





CITY OF SANTA FE


Memorandum

Date: February 28, 2025

To: Andrea Salazar, City Clerk

From: Christine Y. Chavez, Water Conservation Manager *CyC*

Via: Jesse Roach, Interim Public Utilities Department Director 
Bill Schneider, Water Resources and Conservation Manager 

CC: Councilor Carol Romero-Wirth, Water Conservation Committee Chair 

RE: Request Appointments to the City's Water Conservation Committee

Background:

Appointments to the Santa Fe Water Conservation Committee are made by the mayor. Three committee members: Steven Schmeling, Terese (T.C.) Richardson and Jerry Jacobi either concluded their terms on the committee or have stepped off, which created three vacancies that needed to be filled. A subcommittee was formed with three committee members and Councilor Romero-Wirth to interview interested candidates. Recruitment was done through digital and print ads, radio show ads, social media (Facebook and Instagram) and through various email lists. There were 9 interested applicants and 5 applicants were interviewed. Several of those not interviewed lived in the County and the County spot was already filled. Advertisement will begin later this spring, targeting districts 3 & 4, for members whose terms will end 7/25, to attempt to build out more district representation on the committee.

This subcommittee is recommending that the following appointments be made to the Water Conservation Committee:

Member	Stakeholder Group Represented
Robert Coombe	Education Programming
Lori Rochelle	Water Quality
Abby Feldman	Education Programming

Request for Appointment:

The Water Conservation Committee is requesting appointments of Robert Coombe, Abby Feldman and Lori Rochelle for a two-year term beginning immediately. Member composition by district and the outline of terms for the committee are attached.



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Terms for the 10 Positions of the Water Conservation Committee with Current Appointees Indicated											
WCC Position #	7/16 - 7/17	7/17-7/18	7/18- 7/19	7/19- 7/20	7/20- 7/21	7/21- 7/22	7/22- 7/23	7/23- 7/24	7/24- 7/25	7/25- 7/26	7/26- 7/27
1		Doug Pushard		Reese Baker		Reese Baker		Reese Baker			
2	Aaron Kauffman Scott Bunton		Scott Bunton		Scott Bunton		Bill Roth		Bill Roth		
3	Robert Coombe		Robert Coombe		Robert Coombe		Terese (T.C.) Richardson		Robert Coombe		
4		Lisa Randall		Maria De Anda Hay		Maria De Anda Hay		Brandon Vella			
5		Stephen Wiman		Jerry Jacobi		Jerry Jacobi		Jerry Jacobi/Abby Feldman			
6		Tim Michael		Beth Kirby		Beth Kirby		Beth Kirby			
7	Ken Kirk		Ken Kirk		Ken Kirk		Beth Beloff/Autumn Leiker		Autumn Leiker		
8		Bill Roth		Matt O'Reilly		Matt O'Reilly		Navona Gallegos			
9			Justin Lyon Stephen Schmelling		Stephen Schmelling		Stephen Schmelling		Lori Rochelle		
10	Aaron Kauffman		David Carlson Peggy Wright		Peggy Wright		Evan Ripley		Evan Ripley		

City of Santa Fe Water Conservation Committee Appointments by Stakeholder Group and District					
Member	Stakeholder Group	First Term	Second Term	Third Term	District
Reese Baker	Water Harvesting	7/19 -7/21	7/21 -7/23	7/23-7/25	2
Bill Roth	Building Construction Practices	7/22 -7/24	7/24 -7/26		2
Autumn Leiker	Education programming	7/22 -7/24	7/24 -7/26		County
Abby Feldman	Education programming	7/23-7/25			2
Beth Kirby	Technical / Homeowner	7/19 -7/21	7/21 -7/23	7/23 -7/25	4
Evan Ripley	Land Use Policies	7/22 -7/24	7/24 -7/26		1
Navona Gallegos	Education programming	7/23-7/25			1
Brandon Vella	Landscaping practices	7/23-7/25			2
Robert Coombe	Education/ Technical	7/24-7/26			1
Lori Rochelle	Education/ Hydrology	7/24-7/26			3

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