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**MEETING MINUTES
SAN JUAN COUNTY (SJC), WASHINGTON
COUNTY COUNCIL
MONDAY, MARCH 27, 2023**

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

09:01 AM CALL TO ORDER & FLAG SALUTE

Council Chair Wolf called the meeting to order at 09:01 AM. Present: Council Members Cindy Wolf (via videoconference), Jane Fuller, Christine Minney, County Manager Mike Thomas and Clerk to the Council Sally Rogers.

Excused Absences: none

Approval of Agenda: Ms. Wolf announced the decision to move Agenda item number 6, with item number 3, due to Ms. Wolf attending remote, and to allow for the item number 5, Sheriff's Office briefing of the use of drones, for a live demonstration outside on the lawn at the end of the meeting. Ms. Wolf will hand the gavel over to Ms. Fuller and excuse herself, Ms. Fuller, Vice-Chair will adjourn the meeting.

Public Comments: Marta Green addressed comments to the Council.

09:11 AM DISCUSSION: To Notice of San Juan County Public Hearing on An Ordinance Regarding Imposing a Local Sales and Use Tax of One-Tenth of One Percent for Housing and Related Services as Authorized by RCW 82.14.530 And Adopting a New Chapter to Title 3 of the County Code - Ryan Page, Housing Coordinator and Mark Tompkins, Health & Community Services Director & Deputy County Manager.

Mr. Thomas and Mr. Tompkins presented information and options to Council to potentially approve Notice of San Juan County Public Hearing on An Ordinance Regarding Imposing a Local Sales and Use Tax of One-Tenth of One Percent for Housing and Related Services as Authorized by RCW 82.14.530 And Adopting a New Chapter to Title 3 of the County Code.

Council's direction to staff is to come back with implementation for "Option 2" with plans of the goal in mind to implement sometime in 2024.

09:50 AM DISCUSSION: American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) Funds Update, Mike Thomas – County Manager

Mr. Thomas and Libby Concord - Financial Clerk III, gave a presentation of the American Recovery Plan Act (ARPA) Funds Update and answered Council's questions. Mr. Thomas and Ms. Concord made recommendation to expend funds and requested Council's approval to allocate \$50,000 in funds for two projects; the Auditor's Office Records Management and

46 Human Resources software for management of human resources records.

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48 **MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller, to approve the proposal for expenditure**
49 **of \$50,000 for the Local Assistance and Tribal Consistency Fund. ALL AYES; MOTION**
50 **CARRIED.**

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52 **10:13 AM DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Re-Authorization for Economic Development of
53 Commerce requesting designation of an Associate Development Organization.

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55 Council and Mr. Thomas discussed and reviewed the request for re-authorization.

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57 **MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller, to approve Re-Authorization to**
58 **designate San Juan Economic Development Council, as requested by the Economic**
59 **Development of Commerce’s request for the County’s designation of an Associate**
60 **Development Organization. ALL AYES; MOTION CARRIED.**

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63 **10:16 AM DISCUSSION/ACTION:** Sheriff’s Office request for a new position, Law
64 Enforcement Records Coordinator, Michael Hairston – Undersheriff and Kim Ott -
65 Chief Civil Deputy.

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67 **MOVED by Ms. Minney, seconded by Ms. Fuller, to approve the Sheriff’s Office request**
68 **for a new position, Law Enforcement Records Coordinator. ALL AYES; MOTION**
69 **CARRIED.**

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71 **10:50 AM** Sheriff’ Office briefing of the new Tip 411 software, Michael Hairston –
72 Undersheriff and David Alexander – Chief Criminal Deputy.

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74 Mr. Hairston and Mr. Alexander gave a presentation of the new Tip 411 software and
75 answered Council’s questions.

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77 **11:07 AM** Ms. Wolf excused herself and turned the meeting over to Ms. Fuller to Chair the
78 remainder of the meeting.

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80 **11:08 AM** Sheriff’s Office briefing of the use of drones, Michael Hairston – Undersheriff and
81 David Alexander – Chief Criminal Deputy.

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83 Mr. Hairston and Mr. Alexander gave a presentation of the use of drones and answered
84 Council’s questions. Mr. Hairston presented a draft policy for the use of drones to Council.

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86 **11:21 AM** The meeting moved outside for the drone demonstration, Ms. Fuller announced
87 them meeting will be adjourned after the demonstration.

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89 **12:00 AM ADJOURN**

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91 Vice Chair Fuller adjourned the meeting.

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**COUNTY COUNCIL
SAN JUAN COUNTY, WASHINGTON**

Christine Minney
District 1

Cindy Wolf
District 2

Jane Fuller
District 3

ATTEST: Clerk to the Council

By: _____ 5/2/2023
Sally Rogers Date:

Minutes approved by San Juan County Council on May 2, 2023.