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# MINUTES

## Special Meeting of the San Marcos City Council

**TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2026**

Valley of Discovery

1 Civic Center Drive, San Marcos, CA 92069

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**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Jones called the City Council Meeting to order at 3:30 PM.

**ROLL CALL:**

PRESENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: JONES, LEBLANG, MUSGROVE, NUÑEZ, SANNELLA  
ABSENT: COUNCILMEMBERS: NONE

Also present were Budget Review Committee Members Chris Freeman, Joanne Harris-Malone, and Jim Garcia.

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no public comments.

**CITY COUNCIL BUDGET WORKSHOP**

**CITY MANAGER BENDER** provided summary of budget including long term fiscal health and operational sustainability measures.

**FINANCE DIRECTOR DONNA APAR AND BUDGET MANAGER JANET BROTHERTON** provided current economic trends, a budget update, and forecasts on revenues and expenditures for current and next fiscal years.

**CITY COUNCIL DISCUSSION INCLUDED:** clarification of future year project planning including Measure Q projects and expenditures; fire station 5 expenditures for current and future fiscal years; ambulance online and back availability; reserve rate compared to rest of the county; fiscal responsibility, creative ideas and use of best value analysis regarding city services and resources; current and future employment contract and pension costs and employee contribution rates; maintaining public trust in the use of Measure Q tax dollars, budgeting for capital improvements and ongoing maintenance; and increasing public outreach regarding improvement projects.



**ADJOURNMENT**

Mayor Jones adjourned the meeting at 4:22 PM.

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REBECCA D. JONES, MAYOR  
CITY OF SAN MARCOS

ATTEST:

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PHILLIP SCOLLIK, CITY CLERK  
CITY OF SAN MARCOS