



County of Los Alamos

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Minutes

County Council – Work Session

Randall Ryti, Council Chair, Denise Derkacs, Council Vice-Chair,
Melanee Hand, David Izraelevitz, Keith Lepsch, David Reagor, and Sara Scott,
Councilors

Tuesday, September 20, 2022

6:00 PM

1000 Central Avenue – Council Chambers

1. OPENING/ROLL CALL

The Council Vice-Chair, Denise Derkacs, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Ms. Julie Williams-Hill, Public Relations Manager, listed the county employees in attendance via Zoom.

The following Councilors were in attendance:

Present: 4 - Councilor Derkacs, Councilor Lepsch, Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Scott

Remote: 3 - Councilor Ryti, Councilor Hand, and Councilor Izraelevitz

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by: All.

3. STATEMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION

Councilor Scott, read the following statement to be included in the minutes: "The matters discussed in the closed session of County Council held on September 13, 2022, that began at 3:00 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 the closed session. We request that this statement be included in the meeting minutes."

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilor Scott, seconded by Councilor Lepsch, that Council approve the agenda as presented except that we start our presentations, proclamations, and recognitions with the item that's now listed as B specifically that's the Presentation of Department of Energy Site Wide Environmental Impact Statement and then continue on to the Los Alamos Museum of Art presentation.

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Councilor Ryti, Councilor Derkacs, Councilor Hand, Councilor Izraelevitz, Councilor Reagor, Councilor Lepsch, and Councilor Scott

6. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

- B. Presentation of Department of Energy Site Wide Environmental Impact Statement (SWEIS) Process by DOE Kirsten Dors (heard out of order)

Ms. Kirsten Dors, NA-LA NEPA Compliance Officer, presented.

Mr. Jesse Kahler, EM-LA NEPA Compliance Officer, spoke.

Mr. Alvin Leaphart, County Attorney, spoke.

No action taken.

- A. Los Alamos Museum of Art Presentation by Paul Tatter (heard out of order)

Mr. Paul Tatter, Co-Founder of the Los Alamos Museum of Art, presented.

Mr. Allan Saenz, Owner of SALA Los Alamos Events Center, spoke.

Ms. Ruth Tatter, Co-Founder of the Los Alamos Museum of Art, spoke.

Mr. Steven Lynne, County Manager, spoke.

No action taken.

- C. Presentation to Council by Cornell Wright, Chair of the Board of Public Utilities

Mr. Cornell Wright, Chair of the Board of Public Utilities, presented.

Mr. Steven Lynne, County Manager, spoke.

Mr. Jordan Garcia, Power System Supervisor, spoke.

No action taken.

RECESS

Vice-Chair Derkacs called for a recess at 8:28 p.m. the meeting reconvened at 8:41 p.m.

- D. White Rock Metropolitan Redevelopment Area Draft Plan Update

Ms. Sobia Sayeda, Acting Planning Manager, presented.

No action taken.

7. COUNCIL BUSINESS

- A.** Approval of County Council Minutes for August 1, 5, & 19, 2022 Special Session, August 29, 2022 Special Session, August 30, 2022 Regular Session, and September 6, 2022 Regular Session.

A motion was made by Councilor Scott, seconded by Councilor Reagor, that Council approve the County Council Minutes for August 1, 5, & 19, 2022 Special Session, the August 29, 2022 Special Session, the August 30, 2022 Regular Session, and September 6, 2022 Regular Session as revised.

Councilor Izraelevitz offered the following Friendly Amendment to the motion: to make a correction to the August 1, 5, & 19, 2022 Special Session minutes for the recess taken at 10:30 a.m. It was accepted.

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Councilor Ryti, Councilor Derkacs, Councilor Hand, Councilor Izraelevitz, Councilor Reagor, Councilor Lepsch, and Councilor Scott

8. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:56 p.m.

INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS

Randall T. Ryti, Council Chair

Attest:

Naomi D. Maestas, County Clerk

Meeting Transcribed by: Ubaldo Barela, Deputy Clerk