



County of Los Alamos

Minutes

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County Council – Regular Session

*Theresa Cull, Council Chair; Suzie Havemann, Council Vice-Chair;
Melanee Hand, Ryn Herrmann, Beverly Neal-Clinton,
David Reagor, and Randall Ryti, Councilors*

Tuesday, May 6, 2025	6:00 PM	Council Chambers - 1000 Central Avenue
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1. OPENING/ROLL CALL

The Council Chair, Theresa Cull, called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

Chair Cull made opening remarks regarding the procedure of the meeting.

The following Councilors were in attendance:

Present: 5 – Councilor Cull, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Herrmann, Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Ryti

Remote: 2 – Councilor Neal-Clinton and Councilor Hand

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by: All.

3. STATEMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION

Councilor Ryti read the following statement to be included in the minutes: "The matters discussed in the closed sessions of the County Council held on May 6, 2025, at 4:30 p.m. were limited only to the 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 Havemann, seconded by Councilor Ryti, that Council accept the agenda as presented.

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 – Councilor Cull, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Hand, Councilor Herrmann, Councilor Neal-Clinton, Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Ryti

6. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND RECOGNITIONS

- A.** Proclamation Declaring May 2025 as "Building Safety Month in Los Alamos County" (Accepted by David Martinez, Chief Building Official)

Councilor Herrmann read and presented the proclamation to Mr. David Martinez.

Mr. David Martinez, Chief Building Official, spoke.

No action taken.

- B.** Proclamation Declaring May 2025 as "Motorcycle Awareness Month in Los Alamos County"

Councilor Reagor read and presented the proclamation.

Ms. Megan Bucklin spoke.

No action taken.

- C.** Recognition of the Cerro Grande Fire - 25 Years Later (Accepted by Los Alamos County Fire Department's Acting Fire Chief, Wendy Servey)

Councilor Havemann read and presented the recognition proclamation to Ms. Servey.

Ms. Wendy Servey, Acting Fire Chief, spoke.

No action taken.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

None.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Motion:

A motion was made by Councilor Ryti, seconded by Councilor Neal-Clinton, 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. Approval of County Council Minutes for the April 21, 22, and 23, 2025, Budget Hearings

I move that Council approve the County Council Minutes for the April 21, 22, and 23, 2025, Budget Hearings.

- B. Approval of the Expenditure and Issuance of a Purchase Order for Services Agreement No. AGR 25-925 with Andritz Hydro for the Purpose of Repairs to the Abiquiu Hydroelectric Plant Draft Tube

I move that Council approve the expenditure and issuance of a purchase order for services agreement No. AGR 25-925 with Andritz Hydro, for the purpose of repairing the draft tube elbow and engineering and supplying the air admission piping in the amount of \$538,500.00 and a contingency in the amount of \$61,500.00, for a total not to exceed \$600,000.00 plus Applicable Gross Receipts Tax.

- C. Approval of Task Order No. 9 under Services Agreement No. AGR 22-18e with R and M Construction, LLC in the Amount of \$399,851.60 plus Applicable Gross Receipts Tax for the Performing Arts Center (Little Theatre) Fire Suppression System and Establish a Project Budget in the Amount of \$760,000

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- D. Approval of Contract for General Services, Agreement No. AGR25-966 with BurnBot, Inc., in the Amount of \$560,000.00, plus Applicable Gross Receipts Tax, for the Purpose of Forest Treatment Management Services for a Term of 7 Years

I move that Council approve agreement No. AGR25-966 with BurnBot Inc., in the amount of \$560,000.00 plus applicable Gross Receipts Tax, for the purpose of forest treatment management services.

- E. Approval of Revised Contract No. M25NA70521 An Easement From the DOE/NNSA to Los Alamos County for the Purpose of Installing a County Owned Fiber Optic Line in Los Alamos Canyon

I move that Council approve Revised Contract No. M25NA70521 An Easement From the DOE/NNSA to Los Alamos County for the Purpose of Installing a County Owned Fiber Optic Line in Los Alamos Canyon.

- F. Approval of Nomination of Ben Olbrich, Deputy Utility Manager - Power Supply, as the Los Alamos County Member of the New Mexico Municipal Energy Acquisition Authority (NMMEAA) Board of Directors

I move that Council approve the nomination of Mr. Ben Olbrich, Deputy Utility Manager - Power Supply, as the Los Alamos County "Participating Municipality" member director of the New Mexico Municipal Energy Acquisition Authority Board.

- G. Approval of Appointment of Wendy Servey as Interim Los Alamos County Fire Chief

I move that the Council appoint Wendy Servey as Interim Los Alamos County Fire Chief.

- H. Approval of Authorized Signers for County Bank and Investment Accounts

I move that Council approve the individuals authorized to sign on the County of Los Alamos bank and investment accounts as presented in the attachment, to be effective on May 6, 2025.

Approval of the Consent Agenda:

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 – Councilor Cull, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Hand, Councilor Herrmann, Councilor Neal-Clinton, Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Ryti

9. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCES

- A. Introduction of Incorporated County of Los Alamos Code Ordinance No. 02-365; An Ordinance Amending Chapter 40, Article III, Sections 40-121, 40-122 and 40-123 Relating to Electric Rate Schedules, Electric Customer Service Charges and Electric Energy Charges

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- B. Introduction of Incorporated County of Los Alamos Code Ordinance No. 02-366; An Ordinance Amending Chapter 40, Article III, Sections 40-201 Relating to Sewage Service Rates

Councilor Herrmann introduced, without prejudice, Incorporated County of Los Alamos Code Ordinance No. 02-366; An Ordinance Amending Chapter 40, Article III, Sections 40-201 Relating to Sewage Service Rates and asked the staff to assure that it is published as provided in the County Charter.

- C. Introduction of Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance No. 742; An Ordinance to Lease Certain County-Owned Land to the Los Alamos Dog Obedience Club, Inc.

Councilor Ryti introduced, without prejudice, Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance No. 742; An Ordinance to Lease Certain County-Owned Land to the Los Alamos Dog Obedience Club, Incorporated and asked staff to assure that it is published as provided in the County Charter.

- D. Introduction of Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance No. 741; an Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Loan and Subsidy Agreement by and Between the Incorporated County of Los Alamos and the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA,) in the Total Amount of \$2,727,000 for the Purpose of Financing the Costs of Phases II & III of the Denver Steels Waterline Replacements Project

Councilor Havemann introduced, without prejudice, Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance No. 741; an Ordinance Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Loan and Subsidy Agreement by and Between the Incorporated County of Los Alamos and the New Mexico Finance Authority in the Total Amount of \$2,727,000 for the Purpose of Financing the Costs of Phases II & III of the Denver Steels Waterline Replacements Project and asked staff to ensure that it is published as provided in the County Charter.

- E. Introduction of Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance No. 740; An Ordinance Authorizing the Transfer of Certain County-Owned Real Property to the Richard Skotnicki and Pamela Skotnicki Revocable Trust

Councilor Herrmann introduced, without prejudice, Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance No. 740; an Ordinance Authorizing the Transfer of Certain County-Owned Real Property to the Richard Skotnicki and Pamela Skotnicki Revocable Trust and asked staff to assure that it is published as provided in the County Charter.

10. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- A. Incorporated County of Los Alamos Code Ordinance No. 02-367 Relating to Distracted Driving; An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the Incorporated County of Los Alamos by Amending Section 38-299 of Chapter 38, Traffic and Vehicles, Relating to the Use of Handheld Mobile Communication Devices While Driving, and Repealing Section 38-315 in its Entirety and Replacing it with a New Section 38-135, Relating to Distracted Driving

Mr. Dino Sgambellone, Police Chief, presented.

Public Comment:
See attached eComment.

A motion was made by Councilor Havemann, seconded by Councilor Ryti, that Council adopt Incorporated County of Los Alamos Code Ordinance No. 02-367; An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the Incorporated County of Los Alamos by Amending Section 38-299 of Chapter 38, Traffic and Vehicles, Relating to the Use of Handheld Mobile Communication Devices While Driving, and Repealing Section 38-315 in its Entirety and Replacing it with a New Section 38-135, Related to Distracted Driving and asked staff to assure that it is published in summary form.

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 – Councilor Cull, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Hand, Councilor Herrmann, Councilor Neal-Clinton, Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Ryti

- B. Incorporated County of Los Alamos Code Ordinance No. 02-368; An Ordinance Amending Chapter 10, Building and Building Regulations, Article III, Division 1, Section 10-71, and Chapter 22, Fire Prevention and Protection, Article II, Division 1, Section 22-31, of the Code of the Incorporated County of Los Alamos to include Chapters 2, 5, and 6 of the International Wildland-Urban Interface Code.

Mr. Juan Rael, Deputy County Manager, presented.
Mr. Dan Osborn, Housing and Special Projects Manager, spoke.
Mr. Colorado Cordova, Fire Marshal, spoke.
Mr. David Martinez, Chief Building Official, spoke.

Mr. Kelly Sterna, Wildland Chief, spoke.

Public Comment:
None.

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The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 – Councilor Cull, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Hand, Councilor Herrmann, Councilor Neal-Clinton, Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Ryti

- C.** Incorporated County of Los Alamos Resolution No. 25-08, A Resolution of Support Authorizing Application for Funding Assistance from the New Mexico Department of Transportation through the Fiscal Year 2026 Transportation Project Fund (TPF) for the Denver Steels Phase 2 Reconstruction Project

Mr. Eric Martinez, Public Works Director, presented.

Public Comment:
None.

A motion was made by Councilor Neal-Clinton, seconded by Councilor Havemann, Council approve Incorporated County of Los Alamos Resolution No. 25-08, A Resolution of Support Authorizing Application for Funding Assistance from the New Mexico Department of Transportation through the Fiscal Year 2026 Transportation Project Fund (TPF) for the Denver Steels Phase 2 Reconstruction Project.

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 – Councilor Cull, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Hand, Councilor Herrmann, Councilor Neal-Clinton, Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Ryti

11. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. General Council Business

None.

B. Appointments

None.

C. Board and Commission Vacancy Report

1) Board and Commission Vacancy Report

Councilor Cull noted that the Vacancy Report is attached to the meeting agenda.

D. Board and Commission Reports

Councilor Hand noted that her report has been submitted to be attached to the minutes for this meeting.

Councilor Reagor reported on the Parks and Recreation Board.

Councilor Ryti reported on the Inclusivity Task Force and the County Health Council.

Councilor Havemann reported on the Board of Public Utilities.

Councilor Herrmann reported on the Environmental Sustainability Board and the North Central New Mexico Economic Development District meeting.

Councilor Neal-Clinton reported on the Arts in Public Places Board.

E. County Manager's Report

1) County Manager's Report for March 2025

County Manager Anne Laurent reported that County Engineer Eric Ulibarri and Deputy Public Works Director Keith Wilson attended a New Mexico DOT safety committee meeting and were awarded \$3.5 million in State and Federal funds for the Trinity Drive safety improvement project.

F. Council Chair Report

Chair Cull reported on the following:

- A walkthrough of the golf course project with Councilor Reagor
- A lunch meeting with Los Alamos Public Schools
- The upcoming Los Alamos High School and UNM-Los Alamos graduation dates
- Proclamations to the Animal Control and Dispatch divisions of the Police Department
- An Earth Day proclamation delivered to the Pajarito Environmental Education Center
- Former Fire Chief Hughes's retirement party
- Interviews for candidates for the Board of Public Utilities.

G. Approval of Councilor Expenses

A motion was made by Councilor Ryti, seconded by Councilor Herrmann, that Council approve travel for up to three Councilors to the National Cleanup Workshop, Arlington, VA, September 24th to 26th, 2025.

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 – Councilor Cull, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Hand, Councilor Herrmann, Councilor Neal-Clinton, Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Ryti

H. Preview of Upcoming Agenda Items

1) Tickler Report of Upcoming Agenda Items.

Chair Cull highlighted upcoming Council Meeting Agenda items from the tickler report included in the meeting agenda packet.

Councilor Ryti highlighted items from the tickler report and suggested additional items for future meetings.

12. COUNCILOR COMMENTS

None.

13. WORKING GROUPS AND EXTERNAL ENTITIES REPORTS

No reports.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:32 p.m.

INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS

Theresa Cull, Council Chair

Attest:

Michael D. Redondo, County Clerk

Meeting Transcribed by: Allison Collins, Deputy Clerk

**Incorporated County of Los Alamos
Authorized Signers on Bank and Investment Accounts
May 6, 2025**

- A. The following individuals are authorized signers for the accounts listed below, with two signatures required for most (see notes below) check disbursement transactions.

Anne Laurent, County Manager
Helen M. Perraglio, Administrative Service Director
Melissa Dadzie, Chief Financial Officer
Beatrice Odezulu, Deputy Chief Financial Officer
David Griego, Accounting Operations Manager

	Institution	Account Name/Purpose	Account # For Finance Use Only
1	Enterprise Bank & Trust	General Checking, Savings and CD Accounts	
2	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Landfill Closure Reserve	
3	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Employee Flexible Spending Account	
4	Enterprise Bank & Trust	GRT Revenue Bond Debt Service Account	
5	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Utility Resource Pool Checking	
6	Enterprise Bank & Trust	County Manual Checks	
7	Enterprise Bank & Trust	LA County Ambulance Billing	
8	Enterprise Bank & Trust	NMEDD LEDA	
9	Computershare Corporate Trust	Debt Service Accounts	
10	Computershare Corporate Trust	Debt Service Bond Reserve	
11	Wells Fargo Bank	Purchase Card Clearing Account	
12	Bank of Albuquerque, N.A.	Loan Reserve - NMFA Loan	
13	Bank of Albuquerque, N.A.	Trustee Account for Certain Investments	
14	Sunflower Bank, aka First National 1870	Certificate of Deposit	
15	State Treasurer's Pool (LGIP)	General County Pooled Equity Accounts	
16	State Treasurer's Pool (LGIP)	Utilities Investment Pool	
17	State Investment Council	Permanent Fund	
18	State Investment Council	Cemetery Fund	
19	State Investment Council	General County Pooled Equity	
20	Government Portfolio Advisors, LLC	Authorized Investments	
21	New Mexico Finance Authority	Trustee Account - NMFA Loan	

- B. The following individuals are authorized signers for the **Bank of Albuquerque Reclamation and Decommissioning Trust** accounts, which is used by the Department of Public Utilities for costs associated with the San Juan decommissioning and mine reclamation.

Anne Laurent, County Manager
Helen M. Perraglio, Administrative Service Director
Melissa Dadzie, Chief Financial Officer
Beatrice Odezulu, Deputy Chief Financial Officer
David Griego, Accounting Operations Manager
Joann Gentry, Deputy Utility Manager Finance and Admin

	Institution	Account Name/Purpose	Account # For Finance Use Only
22	Bank of Albuquerque, N.A.	LA County Reclamation Trust	
23	Bank of Albuquerque, N.A.	LA County Decommissioning Trust	

- C. The following individuals are authorized signers for the **Small Purchase Checking** account with a maximum transaction amount of \$250.00. Checks are issued to individuals authorized by the departments, and used to expedite the purchase of services and small items not stocked in the warehouse.

Anne Laurent, County Manager
Helen M. Perraglio, Administrative Service Director
Melissa Dadzie, Chief Financial Officer
Beatrice Odezulu, Deputy Chief Financial Officer
David Griego, Accounting Operations Manager
Annalisa Miranda, Chief Purchasing Officer
Derrill Rodgers, Deputy Chief Purchasing Officer

	Institution	Account Name/Purpose	Account # For Finance Use Only
24	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Small Purchase Checking	

- D. The following individuals are authorized signers for the **Municipal Court Bond** account, which is used to account for bonds posted and then refunded or forfeited.

Elizabeth K. Allen, Municipal Judge
Juanita McNeil, Court Administrator
Helen M. Perraglio, Administrative Service Director
Melissa Dadzie, Chief Financial Officer
Beatrice Odezulu, Deputy Chief Financial Officer
David Griego, Accounting Operations Manager

	Institution	Account Name/Purpose	Account # For Finance Use Only
25	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Municipal Court Bond Account	

- E. The following individuals are authorized signers for the **Employee Fund** account.

Bernadette Martinez, Deputy Human Resources Manager
Nicholle Cordova, Management Analyst
Helen M. Perraglio, Administrative Service Director
Melissa Dadzie, Chief Financial Officer
Beatrice Odezulu, Deputy Chief Financial Officer
David Griego, Accounting Operations Manager

	Institution	Account Name/Purpose	Account # For Finance Use Only
26	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Employee Fund Account	

- F. The following individuals are authorized signers for the **Police Operations Savings**, which is used for discretionary purposes by the Los Alamos Police Department.

Christopher Ross, Police Commander
Ryan Wolking, Detective Sergeant
Helen M. Perraglio, Administrative Service Director
Melissa Dadzie, Chief Financial Officer
Beatrice Odezulu, Deputy Chief Financial Officer
David Griego, Accounting Operations Manager

	Institution	Account Name/Purpose	Account # For Finance Use Only
27	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Police Operations Savings	

- G. The following individuals are authorized signers for the **LA Crimestoppers** account, which is used for discretionary purposes by the Los Alamos Police Department.

Christopher Ross, Police Commander
Ryan Wolking, Detective Sergeant
Helen M. Perraglio, Administrative Service Director
Melissa Dadzie, Chief Financial Officer
Beatrice Odezulu, Deputy Chief Financial Officer
David Griego, Accounting Operations Manager

	Institution	Account Name/Purpose	Account # For Finance Use Only
28	Enterprise Bank & Trust	LA Crimestoppers	

This list of Authorized Signers was approved by County Council on May 6, 2025.

Theresa Cull, Council Chair

H. The following is additional information concerning certain County bank accounts. The Account Name/Purpose below corresponds with the Account Name/Purpose from tables A-G of this document:

	Institution	Account Name/Purpose	Notes to Account
1	Enterprise Bank & Trust	General Checking, Savings and CD Accounts	Two signatures are required on checks.
2	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Landfill Closure Reserve	Established to meet the financial assurance requirement for owners of solid waste facilities.
3	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Employee Flexible Spending Account	Used to administer the Flex Spending program, which include cards issued to employees.
4	Enterprise Bank & Trust	GRT Revenue Bond Debt Service Account	Account required by bond covenants.
5	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Utility Resource Pool Checking	Account required by DOE.
6	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Library Gift Funds	Used to administer any money or property given as a gift, trust, bequest or endowment to the library.
7	Enterprise Bank & Trust	County Manual Checks	Used to issue manual checks on-demand based on the manual check procedure and guidelines.
8	Enterprise Bank & Trust	LA County Ambulance Billing	To segregate incoming ambulance receipts from the third-party ambulance billing company.
9	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Safe Deposit Box #2230000-1-1087	Safe deposit box was established in 1976 for the purpose of a time capsule. Safe Deposit Box may not be accessed until the tri-centennial in 2076.
10	Enterprise Bank & Trust	NMEDD LEDA	Was established to comply with LEDA Ordinance and statute requiring the County to deposit the State Contribution into a clearly identified bank account.
11	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Deposits Held for Others	Account used for securities held on behalf of others.
12	Wells Fargo Bank	Debt Service Clearing Accounts	Account required by bond covenants.
13	Wells Fargo Bank	Debt Service Bond Reserve	Account required by bond covenants.
14	Wells Fargo Bank	Purchase Card Clearing Account	Was established for clearing payments made through the Wells one Purchasing Card Program.
15	Bank of Albuquerque, N.A.	Loan Reserve - NMFA Loan	Was established pursuant to the NMDA loan agreements.
16	Bank of Albuquerque, N.A.	Trustee Account for Certain Investments	Was established as a general trustee account for holding County investments.
17	State Treasurer's Pool (LGIP)	General County Pooled Equity Accounts	Account is maintained with the State Treasurer's Local Government Investment Pool for short-term investments depending on yield (used similar to checking or savings account)
18	State Investment Council	Permanent Fund	Maintained within the State Investment Council's Long-term Investment Pool to facilitate accounting of long-term funds.

19	State Investment Council	Cemetery Fund	Maintained within the State Investment Council's Long-term Investment Pool to facilitate accounting of long-term funds.
20	State Investment Council	General County Pooled Equity	Maintained within the State Investment Council's Long-term Investment Pool to facilitate accounting of long-term funds.
21	Government Portfolio Advisors, LLC	Authorized Investments	Acknowledges that the County has contracted with Government Portfolio Advisors to purchase securities from qualified brokers on the County's behalf - all purchased securities are then held with a third-party trustee - Bank of Albuquerque.
22	New Mexico Finance Authority	Trustee Account - NMFA Loan	Was established pursuant to the NMFA loan agreements.
23	Bank of Albuquerque, N.A.	LA County Reclamation Trust	To account for the Department of Public Utilities' share of decommissioning costs for the coal mine supplying the San Juan Power Plant.
24	Bank of Albuquerque, N.A.	LA County Decommissioning Trust	To account for the Department of Public Utilities' share of the mine reclamation for the San Juan Power Plant.
25	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Small Purchase Checking	Account used to expedite the purchase of services and small items not stocked in the warehouse. Transaction amount must be \$250.00 or less.
26	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Municipal Court Bond Account	To account for bonds posted and then refunded or forfeited.
27	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Employee Fund Account	Account designated for employee appreciation activities.
28	Enterprise Bank & Trust	Police Operations Savings	Account is used for discretionary spending by LAPD.
29	Enterprise Bank & Trust	LA Crimestoppers	Account is used for discretionary spending by LAPD.

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Item 8.H Attachment A

For item: 9A. Introduction of Incorporated County of Los Alamos Code Ordinance No. 02-365; An Ordinance Amending Chapter 40, Article III, Sections 40-121, 40-122 and 40-123 Relating to Electric Rate Schedules, Electric Customer Service Charges and Electric Energy Charges

Please use the "Revised Recommended Action" below:

Revised Recommended Action

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For item: 9B. Introduction of Incorporated County of Los Alamos Code Ordinance No. 02-366; An Ordinance Amending Chapter 40, Article III, Sections 40-201 Relating to Sewage Service Rates

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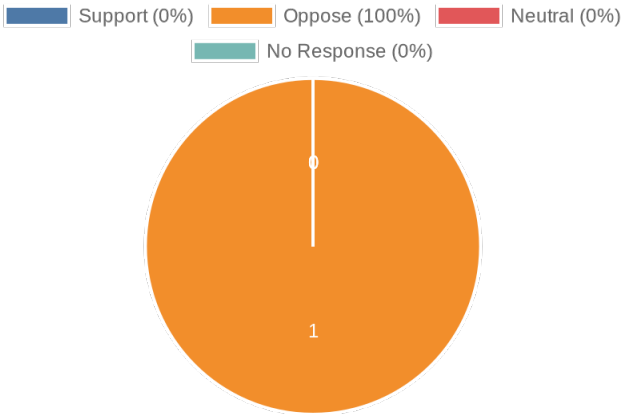
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Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
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Sentiments for All Agenda Items

The following graphs display sentiments for comments that have location data. Only locations of users who have commented will be shown.

Overall Sentiment

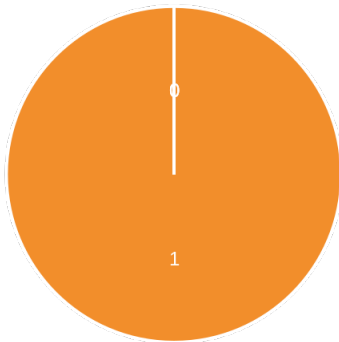


Agenda Item: eComments for A. CO0720-25c Incorporated County of Los Alamos Code Ordinance No. 02-367 Relating to Distracted Driving; An Ordinance Amending the Code of Ordinances of the Incorporated County of Los Alamos by Amending Section 38-299 of Chapter 38, Traffic and Vehicles, Relating to the Use of Handheld Mobile Communication Devices While Driving, and Repealing Section 38-315 in its Entirety and Replacing it with a New Section 38-135, Relating to Distracted Driving

Overall Sentiment

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Support (0%) Oppose (100%) Neutral (0%)
No Response (0%)



Greg White

Location:

Submitted At: 9:26pm 05-05-25

I see problems with removing #1 from this list:

Sec. 38-299. - Prohibited activities while driving.

No person shall:

(1) Drive a vehicle while engaged in any activity which interferes with the safe operation of the vehicle;

And attempting to replace it with:

Section 2.

Section 38-315 of Chapter 38 of the Code of the Incorporated County of Los Alamos is repealed in its entirety and replaced with the following:

Section 38-315. – Distracting driving.

(a) No person shall:

(1) Operate a motor vehicle while engaged in any activity which interferes with the safe operation of the vehicle;

Placing "safe operation" only under "distracted driving" leaves a reasonable interpretation that unsafe driving that is not distracted driving does not have an ordinance prohibiting it.

For instance: Driving when too tired resulting in a collision, and I'm sure the police can provide more examples.

Sec 38-299 1) should be kept and amended to: Operate a motor vehicle in any manor which is known to the driver, or should be know to the driver to be unsafe.

This gives the police the ability to determine if a driver is safe to drive.

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Working Group and Committee Status
Councilor Melanee Hand

5/7/2025

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1	2025 Assignments	Date Last Met	Next meeting	Key Activities and Results	Action Items/ Follow Up	Comments/Notes
2	LAC LTAB (Lodger's Tax Advisory Board) Liaison	5/6/2025	6/17/2025	Agenda Included:A. 19940-25: Discussion on Holsapple Inquiries Report , 19946-25 , Tourism Marketing Services Contract Discussion AGR21-58 Griffin and Associates Marketing,RECORDED Lodgers' Tax FY26 Budget Update		
3	LAC Transportation Board Liaison	5/1/2025	6/5/2025	Update Canyon Rim Trail Phase III Project Presenters: Attachments: Karen Henderson, Senior Engineer A - Presentation – Canyon Rim Trail Phase III Project Atomic City Transit Zero Emission Fleet Transition Plan Presenters: Attachments: James Barela, Transit Manager A – Presentation – Zero Emission Fleet Transition Plan B – Atomic City Transit Zero Emission Fleet Transition Plan Endorsement for the Los Alamos County Mid-Block Crossing Policy		Unable to attend.
4	Regional and State Working Group	4/7/2025	5/29/2025	Meeting with Espanola, Rio Arriba, and others for discussion about regional needs and priorities.	Follow up meeting of WG needed to discuss recommendations to Council for Regional Funding.	
5	Rules Working Group	Pending			Several proposed areas for additions and changes to be drafted for WG consideration.	Requires meeting initiation by the WG Chair.
6	Jail Inspection Team	Pending				

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7	Juvenile Justice Advisory Board (JJAB)	4/16/2025	5/13/25 Policy Review	Discussion about affects of boredom on teens; more boredom in small towns. LAPD Benjamin Irving announced a Youth Program launch in August- looking for applications to boost learning about public safety, animal control, police, etc. Brochure available with a survey and application.		Pilot Free Movie Night at SALA on Fridays with games in the lobby and snacks.
8	New Mexico Municipal League	Pending	9/9 - 9/12/25	Annual Conference will be held in Ruidoso, NM	Follow up on travel to annual conference and request funding approval at Council.	
9	NCNMEDD Board	4/23/2025	26-Jun-25	Agenda Included: Action*/Discussion Items 1. Amendments to the Policy and Procedure Manual* a. Bank Accounts b. Emergency Action Plan c. Information Resources 2. Salary Ranges for Non-Metro AAA Direct Services Staff (Case Management Program, Volunteer Program, Senior Home Repair Program)* 3. NCNMEDD FY 2025 BAR #6* 4. June 26, 2025 NCNMEDD Board of Directors Meeting Planning for Red River. Special Presentations 1. Workforce Integration Network (WIN) Program Update Sarah Holtzclaw, WIN Program Director 2. Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), 2026-2030 Update Felicity Fonseca, NCNMEDD Community Development Director		Councilor Ryn Herrmann appointed to the Board in April. Both of us have a role on the Board to cover Los Alamos from the Municipal and County aspects. I was unable to attend, but the meeting was well represented for LAC by Councilor Herrmann and County Staff.

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10	NCRTD Board	5/2/2025	6/6/2025	Approved annual budget, reviewed marketing efforts and strategic plan, 6 action items approved, 6 discussion items.	I was interviewed by the recruitment agency as a stakeholder for the ED Director succession on 4/27/25.	Some items on the agenda were needed for the succession team to move forward with the ED job brochure.
11	NCRTD Finance Subcommittee	4/25/2025	TBD	Reviewed the draft budget for Executive Board approval.		
12	NCRTD ED Succession	4/16/25, 4/30/25	Bi-Weekly	EO's Met with TransPro to develop schedule and RFI's.	I attend bi-weekly meeting and send out email meeting summary to the Selection Team regarding progress and action items.	
13	NALWDB (Northern Area Local Workforce Development Board)	Pending				Councilor Havemann will notify the Board of my contact information and assignment for 2025.