



County of Los Alamos

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Council Meeting Staff Report

August 29, 2017

Agenda No.: A.
Indexes (Council Goals):
Presenters: Citizens of Los Alamos
Legislative File: P0057-17

Title

Citizen Petition Requesting Assignment of NM126 evaluation to Transportation Board

Recommended Action

I move that Council acknowledge the petition, thank the petitioners for their recommendation (s)/request(s) and take no further action.

OR

I move that Council acknowledge the petition, thank the petitioners for the recommendation (s)/request(s) and request that staff investigate/research the matter and return to Council with information, options and/or a recommendation for action within ____ days.

OR

I move that Council acknowledge the petition, thank the petitioners for their recommendation/request and take the action requested (or another specific action that Council determines it wishes to take).

County Manager's Recommendation

The County Manager does not make a recommendation with regard to this Petition.

Body

On August 3, 2017, David Fox submitted a petition on behalf of 8 people, at least 5 of whom are registered voters of Los Alamos County, requesting that Los Alamos County Council assign to the Transportation Board the evaluation of NM126 highway's current status, estimated costs of its completion, and the extent of outreach needed to develop support of other affected counties and entities in order to build regional support, and the extent of public support in Los Alamos for such a project. Mr. Fox submitted background information as part of his request. This information is contained in Attachment A.

As further background information, two letters of support are shown in Attachments B and C. These letters, dated September 2015, are from then-Council Chair Kristin Henderson and then-Transportation Board Chair Randall Ryti to the New Mexico Department of Transportation respectfully requesting consideration to complete paving of the last eight miles of NM 126.

As provided for in the Los Alamos County Code, the Council shall place on the agenda of its next regular meeting the subject of any written request signed by five or more qualified voters of the County and presented to the county clerk at least ten (10) days prior to that meeting. This item is being placed on the Council agenda for acknowledgement and possible discussion and/or action.

Attachments

A - Citizen Petition Requesting Assignment of NM126 evaluation to T-Board

B - Letter of Support Complete Paving NM126 from Council

C - Letter of Support Complete Paving of NM126 from T-Board