



County of Los Alamos

Los Alamos, NM 87544
www.losalamosnm.us

Agenda - Final County Council - Regular Session

*Denise Derkacs, Council Chair; Theresa Cull, Vice-Chair;
Melanee Hand; Suzie Havemann; Keith Lepsch; David Reagor;
and Randall Rytj, Councilors*

Tuesday, January 9, 2024

6:00 PM

Council Chambers - 1000 Central Avenue

NOTE: This meeting is in person and open to the public. However, for convenience, the following Zoom meeting link and/or telephone call in numbers may be used for public viewing and participation:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84587518059>

Or Telephone:

Dial(for higher quality, dial a number based on your current location):

US: +1 253 215 8782 or +1 346 248 7799 or +1 669 900 6833 or +1 301 715 8592
or +1 312 626 6799 or +1 929 205 6099

Webinar ID: 845 8751 8059

1. **OPENING/ROLL CALL**
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
3. **STATEMENT REGARDING CLOSED SESSION**

January 9, 2024 Closed Session Motion

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT**

This section of the agenda is reserved for comments from the public on items that do not require action by the Council or are not otherwise on the agenda.

5. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
6. **COUNCILOR CHAIR COMMENTS**

- A. [18022-24](#) State of the County Presentation

Presenters: Denise Derkacs, Council Chair

7. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

- A. [18024-24](#) Election of Council Chair and Vice Chair for 2024

Presenters: County Council - Regular Session

8. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR ITEMS ON CONSENT AGENDA**9. CONSENT AGENDA**

The following items are presented for Council approval under a single motion unless any item is withdrawn by a Councilor for further Council consideration in the agenda section entitled "Business."

Approval of the Consent Agenda

Consent Motion -

I move that Council approve the items on the Consent Agenda as presented and that the motions in the staff reports be included for the record; or,

I move that Council approve the items on the Consent Agenda and that the motions contained in the staff reports, as amended be included for the record.

- A. [18138-24](#) Approval of County Council Minutes for the December 5, 2023, and December 12, 2023, Regular Sessions and the December 15, 2023, and December 18, 2023, Special Sessions

Presenters: Naomi Maestas

Attachments: [A - County Council Minutes for December 5, 2023](#)
[B - County Council Minutes for December 12, 2023](#)
[C - County Council Minutes for December 15, 2023](#)
[D - County Council Minutes for December 18, 2023](#)

- B. [AGR1010-24](#) Award of Bid No. 24-16 in the Amount of \$1,230,398.00 plus Applicable Gross Receipts Tax to Pluma, LLC for Construction of the White Rock Visitor Center Outdoor Restrooms and Pavilion Project, Establish a Project Budget in the Amount of \$1,670,000.00; and Approve Related Budget Revision 2024-42

Presenters: Sara Rhoton, Capital Projects & Facilities Manager
and Eric Martinez, Deputy Public Works Director

Attachments: [A – Project Budget Spreadsheet](#)
[B– Budget Revision Form 2024-42](#)
[C - Images and Plans](#)

- C. [AGR1016-24](#) Approval and Ratification of AGR21-923, as amended, and Approval of Amendment No. 5 with Gallagher & Kennedy, P.A.

Presenters: Alvin Leaphart

Attachments: [A - AGR21-923 Gallagher Kennedy EPA recorded](#)
[B - AGR21-923-A1 Gallagher Kennedy EPA recorded](#)
[C - AGR21-923-A2 Gallagher Kennedy EPA recorded](#)
[D - AGR21-923-A3 Gallagher Kennedy EPA recorded](#)
[E - AGR21-923-A4 Gallagher Kennedy EPA recorded](#)
[F - AGR21-923-A5 Gallagher Kennedy EPA FINAL](#)

- D. [18020-24](#) Approval of Task Order No. 6 under Services Agreement No. AGR 22-18e with R&M Construction, LLC in the amount of \$513,371.00 plus applicable Gross Receipts Tax for the Department of Public Utilities Standby Area Renovations, Establish a Project Budget in the Amount of \$660,000, and Approval Related Budget Revision 2024-44

Presenters: Sara Rhoton, Capital Projects & Facilities Manager and Eric Martinez, Deputy Public Works Director

Attachments: [A - Task Order No. 6 - AGR 22-18e](#)
[B - Project Budget Spreadsheet](#)
[C - Budget Revision Form 2024-44](#)
[D - Plans](#)

- E. [18156-24](#) Committee Appointment(s) - Los Alamos County Health Council

Presenters: Jessica Strong, Social Services Division Manager and Keith Lepsch, Councilor

Attachments: [A - LACHC Board Roster](#)
[B - Application Packet Gisela Martinez](#)
[C - Application Packet Mary Abigail Nelson](#)
[D - Interview Panel Recommendations](#)

- F. [18186-24](#) Board/Commission Appointment(s) - Parks & Recreation Board

Presenters: Suzie Havemann, Councilor and Wendy Parker, Parks Superintendent

Attachments: [A - PRB Board Roster](#)
 [B - PRB Application Packet for Jerry Cowan](#)
 [C - Interview Panel Recommendation](#)

- G. [18202-24](#) Approval of Grant Agreement with the State of New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration for Capital Appropriations Project 23-H3064 for constructing Los Alamos Fire Department Station 4

Presenters: Troy Hughes, Fire Chief

Attachments: [A - State Grant Agreement for Capital Outlay](#)

- H. [18185-24](#) Approval of FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant application for an amount not to exceed \$8 Million Dollars for the Purpose of Installing Underground Electric Power Lines to Mitigate Fire Hazard

Presenters: Philo Shelton, Utilities Manager and Stephen Marez, Deputy Utilities Manager - Electric Distribution

Attachments: [A - Grant Matrix FEMA Jemez Mtn Fire Protection](#)

10. PUBLIC HEARING(S)

- A. [RE0561-24](#) Approval of Incorporated County of Los Alamos Resolution No. 24-02. Resolution of Support for a Bee City Certification

Presenters: Linda Matteson, Deputy County Manager

Attachments: [A - Resolution No. 24-02 BeeCity](#)
 [B - Legal Notice of Publication.pdf](#)

- B. [RE0576-24](#) Incorporated County Of Los Alamos Resolution No. 24-01; A Resolution Establishing Minimum Standards Of Reasonable Notice To The Public For All Meetings Of The Council, County Boards, Commissions And Other Public Bodies Created by the State and Those Appointed by the Council (Collectively "Appointed County Committees")

Presenters: County Council - Regular Session

Attachments: [A - RESOLUTION NO. 24-01](#)
 [B - Publication Notice for Resolution 24-01.pdf](#)

11. BUSINESS

- A. [18130-24](#) Consideration and Acceptance of the FY2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report with Auditor's Opinions

Presenters: Melissa Dadzie, Chief Financial Officer

Attachments: [A - FY2023 State Auditor Authorization to Release Letter](#)
[B - Los Alamos County FY2023 Annual Comprehensive Financial Report](#)
[C - Los Alamos County ACFR Presentation with Hinkle + Landers, PC, Exit Presentation](#)
[D - Los Alamos Resolution for ACFR Acceptance FY2023](#)

- B. [18051-24](#) Discussion and Possible Action of LARES Council Working Group Recommendation Action Plan

Presenters: Angelica Gurule, Sustainability Manager

Attachments: [A - Action Plan for LARES Council Working Group Recommendations](#)

12. **COUNCIL BUSINESS**

A. ***General Council Business***

B. ***Appointments***

C. ***Board and Commission Vacancy Report***

- 1) [18028-24](#) Board and Commission Vacancy Report

Presenters: County Council - Regular Session

Attachments: [A - BCC Vacancy Report January 4, 2024.pdf](#)

D. ***Board, Commission and Working Group Reports***

E. ***County Manager's Report***

F. ***Council Chair Report***

G. ***Approval of Councilor Expenses***

H. ***Preview of Upcoming Agenda Items***

Note: This report shows tentative Council agenda items and is for planning purposes only. All items on the report are subject to changes such as item title, meeting date and/or being removed or not considered by Council.

- 1) [18029-24](#) Tickler Report of Upcoming Agenda Items

Presenters: County Council - Regular Session

Attachments: [A - Tickler Report dated January 5, 2025.pdf](#)

13. COUNCILOR COMMENTS

14. ADJOURNMENT

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact the County Human Resources Division at 662-8040 at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible. Public documents, including the agenda and minutes can be provided in various accessible formats. Please contact the personnel in the Office of the County Manager at 663-1750 if a summary or other type of accessible format is needed.