CITY COUNCIL AGENDA

TUESDAY, JANUARY 27, 2026

CLOSED SESSION – 4:00 P.M.
REGULAR MEETING - 5:00 P.M.

WRIGHT EVENT CENTER – 57 DAY ROAD, VENTURA, CA 93003

DR. JEANNETTE SÁNCHEZ-PALACIOS, MAYOR
Councilmembers:

DISTRICT 1 – LIZ CAMPOS
DISTRICT 2 – DOUG HALTER, DEPUTY MAYOR
DISTRICT 3 – RYYN SCHUMACHER
DISTRICT 5 – BILL MCREYNOLDS
DISTRICT 6 – JIM DURAN
DISTRICT 7 – ALEX MANGONE

Bill Ayub	Javan N. Rad	Michael B. MacDonald
City Manager	City Attorney	City Clerk

PUBLIC ADVISORY: THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED IN A HYBRID MODEL WITH BOTH IN-PERSON ATTENDANCE AND VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION.

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This meeting will be conducted in accordance with the Brown Act, Government Code Section 54953. Any member of the public may attend this meeting. Questions regarding this matter may be addressed to Michael B. MacDonald, City Clerk, (805) 658-4787. The City Council may take action related to any subject listed on the Agenda. Meetings will adjourn at 10:00 p.m. Any items outstanding at that time will be deferred until the next regularly scheduled meeting

CALL TO ORDER – CLOSED SESSION – 4:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: *Public comments on Closed Session Items only.*

CLOSED SESSION: ***Teleconference/Video Conference Meeting.*** *The Public may not participate in the Closed Session, other than for Public Comments.*

1. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**
   Name of Case: Ideal Construction, Inc. v. City of San Buenaventura
   Ventura County Superior Court Case No. 2024CUWM025099
   Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

2. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**
   Name of Case: Guadalupe Kimball v. City of San Buenaventura
   Ventura County Superior Court Case No. 2024CUPP030931
   Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

3. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**
   Name of Case: Open Main Street v. City of San Buenaventura
   Ventura County Superior Court Case No. 2024CUWM021824
   Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

4. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**
   Name of Case: XUS, LP, v. City of San Buenaventura
   Ventura County Superior Court Case No. 2024CUE1035012
   Authority: Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1)

ADJOURNMENT: *Adjourn to Regular Meeting.*

CALL TO ORDER – REGULAR SESSION – 5:00 p.m. *The regular meetings of the San Buenaventura (Ventura) City Council also serve as regular meetings of the Successor Agency, Public Facilities Financing Authority, and the San Buenaventura Parking Authority when items are listed on the agenda.*

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Interface Children & Family Services Presentation
- Stop Human Trafficking Proclamation
- Scouting America Recognition
- Martin Luther King Jr. Day Proclamation

CLOSED SESSION REPORT

CITY COUNCIL COMMUNICATIONS: *Per Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(2), the Council Communications section of the agenda provides City Council the opportunity to ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report on their own activities.*

CITY MANAGER COMMUNICATIONS

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS: *In compliance with Government Code Section 54954.3, Public Communications is that portion of Council meetings set aside for members of the public to address City Council on items of any City business other than scheduled agenda items. Comments are limited to items within the subject matter jurisdiction of the City and are limited to no more than three (3) minutes. Per the City Council Protocols, this initial period for general public communications will be limited to twenty (20) speakers, with priority given to in-person speakers over virtual speakers. If there are ten (10) or fewer speakers, each speaker will have three (3) minutes to speak; if there are more than ten (10) speakers, each speaker will have two (2) minutes to speak. Speakers may not cede their time to another speaker. City Council cannot act on any items not on the agenda.*

CONSENT ITEMS: *Matters appearing on the Consent Items are expected to be non-controversial and will be acted upon by City Council at one time without discussion unless a Councilmember, City Staff, or a member of the public requests an opportunity to address an item. Items removed from the Consent Calendar will be discussed at the beginning of the Formal Items. Approval by the City Council of Consent Items means the recommendation of Staff is approved along with the terms and conditions described in the Administrative Report.*

1. **First Amendment to Legal Services Agreement P2024-118 with Best Best & Krieger, LLP for Representation of the City in *Ideal Construction v. City of San Buenaventura***

Staff: Javan N. Rad, City Attorney

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Attorney to enter into a First Amendment to Legal Services Agreement P2024-118 with the law firm of Best Best & Krieger, LLP, to increase the not-to-exceed amount to $300,000 (an increase of $240,000), to continue representation of the City in the *Ideal Construction v. City of San Buenaventura* lawsuit.

