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MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2019

Legislative Hearing Room, 55 Second Street, Friday Harbor, WA

09:00 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE

Council Chair Stephens called the meeting to order at 09:00 AM. Present: Council Members Jamie Stephens, Bill Watson and Rick Hughes; Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel and interested members of the public.

Approval of Minutes:

MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve the San Juan County Council Monday, November 4, 2019 meeting minutes as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded Mr. Hughes by to approve the San Juan County Council Tuesday, November 5, 2019 meeting minutes as written. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Consent Agenda:

MOVED by Mr. Watson seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve the Consent Agenda of Tuesday, November 12, 2019:

Financial Items:

The Auditor's office requests approval for the checks issued for the month of October, 2019

The Treasurer's office requests approval for the checks issued for the month of October, 2019

Miscellaneous:

Approve Request for Extension of the Friends of Lopez Island Pool (FLIP) 2019 Lodging Tax Award thru December 31, 2020

ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED

Public Access: The following individuals addressed the Council: none

09:06 AM COUNCIL MEMBER & COUNTY MANAGER UPDATES

Ms. Gabriel, Clerk: Advisory Committee Appointments/Reappointments:

51 **MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Watson to appoint JoAn Mann to the**
52 **Eastsound Planning Review Committee. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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54 **MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Watson to appoint Dwight Colley to the Human**
55 **Services Advisory Board. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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57 **Mr. Stephens:** Participated in the release of the recommendations regarding the Southern
58 Resident Killer Whale task Force; attending the Ecosystem Coordinating Board on November
59 19 as well as the Washington State Association of Counties conference.

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61 **Mr. Hughes:** Met with interested parties regarding a potential vacation rentals ordinance; met
62 with interested parties regarding a Mt. Baker Road trail on Orcas Island; provided an update on
63 ferry service funding.

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65 **PUBLIC HEARINGS:**

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67 **09:15 AM** To Adopt an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Setting the Property
68 Tax Levy for **Land Conservation Futures** for 2020 – Mike Thomas, County
69 Manager
70 **Present:** Full Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Ingrid
71 Gabriel

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73 Chair Stephens opened the public hearing to adopt the Ordinance. Mr. Thomas presented the
74 Ordinance and answered Council's questions.

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76 Chair Stephens opened public testimony. The following citizens offered testimony: none.

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78 Chair Stephens closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, the Council
79 took the following action:

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81 **MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to adopt an Ordinance of San Juan**
82 **County, Washington Setting the Property Tax Levy for Land Conservation Futures for**
83 **2020. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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85 **09:21 AM** To Adopt an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Setting the Property
86 Tax Levy for **County Roads** for 2020 – Mike Thomas, County Manager
87 **Present:** Full Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Ingrid
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90 Chair Stephens opened the public hearing to adopt the Ordinance. Mr. Thomas presented the
91 Ordinance and answered Council's questions.

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93 Chair Stephens opened public testimony. The following citizens offered testimony: none.

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95 Chair Stephens closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, the Council
96 took the following action:

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98 **MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to adopt an Ordinance of San Juan**
99 **County, Washington Setting the Property Tax Levy for County Roads for 2020. ALL**
100 **AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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102 **09:23 AM** To Adopt an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Setting the Property
103 Tax Levy for **Current Expense** for 2020 – Mike Thomas, County Manager
104 **Present:** Full Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Ingrid
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107 Chair Stephens opened the public hearing to adopt the Ordinance. Mr. Thomas presented the
108 Ordinance and answered Council's questions.

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110 Chair Stephens opened public testimony. The following citizens offered testimony: none.

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112 Chair Stephens closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, the Council
113 took the following action:

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115 **MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to continue the public hearing to adopt**
116 **an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Setting the Property Tax Levy for**
117 **Current Expense for 2020 to November 26 at 9:15. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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119 **09:26 AM** To Adopt an Ordinance for the Implementation of 1406 Sales Tax Retention
120 Legislation - Mark Tompkins, Health & Community Services Director and Ryan
121 Page, Housing Program Coordinator
122 **Present:** Full Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Ingrid
123 Gabriel
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125 Chair Stephens opened the public hearing to adopt the Ordinance. Mr. Page and Mr.
126 Tompkins presented the Ordinance and answered Council's questions.

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128 Chair Stephens opened public testimony. The following citizens offered testimony: none.

