



LOS ALAMOS

Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting Minutes

Virtual participation for the meeting was made available via Zoom.
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April 8, 2026
5:30pm

1. **CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL**

The meeting was called to order by Chair Easton at 5:34pm. Roll call was taken. A quorum was present.

Members Present:

Karen Easton, Commissioner, Chair
David Hampton, Commissioner, Vice Chair
Robert Chrien, Commissioner
Katherine Bruell, Commissioner *
Rachel Grimm, Commissioner
Ronald Nelson, Commissioner *

Members Absent:

Marlon Brown, Commissioner
Rebecca White, Commissioner

Staff Present:

Elias Isaacson, Community Development Director
Danyelle Valdez, Planning Manager
Desirae J. Lujan, Senior Planner
Kristen Klem, Associate Planner
Wendy Laird, Senior Office Specialist
Katie Thwaits, Deputy County Attorney

Council Liaison:

Theresa Cull, Councilor

** Attended virtually via Zoom*

2. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Comment

3. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Motion by Commissioner Hampton to approve the agenda. Seconded by Commissioner Chrien.

Motion passed. 6 for, 0 against. 2 members absent

4. PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION BUSINESS

A. Approval of March 25th, 2026 Planning and Zoning Commission Meeting Minutes

Motion by Commissioner Bruell to approve the Minutes, seconded by Commissioner Hampton.

Motion passed. 6 for, 0 against. 2 members absent

B. 21436-26

Extension request SIT-2023-0063 Greg Gonzales, dba Columbus Capital, applicant, is requesting Site Plan approval at 535 Central Avenue, Los Alamos, NM, for a 104,671 Sq.Ft. mixed-use development that proposes 322 residential units and 22,000 Sq.Ft. of commercial space. The property, MMV 001, is within the Downtown Los Alamos (DTLA) Zone District.

Chair Easton opened the case and explained the meeting procedures. The following attendees were sworn in:

Danyelle Valdez, Planning Manager

Danyelle provided a summary and recommendation for a site plan extension for SIT-2023-0063.

Commissioners provided comments and questions.

Motion by Commissioner Hampton to approve, seconded by Commissioner Chrien.

Motion passed. 6 for, 0 against. 2 members absent

5. DISCUSSION ITEMS ONLY (NO ACTION)

A. Los Alamos County Development Code, Chapter 5, Article IV, Division 8

Director Isaacson gave a presentation that identified current issues with the county's temporary sign regulations and asked for the Commission's feedback and direction so the staff could draft code amendments.

Commissioners provided comments and questions.

6. COMMISSION/DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS

A. *Department Report*

Nothing to Report

B. *Chair's Report*

Welcoming the new Commissioner, Rachel Grimm.

C. *Council Liaison's Report*

Overview on the last two Council Meetings, March 31st, 2026 and April 7th, 2026

D. *Commissioners' Comments*

Commissioner Bruell made comments.

Commissioner Hampton made comments.

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

No comment.

8. ADJOURNMENT

6:49pm