CONSENT ITEMS (CONTINUED)

2. **Fourth Amendment to Legal Services Agreement P2024-095 with Law Firm of Rutan & Tucker, in the case of *Open Main Street v. City of San Buenaventura***

Staff: Javan N. Rad, City Attorney

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Attorney to enter into a Fourth Amendment to Agreement P2024-095 with the law firm of Rutan & Tucker in an amount not-to-exceed a total of $400,000 (an additional $95,000), to continue representation of the City in the *Open Main Street v. City of San Buenaventura* litigation matter.

3. **City Council Minutes – Regular Meetings held on December 9, 2025, and December 16, 2025**

Staff: Michael MacDonald, City Clerk

RECOMMENDATION

Approve City Council Minutes for Regular Meetings held on December 9, 2025, and December 16, 2025.

4. **City Council Quarterly Travel Report**

Staff: Bill Ayub, City Manager

RECOMMENDATION

Receive and file the Travel Report for Quarter 1 and 2 of Fiscal Year 2025/26.

5. **Ordinance for Second Reading - Ordinance to Amend the San Buenaventura Municipal Code Section 24.595.150 Amending Midtown Corridors Development Code Residential Overlay One**

Staff: Michael MacDonald, City Clerk

RECOMMENDATION

a. Waive the second reading in full and adopt an Ordinance Amending Chapter 24.595.150 of the San Buenaventura Municipal Code to Allow Three Stories in the Midtown Corridors Development. Ordinance titled:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, CALIFORNIA, AMENDING CHAPTER 24.595.150 (RESIDENTIAL OVERLAY ONE) OF THE SAN BUENAVENTURA MUNICIPAL CODE"

b. Authorize staff to initiate a Local Coastal Program Implementation Plan Amendment (LCPA) to the California Coastal Commission to certify SBMC 24.595.150, the City's Residential Overlay One.

6. Ordinance for Second Reading - Ordinance to Repeal the City of San Buenaventura Municipal Code Section 6.800 Requiring Disclosure of Building Records Upon Resale

Staff: Michael MacDonald, City Clerk

RECOMMENDATION

Waive the second reading in full and adopt an Ordinance to remove the City of San Buenaventura City Municipal Code Chapter 6.800 Disclosure of Building Records Required Upon Building Resale titled as follows:

"AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA, CALIFORNIA, REPEALING CHAPTER 6.800, DISCLOSURE OF BUILDING RECORDS REQUIRED UPON BUILDING RESALE, OF THE SAN BUENAVENTURA MUNICIPAL CODE TO REMOVE THE REQUIREMENT OF THE BUILDING RECORDS DISCLOSURE REPORT UPON SALE OF REAL PROPERTY IN THE CITY OF SAN BUENAVENTURA"

7. Revised Salary Resolutions for Professional and Maintenance Unit Employees

Staff: Valerie Barroso, Human Resources Director

RECOMMENDATION

a. Adopt a revised Resolution Providing for a Systematic Classification of Positions and a Standardization of Salaries of Professional Unit Employees of the City (Salary Resolution) as of January 31, 2026.

b. Adopt a revised Resolution Providing for a Systematic Classification of Positions and a Standardization of Salaries of Maintenance Unit Employees of the City (Salary Resolution) as of January 31, 2026.

8. **Professional Services Agreement with The Cultural Planning Group, LLC for Development of Arts and Cultural Policies and an Implementation Plan**

Staff: Stacey Zarazua, Parks and Recreation Director

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute a Professional Services Agreement with The Cultural Planning Group, LLC. to provide professional consulting services for the development of an Arts and Cultural Policy Framework, Arts Policy, Cultural Policy, and an Implementation Plan, in an amount not to exceed $98,050, plus an additional $1,950 requiring advanced written approval from the Parks and Recreation Director, for a total Agreement Amount not-to-exceed $100,000. The term of the Agreement is from January 27, 2026 through December 31, 2026.

9. **Increase Contract Appropriations Under Job Order Contract PW24-1142 with MTM Construction, Inc. for City Council Chambers Accessibility Improvements**

Staff: Charles W. Ebeling, Public Works Director

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to increase contract appropriations under Job Order Contract PW24-1142, in the amount of $86,896 with MTM Construction, Inc. for the City Council Chambers Accessibility Improvements project for a total not-to-exceed amount of $686,809.

10. **First Amendment to Upper Ventura River Groundwater Agency's Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement to Resolve Issues Causing Delays and Additional Expenses**

Staff: Gina Dorrington, Ventura Water General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the First Amendment to the Upper Ventura River Groundwater Agency's Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement.

FORMAL ITEMS: *The public may comment on each item listed on the agenda for Formal Items as the item is taken up. Formal Items may be reordered at the discretion of the Chair. The public may speak up to three (3) minutes on each agenda item. If there are 21 or more speakers, the time will be reduced to two (2) minutes.*

11. Award of Construction Contract with Onyx Paving Company, Inc. for Project ST15-1084: Street Resurfacing - 2026 Slurry/Cape Seal

Staff: Charles W. Ebeling, Public Works Director

RECOMMENDATION

a. Approve the Street Resurfacing – 2026 Slurry/Cape Seal and determine that it is categorically exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) as defined in Article 19, Section 15301(c) of the CEQA Guidelines because it is considered maintenance of existing roadways with no expansion of existing or former use.

b. Waive all Minor Bid Irregularities, approve and authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute subject Agreement with Onyx Paving Company, Inc. for street resurfacing – 2026 slurry/cape seal in the amount of $3,069,000 with a contract completion date of June 12, 2026.

c. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute future amendments to subject Agreement up to a total maximum contingency of $306,900 for a total not-to-exceed Agreement amount of $3,375,900.

d. Authorize the Finance Department to make the necessary appropriation adjustments in the Gas Tax Fund.

12. Amendments of Four Contracts Associated with Project WW22-1215, Membrane Bioreactor/ Ultraviolet Light Disinfection Project

Staff: Gina Dorrington, Ventura Water General Manager

RECOMMENDATION

a. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute a Construction Phase Second Amendment to Agreement 2023-070/2025-67 with PCL Construction, Inc. increasing the contract amount from $90,512,665, including contingency, to $251,603,744 for the Membrane Bioreactor/Ultraviolet Light Disinfection Project with a contract completion date of July 31, 2030 and extend the contract to a completion date of July 31, 2030 with the ability to grant a total time extension of 90 calendar days.

b. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the First Amendment to Professional Services Agreement 2025-68 with Kennedy Jenks Consultants, Inc. for engineering support during construction, increasing the contract amount from $3,198,015, including contingency, to $10,385,599 with a contract completion date of July 31, 2030 and execute a total time extension of 90 calendar days.

c. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Eighth Amendment to Professional Services Agreement 2022-070 with Kennedy Jenks Consultants, Inc. for design services extending the contract completion date to December 31, 2029 (no change to compensation).

d. Authorize the City Manager, or designee, to execute the Second Amendment to Professional Services Agreement 2024-25 with MWH Constructors for construction management services increasing the contract amount from $19,416,836, including contingency, to $21,766,836 with a contract completion date of July 31, 2030 and to execute a total time extension of 90 calendar days.

ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDAS: *Policy Considerations may be submitted by two Councilmembers jointly on Items for Future Agendas. Policy Considerations are to request that the City Council direct "staff to report back to the body at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda," as allowed by Government Code Section 54954.2(a)(3).*

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ADJOURNMENT: *Communications to the City Council are public record and will become part of the City's electronic records, which are accessible through the City's website. Please note: e-mail addresses, names, addresses, and other contact information are not required, but if included in any communication to the City Council, will become part of the public record. If you do not want your e-mail address or any other contact information to be made public, you may deliver communications via U.S. Postal Service to the City Clerk's Office at 501 Poli Street, Room 204, Ventura, CA 93001. If you do not want your contact information included in the public record, please do not include that information in your communication. Please contact the City Clerk Department for further information.*

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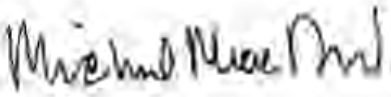
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Resource Items for the Public:

- City Council Protocols (which includes Rules of Decorum for the Public)
- City Council Strategic Priorities 2025-2026
- Budget Principles 2021-2022
- City Charter/Municipal Code

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Michael B. MacDonald, CMC
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