

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board
May 19, 2026 at 5:30 PM
Monica Roybal Center
737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe
MINUTES**

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board was called to order by Gary Donato at 5:35 PM, on Tuesday, May 19, 2026, at 737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT

Gary Donato
Stephen Kapin
James Colonel Williams
Larry Hinkle
Steven Breniger
Elizabeth "Liz" Rickert

MEMBERS EXCUSED

Anna Vigil

OTHER PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING

Daniel Lopez, Jr., Equity and ADA Manager
Ari Jonty

3. Approval of Agenda

MOTION A motion was made by Breniger, seconded by Rickert, to Approve.

VOTE The motion Passed on a voice vote.

4. Approval of Minutes

MOTION A motion was made by Breniger, seconded by Rickert, to Approve.

VOTE The motion Passed on a voice vote.

a. VOTE to Approve the Minutes of 04/21/2026

MOTION A motion was made by Breniger, seconded by Rickert, to Approve.

VOTE The motion Passed on a voice vote.

5. Public Comment

None

6. New Business

- a. Discussion and Possible Action: Veteran Parade and Veterans Day updates to include
 - a. Location location location
 - b. Parade committee with members of the community
 - c. Ideas for the Keynote Speaker
 - d. Invitation to the Governor cc DVS Secretary
 - e. Enter the date/time on the Mayor's calendar

NO ACTION TAKEN

- b. Discussion :
 - 1. For all the members - keep track of what you're doing tied to the Strategic Plan for the 2nd Quarterly Report

NO ACTION TAKEN

- c. Discussion:
 - 1. Comments on the financial report from Veteran Alliance

NO ACTION TAKEN

- d. Announcements and Information Only:
 - 1. New art in City Hall - 17 prints of Native Code Talkers
 - 2. Fourth of July celebration at Franklin Miles Park
 - 3. Knights of Columbus should be putting up banners near Memorial Day
 - 4. Memorial Day Ceremony at the National Cemetery - lower pavilion 10am.

NO ACTION TAKEN

- 7. Old Business
- 8. Presentations
- 9. Matters from the Committee
- 10. Matters from Staff
- 11. Next Meeting:
 - a. Wednesday, June 16, 2026

6:15 PM

- 12. Adjourn

Attested To By

CHAIRPERSON

Respectfully Submitted by:

LIAISON