

**CITY OF AZTEC  
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday May 28, 2024**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr. called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Invocation led by Commissioner Jim Crowley  
United States Pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Pro-Tem Ken George  
New Mexico pledge of Allegiance led by Mayor Pro-Tem Ken George

**ROLL CALL**

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

Members Absent: Commissioner Austin Randall

Others Present: City Manager Jeff Blackburn; City Attorney Nann Winter; City Clerk Karla Sayler

**PRESENTATION**

Aztec Museum

Joan Monaker Executive Director of the Aztec Museum presented Commission with a slide show with happenings at the Museum. She thanked the Commission for their continued support.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS**

MOVED by Mayor Pro Tem George to APPROVE Agenda Items, Pulling Business Item E, SECONDED by Commissioner Jim Crowley

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Commission Meeting Minutes May 14, 2024
- B. FY25 School Resource Officer Memorandum of Understanding

- C. Resolution 2024-1430 Authorizing Renewal of Time Certificate of Deposit for City (Citizens Bank)
- D. Cup 24-01 Allowing Conditional Use Permit for Accessory Structure
- E. ZC-24-02 Zone Change from O-1 to C-1

MOVED by Mayor Pro Tem George to APPROVE Consent Agenda, SECONDED by Commissioner Jim Crowley

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

None

**CITIZENS INPUT**

NONE

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

- A. Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-550 Amending Chapter 26 Land Use

MOVED by Commissioner Colby King to Approve Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-550 Amending Chapter 26 Land Use, SECONDED by Commissioner Crowley

A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner King  
Commissioner Crowley  
Mayor Pro-Tem George  
Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: NONE

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

- B. Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-551 Amending Chapter 20 Signs

MOVED by Mayor Pro-Tem Ken George to Approve Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-551 Amending Chapter 20 Signs, SECONDED by Commissioner Colby King

A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner Crowley  
Commissioner King

Mayor Pro-Tem George  
Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: NONE

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

C. Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-552 Amending Chapter 5 Animals

MOVED by Commissioner Jim Crowley to Approve Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-552 Amending Chapter 5 Animals, SECONDED by Commissioner Colby King

A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner Crowley  
Commissioner King  
Mayor Pro-Tem George  
Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: NONE

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

D. Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-553 Amending Chapter 1 Mandatory Fines

MOVED by Mayor Pro-Tem Ken George to Approve Final Adoption of Ordinance 2024-553 Amending Chapter 1 Mandatory Fines, SECONDED by Commissioner Jim Crowley

A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner King  
Commissioner Crowley  
Mayor Pro-Tem George  
Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: NONE

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

E. Resolution 2024-1431 CEED Block Grant Acceptance

PULLED from Agenda

F. FY24 Funding Application Aztec Museum & Pioneer Village

MOVED by Mayor Padilla to Approve FY24 Funding Application Aztec Museum & Pioneer Village in the amount of \$10,000.00, SECONDED by Mayor Pro-Tem Ken George

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

### **COMMISSIONER, CITY MANAGER, DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Mayor Padilla informed the Commission of the upcoming DAR Bench dedication at the North Main Extension on June 8 at 11:00am. He visited three or four cemeteries for Memorial Day.

Mayor Pro-Tem George asked about the locates on Anasazi, Ruben informed him that there was an irrigation line that the city was not aware of that got damaged during construction.

Commissioner Crowley let Commission know about upcoming events, Rustic Creations, The Lenore, and the Aztec Wellness Center. He has heard of some concerns regarding the skatepark, and the repairs being done by individuals.

City Manager Jeff Blackburn updated Commission on upcoming events and projects;

- Chamber of Commerce banquet on June 8<sup>th</sup>
- He will be out of town Friday through Sunday, Chief will be acting manger
- FY25 budget has been submitted for review to the State
- OHV was submitted for review

Keith Darling updated Commission that they have interviewed 4 people for the Electric Director Position.

Project Manager Jeric Jaramillo had some updates for projects he is working on;

- McWilliams Road construction has started, and it is a 90-day contract.
- Reservoir 1 compaction, and earth work are complete, the tower is on its way to completion and the next step is the ramp.
- Arterial is still out for advertisement, next Thursday will be the mandatory pre-bid meeting.

Chief Joe Gonzales informed the Commission that he received a response from Javier with NMDOT regarding the OHV Ordinance, he had some suggestions on what needed to be worked on. There needs to be a speed limit change on NM 173, NM 550 crossing needs to be approved NMDOT, and a required traffic analysis study must be done.

Public Works Director Ruben Salcido mentioned the sidewalks in front of the Mosaic School, NMDOT stated that it is their responsibility to take care of those sidewalks. Ruben suggested applying for TPF funding so that NMDOT will be able to assist with the project. He also clarified with NMDOT the reasoning that the sidewalk panels come up in places is due to the heat. Ruben also informed them that it is the bridge engineer who is holding up the bridge construction, he will get them a time line as soon as possible.

**ADJOURNMENT**

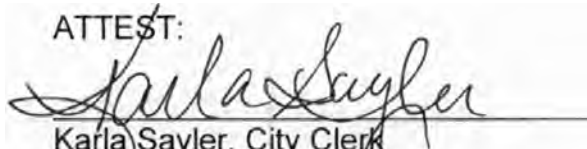
MOVED by Mayor Padilla to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 pm



  
Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.

MINUTES PREPARED BY:

  
Alisha Varamillo, Administrative Assistant

ATTEST:  
  
Karla Sayler, City Clerk