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130 Chair Stephens closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, the Council
131 took the following action:

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133 **MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to adopt an Ordinance Regarding**
134 **Local Sales and Use Taxes; Authorizing the Maximum Capacity of the Tax Authorized**
135 **Under the Provisions of Substitute House Bill 1406 (Chapter 338, Laws of 2019) for**
136 **Affordable and Supportive Housing and Adopting a New Chapter to Title 3 of the County**
137 **Code. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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139 **09:36 AM** To Adopt an Ordinance Cancelling Prior Years Unclaimed Accounts Payable and
140 Payroll Warrants – Jill Jacobs, Deputy Auditor
141 **Present:** Full Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Ingrid
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144 Chair Stephens opened the public hearing to adopt the Ordinance. Ms. Jacobs presented the
145 Ordinance and answered Council's questions.

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Chair Stephens opened public testimony. The following citizens offered testimony: none.

Chair Stephens closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to adopt an Ordinance Cancelling Prior Years Unclaimed Accounts Payable and Payroll Warrants. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

09:38 AM To Approve the 2020 Annual Capital Improvement Plan, 2021 Annual Capital Improvement Plan and the 2020-2025 Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan (continued from November 4) – Jill Jacobs, Deputy Auditor
Present: Full Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel

Chair Stephens opened the continued public hearing to approve the Plans. Ms. Jacobs presented the Plans and answered Council’s questions.

Chair Stephens opened public testimony. The following citizens offered testimony: none.

Chair Stephens closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

MOVED by Mr. Hughes, seconded by Mr. Watson to continue the public hearing to approve the 2020 Annual Capital Improvement Plan, 2021 Annual Capital Improvement Plan and the 2020-2025 Six-Year Capital Improvement Plan to Tuesday, November 26 at 9:15 AM as modified today. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

09:45 AM To Adopt an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Adopting a Budget and Setting Forth the Estimated Revenues and Appropriations (continued from Tuesday, November 4) – Mike Thomas, County Manager
Present: Full Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel

Chair Stephens opened the continued public hearing to adopt the Ordinance. Mr. Thomas presented the Ordinance and answered Council’s questions.

Chair Stephens opened public testimony. The following citizens offered testimony: none.

Chair Stephens closed public testimony with the right to reopen. After discussion, the Council took the following action:

MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to continue the public hearing to adopt an Ordinance of San Juan County, Washington Adopting a Budget and Setting Forth the Estimated Revenues and Appropriations to Tuesday, November 26 at 9:15 AM. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.

194 **10:03 AM ACTION:** Approve Volunteer Stewardship Plan Agreement – Erika Shook,
195 Director Community Development
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197 Ms. Shook presented the Agreement and answered Council’s questions. After discussion, the
198 Council took the following action:
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200 **MOVED by Mr. Watson, seconded by Mr. Hughes to approve the interlocal agreement**
201 **for professional services between San Juan County and the San Juan Islands**
202 **Conservation District. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**
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204 **10:15 AM BUDGET PRESENTATIONS CONTINUED:**

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206 Mr. Thomas and Director Erika Shook presented considerations and further details regarding
207 the Department of Community Development budget.
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209 Director Mark Tompkins presented considerations and further details regarding the
210 Department of Health & Community Services budget.
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212 Director Dona Wuthnow presented considerations and further details regarding the Parks &
213 Fair budget.
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215 **12:13 PM RECESS**

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217 At 12:13 PM, Council Chair Stephens announced that the Council would be holding a closed
218 session estimated to last 45 minutes after the recess.
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220 **01:15 PM CLOSED SESSION:** To discuss matters pertaining to collective bargaining
221 pursuant to RCW 42.30.140(4)(b)
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223 Present: Council, County Manager Mike Thomas, Human Resource Manager James Wolf and
224 Clerk to the Council Ingrid Gabriel.
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226 The session ended at 2:00 PM for a total closed session time of 45 minutes.
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228 **No Action was taken.**
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230 Ms. Gabriel stepped out of the hearing room and announced that the closed session had
231 ended. Chair Stephens adjourned the closed session and reconvened the regular meeting.
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233 **02:00 PM DISCUSSION:** Budget Deliberations
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235 The Council and Mr. Thomas continued budget deliberations.
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237 **04:08 PM DISCUSSION:**
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239 State Senator Liz Lovelett met with the Council to discuss groundwater availability and
240 watershed management issues.
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242 **04:37 PM ADJOURN**
243 Chair Stephens adjourned the meeting.

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246 **COUNTY COUNCIL**
247 **SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

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249 **These Minutes were approved and signed on November 26, 2019. The original document is retained in**
250 **the Council's permanent proceedings file. Attest: Ingrid R. Gabriel, Council Clerk.**

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