

**CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA  
SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
JUNE 3, 2019  
MINUTES**

**1. CALL TO ORDER** – Mayor Flores called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** – Council Member Freeman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

**Absent:** Council Member DeVries

**Staff Present:** Interim City Manager Tewes, City Clerk Cent

At this point in the meeting, Mayor Flores went to Item 3A Action Items Approve Affidavit of Posting Agenda

**3. ACTION ITEMS**

**A. Approve Affidavit of Posting Agenda**

Vice Mayor Edge made a motion to approve the Affidavit of Posting Agenda. Second by Council Member Jordan. Motion passed 4-0 with Council Member DeVries absent.

At this point in the meeting, Mayor Flores went back to Item 2 Public Comment (Limited to items on the agenda).

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Marina Gordon spoke regarding cat rescue which she and her husband Eric do in San Juan Bautista. She requested funds to be made available for spaying/neutering and vaccinating the rescued cats through Pet Friends. The funds are used only for cats in San Juan Bautista. It is \$50 per cat to spay/neuter. She and Eric have provided documentation for how funds were used in the past when requested by the City Manager.

**4. DISCUSSION ITEMS**

**A. Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget Workshop: Review, Consider, and Provide Direction to Staff Regarding the Recommended Budget; Approval of Final Budget June 18, 2019**

Interim City Manager Tewes gave an introduction to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget Workshop. Bob Quaid spoke representing the San Juan Bautista Community Business Association. Last fiscal year they received \$20,000 to run the Welcome Center and produce commercials promoting San Juan Bautista. The SJB Community Business Association would like to receive the same amount or more if the whole County project revives. Jill Pagaran spoke about listening sessions with the Business Council and also with the Mission. A five-year comprehensive program went out to bid, however the County Chamber does not have a full board and they have funding issues. Interim City Manager Tewes recommended that to receive funds, a budget should be presented for using City funds. Ramona Hill of Credo Studio spoke in favor of a Community Art project of three more street mandalas this year. She gave the cost for two more mandalas at


\$1,600 each and the winter mandala at a cost of \$2,500 for a total of \$5,700 for all three. Interim City Manager Tewes spoke regarding the proposed track project at San Juan School as mentioned in an email received from Teresa Lavagnino requesting the City budget \$20,000 towards the track project. He recommended the City and the School have joint use agreements and the Parks & Recreation Master Plan Committee include the track in the Parks & Recreation Master Plan. Interim City Manager Tewes presented printed copies from the Recommended FY20 Budget which had changes and corrections highlighted in yellow. Vice Mayor Edge, Nicholas Bryan and Ramona Hill asked questions regarding items in the budget, which Interim City Manager Tewes responded to. Interim City Manager Tewes presented a line graph showing projected tax revenue, discussed Community Development Fund revenue and water & sewer revenue. Council Members and staff discussed the pellet plant for reducing water hardness.

At this time in the meeting Mayor Flores requested questions from the public. Questions and suggestions included the Fourth Street Speed Tables project, City staffing including adding a part-time event planner and a social media specialist, which were answered by staff. Interim City Manager Tewes proposed the Council develop a process including forms and a deadline, to submit proposals in the future. Council Member Freeman requested that staff list funds for the San Juan Bautista Community Business Association and the mandala projects in the FY20 Budget.

Members of the public, Council Members and staff continued discussions on parks, Franklin Circle green space, a deputy city manager, pay raise for City staff (3% or 5%), and street sweeping. JT and Tyler Jordan of Level 1 Private Security and Interim City Manager Tewes discussed the contract between the City and Level 1. JT reported on different issues Level 1 employees were facing, including tagging at the school and the Copperleaf sound wall. Public Works Supervisor Bryan reported that the tagging on the Copperleaf wall would be painted over tomorrow. Ramona Hill asked for clarification where the Community Art projects would appear in the budget and if requests for funds needed to be made in the future. Interim City Manager Tewes responded Community Art would be in General Government expenditures and requests for funds needed to be made each year. Public Works Supervisor Bryan asked questions about the amounts budgeted in Public Works Parks & Buildings (44), Water (46) and Sewer (48), and appreciated the increase in the training budget.

## 5. ADJOURNMENT

A motion to adjourn was made by Vice Mayor Edge. Second by Council Member Freeman. Motion carried 4-0, with Council Member DeVries absent. The meeting was adjourned at 7:46 P.M.

  
Mary Vazquez Edge, Vice Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Laura Cent, City Clerk