



# County of Los Alamos

## Minutes

### County Council - Regular Session

Los Alamos, NM 87544  
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*Sara Scott, Council Chair; Randall Ryti, Vice-Chair; David Izraelevitz; Antonio Maggiore;  
Katrina Martin; James Robinson; and Pete Sheehey, Councilors*

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Tuesday, January 7, 2020

6:00 PM

Council Chambers - 1000 Central  
Avenue  
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#### 1. OPENING/ROLL CALL

The Council Chair, Sara Scott, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

The following Councilors were in attendance:

Present 7 - Councilor Maggiore, Councilor Izraelevitz, Councilor Sheehey,  
Councilor Robinson, Councilor Ryti, Councilor Scott and Councilor  
Martin

#### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by: All.

#### 3. STATEMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION

February 18, 2020 Closed Session Motion

A motion was made by Councilor Ryti that Council approve the following statement for inclusion in the minutes: "The matters discussed in the closed session held on January 7, 2020 that began at 5:00 p.m. were limited only to those topics specified in the notice of the closed session, and no action was taken on any matter in that closed session."

The motion passed by acclamation with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Councilor Maggiore, Councilor Izraelevitz, Councilor Sheehey,  
Councilor Robinson, Councilor Ryti, Councilor Scott and Councilor  
Martin

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Greg White, 600 San Ildefonso, spoke regarding the podium in Chambers causing viewing issues; Council emails; outdoor lighting at the bus stop on San Ildefonso by the middle school; intersection problems at Canyon and Diamond; and speed limit issues on Canyon.

Ms. Cortni Nucklos, 1793 Deacon Street, spoke regarding issues with Community Development Department.

Mr. Prashant Jain, 1793 Deacon Street, spoke regarding issues with Community Development Department.

Ms. June Gladney, 361 Cheryl Avenue, representing LA Cares, provided an update to Council from LA Cares.

#### 5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilor Ryti, seconded by Councilor Maggiore, that the agenda be approved, as presented.

The motion passed by acclamation with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Councilor Maggiore, Councilor Izraelevitz, Councilor Sheehey, Councilor Robinson, Councilor Ryti, Councilor Scott and Councilor Martin

#### 6. ELECTION OF CHAIR & VICE CHAIR

##### A. [12562-20](#) Election of Council Chair and Vice Chair for 2020.

Councilor Scott opened the floor for Council Chair nominations.

Councilor Izraelevitz nominated Councilor Scott.

Councilor Scott called for additional nominations. There were none. The floor was closed to nominations.

Councilor Scott called for a roll call vote.

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Councilor Maggiore, Councilor Izraelevitz, Councilor Sheehey, Councilor Robinson, Councilor Ryti, Councilor Scott and Councilor Martin

After a roll call vote, Councilor Scott was appointed as Council Chair.

Councilor Scott opened the floor for Council Vice Chair nominations.

Councilor Maggiore nominated Councilor Sheehey.

Councilor Robinson nominated Councilor Ryti.

Councilor Scott called for additional nominations. There were none. The floor was closed to nominations.

Councilor Sheehey spoke.  
Councilor Ryti spoke.

**Councilor Scott called for a roll call vote:**

**Councilor Sheehey and Councilor Maggiore voted for:  
Councilor Sheehey**

**Councilor Scott, Councilor Martin, Councilor Robinson, Councilor Ryti, and  
Councilor Izraelevitz voted for:  
Councilor Ryti**

**After a roll call vote Councilor Ryti was appointed as Council Vice-Chair.**

## **7. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

- A. [12599-20](#) Proclamation declaring the Week of January 19 - 25, 2020 as "Diversity Week" in Los Alamos County (accepted by Madhavi Garimella and Christina Olds)  
Councilor Izraelevitz read and presented the proclamation to Ms. Madhavi Garimella and Ms. Christina Olds.  
Ms. Garimella, spoke.
- B. [12601-20](#) Recognition of Georgia Strickfaden, Atomic City Tours, for her years of service and contributions to our community (accepted by Georgia Strickfaden)  
Councilor Sheehey presented the recognition.  
Ms. Strickfaden spoke.

## **8. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS ON CONSENT AGENDA**

Mr. Greg White, 600 San Ildefonso, commented Consent Item H.

## **9. CONSENT AGENDA**

### **Consent Motion -**

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

- A. [AGR0647-20](#) Approval of Services Agreement No. AGR20-23 with Wilson and Company Inc., Engineers and Architects in the Amount of \$205,813.54 for the Purpose of Design of the Well House and Equipment for Otowi Well #2 and Design of a Replacement Motor Control Center for Otowi Well #4

I move that Council approve Services Agreement No. AGR20-23 with Wilson and Company Inc., Engineers and Architects in the amount of \$205,813.54 and a contingency in the amount of \$35,000, for a total of \$240,813.54, plus applicable gross receipts tax, for the purpose of Design of the Well House and Equipment for Otowi Well #2 and Design of a Replacement Motor Control Center for Otowi Well #4.

- B. [AGR0650-20](#) Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Services Agreement No. AGR16-033 with Pajarito Environmental Education Center in the Amount of \$200,000.00 for a Revised Total Contract Amount Not to Exceed \$399,000.00 for the Purpose of Community Water and Energy Conservation Services

I move that Council approve Amendment No. 1 to Services Agreement No. AGR16-033 with Pajarito Environmental Education Center in the amount of \$200,000.00 for a Revised Total Contract Amount Not to Exceed \$399,000.00, plus applicable gross receipts tax, for the purpose of Community Water and Energy Conservation Services, as amended.

- C. [12575-20](#) County Council Minutes for December 17, 2019

I move that Council approve the County Council Minutes for December 17, 2019.

- D. [12564-20](#) Incorporated County Of Los Alamos Resolution No. 20-01; A Resolution Establishing Minimum Standards Of Reasonable Notice To The Public For All Meetings Of The Council, The County Indigent Hospital And County Health Care Board And Of All Standing County Boards, Commissions And Policymaking Bodies.

I move that Council adopt Incorporated County Of Los Alamos Resolution No. 20-01; A Resolution Establishing Minimum Standards Of Reasonable Notice To The Public For All Meetings Of The Council, The County Indigent Hospital And County Health Care Board And Of All Standing County Boards, Commissions And Policymaking Bodies.

- E. [12590-20](#) Ratification of Council Chair and Vice Chair as Chair and Vice Chair, Respectively, of the County Indigent Hospital and County Health Care Board.

I move that County Council ratify the newly elected Council Chair, and Vice Chair as the Chair and Vice Chair, respectively, of the County Indigent Hospital and County Health Care Board.

- F. [12596-20](#) Vacation of Easement Within Tract EI, a Subdivision of Eastern Area No. 3

I move that Council approve the vacation of easement within Tract EI, a Subdivision of Eastern Area No. 3.

- G. [12598-20](#) Vacation of Utility Easement Within Tract ED, a Subdivision of Eastern Area No. 3

**I move that Council approve the vacation of easement within Tract ED, a Subdivision of Eastern Area No. 3**

- H. [12633-20](#) Consideration of Temporary Fee Reductions for Season Passes at the Golf Course Due to Construction in 2020

**I move that Council approve temporary fee reductions, as per attachment A, for season passes at the Los Alamos County Golf Course for calendar year 2020, due to planned construction throughout the season.**

- I. [12510-20](#) Committee Appointment(s) - Los Alamos County Health Council

**I move that all applicants be nominated for the Los Alamos Health Council and that Council appoint the 15 nominees to fill the respective terms as indicated on Attachment M.**

January 7, 2020 Consent Motion:

**Approval of the Consent Agenda:**

**Yes: 7 - Councilor Maggiore, Councilor Izraelevitz, Councilor Sheehey, Councilor Robinson, Councilor Ryt, Councilor Scott and Councilor Martin**

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

- A. [OR0864-20](#) Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance No. 698; An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement by and Between the New Mexico Finance Authority ("Finance Authority") and the Incorporated County of Los Alamos, New Mexico (the "Borrower/Grantee"), in the Total Amount of \$800,000, Evidencing an Obligation of the Borrower/Grantee to Utilize the Loan/Grant Amount Solely for the Purpose of Financing the Costs of Construction of a Replacement Effluent Booster Station at Overlook Park, and Solely in the Manner Described in the Loan/Grant Agreement; Providing for the Pledge and Payment of the Loan Amount and an Administrative Fee Solely From Net Revenues of the Water Utility Fund; Certifying That the Loan/Grant Amount, Together with Other Funds Available to the Borrower/Grantee, is Sufficient to Complete the Project; Approving the Form of and Other Details Concerning the Loan/Grant Agreement; Ratifying Actions Heretofore Taken; Repealing All Action Inconsistent with This Ordinance; and Authorizing the Taking of Other Actions in Connection with the Execution and Delivery of the Loan/Grant Agreement

