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**Minutes of the Special Meeting of the
Southern Gulf Islands Community Economic Sustainability Commission
Held August 6, 2021 by Zoom**

Present: CRD Director: David Howe, Paul Brent, Treasurer (Saturna) – Acting Chair; Deb Goldman (Mayne);
Staff: Justine Starke, Manager, SGI Service Delivery; Melody Pender, SGI Liaisons: Kat Ferneyhough (Mayne),
Absent: Ian Elliott, Chair (Pender), Michael Hoebel, Vice Chair (Galiano)

The meeting was called to order at 9:00am

1. Approval of Agenda

MOVED by Commissioner Goldman, **SECONDED** by Director Howe that the agenda of August 6th, 2021 be approved as presented. **CARRIED**

2. Discussion: Galiano Local Trust Committee has requested for referral regarding the Galiano Affordable Living Initiative.

MOVED by Commissioner Brent, **SECONDED** by Director Howe that the CESC recommends approval as:

- housing is an essential component for economic and social sustainability
 - many businesses are affected and some closures are attributed directly to staff shortages due to lack of housing
- CARRIED**

MOVED by Commissioner Goldman, **SECONDED** by Director Howe that in general affordable housing applications are in crucial need of political support. **CARRIED**

3. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Goldman that the meeting adjourn at 9:16am

4. Next regular meeting – proposed Tuesday, September 21st, 2021 at 10:00am.