



County of Los Alamos

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Agenda - Final Board of Public Utilities

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Eric Stromberg,, Charles Nakhleh and Jennifer Hollingsworth,
Members
Philo Shelton, Ex Officio Member
Anne Laurent, Ex Officio Member
Ryn Herrmann, Council Liaison*

Wednesday, June 17, 2026

5:30 PM

Municipal Building, Council Chambers

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1. **CALL TO ORDER**
2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**
3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

- 3.a. [21056-26b](#) Statement Regarding Closed Session on 6/3/26

Presenters: Board of Public Utilities

4. **CONSENT AGENDA**

MOTION: I move that the Board of Public Utilities approve the items on the Consent Agenda as (PRESENTED -or- AMENDED) and that the motions in the staff reports be included in the minutes for the record.

- 4.a. [21292-26](#) Approval of Board of Public Utilities Meeting Minutes - May

Presenters: Board of Public Utilities

Attachments: [A - Draft BPU Work Session Minutes - 5/6/26](#)

[B - Draft BPU Regular Session Minutes - 5/20/26](#)

- 4.b. [21783-26a](#) Approval of NMFA Binding Letter of Commitment for the Denver Steels Phase II Water Service Line Replacement Project in the Amount of \$525,000.00

Presenters: James Martinez, Deputy Utility Manager-Engineering

Attachments: [A - NMFA Binding Letter of Commitment](#)

[B - Form 4700-4 JM](#)

- 4.c. [21806-26a](#) Approval of Budget Revisions 26-87 to Increase the Transfer from Water Distribution to Water Production for the Cost of Water

Presenters: Joann Gentry, Deputy Utility Manager-Finance & Admin.

Attachments: [A- Budget Revision 2026-87](#)

[B - FY2026 Cost of Water Budget Projection](#)

- 4.d. [AGR1223-26](#) Approval of General Services Agreement No. AGR27-804 with Kutak Rock, LLP in the Amount Not to Exceed \$150,000 plus Applicable Gross Receipts Tax for the Purpose of Providing Legal Services in Connection with the Incorporated County of Los Alamos Utilities Operations

Presenters: Philo Shelton, Utilities Manager

Attachments: [A - AGR27-804 Kutak Rock](#)

5. **PRESENTATIONS (none)**

6. **PUBLIC HEARINGS (none)**

7. **DEPARTMENT BUSINESS**

- 7.a. [21691-26](#) DPU Rate Comparisons with National Data Collected by APPA and AWWA
- Presenters:** Philo Shelton, Utilities Manager
- Attachments:** [A - APPA Statistical Report](#)
[B - AWWA Residential Service Charges](#)
- 7.b. [21808-26](#) Discussion and Possible Action on One Year Rate Increase for Gas Services
- Presenters:** Joann Gentry, Deputy Utility Manager-Finance & Admin.
- Attachments:** [A - LAC Code Ordinance 02-385 - Gas Rates](#)
[B - Gas Rate Ordinance Presentation](#)
- 7.c. [21508-26](#) Electric Distribution Undergrounding Discussion
- Presenters:** Dennis Astley, Deputy Utility Manager-Electric Distribution
- Attachments:** [A - ED Undergrounding Presentation](#)
- 7.d. [21421-26](#) Review of 10-year Budget Plan and Reserve Policies
- Presenters:** Joann Gentry, Deputy Utility Manager-Finance & Admin.
- Attachments:** [A - Cash Reserve Guideline Presentation](#)
[B - Financial Guidelines](#)

8. **BOARD BUSINESS**

- 8.a. Chair's Report
- 8.b. Board Member's Reports
- 8.c. Utilities Manager's Report
- 8.d. County Manager's Report
- 8.e. Council Liaison's Report
- 8.f. Environmental Sustainability Board Liaison's Report
- 8.g. General Board Business
- 8.g.1. [21584-26b](#) Discussion and Possible Support of the Council Charter Review of Utilities Profit Transfer; Council Procedures for Filling Partial Terms of

Elected Officials; and Party Affiliation Requirements for Boards and Commission Members

Presenters: Philo Shelton, Utilities Manager and Robert Gibson, Chair-Board of Public Utilities

Attachments: [A - County Charter](#)

8.g.2. [21201-26c](#) Approval of the Board of Public Utilities Annual Presentation to County Council

Presenters: Robert Gibson, Chair-Board of Public Utilities

Attachments: [A - BPU Presentation to County Council_Final Draft](#)

8.h. Board Expenses

9. **STATUS REPORTS**

9.a. [21293-26](#) Status Reports - May 2026

Presenters: Philo Shelton, Utilities Manager

Attachments: [A - Electric Reliability Report](#)
[B - Accounts Receivables Report](#)
[C - Risk & Safety Report](#)

10. **UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS**

10.a. [21294-26](#) Tickler File for July - September 2026

Presenters: Philo Shelton, Utilities Manager

Attachments: [A - Tickler File Jul-Sept 2026](#)

11. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

12. **ADJOURNMENT**

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