

**CITY OF AZTEC
COMMISSION WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday December 12, 2023**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr. called the workshop to order at 5:30 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

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

Members Absent: NONE

Others Present: City Manager Jeff Blackburn

A. Review Waste Management Services

Mayor Padilla opened the workshop to discuss Waste Management Services and turned it over to City Manager Jeff Blackburn.

Jeff updated Commission on the Waste Management contract. He informed them that Finance Director Jennie Achee has the costs for a new transfer station (\$8,300.00 annually) as well as the upcoming increases.

Mayor Padilla questioned if the increase will be over the CPI percentage increase and will we be seeing that increase also, Jennie stated that it is. When she spoke with him it would be index plus the \$.11, the increase was only a deferral in August. Mayor Padilla would like a presentation from WM informing Commission of all the rate increases.

Jennie presented the Commission with the update regarding the increases from WM as well as the cost for a new transfer station. The transfer station would be open one weekend a month, 2 days for 8 hours, available to Aztec residents.

General Services Director Charles Dobey reported to the commission that he is on board with the transfer station and suggested getting rid of the dumpsters in the parks to also cut costs. Mayor Padilla and Mayor Pro-Tem George had concerns about taking the trash dumpsters out of the parks. Charles stated that most of the trash that is being dumped is household items such as furniture, mattresses, refrigerators etc. He would like to leave the roll off that is currently at the Parks shop for City purposes and put the station in the empty lot behind the Library with two roll offs.

The mayor asked if there would be a fee, how they would make sure that it was Aztec residents only and procedures for collecting the fees. Jeff let him know there would be a procedure for fees and residency verifications set up.

Jennie will schedule a meeting with Dan from Waste Management next month, she reviewed the current agreement that the city has with the commission. She informed the Commission of some of the services offered by WM and reviewed the costs of the services for the customer as

well as the city. The agreement with WM ends in 2027, if the city wants out of the agreement, they must notify WM 120 days prior to February. The Commission would like to see all the numbers and comparable rates in the neighboring municipalities.

Commissioner Austin Randall asked about putting signage and cameras on the dumpsters in the parks. Charles said they have looked into cameras and have put signage, but people graffiti them or take them down. Mayor Pro-Tem George would like to have a workshop to address this matter further, after the first of the year.

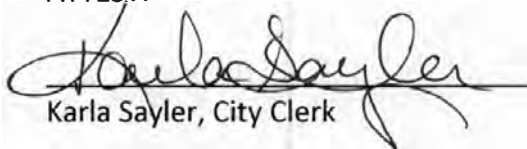
ADJOURMENT

Moved by Mayor Padilla to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m.



Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr.

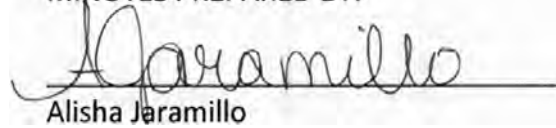
ATTEST:



Karla Saylor, City Clerk



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