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Board of Directors

Michael Meredith, Chair, Hotel Representative
Chris Ghione, Treasurer, City Representative
Edith Ramirez, Secretary, City Representative
David Dworkin, Hotel Representative

Andrew Firestone, Hotel Representative
Alexis Solis, Hotel Representative
Gene Guglielmo, Wineries Representative
Carrie Benjamin, Sports & Recreation Rep

Wednesday, September 28th, 2020

11:00 a.m.

Virtual Meeting*

Zoom

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Public Participation: In accordance with Executive Orders N-25-20, N-29-20, and guidance from the California Department of Public Health on gatherings, remote public participation is allowed. The Order will be addressed in the following ways: Members of the public may not physically attend meetings at the Morgan Hill City Council Chamber.

CALL TO ORDER Mr. Meredith called to order at 11:03 am

ROLL CALL Board Members Absent: Carrie Benjamin, David Dworkin

Public Present: John Lang, John McKay, Doug Hall, Nick Gaich, Brittney Sherman

PUBLIC COMMENT: Each speaker is limited to three minutes of public comment for items not on the agenda. Public comment for each item will be called for separately and is also limited to 3 minutes per speaker.

None

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approve Minutes for September 9, 2020 2 minutes

Vote:	Motion: Chris Ghione Second: Gene Guglielmo			
Yes Votes:	Alexis Solis	Andrew Firestone	Edith Ramirez	Michael Meredith
Final Vote:	Yes: 6	No: 0	Absent: 2 – Carrie Benjamin; David Dworkin	Abstain: 0 Vacant: 1

No Board or Public Comment

2. Approve Treasurer's Report August 2020 2 minutes

Vote:	Motion: Andrew Firestone
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	Second: Gene Guglielmo			
Yes Votes:	Alexis Solis	Chris Ghione	Edith Ramirez	Michael Meredith
Final Vote:	Yes: 6	No: 0	Absent: 2 – Carrie Benjamin; David Dworkin	Abstain: 0 Vacant: 1

No Board or Public Comment

3. Community At Large Board Seat Interviews 30 minutes
 Nick Gaich and Doug Hall were present for candidate interviews, provided introductions and answered interview questions. Board expressed gratitude to candidates and both left meeting.

Chair Meredith moved agenda item #5 to #4.

4. Appoint Community At Large Board Seat 5 minutes

Vote:	Majority vote for Doug Hall (4/6)			
			Absent: 2 – Carrie Benjamin; David Dworkin	Abstain: 0 Vacant: 1

Board Comment: Andrew, Gene, Edith, and Chris noted that both candidates were strong and decision tough as both would be great. Chris and Michael clarified the selection to be based on majority vote of 4 board members out of 6 present.

Public Comment: None

5. Approve Annual Report 15 minutes

Vote:	Motion: Gene Guglielmo Second: Chris Ghione			
Yes Votes:	Alexis Solis	Edith Ramirez	Michael Meredith	
Final Vote:	Yes:	No: 0	Absent: 3 – Carrie Benjamin; David Dworkin; Andrew Firestone	Abstain: 0 Vacant: 1

Board Comment: General appreciation for completing report

Public Comment: None

6. ED Update 10 minutes
 Executive Director Krista Rupp provided brief update on work since September 14th and ongoing projects.

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Board Comment: General comments on liking the format of monthly reports, work being done and collaborative efforts with other local campaigns. Comments on social media and “geocache” for paint squares.

Public Comments: Brittney Sherman shared brief comments regarding Place-Branding paint square partnership between Chamber and VMH and Buy Local Campaign.

7. Future Meeting Dates & Locations

2 minutes

FUTURE MEETING DATES AND AGENDA ITEMS/TOPICS

October 26, 2020	Virtual
November 23, 2020	Virtual
December 28, 2020	Virtual
January 25, 2020	TBD

Board Comment: Michael Meredith asked ED what topics for October. Suggested moving November meeting to 11/16 due to falling on Thanksgiving week. Noted that in 2019, December’s meeting was cancelled and to revisit with board in October

Public Comment: None

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Brown Act:

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