



Council Minutes

April 29, 2025, 5:30 p.m.

Council Chambers, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo

Council Members Present: Council Member Mike Boswell, Council Member Emily Francis, Council Member Jan Marx, Vice Mayor Michelle Shoresman, Mayor Erica A. Stewart

City Staff Present: City Manager Whitney McDonald, Christine Dietrick, City Attorney, Teresa Purrington, City Clerk

1. CLOSED SESSION (5:00 - 5:30 PM)

1.a CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Erica A. Stewart called the Closed Session of the San Luis Obispo City Council to order at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Hearing Room at City Hall, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo with all Council Members present.

1.b PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLOSED SESSION ITEMS ONLY

Public Comments:

None

---End of Public Comment---

1.c CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION

Action: City Attorney Christine Dietrick announced that the Council met in Closed Session on one matter regarding existing litigation (San Luis Obispo Property and Business Owners Association, Leslie Halls v. City of San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo City Council; Smart Share Housing Solutions, a corporation, San Luis Obispo Superior Court Case No. 25CV-0212.). Council on a motion by Vice Mayor Shoresman and seconded by Mayor Stewart (with a 5 - 0 vote) to authorize the defense of the action and to retain Ty Green to jointly represent Smart Share Housing Solution and the city. There was no further action taken.

1.d ADJOURNMENT

Closed session adjourned at 5:30 p.m. to the City Council Special Meeting of April 29, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo.

2. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Stewart called to order a Special Meeting on April 29, 2025 at 5:35 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo, with all Council Members present.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council Member Boswell led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. PRESENTATION

4.a NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER PROCLAMATION

Mayor Stewart presented a proclamation declaring May 1st as the "National Day of Prayer" to Pastor Doug Pittam.

5. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS ON THE AGENDA ONLY

6. CONSENT AGENDA

6.a AUTHORIZE A TAX EXCHANGE AGREEMENT WITH THE COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO TO ADDRESS TAX TRANSFERS FROM SLACK STREET AND HATHWAY DETACHMENT NO. 04 (CAL POLY VISTA MEADOWS)

Vice Mayor Shoresman requested that the item be pulled from the Consent Agenda.

Public Comments:
William Thoma

---End of Public Comment---

Motion By Vice Mayor Shoresman
Second By Council Member Francis

Adopt a Draft Resolution entitled, "A Resolution of the City Council of the City of San Luis Obispo, California, accepting a negotiated exchange of Tax Revenue and annual tax increment between the County of San Luis Obispo and the City of San Luis Obispo for Detachment #04 (Slack Street and Hathway) from the City of San Luis Obispo."

Ayes (5): Council Member Boswell, Council Member Francis, Council Member Marx, Vice Mayor Shoresman, and Mayor Stewart

CARRIED (5 to 0)

7. BUSINESS ITEM

7.a INTRODUCTION OF THE 2025-27 WATER AND SEWER RATES AND AUTHORIZATION TO RELEASE THE ASSOCIATED PROPOSITION 218 NOTICE (Estimated Time: 60 minutes)

Utilities Director Aaron Floyd and Utilities Business Manager Julie Ridgeway provided an in-depth staff report and responded to Council questions.

Public Comments:

None

---End of Public Comment---

Motion By Mayor Stewart

Second By Council Member Boswell

1. Direct the publication and mailing of a notice consistent with Article XIII D of the California Constitution and the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act (Prop 218) as it relates to water and sewer rates; and
2. Set two Public Hearing dates on June 17, 2025, to consider the adoption of updated water and sewer rates if there is no majority protest in accordance with Prop 218.

Ayes (5): Council Member Boswell, Council Member Francis, Council Member Marx, Vice Mayor Shoresman, and Mayor Stewart

CARRIED (5 to 0)

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:59 p.m. The City Council will hold a Special Closed Session Meeting on April 30, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Council Hearing Room at City Hall. The next Regular Meeting of the City Council will be held on May 6, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 990 Palm Street, San Luis Obispo.

APPROVED BY COUNCIL: XX/XX/202X