

**CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FEBRUARY 25, 2019
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Flores called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Council Member Freeman led the pledge of allegiance.

ROLL CALL Present: Mayor Flores, Vice Mayor Edge, Council Members DeVries, Freeman, and Jordan

Staff Present: City Attorney Mall, City Clerk Cent, Deputy City Clerk Paetz, Associate Planner Kennedy, City Accountant Cumming. City Manager LaForge arrived at 5:43 P.M.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT – ONLY ON ITEMS ON THE AGENDA

There was no public comment at this time in the meeting.

3. CONSENT ITEMS

A. Approve Affidavit of Posting Agenda

B. Approve Affidavit of Posting Public Hearing

There was no public comment. Council Member Jordan made a motion to approve all items on the Consent list. Second by Council Member Freeman. The motion passed 5-0.

4. PUBLIC HEARING

A. La Casa Rosa: Consider Abatement

Associate Planner Kennedy presented a report. City Attorney Mall reported this was the final action of the Council to declare a nuisance, hear any objections from the owners and pursue abatement. City Attorney Mall answered questions from Council Members. Public comment was received from Cara Vonk asking who the owners are and she supports taking action. There was written public comment received before the meeting from Wanda Guibert, President of the San Juan Bautista Historical Society, requesting not all the windows be boarded over and offering to pay for lace curtains for those windows. Public comment was received via email before the meeting from Emily Renzel supporting stabilization of the structure. City Attorney Mall reviewed Section 5 of the Resolution to state the correct wording. Mayor Flores read the Resolution out loud. Council Member DeVries made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-09 of the City Council after a public hearing declaring the condition of the building at 107 Third Street to constitute a public nuisance and ordering abatement of said nuisance to protect citizens and their property from conditions that threaten public health, safety and welfare and assessing the cost of abatement as modified. Second by Council Member Jordan. The motion passed 5-0.

Whereupon, City Manager LaForge reported on the meeting with the Governor and the Department of Housing and Community Development she and the Mayor attended in Long Beach.

B. Discuss Status of La Casa Rosa Code Enforcement and Whether Civil or Criminal Action Will Be Taken

There was discussion with City staff and Council Members. There was no public comment. No action was taken.

5. ACTION ITEMS

A. Authorize Appointment of Assistant City Manager

City Manager LaForge reviewed her report, stating she is resigning as City Manager and asking for authorization to appoint an assistant city manager to assist with the transition. Public comment was received from Cara Vonk asking who would be qualified to be Assistant City Manager, whether the previous Interim City Manager Tewes was available, and stated City Manager LaForge was very good and she was sorry to see her leave. Mayor Flores read City Manager LaForge's letter of resignation. Vice Mayor Edge made a motion to approve a salary for an Assistant City Manager at \$50 per hour for no more than two weeks for a maximum of \$2000. Second by Council Member Jordan. The motion passed 5-0. City Attorney Mall will draw up a contract for the Assistant City Manager.

B. Review Mid Year Budget and Approve Resolution 2019-10 Amending the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget

City Manager LaForge presented a PowerPoint presentation of the Mid Year Budget Review. City Accountant Cumming also made a presentation. Public comment was received from Cara Vonk supporting work to improve the acoustics in the Community Hall. Council Member Freeman made a motion to approve Resolution 2019-10 amending the San Juan Bautista Municipal Budget for FY 2018-2019. Second by Council Member Jordan. The motion passed 5-0.

C. Consider Changes to Security Requirements for Rental of SJB Community Hall

Council Member Jordan recused herself from this item as a family member is employed by Level 1 Security. City Manager LaForge gave a report. There was discussion between City staff and Council Members, including adding a decibel limit for noise. City Manager LaForge said the City will provide Level 1 Security with a decibel meter. Public comment was received from Cara Vonk with the concern that the increased cost of security may make renting the Community Hall too expensive. JT of Level 1 Security spoke, thanking City Manager LaForge. Vice Mayor Edge made a motion changing the security requirements for renting the Community Hall and to add a decibel level limit. Second by Council Member Freeman. The motion passed 4-0, with Council Member Jordan abstained.

6. CLOSED SESSION

Public comment was received from Rachel Ponce thanking City Manager LaForge for her professional manner and work on the budget, and she requested that community members be added to the interview panel. A recess was taken at 6:51 P.M. Closed session began at 7:00 P.M.

A. Public Employee Performance Evaluation – Title: City Manager Pursuant to Government Code 54957

City Attorney Mall announced no reportable action taken.

B. Public Employee Appointment/Employment – Title: Interim City Manager Pursuant to Government Code 54957

City Attorney Mall announced no reportable action taken.

7. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 P.M.



César E. Flores, Mayor

ATTEST:



Laura Cent, City Clerk