



County of Los Alamos

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Minutes

County Council – Regular Session

*Randall Ryti, Council Chair; Ryn Herrmann, Council Vice Chair;
Theresa Cull, Melanee Hand, Suzie Havemann,
Beverly Neal-Clinton, and David Reagor, Councilors*

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

6:00 PM

Fire Station No. 3 129 State Road 4 - White Rock

1. OPENING/ROLL CALL

The Council Vice Chair, Ryn Herrmann, called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Vice Chair Ryn Herrmann made opening remarks regarding the meeting's procedure.

The following Councilors were in attendance:

**Present: 5 – Councilor Herrmann, Councilor Cull, Councilor Havemann,
Councilor Neal-Clinton, and Councilor Reagor**

Remote: 2 – Councilor Ryti and Councilor Hand

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by: All.

3. STATEMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION

Councilor Havemann read the following statement to be included in the meeting minutes: “The matters discussed in the closed session of County Council held on June 23, 2026, that began 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. We request that this statement be included in the meeting minutes.”

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ms. Madison Figueroa spoke.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 – Councilor Ryti, Councilor Hermann, Councilor Cull, Councilor Hand, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Neal-Clinton, and Councilor Reagor

6. PRESENTATIONS, PROCLAMATIONS, AND RECOGNITIONS

A. Briefing Presentation to Council by Tim Foley, Chair of the Art in Public Places Advisory Boards

Mr. Tim Foley, Chair of the Art in Public Places Advisory Boards, presented.

Public Comment:
None.

B. Update on the Citizen Petition for the North Road and Urban Street Intersection

Mr. Eric Martinez, Public Works Director, presented/spoke.
Mr. Keith Wilson, Deputy Public Works Director, presented.

No action taken.

Public Comment:
Ms. Jyl DeHaven spoke.
Ms. Nora Haaser spoke.
Ms. CeCe Gulsby spoke.

C. Update on County Housing Projects, Programs and Activities

Mr. Dan Osborn, Housing and Special Projects Manager, presented.

Public Comment:
None.

No action taken.

RECESS

Councilor Herrmann called for recess at 8:12 p.m. The meeting was reconvened at 8:22 p.m.

D. Briefing on the Foxtail Flats Groundbreaking and Construction Status

Mr. Philo Shelton, Utilities Manager, spoke.

Mr. Ben Olbrich, Deputy Utility Manager-Power Supply, presented.

Public Comment:

None.

E. Possible Action to Suspend Council Rules for Work Session

A motion was made by Councilor Neal-Clinton, seconded by Councilor Cull that Council suspend their procedural rules for this work session, June 23, 2026, so that formal action may be taken.

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 – Councilor Ryti, Councilor Herrmann, Councilor Cull, Councilor Hand, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Neal-Clinton and Councilor Reagor

7. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS ON THE CONSENT AGENDA

None.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Motion:

A motion was made by Councilor Cull, seconded by Councilor Neal-Clinton that Council approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented and that the motions in the staff reports be included for the record.

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes:7– Councilor Ryti, Councilor Hermann, Councilor Cull, Councilor Hand, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Neal-Clinton, and Councilor Reagor

A. Approval of County Council Minutes for the June 9, 2026, Regular Session

I move that Council approve the minutes for the June 9, 2026, Regular Session as presented.

B. Approval of Budget Revision 2026-73

I move that Council approve Budget Revision 2026-73 as presented and include Attachment A as part of the minutes.

- C. Vacation of Utility Easements Within A-8-A Property on DP Road

I move that Council approve the vacation of utility easements within A-8-A Property on DP Road.

- D. 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

I move that Council approve the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA) Binding Letter of Commitment and EPA Form 4700-4 for DWL-6651 and Authorization to Submit Documents Required by the Terms and Conditions of the Letter.

- E. Approval of Budget Revisions 26-87 to Increase the Transfer from Water Distribution to Water Production for the Cost of Water

I move that Council approve Budget Revision 2026-87 as presented and include Attachment A in the minutes of this meeting.

- F. Approval of Budget Revision 2026-90 for Risk/Self Insurance Funds

I move that Council approve Budget Revision 2026-90 and include Attachment A as part of minutes of this meeting.

- G. Approval of Amendment No. AGR24-28b-A2 with Sky Elements to Increase the Contract by \$51,250, With a Total for the Life of the Contract Not to Exceed \$522,500 plus Applicable Gross Receipts Tax, for the Purpose of Providing a Second Drone Show at the 2026 4th of July Event

Ms. Katherine Hudspeth, Recreation Superintendent, spoke.
Mr. Cory Styron, Community Services Director, spoke.

I move that Council approve the amendment AGR 24-28b-A2 with Sky Elements to increase the current contract to the amount not to exceed \$522,500, plus applicable Gross Receipts Tax, for the purpose of providing a second drone show at the 2026 4th of July event.

9. BUSINESS

- A. Introduction and Discussion on the Local Economic Development Act (LEDA) Public Participation Agreement High Level Terms for the 1735 Central Avenue Redevelopment Project (AKA Former CB Fox Building)

Ms. Anne Laurent, County Manager, spoke.
Mr. Phil Gursky, presented.

Public Comment:
None.

No action taken.

- B.** Introduction and Discussion on the Local Economic Development Act (LEDA) Public Participation Agreement High Level Terms for The Rock Redevelopment Project (AKA Former Time Out Pizza Building) Located at 116 and 118 State Route 4 in White Rock

Ms. Anne Laurent, County Manager, spoke.
Ms. Janet Lovato, Managing Member, VE Holdings, presented.

Public Comment:
Ms. Lisa Shin spoke.
Ms. Jacquelyn Connolly spoke.

No action taken.

10. COUNCIL BUSINESS

A. General Council Business

Consideration of Sponsoring the Los Alamos Nuclear Forum August 25, 2026

Chair Ryti presented.
Councilor Cull spoke.
Ms. Anne Laurent, County Manager, spoke.

Public Comment:
None.

A motion made by Councilor Havemann, seconded by Councilor Cull, that Council support participation in the Los Alamos Nuclear Forum on August 25, 2026, and provide sponsorship funding at the \$3,500 level.

The motion passed with the following vote:

Yes: 7 – Councilor Ryti, Councilor Hermann, Councilor Cull, Councilor Hand, Councilor Havemann, Councilor Neal-Clinton, and Councilor Reagor

11. WORKING GROUP AND EXTERNAL ENTITIES REPORT

None.

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:42 p.m.

INCORPORATED COUNTY OF LOS ALAMOS

Randall Ryti, Council Chair

Attest:

Michael D. Redondo, County Clerk

Meeting Transcribed by: Adrienne Lewis, Deputy Clerk

County Council - Work Session on 2026-06-23 6:00 PM

Meeting Time: 06-23-26 17:45

eComments Report

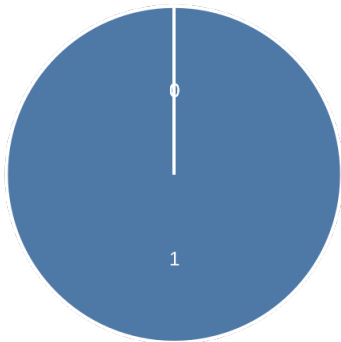
Meetings	Meeting Time	Agenda Items	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
County Council - Work Session on 2026-06-23 6:00 PM	06-23-26 17:45	32	1	1	0	0

Sentiments for All Meetings

The following graphs display sentiments for comments that have location data. Only locations of users who have commented will be shown.

Overall Sentiment

Support (100%) Oppose (0%) Neutral (0%)
No Response (0%)



County Council - Work Session on 2026-06-23 6:00 PM

06-23-26 17:45

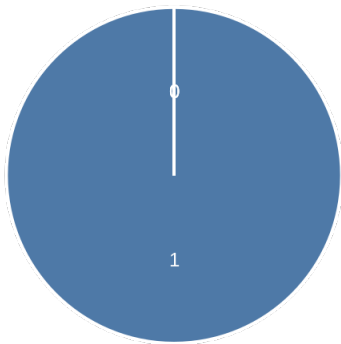
Agenda Name	Comments	Support	Oppose	Neutral
B. 21592-26 Update on the Citizen Petition for the North Road and Urban Street Intersection	1	1	0	0

Sentiments for All Agenda Items

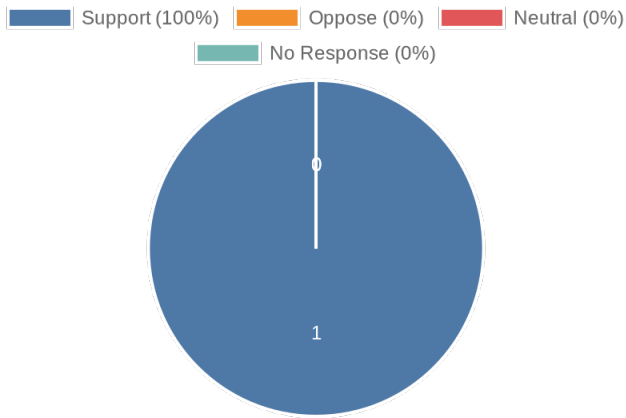
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No Response (0%)



Overall Sentiment



Jean Dewart

Location:

Submitted At: 9:54am 06-23-26

I support the upgrade of the North/Urban intersection.

I'd like to recommend an evaluation of traffic safety for our County - with the consideration of an increase in population of 5000 people (given the approved new housing units). I believe our roads were not designed for this level of traffic, in consideration of today's more aggressive and more inattentive drivers. It's not a good leadership strategy to evaluate traffic safety at a location after we have a fatal accident. Thank you.