Councilor Ryti introduced, without prejudice, Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance No. 698; An Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement by and Between the New Mexico Finance Authority ("Finance Authority") and the Incorporated County of Los Alamos, New Mexico (the "Borrower/Grantee"), in the Total Amount of \$800,000, Evidencing an Obligation of the Borrower/Grantee to Utilize the Loan/Grant Amount Solely for the Purpose of Financing the Costs of Construction of a Replacement Effluent Booster Station at Overlook Park, and Solely in the Manner Described in the Loan/Grant Agreement; Providing for the Pledge and Payment of the Loan Amount and an Administrative Fee Solely From Net Revenues of the Water Utility Fund; Certifying That the Loan/Grant Amount, Together with Other Funds Available to the Borrower/Grantee, is Sufficient to Complete the Project; Approving the Form of and Other Details Concerning the Loan/Grant Agreement; Ratifying Actions Heretofore Taken; Repealing All Action Inconsistent with This Ordinance; and Authorizing the Taking of Other Actions in Connection with the Execution and Delivery of the Loan/Grant Agreement and ask staff to assure that it is published as provided in the County Charter.

## 11. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- A. [OR0866-19b](#) Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance No.699; an Ordinance authorizing the sale of certain County-owned real property commonly known as 1010 Central Avenue.
- Mr. Harry Burgess, County Manager, spoke.
- Mr. Matt Schmidt, Chief Executive Officer Los Alamos Schools Credit Union, spoke.
- Public Comment:
- Mr. Greg White, 600 San Ildefonso, spoke.
- Ms. Cheryl Pongratz, 900 Circle Drive, spoke.
- Dr. Kurt Steinhaus, Los Alamos Public Schools Superintendent, 903 Circle Drive, spoke.
- Mr. Patrick Sullivan, Executive Director Los Alamos Chamber, 190 Central Park Square, spoke.

**A motion was made by Councilor Izraelevitz, seconded by Councilor Maggiore, that Council adopt Incorporated County Of Los Alamos Ordinance No. 699; AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN COUNTY-OWNED REAL PROPERTY COMMONLY KNOWN AS 1010 CENTRAL AVENUE TO THE LOS ALAMOS SCHOOLS CREDIT UNION and ask staff to assure it is published as provided in the County Charter.**

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

**Yes: 7 - Councilor Maggiore, Councilor Izraelevitz, Councilor Sheehey, Councilor Robinson, Councilor Ryti, Councilor Scott and Councilor Martin**

## **12. BUSINESS**

- A. [12600-20](#) Consideration of the FY2019 Comprehensive Annual Financial Report with Auditor's Opinions.
- Ms. Melissa Meyer, Deputy Chief Financial Officer, spoke.
- Ms. Janet Pacheco Morton, Morton Accounting Services, spoke.
- Public Comment:
- None.

**A motion was made by Councilor Maggiore, seconded by Councilor Robinson, that Council accept the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2019.**

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

**Yes: 7 - Councilor Maggiore, Councilor Izraelevitz, Councilor Sheehey, Councilor Robinson, Councilor Ryti, Councilor Scott and Councilor Martin**

- B. [12631-20](#) Discussion of Potential Changes to the Management of Profit Transfers from the Joint Utility System Fund to the General Fund.

Mr. Steve Lynne, Deputy County Manager, spoke.

Mr. Philo Shelton, Utilities Manager, spoke.

Public Comment:

Mr. Ken Milder, no address given, spoke.

Ms. Carrie Walker, 973 Nambe, spoke.

Mr. Aaron Walker, 413 Pruitt, spoke.

Mr. Bob Westervelt, 2035 46th Street, spoke.

No action taken.

### 13. COUNCIL BUSINESS

#### A. Appointments

None.

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

None.

#### C. County Manager's Report

County Manager Harry Burgess reported on the heating problems at the Mesa Public Library; and MUNIS upgrade implementation updates.

#### D. Council Chair Report

Chair Scott reported on a meeting at Los Alamos Medical Center on December 19th; provided an overview of the completed State of the County Report; and asked council to provide input for the upcoming strategic planning meeting. (State of the County Report attached for the record.)

#### E. General Council Business

None.

#### F. Approval of Councilor Expenses

None.

#### G. Preview of Upcoming Agenda Items

None.

**14. COUNCILOR COMMENTS**

Councilor Ryti commented that there is an upcoming New Mexico Environment Department meeting this Thursday that he is not able to attend and asked for another Councilor to attend and thanked Councilor Sheehey for his service as Vice-Chair.

**15. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**16. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS

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Sara C. Scott, Council Chair

Attest:

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Naomi D. Maestas, County Clerk

Meeting Transcribed by: Victoria L. Martinez, Deputy Clerk