



# County of Los Alamos

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## Council Meeting Staff Report

June 11, 2019

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<b>Agenda No.:</b>	B.
<b>Indexes (Council Goals):</b>	* 2019 Council Goal - Other
<b>Presenters:</b>	Naomi Maestas
<b>Legislative File:</b>	RE0405-19

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### Title

Incorporated County Of Los Alamos Resolution No. 19-07; A Resolution Amending The Designation Of The Polling Places Of Each Precinct For The 2018-2019 Election Cycle

### Recommended Action

**I move that Council adopt Incorporated County of Los Alamos Resolution No. 19-07, a Resolution Amending The Designation Of The Polling Places Of Each Precinct For The 2018-2019 Election Cycle.**

### County Manager's Recommendation

The County Manager recommends that Council adopt Incorporated County of Los Alamos Resolution No. 19-07.

### Body

On October 10, 2017, the County Council approved Resolution 17-19 designating the polling places of each precinct for the 2018-2019 election cycle. The polling places designated in 2017 are as follows:

White Rock Town Hall - Conference Training Room  
139 Longview Drive, White Rock, NM

Betty Ehart Senior Center - Downstairs Classroom  
1101 Bathtub Row, Los Alamos, NM

Los Alamos County Municipal Building - Boards and Commissions Room/Council Chambers  
1000 Central Avenue, Los Alamos, NM

Los Alamos County Golf Course Community Building - Community Room  
4244 Diamond Drive, Los Alamos, NM

Section 1-3-7.1 NMSA 1978 permits the County Council, upon its own action, to create an additional polling place within a precinct for the convenience of the voters and providing accessibility to the polling place.

After careful consideration and in preparation for the November 5, 2019 Regular Local Election, County Clerk Maestas would like to add the University of New Mexico-Los Alamos Branch as an Election Day Vote Center (polling place), in hopes to make voting more accommodating not only for all voters of Los Alamos, but primarily for eligible college and high school voters, as studies show on campus voting sites effectively make it easier for students to participate in elections. With this addition to the already four existing Election Day Vote Centers, all voters of Los Alamos County will be afforded another option to make voting more convenient and accessible.

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### **Alternatives**

If the County Council does not approve Incorporated County Of Los Alamos Resolution No. 19-07, the polling places will remain as previously designated in 2017.

### **Fiscal and Staff Impact/Unplanned Item**

Pursuant to Section 1-11-19 NMSA 1978, An "election fund" has been created in the state treasury solely for the purposes of: (1) paying the costs of conducting and administering statewide elections required by the Election Code; and (2) reimbursing the counties for the costs of conducting and administering statewide elections required by the Election Code.

### **Attachments**

A - Incorporated County Of Los Alamos Resolution No. 19-07

B - Publication Notice