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**MINUTES**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**San Luis City Council**  
**San Luis Council Chambers**  
**1090 E. Union Street**  
**January 10, 2024**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL**

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

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager  
Kay Macuil, City Attorney  
Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk  
Adela Cortez, Director of Human Resources  
Alan Guevara, Police Lieutenant  
Antonio Maldonado, Video Production Specialist  
Armando Esparza, Director of Economic Development  
Derek Dueñas, Information Technology Manager  
Domingo Sosa, Graphics and Media Specialist  
Emmanuel Botello, Police Lieutenant  
Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works  
Francia Alonso, Public Information Officer  
Jorge Perez, Assistant Director of Public Works  
Jose Guzman, Director of Development Services  
Juan Tejeda, Associate Planner  
Lizette Varela, Acting Director of Parks & Recreation  
Manuel Hernandez, Assistant Director of Public Works  
Marco Santana, Police Lieutenant  
Maria Sabori, Risk Manager  
Miguel Ramirez, Finance Accounting Manager  
Nigel Reynoso, Acting Chief of Police  
Olivia Jenkins, Operations Coordinator  
Roula Encinas, Finance Operations Manager  
Ruben Lopez, Information Technology Technician  
Xochitl Lopez, Administrative Coordinator  
Albert De Leon, Resident

Cesar Neyoy, Reporter  
Christian Cuevas, Simultaneous Translator  
Crystal Mendoza, Director of the Small Business  
Development Center at Arizona Western College  
Kimberly Kahl, Executive Director to the Yuma County  
Chamber of Commerce  
Lucy Lopez, Reporter  
Mark Concha, Resident

## **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya led the Pledge of Allegiance.

## **3. INVOCATION**

Pastor Helia Martinez – Templo Cristiano Vino Nuevo, led the invocation.

## **4. CALL TO THE PUBLIC**

Mr. James Allen Jr., 1549 E. Babbit Lane, San Luis, AZ, stated that on his street there is a problem with speeding at all given times of the day. The drivers treat the street as though it is a drag race and asked the Mayor and City Council to consider placing speed bumps in that area to make the area safer for children and residents of that zone. He indicated that he served over 21 years in the United States Navy and he got a little bit disturbed approximately one (1) week ago due to a notice he saw. The last time he attended a Council meeting, there was a different Vice Mayor. In doing things decent, in order and accordance with the United States law, even the laws of voting and things of that nature. One cannot and is not allowed to even serve if one has an impropriety in ones background. He wants to make sure he is correct on this, and if it is cleared in appointing someone as the Vice Mayor, then he does not have a problem. But he has a problem if the person elected to be the Vice Mayor and she has a history of ballot harvesting and went through the judiciary system; he'd like to find out if it was expunged, but if it was not...he is working towards becoming a Council Member and he himself would not allow such as to go on if he was a Council Member. If it was expunged then let him know, if it is not, then they need to find out why are they where they are right now.

## **5. PROCLAMATION/PRESENTATIONS**

### **5. A. Proclamation - National Human Trafficking Awareness and Prevention Month January 2024**

Ms. Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk, read the proclamation by title only.

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Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz mentioned that the statistics are that from 600,000 to 800,000 are trafficked across international borders every year. 80% of the victims are women and 50% of the victims are under the age of 16. This produces \$32 billion globally in the human trafficking industry. She thanked Mayor Nieves Riedel for the proclamation.

**5. B. Presentation on the Mid-Year Report Fiscal Year 2023 Economic Impact Accomplishments by Small Business Development Center at Arizona Western College. (Crystal Mendoza, Director of the Small Business Development Center at Arizona Western College)**

Ms. Crystal Mendoza, Director of the Small Business Development Center at Arizona Western College, provided a brief presentation on the Federal Fiscal Year 2023 Economic Development Impact Accomplishments within Yuma and La Paz Counties as well as looking forward to what their 2024 is going to look like.

The PowerPoint presentation is included with the Agenda packet filed at the City Clerk's Office.

**5. C. Presentation of the 2024 State Legislative agenda and priorities for the City of San Luis. (Jesus Armando Esparza, Director of Economic Development)**

Mr. Jesus Armando Esparza, Director of Economic Development, gave a quick informative presentation on the legislative outlook for the 2024 Legislative Session.

The PowerPoint presentation is included with the Agenda packet filed at the City Clerk's Office.

**5. D. Presentation of Yuma County Chamber of Commerce's Member of the Month (December 2023) Recognition for the City of San Luis. (Jesus Armando Esparza, Director of Economic Development)**

Mr. Jesus Armando Esparza, Director of Economic Development, introduced Ms. Kimberly Kahl, Executive Director to the Yuma County Chamber of Commerce.

Ms. Kahl stated that every month the Chamber of Commerce recognizes an organization that is a member of the Chamber that has worked closely with the Chamber to further their business promotion and initiatives. She presented the City of San Luis with the recognition award. She added that they just did their own stats for 2023 and businesses that were members of the Chamber were included in 1.6 million searches on their website and that led to approximately 6,000 of their business websites being visited and creating customers with those businesses.

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**6. CONSENT AGENDA**

**6. A. MINUTES OF**

- Special Council meeting held November 21, 2023
- Regular Council meeting held December 13, 2023

**6. B. DISBURSEMENTS FROM NOVEMBER 30, 2023 TO DECEMBER 29, 2023**

**Total \$3,313,633.44**

(Three Million, Three Hundred Thirteen Thousand, Six Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars and Forty-Four Cents)

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Gloria Torres/Council Member Javier Vargas to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

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

**7. A. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the transfer of funds for building maintenance for the San Luis Police Department. (Nigel Reynoso, Acting Chief of Police)**

Mr. Nigel Reynoso, Acting Chief of Police, requested authorization to transfer funds originally utilized for the purchase of three (3) motorcycles, which is left over money in the amount of \$17,100.00. These funds will be used to remodel the area currently being used by Amberly's Place, to provide better service to internal and external customers as well as to victims of domestic violence with privacy and confidentiality.

**MOTION:** Council Member Javier Vargas/Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz to approve the transfer of funds in the amount of \$17,100.00 from Account 255-021-90050.228 to Account 100-999-89000 as presented to proceed with the building maintenance improvements at the Police Department. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

**7. B. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding a contract with PACE Advance Water Engineering to provide professional engineering services for the SCADA (Supervisory Control & Data Acquisition) assessment of the Water and Wastewater systems. (Manuel Hernandez, Assistant Director of Public Works)**

Mr. Manuel Hernandez, Assistant Direct of Public Works, stated this is for a contract to PACE Advanced Engineering for a supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) evaluation of the city's water and wastewater systems. This is the industry standard for water and wastewater facilities which allows operators to remotely monitor, analyze and make changes to their processes. The Public Works Department has been working with PACE Advanced Engineering since 2020 and they have completed full SCADA projects for the Cities of Winslow, Show Low, Goodyear and Somerton.

**MOTION:** Council Member Luis E. Cabrera/Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz to approve the Professional Services Contract with PACE Advanced Water Engineering in the amount of \$46,150.00, as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

**7. C. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2299. A Resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, adopting an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona Department of Transportation for the construction of the US 95 raised median utilizing federal funds; repealing any conflicting provisions; and providing for severability. (Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works).**

Mr. Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works, indicated that the Public Works Department wishes to enter into an Intergovernmental Agreement (IGA) with the Arizona Department of Transportation (ADOT) for an Highway Safety Improvement Program (HSIP) project and funding. Staff is constantly checking for funding for city projects through Yuma Metropolitan Planning Organization (YMPO). Unfortunately, this program allow projects to qualify if there are fatalities or serious injuries. In this case, for Highway 95 north of County 22<sup>nd</sup> Street, at the time of the application there had been two (2) fatalities. This project will prevent people entering Highway 95 except at the main intersections. The plan is to provide a raised median between County 20 ½ Street through County 22<sup>nd</sup> Street. The IGA will allow ADOT to administer the project through the design and construction phase.

The funding amount is just over \$2.1 million for design and construction. The total project cost is estimated above \$2.2 million and approximately \$130,000.00 (5.7%) city contribution towards the project.

Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz commented that it is so important to prevent further fatalities and accidents and thanked Mr. Vera and his staff.

**MOTION:** Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Council Member Javier Vargas to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2299. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

**7. D. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2300. A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, approving an Intergovernmental Agreement with the Arizona Department of Homeland Security to participate in the Statewide Cyber Readiness Program; repealing conflicting provisions; and providing for severability. (Derek Dueñas, I.T. Manager)**

Mr. Derek Dueñas, I.T. Manager, stated that the agreement consists of free cyber security services for eligible government entities. The services provided are hosted online and are overseen by the Arizona Department of Homeland Security. The services have a positive impact on the the city's cyber security posture without impacting the operational budget.

**MOTION:** Council Member Matias Rosales/Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2300. Motion passed unanimously.

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The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

**7. E. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2301. A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, amending section HR-4-03(A) of the City of San Luis Personnel Policies relating to Native American Heritage Day holiday observance the day after Thanksgiving; repealing conflicting provisions; and providing for severability. (Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager)**

Ms. Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager, said this resolution corrects the resolution originally approving the fourth Friday of the month or the third Friday of the month as indicated for year 2024. The correction states that it will be the day following Thanksgiving.

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Gloria Torres/Council Member Luis E. Cabrera to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2301. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

**7. F. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Order No. 2024-01. An order of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, opting for disbursements of all present and future settlement funds from Yuma County from settlement money in the case titled, In re National Prescription Opiate Litigation: repealing conflicting provisions; and providing for severability. (Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney)**

Ms. Kay Macuil, City Attorney, explained that this litigation is equivalent of a class action for governments, a multi-jurisdictional action. Settlement money is now coming through from some of the pharmaceutical distribution and companies that are involved in this litigation to mitigate the damages that have caused to the cities, counties and states around the country due to the opioid crisis.

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Money is coming first from the central litigation in Ohio, to the State of Arizona, the Attorney General's Office submits it to Yuma County for the City of San Luis. Some of those funds have already come to Yuma County, not all the settlement money has come through yet, as the litigation is still continuing. The question is now whether to leave the money with the county, which is approximately \$200,000.00 that will get over 18 years or have the money come to the city. The county has not come up with a plan for the money, their only plan is to put it with their Public Health Department. They do not know exactly how much money it will be. Staff has talked to the Chief of Police and Fire Chief to expand the city's education programs with the money. Mayor Nieves Riedel commented that of course the city wants the money.

Mr. James Allen Jr., resident, asked if those particular funds Ms. Macuil is mentioning, are those going to also go out to those families that had deaths of family members and they had to incur cause of burial and different things like that or is this totally a different matter?

Mayor Nieves Riedel asked Mr. Allen Jr. to schedule a meeting with Ms. Macuil for clarification.

**MOTION:** Council Member Matias Rosales/Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya to adopt and approve Order No. 2024-01. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

**7. G. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding adopting a Notice of Intention to adopt new and amend Permits and Application Fees for Development Services and Public Works Departments. (Jose A. Guzman, Director of Development Services and Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works)**

Jose Guzman, Director of Development Services, stated that this item is for the adoption of a Notice of Intent to begin the process for updating and implementing new fees for the permits and applications for the Departments of Development Services and Public Works. These fees were updated in 2012 for Planning & Zoning. The Notice was posted on the city's website for 60 days and a Public Hearing will be held on March 13, 2024.

Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya asked if the new fees cover the administrative cost for processing these permits?

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Mr. Guzman responded that was the goal, that is why they are proposing those fees, they went through every process and took in consideration staff's time and all involved.

**MOTION:** Council Member Matias Rosales/Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya to approve the Notice of Intent as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

**7. H. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the TischlerBise Proposal for Development Fee Study under A.R.S. §9-463.05. (Jose A. Guzman, Director of Development Services)**

Mr. Jose Guzman, Director of Development Services, stated that state law requires the city to update the impact fees every five (5) years. The next update for the city is due by the end of 2024. Staff received a proposal from the consultant that did the 2014 and 2019 study. Since the consultant is familiar with the City of San Luis, staff recommends approval of the proposal totalling \$74,720.00. Since the process overlaps two (2) fiscal years, staff is requesting the budget transfer of \$56,040.00 from the Building Safety Account to cover the fees for this fiscal year and staff will budget the remaining balance for next fiscal year.

Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya commented that in 2014 and 2019, there was language included that from TischlerBise that the city was going to be collecting money to pay for the updates every five (5) years and asked if that was done?

Mr. Guzman replied that the language was included in 2014 and 2019 and intend to include on the next update.

**MOTION:** Council Member Matias Rosales/Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya to approve the proposal of TischlerBise for a Development Fee Study in the amount of \$74,720.00 and approve the budget transfer as presented. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

## 8. BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

**MOTION:** Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Council Member Luis Cabrera to adjourn as City Council and convene as Board of Adjustment. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

**8. A. Public Hearing followed by discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Variance Case No. 2023-0632. A request by Rafael Sanchez Jr and Ana Sanchez, owners, for a Variance from the City of San Luis Zoning Ordinance Section 18.70.100 (A) to increase the permitted wall height within the required front yard setback on the property located at 1960 E. Lopez Street in San Luis, Arizona. (Jose A. Guzman, Director of Planning & Zoning)**

### A. Open Public Hearing

**MOTION:** Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Council Member Luis E. Cabrera to open the Public Hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

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## **1. Presentation by staff and/or applicant**

Mr. Jose Guzman, Director of Development Services, explained that in 2021 two (2) lots were tied with the house facing Lopez Street and the back facing Stevens Street. When the lot tie was recorded, staff included language on the plat that the back setback will be treated as the front setback due to safety concerns and visibility. The previous owner sold the property and the new owners added height to the fence.

