MEETING DATE: 02/04/2020

ITEM NO: 1

DRAFT Minutes of the Town Council Special Meeting – Strategic Priorities January 14, 2020

The Town Council of the Town of Los Gatos conducted a Special Meeting on Tuesday, January 14, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

SPECIAL MEETING CALLED TO ORDER AT 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Present: Mayor Marcia Jensen, Vice Mayor Barbara Spector, Council Member Rob Rennie,

Council Member Marico Sayoc.

Absent: None

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Jensen led the Pledge of Allegiance. The audience was invited to participate.

VERBAL COMMUNICATIONS

None.

Town Manager Prevetti announced the launch of a budget survey and encouraged all residents to complete the survey.

OTHER BUSINESS

1. Reaffirm Ongoing Strategic Priorities, Identify New Strategic Priorities for 2020 – 2022, and Determine the Priority Order of Potential Modifications to the Town Code.

Laurel Prevetti, Town Manager, presented the staff report.

Opened Public Comment.

Rob Stump

 Requested wildfire protection become a priority and provided suggestions on how to accomplish it.

David Weissman

- Requested that the tree ordinance enforcement section be modified to allow for compensatory fines.

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Susan Fish

- Requested that the tree ordinance enforcement section be modified to allow for compensatory fines.

Lee Fagot

Requested that two additional residents be added to the Finance Committee and give the
resident members voting rights; requested that the audio recordings of all Board,
Commission, and Committee meetings be put on the Town website; and suggested the
Town pay additional funds to CalPERS for unfunded liabilities.

Joann Justice

- Requested that parking, traffic speed, and safety on Blossom Hill Road at Blossom Hill School be addressed as a priority.

Lee Quintana

- Requested community involvement and transparency be improved by expanding the General Plan Committee duties, audio recordings of all Boards, Commissions, and Committees be placed on the website, and that fire safety and hillside development guidelines work together and not contradict each other.

Catherine Somers, Los Gatos Chamber of Commerce Executive Director

 Requested the priorities include streamlining ordinances, a trolley, transportation, parking, event signage, lights and lighting, increasing staffing in the Building Department to handle the tenant improvement permits, and funding for summer block parties.

Lisa Wade, Green Monday

 Requested the Town place funding and staff time towards promoting plant-based eating in the community and provided suggestions on how this could be accomplished.

Closed Public Comment.

Council confirmed the ongoing priorities, rearranged the list of ordinances to put the State mandated items first, added drones and mobility ordinances to the top of the list, and identified the following additional areas to continue emphasizing if funds allow:

- Additional Discretionary Payments (ADPs) toward pension obligations
- Wildfire mitigation measures
- Implementation of the parking study
- Renewed sustainability efforts, including climate resiliency

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ADJOURNMENT The meeting adjourned at 8:34 p.m.
Attest:

Shelley Neis, Town Clerk