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MINUTES  
CITY COUNCIL  
BANNING, CALIFORNIA

02/27/2020  
SPECIAL MEETING - INTERVIEWS

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Mayor Andrade  
Mayor Pro Tem Wallace  
Councilmember Welch

**COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Councilmember Happe

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

Douglas Schulze, City Manager  
Sonja De La Fuente, Deputy City Clerk  
Laurie Sampson, Executive Assistant

**I. CALL TO ORDER**

A special meeting of the Banning City Council was called to order by Mayor Andrade on February 27, 2020 at 9:05 a.m. at the Banning Civic Center City Council Chamber, 99 E. Ramsey Street, Banning, California.

**II. INTERVIEWS**

**1. City Council Member – District 2**

The City Council interviewed Jennifer Flesher, Alma Dean, Rick Minjares, and Kyle Pingree for the position of City Council Member – District 2, to complete a vacated term through the certification of votes from the November 2020 election. Ms. Flesher provided an attachment to her application (Attachment 1).

**2. Planning Commissioner**

The City Council interviewed Richard Krick and David Lopez for the position of Planning Commissioner to serve a four-year term.

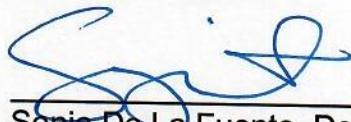
**III. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Linda Molina spoke in support of Rick Minjares for Council Member District 2 and David Lopez for Planning Commissioner.

**IV. ADJOURNMENT**

By consensus, the meeting adjourned at 9:56 a.m.

Minutes Prepared by:



Sonja De La Fuente, Deputy City Clerk

The entire discussion of this meeting may be viewed here:

<https://banninglive.viebit.com/player.php?hash=KvDcNwPsNDvH>. Related documents may be viewed here: <http://www.banningca.gov/ArchiveCenter/ViewFile/Item/2254> or by purchasing a CD or DVD in the amount of \$7.00 at Banning City Hall located at 99 E. Ramsey Street.

# ATTACHMENT 1

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Jennifer Flesher

The major issues that face city council:

1. Safety. I would like to meet with neighbors and work closely with the police department to form more consistent and robust neighborhood watch programs.
2. As a resident in District 2 I am familiar with how neglected our neighborhoods are when it comes to weed abatement and absentee property owners. One of the residents contacted me and reminded me that summer is coming and there is a lot of dried out weeds that not only creates the perfect fire storm but can also affect our insurance rates.
3. Creating affordable housing- I have several options for the city to consider. One being the legalization of tiny houses that would be no cost to the tax payers, create incomes for local residents, solve temporary housing needs for our aging population and caretakers, and other family members that have a need for temporary to long term affordable housing.
4. Job training is a high priority. With I-10 going through the middle of town, we need to work on a regional basis to get good paying jobs in our communities. We also need to work with the County and our high schools and community colleges for job training. Over the past 15 years our leaders have pulled the vo-tech shops out of our schools. Today, good paying jobs go unfilled for plumbers, carpenters and electricians -- this must be reverse ASAP.
5. We must have more aggressive code enforcement. Too many property owners, especially absentee landlords or owners of vacant parcel need to be required to get their property into compliance. These eyesores and vacant unattended properties reduce our property values and create opportunities for mischief and vagrants.