



# County of Los Alamos

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## Minutes

### County Council – Regular Session

*Rick Reiss, Council Chair; Susan O'Leary, Vice Chair;  
James T. Chrobocinski, Steven Girrens, Kristin Henderson,  
David Izraelevitz and Pete Sheehey, Councilors*

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Tuesday, July 12, 2016

6:00 PM

Council Chambers-1000 Central Avenue  
TELEVISED

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#### 1. OPENING/ROLL CALL

The Vice-Chair, Councilor O'Leary, called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

**The following Councilors were in attendance:**

**Present: 6 - Councilor O'Leary, Councilor Chrobocinski, Councilor Girrens,  
Councilor Henderson and Councilor Sheehey, Councilor Izraelevitz**

**Absent: 1 - Councilor Reiss**

#### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Deborah Robinson, 2246 34<sup>th</sup> Street, spoke about legal issues she is involved in.

Ms. Julie Habiger, Los Alamos County Public Information Officer, invited Council and the public to attend a kickoff meeting for the twelve Capital projects on Thursday July 14, 2016 at 5:30 pm in Council Chambers.

Councilor Sheehey announced that a resident of Los Alamos, Mr. Frank Harlow passed away on July 1, 2016.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**A motion was made and seconded that the Agenda be approved, as presented.**

#### 4. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

- A.** Proclamation declaring July 14-17, 2016 as "Los Alamos Science Fest Weekend" in Los Alamos County (accepted by Suzette Fox, Los Alamos Main Street Association)

Councilor Henderson read and presented the proclamation to Ms. Suzette Fox, Los Alamos Main Street Association.

Ms. Suzette Fox, Los Alamos Main Street Association, spoke.

**No action taken.**

## 5. **CONSENT AGENDA**

### **Consent Motion:**

**A motion was made by Councilor Girrens, seconded by Councilor Henderson, that Council approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented and that the motions in the staff reports be included for the record.**

#### **A. Board/Commission Appointment - Parks and Recreation Board.**

**I move that Council appoint Stephanie Nakhleh to fill one Parks and Recreation Board vacancy with an expiration of November 30, 2017.**

#### **B. Approval of Agreement AGR16-055 for the Purpose of On-call Construction Services for Trenchless Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation with Albuquerque Underground, Inc. (AUI) in the Amount not to Exceed \$2,400,000.00, plus Applicable Gross Receipts Tax.**

**I move that Council approve Services Agreement AGR No.16-055 for the Purpose of On-call Construction Services for Trenchless Sanitary Sewer Rehabilitation with Albuquerque Underground, Inc., in the Amount not to Exceed \$2,400,000.00, plus Applicable Gross Receipts Tax.**

#### **C. Board/Commission Appointment(s) - Valuation Protests Board.**

**I move that Council appoint Kay Chinn as the Valuation Protests Board Primary Community Representative and Maureen Johnson as her alternate, each for a term ending June 25, 2017.**

#### **D. Approval of County Council FY17 Budget Minutes for April 18, 19, 25, 26, and May 2, 2016 and approval of County Council Minutes for May 3, 2016; May 17, 2016; May 24, 2016; and June 14, 2016.**

**I move that Council approve the FY17 Budget Minutes for April 18, 19, 25, 26, and May 2, 2016 and approval of County Council Minutes for May 3, 2016; May 17, 2016; May 24, 2016; and June 14, 2016.**

#### **E. Approval of Authorized Signers for County Bank and Investment Accounts.**

**I move that Council approve the individuals authorized to sign on all County of Los Alamos bank and investment accounts as presented in the attachment, to be effective on July 13, 2016 and include the attachment as part of the minutes.**

### **Approval of the Consent Agenda:**

**The motion passed with the following vote:**

**Yes: 6 - Councilor Henderson, Councilor Girrens, Councilor Izraelevitz  
Councilor Chrobocinski and Councilor Sheehey, Councilor O'Leary**

**Absent: 1 - Councilor Reiss**

## **6. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE(S)**

- A.** Incorporated County of Los Alamos Code Ordinance No. 02-265: An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Article III, Section 2-112, Making the Los Alamos County Clerk a Full-Time Position and Adjusting the Compensation According to Statute

**Councilor Izraelevitz introduced, without prejudice, the introduction of Incorporated County of Los Alamos Code Ordinance No. 02-265 An Ordinance Amending Chapter 2, Article III, Section 2-112, Making the Los Alamos Clerk a Full-Time Position and Adjusting the Compensation According to Statute.**

## **7. PUBLIC HEARING**

- A.** New Liquor License Application No.998386, (premise consumption only), filed by Applicant, Jong Mok Hong d/b/a Origami Japanese Restaurant, 182 Central Park Square, Los Alamos, New Mexico, 87544.

Mr. Harry Burgess, County Manager, spoke.

Public Comment:  
None.

**A motion was made by Councilor Chrobocinski, seconded by Councilor Girrens, that Council approve New Liquor License No. /Application No. 998386 for Jong Mok Hong, dba Origami Japanese Restaurant.**

**The motion passed with the following vote:**

**Yes: 6 - Councilor O'Leary, Councilor Chrobocinski, Councilor Girrens,  
Councilor Henderson, Councilor Izraelevitz and Councilor Sheehey**

**Absent: 1- Councilor Reiss**

## **8. BUSINESS**

- A.** Accept The Brand Marketing Plan And Approve The Use Of Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000.00) Approved In The FY17 Budget For Implementation Of This Plan.

Mr. Harry Burgess, County Manager, spoke.  
Ms. Kelly Stewart, Marketing Specialist, spoke.  
Ms. Julie Habiger, Public Information Officer, spoke.

Public Comment:  
None.

**A motion was made by Councilor Izraelevitz, seconded by Councilor Henderson, that Council Accept the Brand Marketing Plan and the Use of Eighty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$85,000.00) Approved in the FY17 Budget for Implementation of This Plan.**

**The motion passed with the following vote:**

**Yes: 6 - Councilor O'Leary, Councilor Chrobocinski, Councilor Girrens,  
Councilor Henderson, Councilor Izraelevitz and Councilor Sheehey**

**Absent: 1- Councilor Reiss**

## **9. COUNCIL BUSINESS**

### **A. Appointments**

1. Consider Appointment of Acting County Attorney and Associated Temporary Employment Agreement.

Mr. Harry Burgess, County Manager, spoke.

Public Comment:

None.

**A motion was made by Councilor Chrobocinski, seconded by Councilor Sheehey, that Council appoint Katie Thwaits as Acting County Attorney effective July 23, 2016, and lasting until a full-time County Attorney is appointed and employed by the County Council. I further move that Council authorize the Chair to execute a temporary employment agreement with Ms. Thwaits that outlines her duties as Acting County Attorney.**

**After a roll call vote, Ms. Katie Thwaits was appointed.**

### **B. Board, Commission and Committee Liaison Reports**

Councilor Girrens stated the Transportation Board met last week and they are on track to bring a recommendation regarding the bike path that is scheduled for hearing July 26, 2016.

Councilor Sheehey stated he had attended a forest service meeting regarding an environmental impact statement for geo-thermal development in the Jemez Mountains, and the possibility of Geo Thermal plants being established in the Valles Caldera.

Councilor O'Leary stated there is an agenda item on the July 19<sup>th</sup> work session that is going to discuss utility financial policy.

### **C. County Manager's Report**

1. County Manager's Report for July 2016

Mr. Harry Burgess, County Manager, reported.

### **D. Council Chair Report**

None.

### **E. General Council Business**

None.

## **F. Approval of Councilor Expenses**

**A motion was made by Councilor Girrens, seconded by Councilor Sheehey, to approve travel expenses for Councilor Henderson to attend the Manhattan Historical Park meeting in Denver, CO in August.**

**The motion passed with the following vote:**

**Yes:** 6 - Councilor Henderson, Councilor Izraelevitz, Councilor Chrobocinski, Councilor Girrens, Councilor O'Leary, Councilor Sheehey

**Absent:** 1- Councilor Reiss

## **G. Preview of Upcoming Agenda Items**

Councilor Sheehey requested an item relating to a budget revision to the Sheriff Department budget, adding a 1/10 FTE, be placed on an upcoming agenda.

## **10. COUNCILOR COMMENTS**

Councilor Chrobocinski Commented: Pasta Paradiso to open on Saturday July 16, 2016 and the United States Regional Softball tournament will be held in Los Alamos on July 23.

Councilor O'Leary Commented: Thanks given to Chief Sgambellone for his recent article in the Daily Post regarding the conduct of the local police department and some of the issues that they are facing.

## **11. PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Betsy Comly, 235 Kimberly, complimented three County employees from Economic Development, Paul Andrus, Brian Valdez, and Larry Valdez for being diplomatic, thorough and doing a good job when locating the owners of vacant properties. She also spoke in favor of a second RV storage area.

## **12. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS

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Rick Reiss, Council Chair

Attest:

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Sharon Stover, County Clerk

Meeting Transcribed by: Victoria L. Martinez, Deputy Clerk