

MINUTES
Special Council Meeting
San Luis City Council
San Luis Council Chambers
1090 E. Union Street
March 1, 2023
6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Nieves Riedel called the Special City Council meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Nieves Riedel
Vice Mayor Luis E. Cabrera
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz
Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya – via Zoom
Council Member Matias Rosales
Council Member Gloria Torres
Council Member Javier Vargas

OTHERS PRESENT: Ralph Velez, Interim City Manager
Kay Macuil, City Attorney
Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk
Adela Cortez, Director of Human Resources
Angel Ramirez, Fire Chief
Domingo Sosa, Graphics and Media Specialist
Franca Alonso, Acting Public Information Officer
Jenny Torres, Assistant City Manager
Jose Guzman, Director of Planning and Zoning
Manuel Hernandez, Project Manager
Miguel Alvarez, Interim Chief of Police
Richard Bauermann, Fire Inspector
Ruben Lopez, I.T. Technician

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Javier Vargas led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM:

Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2255. A resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, establishing February 23, 2023, as the effective date for Resolution No. 2254 regarding pay for temporary assignments; repealing any conflicting provision, providing for severability; and declaring an emergency. (Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney)

(6 votes in favor are required to pass immediately as an emergency measure per A.R. S. § 19-142)

Ms. Kay Macuil, City Attorney, explained that this item is a follow-up from the February 22, 2023, City Council meeting where the Mayor and City Council passed the resolution removing the 90 day wait period for a 5% pay increase or the entry rate pay of a new position, whichever is higher for temporary assignments. However, there was discussion at that meeting that it was desirable to make it effective immediately. Unfortunately, that particular resolution did not have an emergency clause, so it did not take effect immediately. Therefore, this resolution remedies that by declaring an emergency now and making the effective date February 23, 2023. The employees who are in the position of not completing the 90 days under the old code, will be able to start earning the pay as of February 23, 2023, and the paycheck for that will be March 3, 2023; otherwise they would start earning the pay until March 24, 2023.

Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya commented he did not like that they have to be doing a meeting to fix a mistake that should have been done in the first meeting. He added that regardless of who has been in the temporary assignment policy in the past, he reinstated that whomever is now should be retro paid; at least the employees that currently are in those assignments.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Luis E. Cabrera/Council Member Javier Vargas to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2255 and declare an emergency. The motion passed with six (6) aye votes and one (1) nay vote by Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Nay
Council Member Matias Rosales	Aye
Council Member Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

8. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Vice Mayor Luis E. Cabrera/Council Member Javier Vargas to adjourn the Special Council meeting at approximately 6:04 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Matias Rosales	Aye
Council Member Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

APPROVED:

Nieves Riedel, 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 March 1, 2023. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk