

CITY OF AZTEC
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday February 14, 2023

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr. called the meeting to order at 6:07 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation led by Chief Michael Heal
United States Pledge of Allegiance led by City Manager Jeff Blackburn
New Mexico pledge of Allegiance led by City Manager Jeff Blackburn

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.; Mayor Pro-Tem Ken George;
Commissioner Jim Crowley; and Commissioner Austin Randall;
Commissioner Colby King

Members Absent: NONE

Others Present: City Manager Jeff Blackburn; City Attorney Steve Murphy; City
Clerk Karla Saylor

PRESENTATION

NONE

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to Approve Agenda Items; SECONDED by Mayor Pro-Tem Kenneth George

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Commission Workshop Meeting Minutes January 24, 2023
- B. Commission Meeting Minutes January 24, 2023
- C. ITRON Electric Meter Purchase
- D. Volunteer Fire PERA Reporting
- E. Approval of Contract between NextSite and the City of Aztec

- F. Resolution 2023-1330 Authorizing Renewal of Time Certificate of Deposit-High Desert Credit Union
- G. Resolution 2023-1331 Authorizing Renewal of Time Certificate of Deposit-Citizens Bank
- H. Resolution 2023-1332 Authorizing Renewal of Time Certificate of Deposit-Four Corners Community Bank
- I. Resolution 2023-1333 Annual Open Meeting Resolution
- J. Award Splash Park Upgrade to Sundance Water Design, Inc.
- K. Resolution 2023-1334 Authorizing Submission of the Drinking Water State Revolving Loan Fund Application to the New Mexico Finance Authority for the Reservoir 1 Project

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to Approve Consent Agenda with the EXCEPTION of item E for discussion; SECONDED by Commissioner Crowley

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

- L. Approval of Contract between NextSite and the City of Aztec

Commission and City Attorney had some questions and concerns with the NextSite Contact presented in the agenda. There were discussions with the Mayor that he spoke with a County Commissioner from Alabama and mentioned that they are not happy with NextSite. Commissioner King spoke with other communities in the area and mentioned that they are not happy with NextSite as well. Steve Muphy said he talked with the City Attorney in Farmington and said they will not enter in a contract with NextSite because they have their own Economic Development Board. Steven Saavedra addressed the concerns and said he will return with more information before Commission after doing more vetting of NextSite.

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to TABLE Item E, SECONDED by Commissioner King

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

CITIZENS INPUT

NONE

BUSINESS ITEMS

- A. 2023-1328 Special Budget Resolution

MOVED by Mayor Pro-Tem George to Approve Special Budget Resolution 2023-1328,
SECONDED by Commissioner King

Roll Call Was Taken All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

B. 2023-1229 Mid-Year Budget Adjustment

MOVED by Commissioner Crowley to Approve Special Budget Resolution 2023-1328, SECONDED
by Mayor Pro-Tem George

Roll Call Was Taken All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

COMMISSIONER, CITY MANAGER, DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mayor Padilla informed Commission of an upcoming meeting with DAR. The group like to utilize the N. Main extension for some of their events. He recognized Community Development for attending the meeting with the First Baptist Church, on the planning of building a new facility this year in Aztec.

Mayor Pro-Tem let Commission know that the City will host the next MPO meeting on the 23rd of February. He said that the state has approved three projects for the summer. These projects will include the first 3 miles of Hwy. 516 from Farmington to Aztec, Hwy 550 to Cedar Hill and Navajo Dam road.

Commissioner Crowley referred to the Capital Improvement Plan and the hard work that staff has put in getting it prepared for Commission.

City Manager Jeff Blackburn announced a visit from Senator Ben Ray Lujan on Monday February 20th at City Hall and the discussion will be on his Federal Farm Bill. He reminded Commission of the project meetings that are held every Thursday morning at 7:00am also the weekly report from the City lobbyist that he has been emailing weekly. Jeff attended a meeting with the Aztec Chamber of Commerce. Jeff let commission know that he placed the 2022 Waste Management recycling report at their seats. Jeff said he received an invitation from SJC Homeland Security for their orientation seminar March 22nd.

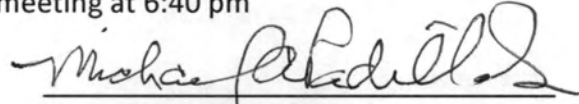
General Services Director Charles Dobey reported on N. Main projects .and the City taking over the Highland Games as well as doing other events. Charles updated Commission of the trash situation around the city dumpsters.

Electric Director Denver DeWees let Commission know the invoice from Waste Management for roll offs was received and have been exhausted and the City will now have to pay until March.

Project Manager Jeric Jaramillo updated Commission on Reservoir 1, OSE has approved and they are ready to move forward with the project. He let Commission know that a rep from the Natural Resources Trustee, who manage the Gold King Grant, visited the City to tour projects around the City.

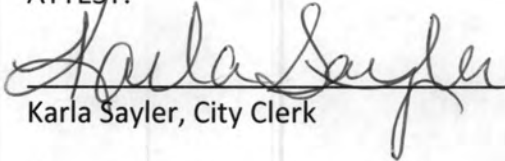
ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Mayor Padilla to adjourn the meeting at 6:40 pm



Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.

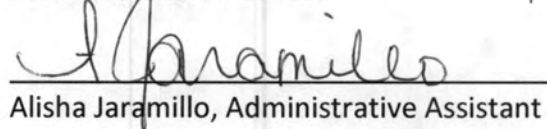
ATTEST:



Karla Sayler, City Clerk



MINUTES PREPARED BY:



Alisha Jaramillo, Administrative Assistant