



County of Los Alamos

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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*

Tuesday, June 18, 2024

6:00 PM

Council Chambers – 1000 Central Avenue

1. OPENING/ROLL CALL

The Council Chair, Denise Derkacs, called the meeting to order at 6:09 p.m.

Council Chair Derkacs made opening remarks regarding the meeting procedure.

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

The following Councilors were in attendance:

**Present: 5 – Councilor Derkacs, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Lepsch,
Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Ryti**

Remote: 1 – Councilor Hand

Absent: 1 – Councilor Cull

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by: All.

3. STATEMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION

Councilor Havemann read the following statement to be included in the minutes: “The matters discussed in the closed session of County Council held on June 18, 2024 that began today at 4:00 p.m. was 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.”

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

5. APPROVAL OF COUNCIL AGENDA

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

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 6 – Councilor Derkacs, Councilor Hand, Councilor Havemann,
Councilor Lepsch, Councilor Reagor, and Councilor Ryti

Absent: 1 – Councilor Cull

6. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS

- A.** Presentation by Jessica Kunkle, Manager of the Department of Energy Environmental Management, Los Alamos (EMLA) Field Office

Ms. Jessica Kunkle, Field Office Manager, EMLA, spoke.
Ms. Ellie Gilbertson, Deputy Field Office Manager, EMLA, presented.
Mr. Brad Smith, President and General Manager, N3B, presented.
Ms. Cheryl Rodriguez, Director of Cleanup Execution, N3B, spoke.
Mr. Troy Thompson, Environmental Remediation Program Manager, N3B, spoke.

No action taken.

- B.** Briefing Presentation to Council by Stephanie Haaser, Chair of the Arts in Public Places Advisory Board

Ms. Stephanie Hasser, Chair of the Arts in Public Places Advisory Board, presented.
Mr. Alvin Leaphart, County Attorney, spoke

No action taken.

- C.** Briefing Presentation to Council by Patrick Moore, Chair of the Historic Preservation Advisory Board

Mr. Patrick Moore, Chair of the Historic Preservation Advisory Board, presented.
Ms. Sobia Sayeda, Planning Manager, spoke.
Ms. Linda Matteson, Deputy County Manager, spoke.

No action taken.

7. BUSINESS

- A.** Quarterly Briefing by County Intergovernmental Affairs Manager on Current Regional and Intergovernmental Issues

Ms. Danielle Duran, Intergovernmental Affairs Manager, presented.

No action taken.

Councilor Derkacs called for a recess at 8:05 p.m. The meeting reconvened at 8:17 p.m.

B. Overview of Council Strategic Goal-Economic Vitality

Mr. Paul Andrus, Community Development Director, presented.
Ms. Anne Laurent, County Manager, spoke.

No action taken.

8. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:02 p.m.

INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS

Denise Derkacs, Council Chair

Attest:

Naomi D. Maestas, County Clerk

Meeting Transcribed by: Marie Pruitt, Deputy Clerk