



# County of Los Alamos

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## Minutes

### County Council – Work Session

*Denise Derkacs, Council Chair, Theresa Cull, Council Vice-Chair,  
Melanee Hand, Suzie Havemann, Keith Lepsch, David Reagor, and Randall Ryti  
Councilors*

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Tuesday, May 16, 2023

6:00 PM

Council Chambers – 1000 Central Avenue

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#### 1. OPENING/ROLL CALL

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

Council Chair Derkacs made opening remarks regarding the procedure of the meeting.

Ms. Linda Matteson, Deputy County Manager, listed the county employees in attendance via zoom.

#### The following Councilors were in attendance:

**Present: 6 - Councilor Derkacs, Councilor Cull, Councilor Hand, Councilor Havemann,  
Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Ryti**

**Remote: 1 - Councilor Lepsch**

#### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by: All.

#### 3. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

#### 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**A motion was made by Councilor Ryti, seconded by Councilor Cull, that Council approve the agenda as presented.**

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

**Yes: 7 – Councilor Derkacs, Councilor Cull, Councilor Hand, Councilor Havemann,  
Councilor Lepsch, Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Ryti**

## 5. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND RECOGNITIONS

### A. Proclamation Declaring May 21 - 27, 2023 as "Emergency Medical Services Week"

Councilor Hand read and presented the proclamation to Christopher Bartlett.

Mr. Christopher Bartlett, Los Alamos Fire Department EMS Division Chief, spoke.  
Mr. Troy Hughes, Fire Chief, spoke.

**No action taken.**

### B. Presentation and Discussion on Potential Ordinance that Prohibits Feeding of Wild Animals

Councilor Ryti spoke.

Ms. Ariel Perraglio, New Mexico Game and Fish District Officer, presented.  
Dr. Elin Crockett, Veterinarian, spoke.  
Dr. Kathleen Ramsay, Wildlife Rehabilitator, spoke.  
Mr. Dino Sgambellone, Police Chief, spoke.  
Mr. Steven Lynne, County Manager, spoke.

**No action taken.**

### C. Briefing to Council by County Lobbyist Scott Scanland Providing an Overview of the 2023 Legislative Session

Mr. Scott Scanland, County Lobbyist, presented.  
Ms. Danielle Duran, Intergovernmental Affairs Manager, spoke.

**No action taken.**

### D. Briefing Presentation to Council by Michael Dolejsi, Vice-Chair of the Transportation Board

Mr. Michael Dolejsi, Vice-Chair of the Transportation Board, presented.  
Mr. Juan Rael, Public Works Director, spoke.  
Mr. David North, Transportation Board Member, spoke.

**No action taken.**

## RECESS

**Councilor Derkacs called for a recess at 7:51 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 8:02 p.m.**

### E. Wildland Fire Preparedness Presentation

Mr. Troy Hughes, Fire Chief, spoke.  
Mr. Kelly Sterna, Wildland Division Chief, presented.

**No action taken.**

F. Brief Overview of 20th Street Redevelopment Visioning Process

Mr. Dan Ungerleider, Economic Development Director, presented.  
Mr. Noah Burke, Wilson and Company, presented.  
Ms. Sobia Sayeda, Planning Manager, spoke.

**No action taken.**

**6. BUSINESS**

A. Approval of County Council Minutes for the April 17, 18, and 24, 2023 Special Sessions and the May 2, 2023 Regular Session

**A motion was made by Councilor Ryti, seconded by Councilor Hand, that Council approve the County Council Minutes for the April 17, 18, and 24, 2023 Special Sessions and the May 2, 2023 Regular Session.**

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

**Yes: 7 – Councilor Derkacs, Councilor Cull, Councilor Hand, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Lepsch, Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Ryti**

**7. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS

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Denise Derkacs, Council Chair

Attest:

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Naomi D. Maestas, County Clerk

Meeting Transcribed by: Ubaldo Barela, Deputy Clerk