



# MINUTES

## Special Meeting of the San Marcos City Council & General Plan Advisory Committee

TUESDAY, JULY 23, 2019

City Council Chambers

1 Civic Center Drive, San Marcos, CA 92069

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Jones called the City Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Led by Mayor Jones

### **ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: JENKINS, NUÑEZ, PETREK, WALTON, JONES  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

### **ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

**RALPH DESIENA**, resident, spoke about concerns with the proposed crematorium at Allen Bros Mortuary.

**JANNAE DESIENA**, resident, spoke about concerns with the proposed crematorium at Allen Bros Mortuary.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

**CITY MANAGER GRIFFIN** introduced the item; provided the project overview; and introduced the city project team of Dahvia Lynch, Development Services Director, and Karen Brindley, Planning Manager.

1. **PROJECT OVERVIEW**
2. **PROJECT TEAM - CITY**
3. **GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE INTRODUCTIONS**

**MAYOR JONES** introduced all the members of the committee and invited them to stand and be recognized.

INTEREST	APPOINTEE	ALTERNATE
Community At-Large	Glen Winn	Lela Hankins
Community At-Large	Arcela Nuñez-Alvarez	Marisol Clark-Ibañez
Community At-Large	Ed Philbrick	Jon Lycett
Community At-Large	Herbie Smith	Letty Robles
Community At-Large	Mike Strong	Kevin Karpe



Business/Economic Development	Matt Simmons	Rick Rungaitis
Building Industry/Housing	Michael McSweeney	Jeff O'Connor
Sphere of Influence	Ramona Finnila	Tanis Brown
Local Primary Education (K-12)	Mark Schiel	TBD
Local Higher Education/Academia – CSUSM	Neal Hoss	Mark Norita
Local Higher Education/Academia – Palomar College	Chris Miller	Denis Astl
Parks/Recreation/Open Space/Trails	Jay Franklin	Joyce Sensmeier
Infrastructure/Water	Hal Martin	James Gumpel

#### 4. OVERVIEW: WHAT IS A GENERAL PLAN?

**KAREN BRINDLEY, PLANNING MANAGER**, provided a brief overview of the current General Plan, components, structure, mandatory content and overall roadmap of the general planning process.

#### 5. GENERAL PLAN ADVISORY COMMITTEE ROLE AND COMMITMENT

**KAREN BRINDLEY, PLANNING MANAGER**, clarified the roles and responsibility of the committee members during the estimated two years to complete the general plan process.

#### 6. CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION OF MAJOR AREAS OF INTEREST

**MAYOR PRO TEM JENKINS** detailed the following areas of interest: mixed use flexibility, flyover at Johnston Lane, Creek District re-visioning, flexible zoning, San Marcos Boulevard complete street options, traffic circulation, parking requirements, potential school and fire station sites, long term sustainability, workforce housing opportunities, convenient meeting times for public workshops and transparent general plan update process.

**COUNCILMEMBER NUÑEZ** provided the following areas of interest: inclusionary process for all members of the public to participate and provide feedback into the process and expressed gratitude for those in attendance and invited all to attend future meetings.

**COUNCILMEMBER PETREK** spoke on the following areas of interest: reiterated the general plan as the vision of the city's future, provides basis for city council budgetary decisions, neighborhood definitions, best use of mixed and commercial zoning areas, housing densities and affordability, importance of infrastructure components in plan, streamline documentation and relevant information, economic growth opportunities, employment center areas, implementation of plan and identified city policies.

**COUNCILMEMBER WALTON** detailed the following areas of interest: General Plan lays the foundation for the city's vision of the future, think outside the box and keep in mind what San Marcos has become, housing varieties and opportunities, educational and institutional opportunities, zoning flexibility for infill projects, maintaining and growing the parks and trails system, value of open space, climate change sustainability, future community character, innovative and balanced approved to the future as stated in the city's mission statement.

**MAYOR JONES** shared the following areas of interest: preservation of the city's history, housing needs and opportunities, job centers, flexible zoning, infrastructure compatible for future, electric charging

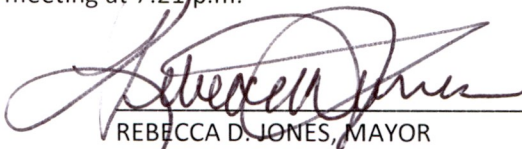


stations, green building processes, maintenance of city funding opportunities, financial sustainability, redevelopment and revitalization opportunities.

## 7. NEXT STEPS

**DISCUSSION INCLUDED:** projected \$2 million cost of the project, consultant bids and award, GPAC meeting schedule and timing of the project.

**ADJOURNMENT** – Mayor Jones adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m.



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REBECCA D. JONES, MAYOR  
CITY OF SAN MARCOS

ATTEST:



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PHILLIP SCOLLICK, CITY CLERK  
CITY OF SAN MARCOS