

RESOLUTION 2016-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SAN JUAN BAUTISTA REQUESTING COMMUNICATION AND DIALOG WITH THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO EXPLORE ALTERNATIVE USES OF ORCHARD GARDEN LOT ON THIRD STREET

WHEREAS, the City has long recognized the cultural and historical significance of the Orchard Garden Lot in its relationship to the Historic Third Street Downtown District, and

WHEREAS, the Historic Third Street Downtown District is the principal foundation of the City's tourist based economy, drawing visitors, tourist, students and historians from all parts of the world, and

WHEREAS, the San Juan Bautista Mission is the cornerstone of the early California settlement that established the religious history and cultural presence of the City and is a primary educational program for many of the elementary students in our state, and

WHEREAS, the State Park provides a comprehensive and interpretative history of early California living that augments the Mission and the Third Street Historic Downtown District to attract visitors, tourist, students and adults to experience the cultural history of early San Juan Bautista, and

WHEREAS, the Orchard Garden Lot is situated in the heart of the Historical Downtown District and access to the lot could provide new and increased cultural, archaeological and historical opportunities for visitors, tourist, students and adults to experience the early California living environment, and

WHEREAS, daily accessibility and utilization of the Orchard Lot would have a valuable economic affect to the city, community, visitors and tourists in providing an area for collaborative events, artistic and theatrical programs, cultural and educational programs, and community based family events, and

WHEREAS, the City desires to enter into meaningful dialog and communication with the State of California for increasing the accessibility and utilization of the Orchard Garden Lot, to provide expanded opportunities for the many visitors, tourists, students, adults and community members.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City Council of the City of San Juan Bautista hereby adopts Resolution 2016-16 on this 19th day of April 2016 by the following vote.

AYES: Edge, Boch, Lund, Marlorana, West

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Rick Edge

ATTEST:

Deputy City Clerk Trish Paetz