efforts. The TRRP consists of a mixed waste sorting facility to separate recyclables and organics from the trash and an anaerobic digester, which will process organics. The digested organics produce methane, which will be used to generate electricity.

Documents:

- July 8 report from Rene Eyerly, Environmental Services Manager; and,
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

- Rene Eyerly, Environmental Services Manager
- Councilmember Jason Dominguez: voted against the Tajiguas Resource Recovery Project

**3. Subject: City's Efforts to Evaluate Community Choice Energy in all or part of Santa Barbara County – For Information Only (Attachment)**

Recommendation: That the Neighborhood Advisory Council receive a presentation on the City's efforts to evaluate the feasibility of establishing Community Choice Energy in all or part of Santa Barbara County.

Summary: Community Choice Energy (CCE) would allow the City to directly purchase energy or to generate power and to set the rates charged to customers. Southern California Edison (SCE) would continue to deliver electricity through its grid. City staff, along with a subcommittee of City Council, are evaluating the feasibility of CCE in all or part of Santa Barbara County, using two recently-completed technical studies, both authored by Pacific Energy Advisors. A City-Only CCE, offering 100 percent renewable electricity, would fulfill City Council's 2017 renewable electricity goal, with a premium to customers of approximately 6-9 percent over what they currently pay to SCE. CCE will be discussed with the City Council on July 23, 2019.

Documents:

- July 8 report from Matt Fore, Senior Assistant to the City Administrator; and,
- PowerPoint presentation prepared and made by Staff.

Speakers:

- Matt Fore, Senior Assistant to the City Administrator
- Councilmember Dominguez: supported the City joining the Clean Power Alliance when Community Choice Energy was discussed with the City Council in July 2018.

#### **4. Neighborhood Updates – For Information Only**

Recommendation: That each NAC member take up to two minutes to update the public on specific neighborhood related issues or events impacting their neighborhood or the community in general.

Stacey Lydon: observed significant accumulations of trash at the summer meal distribution locations.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:23pm.

Next regular meeting:        Franklin Neighborhood Center  
   1136 E. Montecito St.  
   **Monday, August 12, 2019 - 6:00 p.m.**