



CITY OF SANTA FE

Memorandum

Date: July 31, 2025

To: Alan Webber, City of Santa Fe Mayor

From: Christine Y. Chavez, Water Conservation Manager

Via: Jesse Roach, Interim Public Utilities Department Director

Jonathan Montoya, Interim Water Division Director

CC: Councilor Carol Romero-Wirth, Water Conservation Committee

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

Background:

Appointments to the Santa Fe Water Conservation Committee are made by the city mayor. Two committee members: Brandon Vella and Navona Gallegos have agreed to a second term. Two other Committee members: Beth Kirby and Reese Baker concluded their terms on the committee, which created two 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 8 interested applicants and 5 eligible applicants were interviewed.

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

Member	Stakeholder Group Represented
Brandon Vella	Education Technical Programing
Navona Gallegos	Landscape Hydrology
Amanda Hatherly	Education Technical Programing
Sharllyn Pimente	Water Quality Hydrology

Request for Appointment:

The Water Conservation Committee is requesting reappointments of two current members Brandon Vella and Navona Gallegos and appointments of two new members Amanda Hatherly and Sharllyn Pimente 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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City of Santa Fe Water Conservation Committee Appointments by Stakeholder Group and District					
Member	Stakeholder Group Represented	First Term	Second Term	Third Term	District
Amanda Hatherly	Education Programming	7/25 -7/27			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		SF County
Sharllyn Primental	Education programming	7/25 -7/27			3
Abby Feldman	Technical / Homeowner	7/25 -7/27			2
Evan Ripley	Land Use Policies	7/22 -7/24	7/24 -7/26		1
Navona Gallegos	Education programming	7/23-7/25	7/25-7/27		1
Brandon Vella	Landscaping practices	7/23-7/25	7/25-7/27		2
Robert Coombe	Education/ Technical	7/24-7/26			1
Lori Rochelle	Education/ Hydrology	7/24-7/26			3

Terms for the 10 Positions of the Water Conservation Committee of the City of Santa Fe with Current Appointees Indicated											
WCC Position #	7/2016 to 7/2017	7/2017 to 7/2018	7/2018 to 7/2019	7/2019 to 7/2020	7/2020 to 7/2021	7/2021 to 7/2022	7/2022 to 7/2023	7/23 to 7/2024	7/2024 to 7/2025	7/2025 to 7/2026	7/2026 to 7/2027
1		Doug Pushard	Reese Baker	Reese Baker	Reese Baker	Reese Baker	Reese Baker	Reese Baker	Amanda Hatherly		
2	Aaron Kauffman Scott Bunton	Scott Bunton	Scott Bunton	Scott Bunton	Bill Roth	Bill Roth	Bill Roth	Bill Roth	Bill Roth		
3	Robert Coombe	Robert Coombe	Robert Coombe	Robert Coombe	Robert Coombe	Terese (T.C.) Richardson	Robert Coombe	Robert Coombe	Robert Coombe		
4		Lisa Randal Stephen Wiman Tim Michael	Maria De Anda Hay	Maria De Anda Hay	Maria De Anda Hay	Brandon Vella	Brandon Vella	Brandon Vella	Brandon Vella	Brandon Vella	
5			Jerry Jacobi	Jerry Jacobi	Jerry Jacobi	Jerry Jacobi	Jerry Jacobi	Jerry Jacobi	Jerry Jacobi	Abby Feldman	
6			Beth Kirby	Beth Kirby	Beth Kirby	Beth Kirby	Beth Kirby	Beth Kirby	Beth Kirby	Sharllyn Pimentel	
7	Ken Kirk	Ken Kirk	Ken Kirk	Ken Kirk	Ken Kirk	Beth Beloff/Autumn Leiker	Autumn Leiker	Autumn Leiker	Autumn Leiker		
8		Bill Roth	Matt O'Reilly	Matt O'Reilly	Matt O'Reilly	Matt O'Reilly	Navona Gallegos	Navona Gallegos	Navona Gallegos	Navona Gallegos	
9		Justin Lyon Stephen Schmelling	Stephen Schmelling	Stephen Schmelling	Stephen Schmelling	Stephen Schmelling	Stephen Schmelling	Lori Rochelle	Lori Rochelle		
10	Aaron Kauffman	David Carlson Peggy Wright	Peggy Wright	Peggy Wright	Peggy Wright	Evan Ripley	Evan Ripley	Evan Ripley	Evan Ripley		