

MINUTES
Regular Council Meeting
San Luis City Council
San Luis Council Chambers
1090 E. Union Street
San Luis, AZ 85349
February 12, 2025
6:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya called the Regular City Council meeting to order at approximately 6:00 p.m.

PRESENT: Mayor Nieves Riedel
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales
Council Member Lizeth Servin
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
Adriana Garcia, Human Resources Manager
Alvaro Escalante, Parks Supervisor
Angel Ramirez, Fire Chief
Angelica Roldan, Director of Parks & Recreation
Antonio Maldonado, Multimedia Production & Operations Specialist
Armando Esparza, Director of Economic Development
Damian Miller, Police Lieutenant
Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works
Fernando Corona, I.T. Manager
Francia Alonso, Public Information Officer
Israel Lara, I.T. Technician
Jorge Perez, Assistant Director of Public Works
Jose Guzman, Director of Planning & Zoning
Lizette Varela, Assistant Director of Parks & Recreation
Manuel Hernandez, Assistant Director of Public Works
Maria Sabori, Risk Manager
Mario Rodriguez, Finance Operations Manager
Melissa Lopez, Deputy City Clerk
Miguel Ramirez, Finance Accounting Manager
Olivia Jenkins, Administrative Services Manager
Oscar Barnett, Project Manager

Roula Encinas, Director of Finance
Tomas Sanchez, City Engineer
Victor De La Torre, Safety Officer
Christian Cuevas, Translator
Fabher Sanchez, Resident
Manuel Rojas, Resident
Marco Ramirez, Rotary Club
Mark Concha, Resident
Maria Gonzalez, Resident
Martha Ulloa, Resident

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Lizeth Servin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. INVOCATION

Ms. Maria Cecilia Cruz, Church For The City, led the invocation.

Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya moved Item No. 8. Call To The Public to be next on the agenda.

8. CALL TO THE PUBLIC

There were no comments from the public.

4. PROCLAMATION/PRESENTATION

4. A. Proclamation on Government Communicators Day - February 21, 2025

Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya read the proclamation by title only.

4. B. Presentation of the 2025 State of Arizona Legislative Session Update. (Armando Esparza, Director of Economic Development)

Mr. Armando Esparza, Director of Economic Development, provided an overview of the 57th Legislative Session, adding that there are a total of 1,644 measures, including 802 House Bills and 733 Senate Bills. He explained that the Legislature is taking some action against municipal governments. The most important is the municipal Finance and the main bill is the Food Tax Bill. This bill is proposing to remove local food tax collection on food that will be taken home for consumption. For the City of San Luis that would be a \$4 million budget cut. He mentioned that he and Mayor Nieves Riedel were at the Capitol with the League of Arizona Cities and Towns and there is a proposed amendment that would allow cities that already have the food tax as part of their budget to keep it. But if a city or town wishes to increase or implement one, they will then have to go to their local voters. His presentation included bills on Zoning & Housing, Public

Safety, and Economic Development. The complete PowerPoint presentation is attached to the complete agenda packet filed at the City Clerk's Office.

Mayor Nieves Riedel commented on her visit to the Capitol, adding that hopefully, the State Legislature will see the City of San Luis and other municipalities' needs that are being impacted by some of the bills.

Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz stated that it was very important for Mayor Nieves Riedel to be present and represent the City of San Luis.

Council Member Javier Vargas said that if the property tax proposition does not pass, they, as Elected Officials, have the responsibility of finding solutions for the community. However, at the end of the day, it is the community that chooses the results of an election, not the City Council.

5. CONSENT AGENDA

5. A. MINUTES OF

- Regular Council meeting held January 8, 2025

5. B. DISBURSEMENTS

From January 16, 2025, to February 5, 2025

Total \$3,896,213.16

(Three Million, Eight Hundred Ninety-Six Thousand, Two Hundred Thirteen Dollars and Sixteen Cents)

MOTION: Mayor Nieves Riedel/Council Member Esteban C. Rosales to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:

6. A. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the acceptance and approval for the filing of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the City of San Luis, Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024. (Roula Encinas, Director of Finance and Heinfeld, Meech & Co., P.C.)

Ms. Roula Encinas, Director of Finance, introduced Ms. Brittney Williams, Engagement Partner of HeinfeldMeech.

Ms. Williams mentioned that her firm specializes in government and non-profit audits. She added that the most important part of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report they are responsible for is issuing their independent Auditor's Opinion on the financial statements prepared by the Finance Department. They work hard to get that report out by December 31st. Ms. Williams touched on the Audit-Related Reports Issued as well as the Single Audit Report.

MOTION: Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Council Member Esteban C. Rosales to accept and approve the filing of the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report for the City of San Luis for the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2024. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

6. B. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the appointment of a member to serve on the Greater Yuma Port Authority (GYPA). (Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager)

Ms. Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager, explained that the Greater Yuma Port Authority is composed of the City of San Luis, Yuma County, Cocopah Nation and the City of Yuma. The City of San Luis is allowed to appoint two (2) Board Directors. At the last Council meeting, the City Council appointed Mr. Matias Rosales to serve on this board and the other seat is served by Mayor Nieves Riedel. She would like to give an opportunity to one of the Council Members to serve. Council Member Javier Vargas has expressed his interest in this board and has been attending all the meetings. Staff recommended Council Member Javier Vargas be appointed to serve on the Greater Yuma Port Authority.

MOTION: Mayor Nieves Riedel/Council Member Luis E. Cabrera to appoint Council Member Javier Vargas to serve on the Greater Yuma Port Authority Board. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

6. C. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the purchase of a manufactured restroom unit for the East Community Park. (Angelica Roldan, Director of Parks and Recreation)

Ms. Angelica Roldan, Director of Parks & Recreation, stated that the Parks and Recreation staff contacted CXT Precast Concrete Products to continue the East Community Park Project. CXT Precast Concrete Products is a business with vast experience in manufacturing and installing restrooms. Staff will work closely with CXT Precast Concrete Products to provide a clear and level site area for delivering the restrooms. Staff will outsource this project to be completed before the prefab restrooms arrive. These new restrooms will offer benefits to the East Community Park: fully accessible flush restrooms compliant with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) standards, interior and exterior lighting for safety and convenience, baby changing table for families, anti-graffiti coating to maintain the cleanliness and appearance of the restrooms and exterior mounted ADA water fountains. This is an all-concrete construction with a roof and walls that are highly vandal-resistant and low maintenance. This investment in public amenities will greatly improve the experience for park visitors and align with the city's commitment to providing an accessible and highly high-quality service for the community. The cost of the restrooms is \$329,000.00, and staff have allocated \$400,000.00 as part of the capital improvement projects.

MOTION: Mayor Nieves Riedel/Council Member Lizeth Servin to approve the purchase of the manufactured restroom unit in the amount of \$329,022.78, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

6. D. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the authorization to purchase a 60-foot Sabre Model S3TL self-supporting Category VI tower. (Fernando Corona, I.T. Manager)

Mr. Fernando Corona, I.T. Manager, explained that the Information Technology Division is seeking approval to utilize \$149,000.00 in Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs (AZ DEMA BSF) Grant funds to procure a 60-foot Sabre Model S3TL self-supporting Category VI tower. This tower will be used to mount a radio repeater, which is crucial for improving radio communications for San Luis Public Safety, particularly on the city's east side. He provided a PowerPoint presentation to display information on the Objective, East San Luis Coverage Concerns, Community Disclosure, Phase 1 & 2 of the Project. He indicated the total cost for this project is \$109,792.03. The Police Department was granted \$165,000.00 for this project, and an expenditure of \$5,000.00 was made for a soil evaluation; the remaining funds will be used for this project, and the remaining \$49,000.00 will be applied toward the shelter. The financial impact that this project will have on the city will be the remaining \$339,000.00 for the shelter. The PowerPoint presentation is attached to the complete agenda packet filed at the City Clerk's Office.

Council Member Luis E. Cabrera commented that he likes the idea of leasing the tower to a cell phone provider, especially because not only radio communication but also cell phone coverage is affected.

MOTION: Council Member Luis E. Cabrera/Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz to approve the purchase of a 60-foot Sabre Model S3TL self-supporting category VI tower in the amount of \$109,792.03 utilizing the NASPO State Contract. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

6. E. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the authorization to purchase fabrication of a shelter for the essential protection of communication and radio repeater equipment as part of radio service for first responders. (Fernando Corona, I.T. Manager)

Mr. Fernando Corona, I.T. Manager, stated that this is the second portion of the project, with a total cost of \$336,917.10.

The city will spend \$297,917.10, and the remaining \$39,000.00 will be used from the Arizona Department of Emergency and Military Affairs Border Safety Fence (AZ DEMA BSF) Grant to cover the full balance for the purchase of the tower.

MOTION: Mayor Nieves Riedel/Council Member Luis E. Cabrera to approve the item as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

6. F. Public Hearing followed by discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the recommendation of a Special Event Liquor License Application to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control to authorize the San Luis FRONTERA Rotary Club to sell alcohol at the Rotary Royale Casino Night on April 11, 2025. (Marcos Ramirez, San Luis FRONTERA Rotary Club)

A. Staff and/or Applicant presentation

Mr. Marcos Ramirez, San Luis Rotary Club, stated they are seeking approval of a special event liquor license for their 2nd Annual Casino Royale, adding that this is a major fundraiser that their club began last year. The funds are utilized for the scholarship funds; last year, the club awarded over \$17,000.00 to students from the community. They will have security and will make sure this event is fun and safe for everyone.

B. Open Public Hearing

Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya opened the Public Hearing.

C. Call to the public on this item

There were no comments from the public on this item.

D. Close Public Hearing

Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya closed the Public Hearing.

E. Action on Special Event Liquor License Application to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses & Control

MOTION: Council Member Luis E. Cabrera/Council Member Esteban C. Rosales to recommend approval to the Arizona Department of Liquor Licenses and Control for the Special Event Liquor License application submitted by the San Luis FRONTERA Rotary Club, as presented. Council Member Lizeth Servin abstained since she is a Rotarian. Ms. Kay Macuil, City Attorney, indicated that the test is whether Council Member Lizeth Servin be gaining any money from this or anything of value from the event. The motion passed six (6) Aye votes and one (1) Nay vote by Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Nay
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

6. G. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the approval and adoption of Order No. 2025-01. An order of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, to authorize the City of San Luis Police Department to receive funding for overtime and mileage by approving an Intergovernmental Agreement and authorizing execution of Subrecipient Agreement Operation Stonegarden Grant Program Award; Overtime and Mileage between the State of Arizona through the Arizona Department of Homeland Security and the City of San Luis, Arizona, through the San Luis Police Department. (Damian Miller, Police Lieutenant)

Mr. Damian Miller, Police Lieutenant, explained that the San Luis Police Department was awarded \$630,000.00 for overtime and \$30,000.00 for mileage for Fiscal Year 2024 Operation Stonegarden Grant Program. The grant performance period is from February 1, 2025, through March 31, 2026.

Mayor Nieves Riedel asked if the overtime is presented to all members of the Police Department and who oversees this.

Lt. Miller responded that yes, all sworn personnel are informed, a calendar invite is sent every month, and they are allowed to sign up for up to 40 hours per pay period. He added that he, along with Police Chief Reynoso, oversees this.

MOTION: Council Member Lizeth Servin/Mayor Nieves Riedel to approve and adopt Order No. 2025-01 approving the Intergovernmental Agreement and grant as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

6. H. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the approval and adoption of Order No. 2025-02. An order of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, to authorize the City of San Luis Police Department to receive funding for Equipment by approving an Intergovernmental Agreement and authorizing execution of Subrecipient Agreement Operation Stonegarden Grant Program; Equipment between the State of Arizona through the Arizona Department of Homeland Security and the City of San Luis, Arizona, through the San Luis Police Department. (Damian Miller, Police Lieutenant)

Mr. Damian Miller, Police Lieutenant, stated that the City of San Luis Police Department has been awarded \$83,000.00 for Equipment for Fiscal Year 2024 through the Operation Stonegarden Grant Program. The grant performance period is February 1, 2025, through March 31, 2026.

MOTION: Council Member Esteban C. Rosales/Council Member Javier Vargas to approve and adopt Order No. 2025-02 approving the Intergovernmental Agreement and grant, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

6. I. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2353. A resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, reducing the City Council Members' pay by fifty percent and amending the City of San Luis Personnel Policies to remove City Council Members from dental and vision care coverage paid by the city; establishing an effective date; repealing any conflicting provisions; and providing for severability. (Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney)

Ms. Kay Macuil, City Attorney, explained that this item reduces the City Council's pay to 50% of what it is currently and eliminates vision and dental care from the City Council's health plan. If all the newly elected officials from the 2026 election have taken their oath by that time, this will take effect until January 1, 2027.

Mayor Nieves Riedel said that there have been meetings with department heads, and she has been asked what the Mayor and City Council are willing to do to go through what they are asking everyone to go through. She then responded that they would do anything that the City Council could help with in balancing and helping the city's predicaments with the finances and that she was going to present this item to the City Council.

Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz asked what the savings would be if the City Council's pay was reduced by 50% and vision and dental care were removed.

Ms. Roula Encinas, Director of Finance, replied that the savings would be \$54,830.00 annually.

Council Member Lizeth Servin asked if they have to make a decision now on something that will happen two (2) years from now.

Mayor Nieves Riedel commented that department heads also asked if the Mayor and City Council were willing to take fewer trips and save more money.

Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya stated that Mayor Nieves Riedel had conversations with staff, he did not, and when she talks about trips, he thinks that staff would agree that professional development is important and does not think Elected Officials do unnecessary trips, other than traveling and advocate for the City of San Luis. He clarified that trips may be cut down, but again, they are not unnecessary trips. Sometimes, if one is not at the table, one is on the menu, and when programs are being cut, and if no one is there to defend the city, it does make a difference.

Council Member Lizeth Servin agreed with Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya and added that they probably have to be more strategic about the training they attend, but they do need to have a presence out there.

Council Member Javier Vargas also agrees that it is very important that they are present at meetings and trainings. They need to be prepared and well-informed to make fair decisions.

Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz stated that she does not think that travel can be cut. For example, when they were advocating for the Port of Entry, if they had not constantly gone to Washington, D.C., the Capitol of Arizona, speaking up for Arizona, the City of San Luis would probably not have received the funding. Had they not been present, they would have sent the message that they did not have interest in their city, county, and state. There are hundreds of millions of dollars being invested in this city, which is going to bring multiple businesses. There are two (2) hospitals coming in.

It is important that the city has to penny-pinch everything, but does not agree with them trying to be stopped from doing their job and representing the city.

Mayor Nieves Riedel commented that she has to be responsible, and they are talking about other times when the other mayors did not have the money problems that the city is going through at this moment. The hospitals are coming in because of the city's growth, the need, and the opportunity to make money; it has nothing to do with the Mayor and Council Members advocating.

Council Member Esteban C. Rosales stated that he remembers when Elected Officials took those trips for the Port of Entry, and it took a few years for that to happen. It is because of those trips that the city has Starbucks and Clean Freak. The city has those businesses coming into the community, things that the citizens want to see and does not agree on cutting trips, especially when they are trying to find grants or other programs to find other ways of funding.

MOTION: Council Member Esteban C. Rosales/Council Member Lizeth Servin to disapprove Resolution No. 2353. The motion passed with four (4) Ayes and three (3) Nays by Mayor Nieves Riedel, Council Members Luis E. Cabrera and Javier Vargas.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Nay
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Nay
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Nay

6. J. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2352. A resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, authorizing the Acting City Manager to release the June 22, 2022, lien on land (approved by Resolution No. 2222) upon the adequate substitute assurances for Los Mezquites Subdivision. (Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney)

Mayor Nieves Riedel declared a conflict of interest on this item and will abstain from participating.

Ms. Kay Macuil, City Attorney, said that Los Mezquites Subdivision was partially secured by a pledge hold which was a pledge of land to the city. It is at the end of the subdivision construction and a bond performance has been submitted to the city and substitution for the land. A couple of warranties will expire in October and will drop out the need for assurances for those. However, this item is not to accept this substitution. At this point, there is still a traffic study pending, and it might cause more assurances to be needed for the subdivision, but then again, it might not. So, at this point, it is for Ms. Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager, to have the authority to approve the assurances.

Under the subdivision laws, Ms. Macuil is the one who determines whether there are sufficient assurances for the subdivision matters. Therefore, once Ms. Macuil says that it is sufficient, then this item allows Ms. Torres to sign off on the releasing of the hold on the land that there are assurances for.

MOTION: Council Member Lizeth Servin/Council Member Esteban Rosales to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2352 authorizing the Acting City Manager to release the lien upon completion of staff's review and approval. The motion passed with six (6) Ayes and one (1) Abstention by Mayor Nieves Riedel.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Abstained
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

6. K. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Ordinance No. 459. An Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, amending Ordinance No. 455; requiring dog licenses; repealing conflicting provisions; and providing for severability. (Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney)

Ms. Kay Macuil, City Attorney, explained that the prosecutor brought this item to her attention because she noticed that the city had its own penalties for dog licenses and vaccination ordinances, and there is already a state-level penalty for the same thing. So to bring the ordinance in line and to make sure that it stays that way in the future, it references the State law rather than creating its own penalties for the dog license requirement.

A. Action on Reading of Ordinance No. 459 by title only

MOTION: Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Mayor Nieves Riedel to approve the Reading of Ordinance No. 459 by title only. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

Mrs. Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk, read Ordinance No. 459 by title only.

B. Action on Ordinance No. 459

MOTION: Council Member Luis E. Cabrera/Council Member Javier Vargas to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 459, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

Mayor Nieves Riedel	Aye
Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya	Aye
Council Member Luis E. Cabrera	Aye
Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz	Aye
Council Member Esteban C. Rosales	Aye
Council Member Lizeth Servin	Aye
Council Member Javier Vargas	Aye

7. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS

Council Member Lizeth Servin reported she visited the Municipal Court, was given a tour of the facility, and had the opportunity to meet all staff. They spoke about their needs, the improvements and how they have been moving forward since the new judge arrived. She encouraged the Mayor and City Council to visit the Municipal Court if they have not yet done so, to learn more about their operations and their goals. She congratulated the Municipal Court for all they are doing. She also reported she began serving on the Yuma County Intergovernmental Public Transportation (YCIPTA), they had their first meeting and there is nothing new to report.

Council Member Esteban C. Rosales reported that he was appointed to serve on the Greater Yuma Economic Development Corporation (GYEDC) and he was able to meet with staff today and go over their plan and how they will grow the City of San Luis economically. He is very excited for the upcoming projects they have coming up this year.

Mayor Nieves Riedel reported that a few Elected Officials attended the grand opening of Eddie's Food Court; they have wonderful food and encouraged everyone to visit this place; it is important to support local businesses.

Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz reported that she and Council Member Lizeth Servin, attended the 25th Anniversary of Amberly's Place celebrating their advocacy for domestic violence victims. She is very appreciative of what they do for all Yuma County. She also reported on their First Soccer Tournament for Proverbs 31 Home; there were five (5) teams and had an opportunity to discuss teen dating violence awareness month. She spoke about the prizes for the winners, she thanked the Parks & Recreation staff for their assistance.

Council Member Luis E. Cabrera reminded everyone about Mascotamania, which is scheduled for February 22, 2025, beginning at 9:00 a.m. at Joe Orduño Park.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Vice Mayor Tadeo Azael De La Hoya adjourned the Regular Council meeting at approximately 7:25 p.m.

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 Regular City Council meeting of the City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, held on February 12, 2025. I further certify that the meeting was duly called and held and that a quorum was present.

Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk