# CITY OF AZTEC COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES Tuesday June 10, 2025

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr. called the meeting to order at 5:59 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

## INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation led by Commissioner King
United States Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Randall
New Mexico pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Randall

#### ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.; Mayor Pro-Tem Kenneth

George; and Commissioner Jim Crowley; Commissioner

Colby King; Commissioner Austin Randall

Members Absent: NONE

Others Present: City Manager Jeff Blackburn; City Clerk Karla Sayler; City

**Attorney Nann Winter** 

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to APPROVE Consent Agenda, SECONDED by Mayor Pro-Tem George

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

#### CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Commission Meeting Minutes May 27, 2025
- B. Library Board Member Appointment
- C. Lodger's Tax Advisory Board Member Appointment
- D. Resolution 2025-1498 Continue Funding, Staffing, and Support for National Monuments and Parks

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

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

# ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

NONE

#### CITIZENS INPUT

Beverly Hatley, representing The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, extended an invitation to both the commission and the public to attend the upcoming opening of the new Farmington temple.

## **BUSINESS ITEMS**

A. Special Budget Resolution 2025-1499 Payment to FEUS for Ancient Trails Sub-Station Design

Mayor Padilla sought confirmation from City Attorney Nann Winter that both she and the City of Farmington's legal counsel had agreed to the terms, ensuring the matter was resolved. Nann Winter confirmed that this was indeed the case.

MOVED by Mayor Pro-Tem George to APPROVE Special Budget Resolution 2025-1499 Payment to FEUS for Ancient Trails Sub-Station Design; SECONDED by Commissioner Randall

A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner Randall

Commissioner Crowley
Commissioner King
Mayor Pro-Tem George

Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: NONE

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

## LIQUOR LICENSE HEARING

A. Badlands Burgers and Brews LLC.

Mayor Padilla opened the Public Hearing. He questioned the owners if they would be putting up a fence around the patio area outside. They said it should be done by the end of the week.

MOVED by Mayor Padilla to APPROVE Badlands Burgers and Brews LLC., SECONDED by Mayor Pro-Tem George

#### A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner King

Commissioner Crowley Commissioner Randall Mayor Pro-Tem George

Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: NONE

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

# COMMISSIONER, CITY MANAGER, DEPARTMENT REPORT

Mayor Padilla praised the staff for their efforts following the tragic loss of Officer Timothy Ontiveros. The Mayor has requested the City Manager Jeff Blackburn to schedule a budget workshop for Monday, June 23, at 4:00 p.m. Commissioner Crowley requested a detailed breakdown of wages for all full-time employees budgeted for FY26. Mayor Pro-Tem expressed interest in a detailed summary of the capital requests submitted by all departments. Additionally, Mayor Padilla informed the commission that he, City Manager Jeff Blackburn, and Community Development Director Andrew DiCamillo recently met with potential investors interested in purchasing the Comfort Inn.

Commissioner Crowley expressed his gratitude to the staff for the thoughtful plant sent following the passing of his mother. He also acknowledged their efforts in supporting the community after the loss of Officer Tim Ontiveros. He would like to review the ordinance the county is adopting pertaining to the C-PACE (Commercial Property Assessed Clean Energy Program). Additionally, he noted the flower baskets along Main Street, mentioning that they look great.

Commissioner King also expressed his appreciation to the staff for their dedicated efforts in honoring Officer Ontiveros.

Mayor Pro-Tem commended staff for their ongoing efforts in maintaining the city's parks and addressing pothole issues.

City Manager Jeff Blackburn reminded the commission that June 19 is a holiday, and he will be out of town from June 19 to June 22. During his absence, Chief Joe Gonzales will serve as acting City Manager. Additionally, he informed the commission that he has tickets for the Chamber of Commerce event on June 21 for any of them that would like to attend.

Electric Director John Wheeler thanked the commission for approving the Payment to FEUS for Ancient Trails Sub-Station Design.

Project Manager Jeric Jaramillo had updates on the current projects;

- Received the award from the water trust board for funding for the water line.
- Arterial updates
- The City and Bohanan Houston received an award from American Council Engineering Company for the Reservoir I project.

Special Projects Manager Ed Kotyk informed the commission that there will be a workshop regarding the Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Plan one June 24<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00pm.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Mayor Pro-Tem G	eorge and SECONDED by Commissioner Randal
to adjourn the meeting at 6:24 pm	
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	Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.

**MINUTES PREPARED BY:** 

Alisha Jaramillo, Administrative Assistant

ATTEST:

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