

**MINUTES**  
**Regular Council Meeting**  
**San Luis City Council**  
**San Luis Council Chambers**  
**1090 E. Union Street**  
**San Luis, AZ 85349**  
**January 28, 2026**  
**6:00 p.m.**

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

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

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

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager  
Kay Macuil, City Attorney  
Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk  
Adela Cortez, Director of Human Resources  
Angelica Roldan, Director of Parks & Recreation  
Antonio Maldonado, Multimedia Production &  
Operations Specialist  
Armando Esparza, Director of Economic Development  
Damian Miller, Police Lieutenant  
Domingo Sosa, Graphics and Media Specialist  
Edgar Esparza, Billing & Collections Manager  
Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works  
Francia Alonso, Public Information Officer  
Isael Gomez, Records Management Specialist  
Janet Taylor, Legal Assistant  
Jeziel Banos, IT Help Desk Technician  
Johnnie Morris, Fire Battalion Chief  
Jorge Perez, Assistant Director of Public Works  
Maria Barajas, Human Resources Manager  
Maria Sabori, Risk Manager  
Melissa Lopez, Deputy City Clerk  
Miguel Ramirez, Finance Accounting Manager  
Olivia Jenkins, Administrative Services Manager  
Roula Encinas, Director of Finance  
Tomas Sanchez, City Engineer

Vanessa Iturbide, Graphics and Media Specialist  
Victor De La Torre, Safety Officer  
Christian Cuevas, Meeting Interpreter  
Cesar Neyoy, Reporter  
David Lara, Yuma Co. Recorder/Resident  
Elida Valenzuela, Police Chaplain  
Fabher Sanchez, Resident  
Guillermina Fuentes, Resident  
Joe Harper, San Luis Facility Development  
Corporation/Resident  
Juanita Toledo, Resident  
Luisa Arreola, Resident  
Maria Gonzalez, Resident  
Maria Robles, Resident  
Mark Concha Jr., Resident

## **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

## **3. INVOCATION**

The invocation was performed by Ms. Elida Valenzuela, Police Chaplain.

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

Ms. Georgina Escamilla, owner of Panchita's Restaurant, stated that she has been experiencing issues with people dumping trash at her restaurant large items that are left at her place. Besides being difficult for her to dispose of, she must also pay to have it removed from her property. It is not the first time this has happened, but now it is out of control. She has contacted the Police Department and the Department of Public Works and has been told that they cannot do anything since it is private property. She asked the Mayor and City Council to please help with this matter by informing residents that commercial trash containers are for businesses, not for the public. She knows about the city's annual clean-up campaigns; perhaps the city can provide other options for residents.

## **5. PROCLAMATIONS/PRESENTATIONS**

**5. A. Proclamation on SkillsUSA Week - February 2-6, 2026**

**5. B. Proclamation on Career and Technical Education Month - February 2026**

**5. C. Proclamation on Teen Dating Violence Prevention and Awareness Month - February 2026**

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

**5. D. Presentation by San Luis High School on their Career Technical Education Programs. (San Luis High School CTE Leaders)**

Miss Violeta Acosta, CTE Leader and SLHS CTE Co-President; Mr. Junior Figueroa, CTE Leader and SLHS CTE Co-President; Mr. Angel Vargas, CTE Ambassador and SLHS Chapter; and Miss. Angie Soto, CTE Leader and SLHS Chapter Vice President, provided a presentation on their 16 San Luis High School Career Technical Education (CTE) Programs and the impact these programs have made in their life.

Mayor Nieves Riedel and Council Members thanked the CTE Leaders for their presentation, congratulated them and added that she is proud to be their Mayor. She also acknowledged the teachers and parents.

The City Council made some remarks congratulating and thanking the CTE Leaders.

**5. E. Presentation by the Yuma County Recorder's Office on fraud alert for properties. (Cinthya Romero, Recording Supervisor and David Lara, Recorder)**

Mr. David Lara, Recorder, provided a video explaining how to register for the recording alert system, a free service that notifies registered participants whenever their name appears on a document to be recorded for their awareness. He added that this service is being provided because of fraud involving properties not only in big cities but also in small communities and rural areas. In the Spanish-speaking community, it is unfortunate that family members take advantage of the elderly, like their parents or grandparents, signing over their deeds, their property. He added that he provided this presentation to seniors at the San Luis Senior Center. An invitation to attend an event promoting the fraud alert was issued for February 4, 2026.

Mayor Nieves Riedel thanked Mr. Lara for the presentation.

Council Member Esteban C. Rosales thanked Mr. Lara and mentioned that this is a great tool for the community to know about.

**5. F. Presentation and recognition to Ms. Kay Marion Macuil for her 12 years of dedicated service to the City of San Luis, serving as Assistant City Attorney from 2014 to 2015 and as City Attorney from 2015 to present. (Mayor and City Council)**

Ms. Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager, presented Ms. Macuil with a certificate of appreciation and a plaque for her years of dedicated service to the City of San Luis.

Mayor Nieves Riedel and the City Council thanked Ms. Macuil and congratulated her. Each elected official provided some remarks.

## 6. CONSENT AGENDA

All matters are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and will be considered separately.

### 6. A. MINUTES OF

- Special Council meeting held December 17, 2025

### 6. B. DISBURSEMENTS

From January 3, 2026 to January 20, 2026

**Total \$2,180,588.61** (Two Million, One Hundred Eighty Thousand, Five Hundred Eighty-Eight Dollars and Sixty-One Cents)

**MOTION:** Council Member Luis E. Cabrera/Vice Mayor Javier Vargas to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

## 7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEMS:

At the request of the Legal Department, Item No. 9 was moved to be the first item on the agenda, there was no opposition from the City Council.

## 9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Discussion and possible action to hold an executive session jointly with San Luis Facility Development Corporation pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03(A)(3)(4) and (7) on any and all matters regarding the possible sale of the San Luis Detention Center for discussion or consultation for legal advice with the San Luis Facility Development Corporation's legal counsel in order to consider the Corporation's position and instructs its legal counsel. (Kay Marion Macuil, General Counsel and Bill Sims, Outside Counsel)

**MOTION:** Mayor Nieves Riedel/Vice Mayor Javier Vargas to go into Executive Session at approximately 6:41 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

## **10. MOTION TO GO BACK INTO REGULAR SESSION**

**MOTION:** Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Vice Mayor Javier Vargas to go back into Regular Session at approximately 7:09 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

### **7. 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, 2025. (Roula Encinas, Director of Finance, and Brittney Williams, Audit Partner from Heinfeld, Meech & Co., P.C.)**

Ms. Roula Encinas, Director of Finance, introduced Ms. Brittney Williams, Engagement Partner for the City of San Luis Financial Statement Audit and Single Audit, from Heinfeld, Meech & Co., P.C. to report on the audit results for Fiscal Year ended June 30, 2025.

Ms. Williams provided a brief presentation on the Standards to Guide the Audit, Audit Reports Issues FY 2025, Independent Auditor's Report, Summary of Single Audit, Resources for Elected Officials.

There were some comments, questions and answers between Members of the City Council and Ms. Williams.

**MOTION:** Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Vice Mayor Javier Vargas 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, 2025. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

**7. B. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the appointment of a Council Member to serve on the Yuma County Library District Board of Trustees. (Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager)**

Ms. Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager, stated that Council Member Luis E. Cabrera was serving as a board member and resigned as of January 6, 2026. His term will expire on June 30, 2026, and he will need to be replaced. She provided some history of this board. Ms. Torres also mentioned that an appointment is also needed for the upcoming 3-year term, which will commence on July 1, 2026. She recommended that the appointed Council Member, who is also finishing the current term, be appointed to serve the next three (3) years.

Council Member Luis E. Cabrera mentioned that the different entities do not always appoint a Council Member. They have also appointed directors of the corporation or community residents who express interest in serving on the board.

Ms. Torres said that if that is the route the City Council wants to go, then continuing the item is probably best to give Department Heads the opportunity to be part of this board, or to give the City Council any names of community members who might be interested.

**MOTION:** Council Member Luis E. Cabrera/Council Member Esteban C. Rosales to continue this item to the next regular meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

**7. C. Presentation update to City Council followed by discussion and possible direction to staff on any and all matters regarding the West Wastewater Treatment Plant Expansion Project. (Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works)**

Mr. Eulogio Vera, Director of Public Works, informed that this project was initiated back in 2021 with assessments on the treatment plants and determining which facility was best to expand and it was decided that the west plant was the best one to start with the expansion. The east plant is to be expanded, followed by that expansion. In 2024, the staff selected a Seymour Construction Manager at Risk for this type of project. Due to its size and complexity, the staff went through a request for qualifications (RFQ) process and selected one (1). They helped staff with pre-construction services and provided feedback on the project's constructability. That was based on a design that was being completed by PACE Engineering. The city did not reach an agreement; therefore, the staff selected PCL, candidate number two, for the Construction Manager at Risk (CMAR) role. Staff started pre-construction services with them, went through the process, and received feedback on constructability. They provided input and then the city could not come to terms with them either. Therefore, since there is a final, completed design, the city can benefit from going through the CMAR process and receiving contractors' feedback. Staff will go with the design-bid-build option for delivering this project. The city terminated pre-construction services with PCL at the end of 2025. Staff will go out to bid on the project and break it into three (3) phases. One will be the force main from lift station 300 through the treatment plant. The second would be the actual treatment plant itself. And then the third would be a building that is part of the expansion. The reason for having it in phases is to allow staff to start construction. Staff will start construction of the force main in the next couple of months. Then they will advertise in the next couple of months for the construction of the actual treatment plant. Staff will present items to the City Council in the future for approval of modifications or change orders with a design firm due to having three (3) bid packages. Staff went from CMAR to now design, bid, build, which is additional work from the engineering's perspective.

No action was required from the City Council on this item, as it was an update.

**7. D. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the re-appointment of three (3) City of San Luis residents to serve on the City of San Luis Planning and Zoning Commission. (Jose A. Guzman, Director of Development Services)**

Mr. Jose Guzman, Director of Development Services, stated that this item is for the re-appointment of three (3) Commission Members for the Planning and Zoning Commission. Mr. Marco Pinzon, Mr. Hugo Garcia, and Ms. Veronica Zavala expressed their interest in continuing to serve as Commission Members for an additional 4-year term, which will end in 2030. Their current term ends January 31<sup>st</sup>.

Mayor Nieves Riedel commented that she is glad that they are interested in continuing to serve, as this is something they do not get paid for, and sometimes, they get a lot of grief and complaints.

Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya commented that, indeed, Commission Members do not get paid for serving. However, for the sake of consistency throughout the different boards and commissions, he would like to see them open to the public as well.

Council Members Maria Cecilia Cruz and Lizeth Servin agreed with Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya's comment.

Council Member Luis E. Cabrera asked if the vacancies are advertised and awaiting filling, will that cause any problems for the commission at its meetings, since their terms expires on the 31<sup>st</sup>?

Mr. Guzman responded that they would continue to serve until the City Council fills the vacancies.

**MOTION:** Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Council Member Esteban C. Rosales to appoint Marco Pinzon, Hugo Garcia and Veronica Zavala to the City of San Luis Planning & Zoning Commission with their terms to expire on January 31, 2030. The motion did not pass.

The vote was as follows:

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

Ms. Jenny Torres, Acting City Manager, mentioned that staff will advertise for the positions and will bring the item back to the City Council for consideration. In the meantime, the current Planning & Zoning Commission Members will continue to serve until they are re-appointed or replaced by the City Council.

**7. E. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Resolution No. 2391. A Resolution of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, authorizing the submission of an FY 2026 Arizona State Parks & Trails Historic Preservation Heritage Fund grant application and approving all actions necessary to implement the proposed historic revitalization activities. (Armando Esparza, Director of Economic Development)**

Mr. Armando Esparza, Director of Economic Development, explained that at the last City Council meeting, the cultural and economic revitalization plan was approved and one (1) of the recommendations from the plan is to advance completing a resource survey and nomination process. The federal registers recommended in the plan for the two (2) districts. Staff requested authorization and a local match commitment for a grant opportunity that would allow the city to begin the process of determining which properties are eligible for federal tax credits. at the state level for preservation rehabilitation grants. Staff is proposing a \$90,000.00 project that would include \$40,000.00 for historic surveys and registration nominations, and \$50,000.00 for redevelopment strategies and planning. Staff is seeking authorization to submit to the Arizona Historic Preservation Fund and to commit the 40% local match. Additionally, staff is working with Campesinos Sin Frontera on applying for a separate grant that would cover the local match commitment if awarded.

Council Members Luis E. Cabrera and Lizeth Servin commented on the noticeable improvements in downtown and thanked Mr. Esparza for working with local agencies and non-profit organizations.

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Javier Vargas/Council Member Esteban C. Rosales to approve and adopt Resolution No. 2391, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

**7. F. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding the approval and adoption of Order No. 2026-01. 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 equipment by approving an Intergovernmental Agreement and authorizing execution of the Agreement Regarding the Local Border Support Grant, between the State of Arizona, through its Department of Public Safety, and the City of San Luis, Arizona authorized through the San Luis Police Department. (Damian Miller, Police Lieutenant)**

Mr. Damian Miller, Police Lieutenant, indicated that the City of San Luis Police Department has been awarded \$511,383.80 in Local Border Support funding for the purchase of the following items:

1. \$7,803 for Ebikes,
2. \$367,424.80 for vehicles,
3. \$59,400 for Base Drone,
4. \$52,400 for Ballistic Vests, and
5. \$24,356 for Drone analytics.

The grant cycle ends June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2027.

**MOTION:** Council Member Luis E. Cabrera/Council Member Lizeth Servin to adopt Order No. 2026-01 approving the Intergovernmental Agreement for the Local Border Support grant and authorizing the Chief of Police to enter into the intergovernmental agreement on behalf of the city. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

**7. G. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Ordinance No. 478. An Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, repealing Section 2.05.250 and replacing Section 2.05.220 of the City Code to clarify the timing of the oath of office and to create a consistent date to take office for the Mayor and City Council. (ITEM CONTINUED FROM THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON JANUARY 16, 2026) (Council Members Luis E. Cabrera, Lizeth Servin and Javier Vargas)**

Council Member Luis E. Cabrera stated that it is best practice for staff and the community to know when their elected officials will assume office.

He added that the current city code, adopted many years ago, states that the Oath of Office will be administered after the general election at the first regular council meeting. However, due to the canvassing of votes, this may not occur. To allow the outgoing council to hold a recognition ceremony and reception for the incoming council, he thinks it would be best practice to designate the first Wednesday of December as the day the newly elected officials assume office together. Not the last Council, but the previous one, the Mayor was sworn in a conference room, and then the Council Members were sworn in the Council Chambers on a different date. Then, last year, when many stakeholders were present to congratulate the outgoing Council and welcome the new Council, the agenda was very busy. So, to prevent something like this, it is better to hold the ceremony rather than have it throughout the meeting.

Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya asked whether there is a statute requiring them to wait until after the election canvass is formal.

Ms. Kay Macuil, City Attorney, responded that there are statutes on the matter and that this ordinance was written to comply with them, regardless of when the votes come in. It might not be the first Wednesday in December if they are still counting the votes, but this allows all those elected that year to be sworn in on that same date.

Comments, questions and answers ensued among the City Council and staff.

#### **A. Action on Reading of Ordinance No. 478 by title only**

**MOTION:** Council Member Luis E. Cabrera/Mayor Nieves Riedel to approve the Reading of Ordinance No. 478 by title only. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

Mrs. Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk, read Ordinance No. 478 by title only.

#### **B. Action on Ordinance No. 478**

**MOTION:** Mayor Nieves Riedel/Council Member Esteban C. Rosales to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 478, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

**7. H. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding payment for legal work of the city's outside counsel, Gammage & Burnham, for the federal lawsuit against the city, Gethsemani Baptist Church v. San Luis. (Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney)**

Ms. Kay Macuil, City Attorney, explained that this item is to catch up on bills related to the Gethsemani Baptist Church case brought against the city. To date, the total amount not approved by the City Council is \$118,189.07. She asked the City Council to ratify the amount, as payments have already been made.

**MOTION:** Vice Mayor Javier Vargas/Council Member Esteban C. Rosales to ratify \$118,189.07 in legal expenses to Gammage and Burnham, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

**7. I. Discussion and possible action on any and all matters regarding Ordinance No. 480. An Ordinance of the Mayor and City Council of the City of San Luis, Arizona, amending City Code Sections 6.05.085 and 10.05.010 to update the definition for Animal Control Enforcement Officer and authorize Transit Enforcement Officer duties. (Kay Marion Macuil, City Attorney)**

Ms. Kay Macuil, City Attorney, stated that Animal Control Officers already have authority under state statute to do all the things they do; however, there are misdemeanors, and this ordinance clarifies that they have the authority to do misdemeanors as far as animals are concerned. For Transit Enforcement Officers, the statute states that cities have authority, but they need an ordinance.

She added that the police want to give Transit Officers the authority to do accident investigations, which is authorized by state law, but the city must do it through an ordinance.

**A. Action on Reading of Ordinance No. 480 by title only**

**MOTION:** Council Member Esteban C. Rosales/Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya to approve the Reading of Ordinance No. 480 by title only. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

Mrs. Sonia Cornelio, City Clerk, read Ordinance No. 480 by title only.

**B. Action on Ordinance No. 480**

**MOTION:** Council Member Esteban C. Rosales/Vice Mayor Javier Vargas to approve and adopt Ordinance No. 480, as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

**8. SUMMARY OF CURRENT EVENTS**

Council Member Luis E. Cabrera commented that he appreciates Ms. Kay Macuil, City Attorney, for all her hard work and support in the past years, in answering his questions and providing feedback to help him be a better public servant. He wished Ms. Macuil a happy retirement.

Council Member Maria Cecilia Cruz thanked Ms. Macuil for her experience and professionalism, and for the moments when she remained neutral in chaotic situations.

Vice Mayor Javier Vargas thanked Ms. Macuil for her service, dedication, and hard work and wished her a happy retirement.

Council Member Lizeth Servin thanked Ms. Macuil for her professionalism and for always being accessible with a smile and wished her a happy retirement. On a separate note, she thanked Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya for serving as Vice Mayor for the past year and welcomed Vice Mayor Javier Vargas in his new role.

Mayor Nieves Riedel reported that today the city had the honor of hosting Representative Adelita Grijalva. They went on a private tour of the Port of Entry, and she was amazed by the amount of work being done on the new port, but overall, by the way the city works with the Port Director and its officials in this project. She will probably return in March, along with Senators Mark Kelly and Ruben Gallego. She also reported that her company has donated five (5) acres to the City of San Luis in the east of the city with the intention of creating something unique to serve the community, which was not taken care of because of a lack of funding. Those five (5) acres have become a pet park that everyone in San Luis will be able to enjoy. She will announce the date to invite the community to attend and make it official early next month. This is a \$500,000.00 project funded by the Riedel Family for the residents of San Luis. They did not need to do it, but they wanted to. She thanked the staff for guiding them and providing ideas for this project. The park's name will be Oscar's Place in memory of her grandchildren's Yorkie. The park will have a mural by a local artist.

Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya thanked Ms. Macuil, adding that he was in the interview and follow-up interview when she was hired, and that, ever since, she has been a great colleague, always with a smile, assisting elected officials.

Council Member Esteban C. Rosales stated he has known Ms. Macuil for 13 years but has worked with her for one (1) year. He wished her a happy retirement.

## 11. ADJOURNMENT

**MOTION:** Council Member Tadeo Azael De La Hoya/Mayor Nieves Riedel to adjourn the Regular Council meeting at approximately 7:58 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.

The vote was as follows:

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

**APPROVED:**

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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 28, 2026. 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