

**MINUTES**  
**Special Council Meeting**  
**San Luis City Council**  
**San Luis Council Chambers**  
**1090 E. Union Street**  
**December 2, 2020**  
**6:10 p.m.**

**APPROVED** by Council

Date: 12/22/2020

Clerks Office: 80

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL:** Mayor Gerardo Sanchez called the Special City Council meeting to order at approximately 6:12 p.m.

Mayor, City Council, and some members of staff participated remotely.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Gerardo Sanchez  
Vice Mayor Matias Rosales  
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco  
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz  
Council Member Jose Ponce

**ABSENT:** Council Member Mario Buchanan Jr.  
Council Member Gloria Torres

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tadeo A. De La Hoya, City Manager (remotely)  
Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk  
Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney  
Glenn Gimbut, Assitant City Attorney  
Angel Ramirez, Fire Chief  
Axel Chayra, Information Technology Technician  
Domingo Sosa, Information Technology Technician  
Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager  
Jose L. Cisneros, Executive Assistant  
Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks & Recreation  
Marlene Lara, Government and Foreign Affairs Coordinator  
Ralph Velez, City Consultant (remotely)  
Richard Jessup, Chief of Police  
Ric Bauermann, Fire Inspector

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Vice Mayor Matias Rosales led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:**

**3.A. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the purchase of holiday decorations from Downtown Decorations, LLC. (Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks & Recreation)**

Mr. Lizandro Galaviz, Director of Parks & Recreation, explained his department has been limited on the special events throughout this pandemic and have done virtual events. Staff met with other departments and spoke about the possibility of including more decorations on Main Street. He reviewed his budget and proposed an amount of \$20,000.00 to Administration. If they are able to use that funding that has not been used for some of the other events to instead order decorations to brighten up Main Street during these holidays and have something more positive and uplifting to those going through Main Street. The lifespan of these decorations is from 5-10 years, depending on the weather. He requested that the procurement code be waived and purchase the items as explained. He thanked staff, Ms. Marlene Lara and those departments that met, this is a team effort. He also added that the banners will be replaced.

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez stated it is a good idea, specially during these times and these decorations can be used yearly.

Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz said it is a good idea, the ornaments are beautiful and this extra cheer is needed in our lives.

**MOTION:** Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz/Council Member Jose Ponce approve the holiday decorations purchase as presented in amount not to exceed \$20,000.00 and to waive formal procurement procedures. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez	Aye
Vice Mayor Matias Rosales	Aye
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Jose Ponce	Aye

### **3.B. EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**Vote to hold an Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), (4), and (7).**

**Discussion and possible action to hold an Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3), (4), and (7) for discussion or consultation:**

- for legal advice with the city attorney or city's attorneys, and/or
- with the city attorney or city's attorneys in order to consider its position and instruct its attorneys regarding City Council's position regarding contracts that are the subject of negotiations, and/or
- with designated representatives of City Council in order to consider its position and instruct its representatives regarding negotiations for the purchase, sale, or lease of real property. (Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney; Jenny Torres, Economic Development Manager; and Ralph Velez, City Consultant)

**MOTION:** Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco/Council Member Jose Ponce to go into executive session at approximately 6:22 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez	Aye
Vice Mayor Matias Rosales	Aye
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Jose Ponce	Aye

#### **4. MOTION TO GO BACK INTO SPECIAL SESSION**

**MOTION:** Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz/Vice Mayor Matias Rosales to go back into special session at approximately 6:45 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez	Aye
Vice Mayor Matias Rosales	Aye
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Jose Ponce	Aye

#### **5. ADJOURNMENT**

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Matias Rosales/Council Member Jose Ponce to adjourn the Special Council meeting at approximately 6:45 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Gerardo Sanchez	Aye
Vice Mayor Matias Rosales	Aye
Council Member Africa Luna-Carrasco	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Jose Ponce	Aye

**APPROVED:**

  
for Gerardo Sanchez, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Special City Council meeting of the City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, held on December 2, 2020. I further certify that the meeting was dully called and held and that a quorum was present.

  
Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk