

**City of San Juan Bautista**  
**Special City Council Meeting**

**June 6, 2008**

**MINUTES**

**1. Call to Order** at 3:30 a.m. by Mayor George Dias, III.

**A. Pledge of Allegiance**

**B. Roll Call**

**Council Members Present:** Mayor George Dias, Vice Mayor Rick Edge, and Council Members Priscilla Hill, Bob Paradice and Ed Laverone.

**Staff Present:** Acting City Clerk Trish Paetz and Assistant City Attorney Bob Rathie.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Edge and seconded by Council Member Hill to approve the agenda as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

**3. Public Comment (limited to items on the agenda)**

No public comment was received.

At which time Council Member Laverone recused himself and stepped out of the meeting because he owns property in close proximity of the subdivision being discussed.

**4. Action Items**

**A. Initiation of Assessment Procedures – Valle Vista Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Assessment District No. 1 (Located in Creekbridge Subdivision)**

Assistant City Attorney Rathie presented a staff report stating Council desires to confirm its prior actions of establishing a Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Assessment District and begin collecting an assessment starting in Fiscal Year 2008-2009. Mayor Dias further elaborated that, during the past couple months, a committee comprised of several residents of the Creekbridge subdivision had met with City Attorney Thacher to resolve issues relating to formation of a Landscape and Lighting Maintenance Assessment District. Now, in order to meet the County Auditor's timeframe for levying an assessment, the ballot casting process required by Proposition 218 would need to proceed immediately.

**i. Consider Resolution No. 2008-XX Ordering Preparation of an Engineer's Revised Report for Proposed Fiscal Year 2008-2009 Assessments**

A motion was made by Vice Mayor Edge and seconded by Council Member Paradice to approve Resolution 2008-22 ordering preparation of an Engineer's Revised Report for Proposed Fiscal Year 2008-09 Assessments. The motion passed 4-0-0-1.

**ii. Consider Resolution No. 2008-XX Approving the Engineer's Revised Report**

A motion was made by Council Member Hill and seconded by Council Member Paradise to approve Resolution 2008-23 approving the engineer's revised report. The motion passed 4-0-0-1.

**iii. Consider Resolution No. 2008-XX Declaring the Council's Intention to Levy and Collect Assessments for Fiscal Year 2008-09**

A motion was made by Council Member Hill and seconded by Council Member Paradise to approve Resolution 2008-24 declaring the Council's intention to levy and collect assessments for fiscal year 2008-09. The motion passed 4-0-0-1.

Assistant City Attorney Rathie reminded Council that a public hearing would be held July 29, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at which time the ballots would be counted.

Whereupon Council Member Laverone returned to the dais.

**B. Conduct Interviews for Acting City Manager and Make Selection**

Council Members received a list of questions that they would alternate asking the candidates. Mayor Dias asked Council Members anyone had a problem with the questions that would be asked of the candidates. Council Member Laverone stated he had a problem with asking the candidates what compensation they would expect for the job. Assistant City Attorney Rathie stated the question was appropriate.

Whereupon, Council took a short recess. The meeting resumed at 3:50 p.m. and Council proceeded with interviewing the candidates.

Candidates for the position of Acting City Manager participating in interviews are Jack Slota from Gridley, Stephen Julian from Coalinga, Carl Yeats from Palo Alto, Jeff Butzlaff from Mt. Shasta, and Lee Thompson of MCE Corporation. Mr. Yeats and Mr. Thompson were interviewed via teleconference.

Whereupon, Council took another short recess and the meeting resumed at 5:09 p.m.

Assistant City Attorney Rathie suggested that Council rank the candidates and an employment contract could be negotiated with the candidate with the most number of votes.

The process proceeded as described and the top three candidates are (1) Stephen Julian, (2) Carl Yeats, and (3) Lee Thompson.

Assistant City Attorney Rathie offered the following motion: That the City Attorney, on behalf of the Council, be directed to enter into negotiations according to direction to be provided by the Council regarding an agreement to be subsequently submitted to and reviewed by the Council for the position of Acting City Manager of the

following individuals selected by consensus of the Council. And those individuals would be Mr. Julian, Mr. Yeats and Mr. Thompson.

Council Member Hill made the motion as stated by the Assistant City Attorney; and Council Member Laverone seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Assistant City Attorney Rathie then offered the following motion: That the City Council authorize the City Attorney to serve as the City Council's designated representative and to work with the City Council on an agreement for the position of Acting City Manager to be subsequently brought back and approved by the City Council.

Council Member Laverone asked that this motion be delayed until the proposed special meeting on June 9, 2008, and the mayor and council members agreed.

Assistant City Attorney Rathie then offered another motion: That Council direct the City Clerk to post a Special Meeting to be held at City Hall on Monday, June 9, 2007 at 8:00 a.m. for the purpose of meeting in closed session pursuant to Government Code 54957 concerning providing direction to the City Attorney regarding public employment, the position under consideration: Acting City Manager, currently vacant.

Council Member Hill made the motion as stated by the Assistant City Attorney; and Council Member Laverone seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

## **5. Adjournment**

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 5:55 p.m.