Jean Dewart

300 Manhattan Loop

Budget Revision 2026 - 73

BPU Meeting Date: May 20, 2026

Council Meeting Date: June 9, 2026

	Fund & Department	Org	Object	Revenue (decrease)	Expenditures (decrease)	Transfers In(Out)	Fund Balance (decrease)
1	Joint Utilities Fund - Electric Production	51185135	7699			\$ 1,600,000	\$ 1,600,000
2	Joint Utilities Fund - Electric Distribution	51285260	7699			\$ (1,600,000)	\$ (1,600,000)
3	Joint Utilities Fund - Water Production	54285610	7699			\$ 750,000	\$ 750,000
4	Joint Utilities Fund - Water Distribution	54185440	7699			\$ (750,000)	\$ (750,000)
5	Joint Utilities Fund - Electric Production	51185170	8719		\$ 80,070		\$ (80,070)
6	Joint Utilities Fund - Electric Distribution	51285211	8719		\$ 91,590		\$ (91,590)
7	Joint Utilities Fund - Gas Distribution	53185311	8719		\$ 84,161		\$ (84,161)
8	Joint Utilities Fund - Water Distribution	54185411	8719		\$ 68,920		\$ (68,920)
9	Joint Utilities Fund - Water Production	54285611	8719		\$ 113,944		\$ (113,944)
10	Joint Utilities Fund - Wastewater	55185511	8719		\$ 101,490		\$ (101,490)

Description: The purpose of the budget revision is to increase the transfer from Electric Distribution to Electric Production for the cost of power. The increased transfer from Water Distribution to Water Production is for the cost of water. The budget revision also increases expenditure authority for interdepartmental charges.

Fiscal Impact: The net fiscal impact to the Joint Utilities Fund is an increase in expenditures and decrease in fund balance by \$540,175.

Joann Gentry

5/12/2026

Preparer

Date

Anne W. Laurent

County Manager Approval if Required

Philo Shelton

Department Director Signature

Jara Mariano

Budget Manager/Analyst Signature

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Item 8.B- Attachment A

Budget Revision 2026 - 87

BPU Meeting Date: June 17, 2026

Council meeting date: June 23, 2026

	Fund & Department	Org	Object	Revenue (decrease)	Expenditures (decrease)	Transfers In(Out)	Fund Balance (decrease)
1	Joint Utilities Fund - Water Production	54285610	7699			\$ 70,000	\$ -
2	Joint Utilities Fund - Water Distribution	54185440	7699			\$ (70,000)	\$ -
3							\$ -
4							\$ -
5							\$ -
6							\$ -
7							\$ -
8							\$ -
9							\$ -
10							\$ -

Description: The purpose of the budget revision is to increase the transfer from Water Distribution to Water Production for the cost of water. Actuals through May 2026 have exceeded budget estimates.

Fiscal Impact: The net fiscal impact to the Joint Utilities Fund is an increase to transfers in of \$70,000 and an increase to transfers out of \$70,000, resulting in a zero net impact to fund balance.

Joann Gentry 6/9/2026

 Preparer Date

_____ County Manager Approval if Required

Philo Shelton

 Department Director Signature

[Signature]

 Budget Manager/Analyst Signature

Los Alamos County Council Work Session June 23, 2026 Item 8.E Attachment A

Budget Revision 2026 - 90

Council Meeting Date: 6/23/26

Fund & Department	Org	Object	Revenue (decrease)	Expenditures (decrease)	Transfers In	Transfers Out	Fund Balance (decrease)
Admin Medical Insurance/Insurance (other)	73131110	8439		\$ (192,400)			\$ 192,400
Admin Medical Insurance/Insurance (other)	73131110	8496		\$ (35,000)			\$ 35,000
Transfer Out	73131110					\$227,400	\$ -
Transfer In	73331330				\$227,400		\$ -
733 Medical Fund	73331330			\$ 850,000			\$ (850,000)
							\$ -
							\$ -

Description: Due to an unexpected increase in medical claims within our self-insured medical fund, we are requesting a budget adjustment to ensure sufficient funding is available through the remainder of the fiscal year. Specifically, we are requesting approval to: 1. Transfer \$227,400 from the Administrative Medical Fund to the Medical Claims Fund and 2. Allocate \$622,600 from the fund balance to supplement the Medical Claims Fund. There are sufficient reserves available within the fund balance to support this adjustment without compromising the financial stability of the fund.

Fiscal Impact: Decrease of \$622,600 in fund balance.

Jara Masiano Victoria Pacheco
6/17/2026 6/17/2026

Anne W. Laurent 6/17/2026

County Manager Approval if Required

Preparer Date
Anne W. Laurent 6/17/2026

Department Director Signature
[Signature] 6/17/2026

Budget Manager/Analyst Signature