



# County of Los Alamos

## Minutes

### County Council - Work Session

Los Alamos, NM 87544  
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*Randall Ryti, Council Chair; James Robinson, Vice-Chair; Denise Derkacs; David Izraelevitz;  
David Reagor; Sara Scott, and Sean Williams, Councilors*

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Tuesday, October 26, 2021

6:00 PM

Due to COVID-19 concerns, meeting will  
be conducted remotely.  
<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/89708948317>

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#### 1. OPENING/ROLL CALL

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

Councilor Reagor joined the meeting during the discussion of Item 2 at 6:02 p.m.

The following Councilors were in attendance:

#### 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Councilor Reagor joined the meeting during the discussion of this item at 6:02 p.m.

Led by: All.

Chair Ryti made opening remarks regarding the procedure of the meeting due to COVID-19.

Mr. Steven Lynne, County Manager, listed the County employees in attendance.

#### 3. STATEMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION

##### October 26, 2021 Closed Session Motion

Councilor Scott, read the following statement into the record: "The matters discussed in the closed session of County Council held on October 26, 2021, that began at 5:00 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 this statement be included in the meeting minutes."

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Wren Propp, 90 Granada Drive, commented on an Airbnb in her neighborhood.

Mr. Carl Moffitt, 90 Granada Drive, commented on an Airbnb in his neighborhood.

**5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion was made by Councilor Derkacs, seconded by Councilor Scott, that the agenda be approved as presented.

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Councilor Izraelevitz, Councilor Robinson, Councilor Ryti, Councilor Scott, Councilor Derkacs, Councilor Reagor and Councilor Williams

**6. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS AND RECOGNITIONS**

- A. [13795-21](#) Briefing to Council by Bernadine Goldman, Chair of the Personnel Board.

Ms. Bernadine Goldman, Personnel Board Chair, presented.

No action taken.

- B. [13796-21](#) Briefing to Council by Linda Deck, Chair of the Lodger's Tax Advisory Board.

Ms. Linda Deck, Lodger's Tax Advisory Board Acting Chair, presented.

Ms. Kelly Stewart, Economic Development Marketing Specialist, spoke.

No action taken.

- C. [14904-21](#) Short-Term Rental (STR) Discussion

Mr. Paul Andrus, Community Development Director, spoke.

Ms. Margaret Ambrosino, Housing Programs Manager, presented.

Mr. Daniel Ungerleider, Economic Development Administrator, spoke.

Public comment:

None.

No action taken.

**7. BUSINESS**

- A. [14923-21](#) Action to Suspend Council Rules for Work Session

A motion was made by Councilor Derkacs, seconded by Councilor Scott, that Council suspend their procedural rules for this work session, October 26, 2021, so that formal action may be taken.

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 - Councilor Izraelevitz, Councilor Robinson, Councilor Ryti, Councilor Scott, Councilor Derkacs, Councilor Reagor and Councilor Williams

- B. [15053-21](#) Approval of County Council Minutes for September 28, 2021

A motion was made by Councilor Robinson, seconded by Councilor Williams, that Council approve the County Council Minutes for September 28, 2021.

The motion passed with the following vote:

## 8. INTRODUCTION OF ORDINANCE(S)

- A. [OR0917-21](#) Introduction of Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance No. 712, An Ordinance Authorizing the Incorporated County of Los Alamos (County) to Amend Ordinance No's. 687 and 689 for the Purpose of Increasing the Principal Amount of the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) Clean Water State Revolving Fund (CWSRF) Loan Number CWSRF 083.

Councilor Robinson introduced without prejudice, Incorporated County of Los Alamos, New Mexico Ordinance No. 712, An Ordinance authorizing the Utilities Manager to submit a request and necessary documents to the New Mexico Environment Department to increase the loan amount as authorized in County Ordinances 687 and 689, up to a maximum loan amount of Thirty Million Dollars (\$30,000,000.00) for the NMED Project CWSRF 083 under the same terms and conditions set forth for the original loan, and forward to the County Council for Approval.

- B. [OR0920-21](#) Introduction of Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance No. 713 Providing for the Transfer of Land to the New Mexico Department of Transportation (NMDOT).

Councilor Scott introduced without prejudice, Incorporated County of Los Alamos Ordinance No. 713, an Ordinance providing for the transfer of approximately 2,698 Square Feet of certain public land along Trinity Drive (NM 502) owned by the Incorporated County of Los Alamos to the New Mexico Department of Transportation for public road improvements and ask staff to assure that it is published as provided in the County Charter.

## 9. COUNCIL BUSINESS

- A. [15052-21](#) Discussion on Councilor Attendance at Agenda Setting Meetings

Councilor Rytty presented.

Public Comment:  
None.

No action taken.

**B. Council Chair Report**

Chair Ryti reported on a meeting with Santa Clara Pueblo, the County and Schools meeting, a meeting with the New Mexico Environment Department, the Mayor's Council meeting, a meeting with the US Army, a meeting with a student regarding outdoor recreation, and letters of support that were signed.

**C. Preview of Upcoming Agenda Items**

Councilor Ryti announced there will be a Special Council Meeting this Friday October 29, 2021.

Councilor Robinson highlighted upcoming agenda items regarding the vacancy ordinance, actions taken regarding the animal shelter advisory committee and a possible ordinance regarding the profit transfer with the Department of Public Utilities.

Councilor Izraelevitz advised of a possible upcoming agenda item relating to the wording of the closed meeting statement.

Councilor Williams advised that an item related to the County's use of glyphosate will be on an upcoming agenda.

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT**

None.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 8:06 p.m.

INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS

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Randall T. Ryti, Council Chair

Attest:

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Naomi D. Maestas, County Clerk

Meeting Transcribed By: Victoria L. Martinez, Senior Deputy Clerk