

**COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION
NOVEMBER 20, 2024, 3:30 PM
123 E. MARCY STREET, SUITE 205
SANTA FE, NM**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Community Development Commission meeting was called to order by Councilor Romero-Wirth at 3:31 pm, on November 20, 2024, at 123 E. Marcy Street, Suite 205, Santa Fe, NM.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilor Carol Romero-Wirth
Commissioner Ken Hughes
Commissioner Anne Watkins
Commissioner Rosorio Torres
Commissioner Garron Yepa
Commissioner Russell Brott

MEMBERS ABSENT

Commissioner Alissa Keny-Guyer, Excused

OTHERS PRESENT

Johanna Nelson, Economic Development Director and Office of Affordable Housing
Florence Frank, Workforce Housing Policy Advisor
Rose Harvey, Manager, Cities for Financial Empowerment Fund
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer, virtually

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Torres, seconded by Commissioner Watkins, to approve the agenda as presented.

VOTE The motion passed on a roll call vote as follows:

Commissioner Watkins, yes; Commissioner Torres, yes; Commissioner Hughes, yes; Commissioner Yepa, yes; Commissioner Brott, yes; Chair Romero-Wirth, yes.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES 10/16/2024

Commissioner Watkins said her first name is spelled with an e at the end.

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Watkins, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve the minutes as amended.

VOTE The motion passed on a roll call vote as follows:

Commissioner Watkins, yes; Commissioner Torres, yes; Commissioner Hughes, yes; Commissioner Yepa, yes; Commissioner Brott, yes; Chair Romero-Wirth, yes.

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. INTRODUCTION TO THE CITIES FOR FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT FUND AND THE FINANCIAL EMPOWERMENT ACADEMY

Ms. Frank introduced the concept for the Financial Empowerment Fund and Academy, saying that this is an initial exploratory step.

Ms. Rose gave a PowerPoint presentation on the overall program including financial counseling and financing.

There was discussion regarding financing, the use of public funds and private funding, the role of the City of Santa Fe, the use of a nonprofit, partnerships and services.

6. DISCUSSION AGENDA

A. VOTE TO APPROVE THE PROPOSED 2025 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION MEETING CALENDAR

Ms. Frank presented the proposed 2025 Community Development Commission Meeting Calendar.

MOTION A motion was made by Commissioner Torres, seconded by Commissioner Hughes, to approve the 2025 Calendar.

VOTE The motion passed on a roll call vote as follows:

Commissioner Watkins, yes; Commissioner Torres, yes; Commissioner Hughes, yes; Commissioner Yepa, yes; Commissioner Brott, yes; Chair Romero-Wirth, yes.

B. UPDATE ON AHTF ALLOCATION TIMING AND LIHTC COMPETITIVENESS

Ms. Frank gave a PowerPoint presentation on the allocation, timing and the LIHTC competitiveness.

There was discussion regarding the funding allocations, timing issues and other concerns.

7. MATTERS FROM STAFF

None.

8. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE

Commissioner Hughes said there was a ribbon cutting for the new trail. It is wonderful.

Commissioner Brott asked for a report to the Commission on how the allocated funds are being used.

Commissioner Brott asked for an update on Phase 1 of the Code update.

Chair Romero-Wirth said the revisions will be introduced just after the first of the year. They will then go through committees and the Governing Body. There will be public hearings.

9. MATTERS FROM THE CHAIR

None.

10. NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4 11, 2024

11. ADJOURN

There bring no further business before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.

Councilor Carol Romero-Wirth, Chair

Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer