



County of Los Alamos

BCC Meeting Minutes - Draft

Environmental Sustainability Board

1000 Central Avenue
Los Alamos, NM 87544

*David Hampton, Chair; Erik Loechell, Vice-Chair; Sue Barns; Carly Blair; Shannon Blair;
Joseph Chandler
and Jack Grow; Members*

Thursday, March 19, 2026

5:30 PM

1000 Central Avenue - Council
Chambers

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1. CALL TO ORDER - ROLL CALL

5:30 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Approval of the agenda for the Environmental Sustainability Meeting of April 16, 2026 approved unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[21470-26](#) Approval of February 19, 2026, Environmental Sustainability Board Minutes

Presenters: David Hampton

Approval of the agenda for the Environmental Sustainability Meeting of February 19, 2026, approved unanimously.

5. BOARD BUSINESS

[21471-26](#) Waste-to-Energy Plant Presentation by Mozart Devco LLC.

Presenters: David Hampton

Presentation by Mozart Devco LLC representatives on the Ohkay Owingeh Waste-to Power Plant for North Central New Mexico.

21472-26 Review and Discuss the 2026 ESB Work Plan

Presenters: David Hampton

Environmental Sustainability Board quarterly review and discussion of board work plan no action taken.

6. REPORTS

A. Chair's Report - David Hampton

Chair Hampton noted that for routine board business items requiring a vote—such as agenda and minutes approval—if there are no corrections or objections, they may be approved by unanimous consent (acclamation) in accordance with Robert’s Rules of Order.

1). Board of Public Utilities - Sue Barns/Shannon Blair

Member Barns attended the Board of Public Utilities (BPU) meeting on March 18, 2026, and reported the ESB liaison report. The BPU meeting was mostly on the presentation of the BPU budget for FY27. BPU approved a request to extend the electrical coordination with LANL. Approved for funding for a mobile generator that could be moved around mostly to keep water pumping from various wells and help run one of the wastewater treatment plants in the event of a power outage such as a wildfire, funding for about ½ of the cost came from FEMA. Elk Ridge project is getting close to completion.

2). Transportation Board - David Hampton

Chair Hampton reported that at the Transportation Board meeting there was a public hearing for the Denver Steel project that will start soon. Also, Atomic City Transit will start the weekend bus program again.

3). Parks and Recreation Board - Joseph Chandler

None.

4). Planning and Zoning - David Hampton

None.

5). County Council Liaison - Melanee Hand

None.

B. Working Groups

1). Bee City Los Alamos - Britton Donharl

Member Barns reported that the Bee City will be starting up again, they had a wildflower seed selling workshop and are looking for volunteers to help with the pollinator garden.

- 2). **Los Alamos Sustainability Alliance - Sue Barns**

None.

7. STAFF REPORT

21473-26 Sustainability Manager Updates

Presenters: Angelica Gurule

Sustainability Manager Angelica Gurule reported they are still working the Mesa Public Library EV charging infrastructure; task order will be going to Council on April 7th. Education and outreach Creative Firebrand have launched a Climate Action Marketing survey asking the community to help brand the initiative, three names and three styles, closes April 1st. Seeking volunteers for Earth Day. Kudos to the board for supporting the EV charging plan. Shared the Residential Sustainability Report.

8. PREVIEW OF UPCOMING AGENDA ITEMS

Upcoming agenda items State of NM Climate Action Plan, open meetings action training by County Attorney in July

9. ADJOURNMENT

7:08 p.m.

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