



MINUTES

ECONOMIC VITALITY COMMISSION SPECIAL MEETING

Economic Vitality Commission

Dan Buan
Deborah Dickson
Diana Dowling
Tim Hiemstra
Birgit Rickert
Reina Robinson
Gregoria Torres, Chair

City Council Chambers

555 Santa Clara Street
Vallejo, CA 94590
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October 9, 2019
6:00PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chair Torres at 6:08 p.m.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. ROLL CALL

EVC Present: Chair Gregoria Torres, Deborah Dickson, Tim Hiemstra, Reina Robinson

EVC Absent: Dan Buan, Diana Dowling, Birgit Rickert

Staff Present: Marisa Cumpian, Senior Project Manager (Commission Secretary); Will Morat, Assistant to the City Manager

Consultants Present: Slater Matzke, Executive Advisor

City Council Present: City Council Liaison - Councilmember Hermie Sunga

4. OATH OF OFFICE

Councilmember Hermie Sunga performed the oath of office for new Commissioners Dickson, Hiemstra, and Robinson & reappointment for Chair Torres.

5. PRESENTATIONS

The commission received a brief new member orientation. Will Morat and Slater Matzkie presented an Economic Development Update.

6. COMMUNITY FORUM

Calvin Harrell, long term business owner addressed the commission to discuss supporting local businesses.

7. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Action: Moved by Commissioner Dickson and carried unanimously to approve the agenda of the October 9, 2019 meeting.

8. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: Moved by Commissioner Dickson and carried unanimously to approve the meeting minutes of the May 22, 2019 meeting.

9. ECONOMIC VITALITY COMMISSION OBJECTIVES

Marisa Cumpian, Commission Secretary requested, and the commission provided feedback on assets and strengths of the City with respect to Economic Development, as well as the major challenges Vallejo faces in order to thrive economically.

10. REPORT OF THE SECRETARY

Marisa Cumpian, Commission Secretary informed the Commission of upcoming training (*Date TBD*) and provided handouts with respect to 1) Rosenberg's Rules of Order, 2) City of Vallejo Code of Ethics and Conduct for Elected and Appointed Officials, 3) Decorum and Council Liaison Ordinance. She also indicated that the Chair and Vice-Chair roles would be considered and voted on at the next Economic Vitality Commission meeting.

11. REPORT OF THE PRESIDING OFFICER AND LIAISON REPORTS

Chair Torres invited Councilmember Sunga to share some remarks. Councilmember Sunga welcomed the commission.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

GREGORIA TORRES, CHAIR

ATTEST:

MARISA CUMPIAN, COMMISSION SECRETARY