Once the code enforcement process began, the applicant submitted the application for this variance, however this application does not meet any of the criteria that is required by state to approve a variance. There are no special circumstances or conditions on the request and the situation is self-imposed; it can be addressed by reducing the wall height or complying with the required front setbacks. Enforcing the regulations will not deprive the owner from any property rights that are enjoyed by the owners in that area. Granting this variance will constitute a special privilege that is inconsistent with what is permitted in the area and it can potentially cause an accident, since the reason for the height limitation is the visibility of vehicles and pedestrians on the front setback. Staff is recommending that the application be denied since it does not meet the required criteria.

Mr. Rafael Sanchez, owner, stated that they understand that this is a self-imposed problem, but it was done for the safety of their children. He added that they understand they did not do their research but their biggest concern is that an animal can jump the fence into their back yard. He presented a very unique situation due to them having a front setback, which is the rear of their house. He asked if there is a possibility of keeping the fence or keep it for a certain amount of time until their children are a bit older, or be allowed to put some time of metal on top of the fence for the hindrance of the view? Mr. Sanchez also mentioned that on the opposite side, there is a cutout allowing for when somebody is backing out to be able to see the pedestrians and can work out something with the Planning & Zoning Department.

Council Member Matias Rosales asked if placing a plexi-glass to see through, be allowed?

Mr. Guzman responded that something like that will set up precedence and will be a safety concern. He understands the owners' concern but it can be addressed by going back 20 feet into the setback and allow the 6 feet fence as it will not compromise the safety of the residents. The issue was found out due to code enforcement.

## **2. Call to the public on this item**

There were no comments from the public on this item.

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## **B. Close Public Hearing**

**MOTION:** Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Council Member Javier Vargas to close the Public Hearing. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

## **C. Action on Variance Case No. 2023-0632**

**MOTION:** Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Council Member Javier Vargas to deny Variance Case No. 2023-0632, because the application does not meet the criteria for a variance. Motion passed with six (6) ayes and one (1) nay vote by Council Member Luis E. Cabrera.

The vote was as follows:

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

## **9. CITY COUNCIL**

### **Vote to Adjourn as Board of Adjustment and Convene as City Council**

**MOTION:** Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Council Member Javier Vargas to adjourn as Board of Adjustment and convene as City Council. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

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## 10. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Council Member Matias Rosales reported he attended the Legislative and Senate Opening Session 56 and had an opportunity to listen to the Governor State of the State Address and also on January 9, 2024 it was the Realtor Day at the Capital for an opening session. It was a good attended event and noticed a lot of Yuma County people present at the opening day of the session.

## 11. EXECUTIVE SESSION

**Vote to hold an Executive Session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03.A.1.**

**11. A. Discussion and possible action to hold an executive session pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A), subsections (1), (3), and (4) on any and all matters relating to the position of Chief of Police and the employment, assignment, appointment, promotion, demotion, dismissal, salary, disciplining, or resignation of the position of Chief of Police, and consultation with the attorney or attorneys of the city regarding the same. (Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager and Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney)**

**MOTION:** Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Council Member Luis E. Cabrera to go into Executive Session at approximately 7:01 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

## 12. MOTION TO GO BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION

**MOTION:** Council Member Luis E. Cabrera/Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya to back into Regular Session at approximately 7:19 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

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**13. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM:**

**13. A. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the appointment of a Chief of Police. (Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager)**

Ms. Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager, stated that staff provided the names of the candidates that went through the interview process in hopes that the Mayor and City Council are able to make a selection.

**MOTION:** Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Council Member Luis E. Cabrera to appoint Nigel Reynoso as Chief of Police and direct staff to negotiate a contract and bring back to the City Council for approval. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

Mr. Nigel Reynoso, Chief of Police, thanked the Mayor and City Council for the opportunity adding that he is grateful to God and the city for allowing him to continue to work with the department for the agency and knows he counts with a good team.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

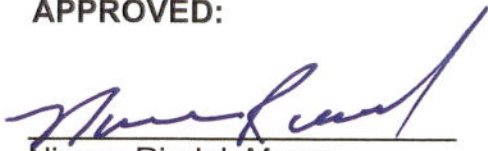
**MOTION:** Council Member Luis E. Cabrera/Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at approximately 7:22 p.m. Motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:


Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Gloria Torres	Aye
Council Member 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 Javier Vargas	Aye

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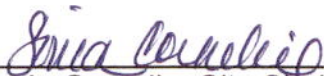
  
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Nieves Riedel, Mayor

**ATTEST:**

  
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Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk

**CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that the foregoing minutes are a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting of the City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, held on January 10, 2024. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

  
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Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk