



MINUTES

ECONOMIC VITALITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

Economic Vitality Commission

Dan Buan
Diana Dowling
Birgit Rickert
Francisco Salanga III
Gregoria Torres, Chair
Steve Watkins
(Vacant)

City Council Chambers

555 Santa Clara Street
Vallejo, CA 94590
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May 22, 2019
6:30PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Torres at 6:35 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

EVC Present: Chair Gregoria Torres, Dan Buan, Diana Dowling, Birgit Rickert

EVC Absent: Francisco Salanga III, Steve Watkins

Staff Present: Alea Gage, Economic Development Project Manager (Commission Secretary); Annette Taylor, Senior Community Development Analyst; Will Morat, Assistant to the City Manager

City Council Present: City Council Liaison - Councilmember Hermie Sunga

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action: Moved and carried to approve the agenda of the May 22, 2019 meeting. (Aye: Chair Torres, Commissioners Buan, Dowling, and Rickert; Absent: Salanga III and Watkins.)

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: Moved and carried to approve the meeting minutes of the October 2, 2018 meeting. (Aye: Chair Torres, Commissioners Buan, Dowling, and Rickert; Absent: Salanga III and Watkins.)

6. COMMUNITY FORUM

No speaker cards were submitted.

7. COMMISSION TERM, APPOINTMENT & LEADERSHIP UPDATE

Commissioners received an update on the City Council's process for appointments for the existing vacancy and for terms expiring on June 30, 2019.

8. COMMISSION MEETING AND APPOINTMENT UPDATE

Alea Gage, Commission Secretary requested feedback to assist in scheduling bi-monthly meetings, both in Council Chambers and within the community via a business walk program. She indicated that Chair and Vice-Chair appointments will be made once a full commission is in place due to two expiring terms and once vacancy.

9. QUARTERLY UPDATE ON THE CITY'S BUSINESS RETENTION PROGRAM

Senior Community Development Analyst, Annette Taylor, provided commissioners with an update of the City's Business Retention Program.

10. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

Alea Gage, Commission Secretary invited Will Morat, Assistant to the City Manager to provide information about an upcoming community meeting related to Blue Rock Springs project.

11. REPORT OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER AND LIAISON REPORTS

Chair Torres invited Councilmember Sunga to share some remarks.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.

GREGORIA TORRES, CHAIR

ATTEST:

MARISA CUMPIAN, COMMISSION SECRETARY