

RESOLUTION NO. 2022- 19

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA APPOINTING TWO COUNCILMEMBERS TO THE FIRE PROTECTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, all of San Benito County is served by the Hollister Fire Department; and

WHEREAS, fire protection services to the County unincorporated area and for the City of San Juan Bautista are provided through separate contracts; and

WHEREAS, the City of Hollister Fire Department has executed several mutual aid agreements with the surrounding fire service agencies including Cal Fire to support them with resources in times of extreme needs; and

WHEREAS; the fire protection needs of the County are reviewed every five-years, and this was last done with the support of a “Fire Protection Advisory Committee” established in 2014-15, resulting in a Fire Protection and Life Safety Feasibility Study completed in 2018; and

WHEREAS, San Juan Bautista is represented at the Intergovernmental Committee by Councilmember (and Chair) John Freeman, and Mayor Leslie Jordon, and they meet with the appointed delegates from Hollister and County Board of Supervisors the first Thursday of every month; and

WHEREAS, at the March 3, 2022, Intergovernmental Committee meeting. the Fire Chief gave his annual report for the period ending December 31, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the Committee also discussed changes occurring in the region including growth of new housing and industrial centers, the need for a public safety center at the San Juan Oaks future development, and others issues including reconsideration of establishing a regional Fire District; and

WHEREAS, changes in the region justify the need to update of the 2018 Fire Protection and Life Safety Feasibility Study, this should occur every five-years, and the members of this Committee unanimously agreed to request that elected officials from each jurisdiction to a new Fire Protection Advisory Committee; and

WHEREAS, these ideas were discussed along with the City’s new Strategic Plan, at the Special Council Meeting held March 8, 2022, (the continuation of the February 15, 2022 Council meeting), and the Council seemed to support establishing and participating in a Fire Protection Advisory Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA NOW HEREBY FINDS:

1. That the recitals in this Resolution and accompanying staff report are true and correct and are hereby made a part of this Resolution.

2. It agrees that a new Fire Protection Advisory Committee be established with two representatives from the city councils of the City of San Juan Bautista, Hollister and the County Board of Supervisors.
3. That the City Council appoints Public Safety Ad-Hoc Committee Members Mayor Jordon and Councilmember Freels.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by the City Council of the City of San Juan Bautista at a regular meeting held on the 15th day of March 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: Jordon, Flores, Edge, Freels, Freeman

NOES: None

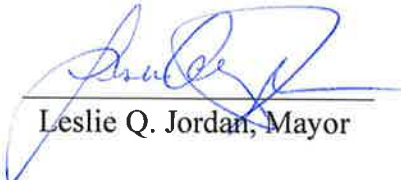
ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

ATTEST:



Don Reynolds, Acting Deputy City Clerk



Leslie Q. Jordan, Mayor