



MINUTES OF THE **SPECIAL MEETING** OF THE
SOLVANG CITY COUNCIL

Council Chambers
1644 Oak Street
Solvang, CA 93463

March 20, 2019
Wednesday
5:30 pm

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Pro Tem Clarke called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL:

PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tem Clarke, Council Members Djernaes, Johnson, and Waite

ABSENT: Mayor Toussaint

STAFF: Rick Haydon, Interim City Manager; Dave Fleishman, City Attorney; and
Lisa S. Martin, City Clerk

PUBLIC COMMUNICATIONS

Prior to the opening of public communications, Council Member Waite asked to speak.

She indicated that she had no prior knowledge of the reason or justification for calling the closed session special meeting and commented that the proposed action to terminate the contract of the City Attorney was in her opinion, counterproductive to the business continuity of the city as it is awaiting the arrival of a new City Manager, and has recently and regrettably accepted the resignation of the Director of Administrative Services.

She further stated that she has never heard any negative comments regarding the performance of the City Attorneys from any current council member, and is extremely perplexed as to why this agenda has come forward. The idea of making change for the sake of change is not the appropriate way to conduct city affairs.

Motion made by Council Member Waite to terminate the meeting, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Clarke. Motion failed on a 2-2-1 vote resulting in No Action Taken, with Council Members Djernaes and Johnson voting No and Mayor Toussaint absent.

Alternate Motion made by Council Member Djernaes to table the item until Mayor Toussaint can be present, seconded by Council Member Johnson, and carried with a roll call vote of 3-0-2 with Council Member Waite abstaining and Mayor Toussaint absent.

With no need for public comment, Mayor Pro Tem adjourned the meeting.

REGULAR AGENDA

1. CLOSED SESSION

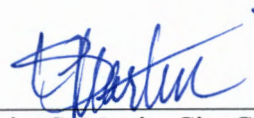
Government Code Section 54957 – Public Employee Discipline / Dismissal / Release
Title: City Attorney

Item tabled.

Government Code Section 54957 – Public Employee Appointment
Title: Interim City Attorney / Special City Auditor

Item tabled.

2. ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Pro Tem Clarke adjourned the City Council meeting at 5:47 p.m.



Lisa S. Martin, City Clerk