

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board
November 18, 2025 at 5:00 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 Jim Williams at 5:00 PM, on Tuesday, November 18, 2025, 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

3. Approval of Agenda

MOTION A motion was made by Colonel Williams, seconded by Donato, to Approve.

VOTE The motion Passed on a voice vote.

4. Approval of Minutes

5. Public Comment

6. New Business

- a. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION:** Nominate and Elect a New Committee Chairperson (Jim Williams, Chairperson)

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

VOTE The motion Passed on a voice vote. Gary Donato was Voted as the New Board Chairperson.

- b. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION:** Nominate and Elect a New Committee Vice Chairperson (Jim Williams, Chairperson)

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

VOTE The motion Passed on a voice vote. Steven Breniger was Voted as the New Board Vice Chairperson.

- c. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Approve New 2026 Committee Calendar Dates, Time and Location (Jim Williams, Chairperson)

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

VOTE The motion Passed on a voice vote. The 2026 Calendar was approved.

- d. DISCUSSION AND ACTION: Approve to Cancel Committee Meeting of December 16, 2025 (Jim Williams, Chairperson)

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

VOTE The motion Passed on a voice vote. The December 16, 2025 meeting has been cancelled.

- e. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Micro-communities for addressing Veteran"s homelessness (Gary Donato, Vice-Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- f. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: 2026-2029 Strategic Plan (Jim Williams, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- g. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: MOU with SFCC which expires in 2026 (Jim Williams, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

- a. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Hotwash of Veterans Day Ceremony (Jim Williams, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

8. Presentations

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

12. Adjourn

7:00PM

Attested To By:

Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

Liaison