

**METROPOLITAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION  
MARCH 4, 2026, 9:00 AM  
FOGELSON LIBRARY, SOUTHWEST ANNEX  
1600 ST. MICHAEL'S DRIVE, SANTA FE, NM**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

A meeting of the Metropolitan Redevelopment Commission was called to order by Commissioner Dion Silva, Chair, at 9:00 AM, on March 4, 2026, at the Fogelson Library, Southwest Annex, 1600 St. Michael's Drive, Santa Fe, NM.

**2. ROLL CALL**

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Commissioner Richard Czoski  
Commissioner Jenny Parks, Vice Chair, virtually, arrived at item 8 on the agenda  
Commissioner Robert Alexander Gonzales, virtually  
Commissioner Dion Silva, Chair  
(one vacancy)

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Mayor Michael Garcia  
Deputy City Manager, Andrea Phillips  
Carly Venditti, Deputy Director  
Marcos Martinez, City Attorney

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOTION** A motion was made by Commissioner Czoski, seconded by Commissioner Gonzales, to approve the agenda as presented.

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

Commissioner Czoski, yes; Commissioner Gonzales, yes; Chair Silva, yes.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**A. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM FEBRUARY 4, 2026  
METROPOLITAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

**MOTION** A motion was made by Commissioner Gonzales, seconded by

Commissioner Czoski, to approve the minutes as presented.

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

Commissioner Czoski, yes; Commissioner Gonzales, yes; Chair Silva, yes.

**5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

None.

**6. PRESENTATIONS**

None.

**7. ACTION ITEMS: CONSENT AGENDA**

None.

**8. DISCUSSION ITEMS: DISCUSSION AGENDA**

Commissioner Parks arrived at the meeting.

**A. METROPOLITAN REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY STAFFING**

Mayor Garcia thanked the Commissioners for their service on the Commission and for all of the hard work they have done.

Mayor Garcia stated that they have made the decision to not hire for the Director position at this time, but to create more capacity for the Deputy Director by hiring two employees - a Project Manager and an Administrative Manager. These employees will help the Deputy Director to continue to move forward utilizing the resources and tools available to be most effective. We felt this would be the best use of assets to support the team. The MRA will be it's own department and Carly will have direct access to the City Manager, Deputy City Manager and my office.

Chair Silva expressed his full support for this decision.

Mayor Garcia said we will move forward with the hiring of a Director in the next budget cycle.

There was discussion regarding the recruitment and hiring process of the Director, the partnership and collaboration with Public Works, the upgrading of the MRC to it's own department and the priority shown by that move.

There was consensus to support moving forward with the staffing proposal.

**B. METROPOLITAN REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AUTHORITY PROPOSAL**

Ms. Venditti shared her screen with the proposal, which had been sent previously to the Commissioners.

Ms. Venditti reviewed the proposal for the powers of the Commission as determined and set forth in State Statute for the area designated in the Resolution as the Metropolitan Redevelopment Area, as amended to include the Park.

There was discussion around item 3 E and the language regarding community engagement.

It was agreed upon by the Commission, the Mayor and the City Attorney to clarify the language to indicate that it is applicable only to item number 1.

There was discussion regarding the authority of the Commission, including the \$200,000 limit for contract approval by the City Manager, procurement rules, and other aspects of the proposed authorities.

Mr. Martinez said this proposal will now go through the Committee process and to Governing Body for approval.

**9. MATTERS FROM STAFF**

**A. MIDTOWN LAND ACQUISITION, TRACTS O, A. B. D. AND 3.**

Ms. Venditti shared the map of the site and reviewed the additional tracts now included.

Commissioner Gonzales left the meeting.

**B. FOGELSON LIBRARY RENOVATION AND REMODEL**

Ms. Venditti shared her screen and reviewed the contract scope and timelines for Jaynes Corporation to remodel and to bring Fogelson Library into compliance. Additionally, there will be a contract for an archivist and for John Murphy, who will begin the necessary steps for historical registration of the library and two other buildings.

**C. UPCOMING GOVERNING BODY LEGISLATION: HOMEWISE ENA AND MADA GLADA**

Ms. Venditti stated that the Homewise agreement is going to the Committee process and for approval by the Governing Body soon. The MADA GLADA is awaiting an appraisal and will then move to committees and the Governing Body.

**10. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE**

Commissioner Czoski asked for an update on the requested Legislative funding of \$10 million.

Ms. Venditti said we were not awarded the funding by the Legislature, but are working on funding in multiple ways.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Name inaudible. Spoke regarding public comment opportunities on the MADA project.

Name not given. Congratulated the staff and Commission on the hard work done regarding the land acquisition.

**11. MATTERS FROM THE CHAIR**

None.

**12. NEXT MEETING: APRIL 8, 2026, AT 9:00 AM**

**13. ADJOURN**

There being no further matters before the Commission, the meeting adjourned at 10:11 am.

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Dion Silva, Chair

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Elizabeth Martin, Chair