

**CITY OF AZTEC  
COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES  
Tuesday December 9, 2025**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr. called the meeting to order at 5:58 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

**ROLL CALL**

Members Present: Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.; Commissioner Jim Crowley;  
Commissioner Colby King; Commissioner Austin Randall

Members Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem Kenneth George

Others Present: Interim-City Manager Joseph Gonzales; City Clerk Karla Sayler; City Attorney Nann Winter

**PRESENTATION**

Aztec Museum Annual Report – Joan Moninger

Joan presented commission with a power point presentation on the following for the Aztec Museum Report:

- 2025 Fall and Winter Season days and hours of operation and visitor counts
- 2025 School Visits, Museum events, community events and music events
- Outdoor movies at the Museum and Aztec Sparkles

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS**

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to APPROVE Agenda, SECONDED by Commissioner King

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

**CONSENT AGENDA**

A. Commission Meeting Minutes November 18, 2025

- B. Intergovernmental Agreement with San Juan County for Detention Center Services, Amendment Seventeen
- C. Resolution 2025-1533 Approving City Disbursements and Deposits for the period ending November 30, 2025
- D. Acceptance of Resignations and Removal of P&Z Board Members (2)
- E. Appointment of Planning & Zoning Board Member
- F. Resolution 2025-1535 Submittal of Application for Grant Funding through North Central New Mexico Economic Development Non-Metro Agency on Aging

MOVED by Commissioner King to APPROVE Consent Agenda; SECONDED by Commissioner Crowley

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

**ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA**

NONE

**CITIZENS INPUT**

NONE

**BUSINESS ITEMS**

- A. Special Budget Resolution 2025-1532

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to APPROVE Special Budget Resolution 2025-1532, SECONDED by Commissioner Crowley

A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner King  
Commissioner Crowley  
Commissioner Randall  
Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: None

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem George

- B. Special Budget Resolution 2025-1534 Purchase of Vehicle Electric Department

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to APPROVE Special Budget Resolution 2025-1534 Purchase of Vehicle Electric, SECONDED by Commissioner Crowley



A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner Crowley  
Commissioner Randall  
Commissioner King  
Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: None

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem George

C. Bid Award Aztec Water Plant Clear Well Expansion

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to APPROVE Bid award Aztec Water Plant Clear Well Expansion, SECONDED by Commissioner King

A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner King  
Commissioner Randall  
Commissioner Crowley  
Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: None

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem George

D. Award of Airport Engineering Agreement

MOVED by Commissioner King to APPROVE Award of Airport Engineering agreement, SECONDED by Commissioner Crowley

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

E. Special Budget Resolution 2025-1536

MOVED by Commissioner King to APPROVE Special Budget Resolution 2025-1536, SECONDED by Commissioner Crowley

A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner King  
Commissioner Randall  
Commissioner Crowley  
Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: None

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem George

### **QUASI JUDICIAL HEARING**

#### **A. OG 25-06 Mesa Verde/Dakota Gonsales State Com#1M New Gas Well**

Mayor Padilla opened the Quasi - Judicial Hearing. He reviewed the hearing procedures and swore in all parties who were interested in testifying. He then asked if any members of the Commission had a conflict of interest, bias or engaged in ex-parte communication, there were none.

Ramon Hancock, representing Hilcorp, presented a slideshow to the Commission on the proposed wells. Mayor Padilla noted that since the wells are located on the same pad, they could be presented together, with the Commission voting on each well separately. The Commission asked whether there had been any correspondence with the school district due to the proximity to the high school; Mr. Hancock stated that they had not received any communication from the district. The Commission also asked Mr. Hancock to coordinate with the arterial project, as access to the road may be required.

City Attorney Nann Winter asked the Community Development Director questions about the application. She asked if there was any testimony opposing the application, and Andrew stated there was none. She also asked if there were any public concerns or letters received; Andrew said there were not and that certified notices were sent per city ordinance and return receipts were received. She then asked if all state permits were in place. Andrew confirmed they were and said he had them available for verification. She asked if this applied to both Application A and B, and Andrew confirmed that it did.

**MOVED by Commissioner King to APPROVE OG 25-06 Mesa Verde/Dakota Gonsales State Com#1M New Gas Well, SECONDED by Commissioner Crowley**

**A Roll Call was Taken:**

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner King  
Commissioner Randall  
Commissioner Crowley  
Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: None

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem George



B. OG-25-07 Mesa Verde/Dakota Mesa Verde/Dakota Bruington #15P New Gas Well

Nann asked for confirmation that the previous questions were the same as those for Business Item A, and it was confirmed that they were. She asked Ramon if production was scheduled to start April 1<sup>st</sup> with drilling starting in March he confirmed that those are the projected dates. She then asked Andrew if there was any testimony opposing the application, and Andrew stated there was none. She also asked if there were any public concerns or letters received; Andrew said there were not and that certified notices were sent per city ordinance and return receipts were received. She then asked if all state permits were in place. Andrew confirmed they were and said he had them available for verification.

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to APPROVE OG 25-07 Mesa Verde/ Dakota Bruington #15P New Gas Well, SECONDED by Commissioner Crowley

A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner Crowley  
Commissioner Randall  
Commissioner King  
Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: None

Absent: Mayor Pro-Tem George

**COMMISSIONER, CITY MANAGER, DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Mayor Padilla attended the Employee Association Christmas Party, he said he enjoyed the event, and wished City staff a happy holiday.

Interim City Manager Joe Gonzales gave updates regarding;

- Employee department of the year was HR and the employee of the year is Amanda Williams
- Title III Senior Center Grant
- Capital outlay has been submitted
- Rueben Salcido and Anthony Garcia will be retiring December 31<sup>st</sup>, there will be a party held for them on December 15 from 2-4pm.

Commissioner Randall wished city staff a Merry Christmas.

Commissioner Crowley thanked staff for the Christmas party.

Commissioner King wished Commissioner Crowley a happy birthday.

Andrew DiCamillo updated the commission on the following projects in his department;

- Wines of the San Juan will be setting up at the Lenore as soon as their liquor license is approved
- Old Masonic Lodge
- Urgent Care
- Tractor Supply

Electric Director John Wheeler thanked his crew for installing the Christmas tree lights and thanked the Commission for approving the purchase of the new truck.


Project Manager Jeric Jaramillo updated the Commission on an upcoming change order for the Clear Well project that he will be presenting. He also provided an update on the arterial project, noting it is ahead of schedule, and that it will shut down for the winter, and resume in the spring.

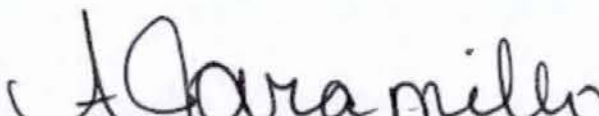
#### ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Crowley and SECONDED by Commissioner King to adjourn the meeting at 7:12 pm

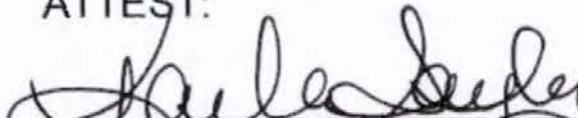


MINUTES PREPARED BY:

  
Mayor, Michael A. Padilla, Sr.

  
Alisha Jaramillo, Administrative Assistant

ATTEST:

  
Karla Saylor, City Clerk