



**Agenda      Regular Meeting of the Veterans  
Advisory Board  
April 21, 2026 at 5:30 PM  
Monica Roybal Center  
737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe**

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**Procedures for Veterans Advisory Board Meeting**

**Join on Zoom:** <https://santafem-gov.zoom.us/j/84030088562?pwd=ajZRV2pEMjM0SUlucmJCNk40U3FPQT09>

**Meeting ID:** 840 3008 8562

**Passcode:** 586934

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes
  - a. VOTE: To approve the following list of meeting minutes
    1. 01/21/2025
    2. 02/18/2025
    3. 03/18/2025
    4. 04/15/2025
    5. 05/20/2025
    6. 06/17/2025
    7. 07/15/2025
    8. 08/19/2025
    9. 09/16/2025
    10. 10/21/2025
    11. 11/18/2025
    12. 01/20/2026
    13. 02/17/2026
    14. 03/17/2026
5. Public Comment
6. New Business
  - a. Discussion: April 8th Meeting with Mayor Garcia ( Gary Donato and Steven Brinegar)

- b. Discussion: Update from Parade/Veterans Day subcommittee (Steven Brinegar, Ari Jonty, Larry Hinkle)
  - c. Discussion: Upcoming dates of interest regarding Veteran Events (Gary Donato)
  - d. Discussion: Inform VAB members of submittal of 1st Quarter Report Vote for the Strategic Plan with follow-up on submittal to thy Mayor (he has a draft)
- 7. Old Business
  - 8. Presentations
    - a. Santa Fe Community College Foundation ( Kelly Marquez) and School Certification Official (Gary Lodgson)  
Presentation and Discussion of MOU which expires on June 2026.
  - 9. Matters from the Committee
  - 10. Matters from Staff
  - 11. Next Meeting:
  - 12. Adjourn

Closed captions are provided for this meeting. Persons with disabilities in need of additional accommodations, contact the City Clerk's office at 505-955-6521, five (5) working days prior to meeting date.

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
January 21, 2025 at 5:00 PM  
Virtual Meeting  
MINUTES**

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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, January 21, 2025, in a ZOOM Virtual Meeting (Santa Fe, New Mexico).

2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gary Donato  
Stephen Kapin  
James Colonel Williams  
Larry Hinkle  
Tim Karo

**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. Update on Veteran Shelter Project (Jim Williams, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- b. Update on Veteran Business Mentorship effort (Jim Williams, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- c. Briefing on Student Veteran Conference in Colorado Springs (Gary Donato, Vice Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- d. New Art Exhibit by Veterans now in City Hall (Gary Donato, Vice Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- e. Discussion on Update of Enabling Resolution to allow for a Council Member to represent Board, and to address possible changes to definition of a quorum. (Jim Williams, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

- a. Update on the Soldier's Monument (Jim Williams, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- b. Update on Navigator Contract (Jim Williams, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

8. Presentations

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

- a. Tuesday February 18, 2025 at 5:00PM - 7:00PM

12. Adjourn

6:07PM

Attested To By:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
February 18, 2025 at 5:00 PM  
Monica Roybal Center  
737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe  
MINUTES**

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1. Call to Order

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2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gary Donato  
Stephen Kapin  
James Colonel Williams  
Larry Hinkle  
Tim Karo

**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 of Meeting with DVS (Vice Chair Gary Donato)

No Action Taken

- b. Discussion of Meeting with Henri Paul (Chair Jim Williams)

No Action Taken

- c. Discussion of Trip to Socorro's Veteran's Park (Chair Jim Williams)

No Action Taken

- d. Discussion of Meeting with Mayor (Chair Jim Williams)

No Action Taken

- e. Discussion about February Meeting of Homeless Vet Team (Chair Jim Williams)

No Action Taken

- f. Discussion of HB 47 (Chair Jim Williams)

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

8. Presentations

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

- a. Tuesday - March 18, 2025 at 5PM - 7PM

12. Adjourn

7:00PM

Attested To By:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
March 18, 2025 at 5:00 PM  
Monica Roybal Center  
737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe  
MINUTES**

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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, March 18, 2025, at 737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gary Donato  
Stephen Kapin  
Anna Vigil  
Tim Karo  
James Colonel Williams  
Larry Hinkle  
Elizabeth "Liz" Rickert

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

**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. Introduction of new VAB Member ( Chairperson James Williams )

No Action Taken

- b. Discussion with Cabinet Secretary Herrera on DVS Plans and Challenges for 2025

No Action Taken

- c. Status Update on Legislation of Interest to Veterans in current session (Vice Chair Gary Donato and Councilor Jamie A. Cassutt)

No Action Taken

- d. Board Membership (Chairperson James Williams)

No Action Taken

- e. Plans for Vietnam Veterans Day (Chairperson James Williams)

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

- a. Update on Navigators Contract (Chairperson James Williams)

No Action Taken

8. Presentations

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

- a. Tuesday - April 15, 2025 from 5-7PM

12. Adjourn

6:30PM

Attested To By:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board**  
**April 15, 2025 at 5:00 PM**  
**Monica Roybal Center**  
**737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe**  
**MINUTES**

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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, April 15, 2025, at 737 Agua Fria, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gary Donato  
Stephen Kapin  
Anna Vigil  
Tim Karo  
James Colonel Williams  
Larry Hinkle  
Steven Breniger  
Elizabeth "Liz" Rickert

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

**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. Status of Navigator RFQ (Chair Jim Williams)

No Action Taken

- b. Report on 2023 D'Aniello Institute Report on Coordinated Care for NM's Military -Connected Population (Chair Jim Williams)

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

- a. Four Year Navigator RFP (Chair Jim Williams)

No Action Taken

- b. VAB Letter to Mayor and Governing Body re: Support for identifying city property on which to locate a veterans safe outdoor space. (Chair Jim Williams)

No Action Taken

8. Presentations

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

- a. May 20, 2025

12. Adjourn

6:05PM

Attested To By:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
May 20, 2025 at 5:00 PM  
Monica Roybal Center  
737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe  
MINUTES**

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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, May 20, 2025, at 737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gary Donato  
Stephen Kapin  
Anna Vigil  
Tim Karo  
James Colonel Williams  
Larry Hinkle  
Steven Breniger  
Elizabeth "Liz" Rickert

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

**OTHER PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING**

Daniel Lopez, Jr., Equity and ADA

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. Veteran Conference 5/3/25 at Buffalo Thunder (Gary Donato, Vice Chair)

No Action Taken

- b. IVMF NM Phase Two Focus Group (Chair Jim Williams and Vice Chair Gary Donato)

No Action Taken

- c. Vote to Approve a Temporary Vice Chair to stand in for Gary while he is away (Chair Jim Williams)

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

**VOTE** The motion Passed on a voice vote.

- d. Memorial Day Ceremony at National Cemetery (Chair Jim Williams and Vice Chair Gary Donato)

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

8. Presentations

- a. Brittany Rodriguez

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

- a. June 17, 2025

12. Adjourn

6:03PM

Attested To By:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
June 17, 2025 at 5:00 PM  
Monica Roybal Center  
737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe  
MINUTES**

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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, June 17, 2025, at 737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gary Donato  
Stephen Kapin  
Anna Vigil  
Tim Karo  
James Colonel Williams  
Larry Hinkle  
Steven Breniger  
Elizabeth "Liz" Rickert

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

**OTHER PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING**

Daniel Lopez, Jr., Equity and ADA

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. Planning for Veterans Day Ceremony ( Jim Williams, Chairperson )

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

- a. Status of space for dedicated veterans homeless shelters ( Jim Williams, Chairperson )

No Action Taken

- b. Memorial Day Ceremony ( Jim Williams, Chairperson )

No Action Taken

8. Presentations

- a. Build for Zero Project (Priscella Williams)

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

12. Adjourn

5:46PM

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Mayor Alan Webber

Attested To By:

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Geralyn F. Cardenas, Interim City Clerk

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Elisabeth Martin  
Stenographer

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
July 15, 2025 at 5:00 PM  
Monica Roybal Center  
737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe  
MINUTES**

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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, July 15, 2025, at 737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Stephen Kapin  
Anna Vigil  
Tim Karo  
James Colonel Williams  
Larry Hinkle  
Steven Breniger  
Elizabeth "Liz" Rickert

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Gary Donato

**OTHER PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING**

Daniel Lopez, Jr., Equity and ADA

3. Approval of Agenda

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

**VOTE** The motion Passed on a voice vote.

4. Approval of Minutes

5. Public Comment

6. New Business

- a. Report on Meeting with Henri Paul-Hammond (Chair Jim Williams)

No Action Taken

- b. Report on Meeting with DVS Cabinet Secretary Herrera (Gary Donato)

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

- a. Assignments for Preparation of Veterans Day Event

No Action Taken

8. Presentations

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

- a. AUGUST 19, 2025

12. Adjourn

5:40PM

Attested To By:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
August 19, 2025 at 5:00 PM  
Monica Roybal Center  
737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe  
MINUTES**

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1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board was called to order by Gary Donato at 5:00 PM, on Tuesday, August 19, 2025, at 737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gary Donato  
Stephen Kapin  
Anna Vigil  
Larry Hinkle  
Steven Breniger  
Elizabeth "Liz" Rickert

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Jim Williams

**OTHER PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING**

Daniel Lopez, Jr., Equity and ADA Manager

3. Approval of Agenda

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

**VOTE** The motion Passed on a voice vote.

4. Approval of Minutes

5. Public Comment

6. New Business

- a. Filling last vacancy

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

- a. Review of preparations for Veterans Day

No Action Taken

8. Presentations

- a. Karen Price-Coberly -will describe the Spirit Alumni Association and its role in providing legal aid to persons in need including veterans.

No Action Taken

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

- a. Tuesday- September 16, 2025 at 5pm-7pm

12. Adjourn

6:00PM

Attested To By:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
September 16, 2025 at 5:00 PM  
Monica Roybal Center  
737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe  
MINUTES**

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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, September 16, 2025, at 737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gary Donato  
Stephen Kapin  
Anna Vigil  
James Colonel Williams  
Larry Hinkle  
Steven Breniger  
Elizabeth "Liz" Rickert

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

**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: Looking Toward 2026 - VAB Goals and Objectives ( Jim Williams )

No Action Taken

- b. VOTE: To Approve the Cancellation of the November 2025 Committee Meeting

No Action Taken

- c. VOTE: To Approve the Cancellation of the December 2025 Committee Meeting ( Jim Williams )

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

- a. Discussion: Status of preparation for Veterans Day ( Jim, Gary and Steve B. )

No Action Taken

- b. Discussion: Veterans Homeless Update ( Jim Williams )

No Action Taken

8. Presentations

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

- a. TUESDAY - OCTOBER 21, 2025

12. Adjourn

6:07PM

Attested To By:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
October 21, 2025 at 5:00 PM  
Monica Roybal Center  
737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe  
MINUTES**

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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, October 21, 2025, at 737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gary Donato  
Stephen Kapin  
Anna Vigil  
James Colonel Williams  
Larry Hinkle  
Steven Breniger  
Elizabeth "Liz" Rickert

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

**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 - Homeless Project (Gary Donato, Vice-Chair)

No Action Taken

- b. Discussion - Strategic Plan for 2026-2029 (Gary Donato, Vice-Chair)

No Action Taken

- c. Discussion - Current Status of Committee Membership (Jim Williams, Chair)

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

- a. Discussion - 2025 Veterans Day Ceremony UPDATES (Jim Williams, Chair)

No Action Taken

8. Presentations

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

- a. Tuesday, November 18, 2025 at 5:00PM - 7:00PM

12. Adjourn

6:00PM

Attested To By:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
November 18, 2025 at 5:00 PM  
Monica Roybal Center  
737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe  
MINUTES**

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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:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
January 20, 2026 at 5:30 PM  
Virtual Meeting  
MINUTES**

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1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Veteran Advisory Board was called to order by Gary Donato at 5:30 PM, on Tuesday, January 20, 2026, on a ZOOM Virtual Meeting, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gary Donato  
Stephen Kapin  
Anna Vigil  
James Colonel Williams  
Larry Hinkle  
Steven Breniger  
Elizabeth "Liz" Rickert

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

**OTHER PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING**

Daniel Lopez, Jr., Equity and ADA Manager  
Jamie A. Cassutt, City Council Member  
Ari Jonty

3. Approval of Agenda

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

**VOTE** The motion Passed on a voice vote.

4. Approval of Minutes

5. Public Comment

6. New Business

- a. VOTE on Approval to recommend Ari Jonty as new committee member. (Gary Donato, Chairperson)

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

**VOTE** The motion Passed on a voice vote.

- b. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Veteran Military Day at the

Roundhouse on February 3, 2026. Discussion will include Table Management by committee.

No Action Taken

- c. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Items to be brought before the meeting on February 21, 2026 between the Mayor and Chairperson Gary Donato. (Gary Donato, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

- a. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: 4th Quater Report of the Veterans Advisory Board (Jim Williams)

No Action Taken

- b. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION: Recommended changes from the board members on the Strategic Plan (Gary Donato, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

8. Presentations

- a. Presentation from a representative of the Veteran Integration Center

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

12. Adjourn

6:24PM

Attested To By:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison



**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
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MINUTES**

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1. Call to Order

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2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gary Donato  
Stephen Kapin  
Anna Vigil  
James Colonel Williams  
Larry Hinkle  
Steven Breniger  
Elizabeth "Liz" Rickert

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

**OTHER PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING**

Daniel Lopez, Jr., Equity and ADA Manager  
Jamie A. Cassutt, City Council  
Ari Jonty

3. Approval of Agenda

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

**VOTE** The motion Passed on a voice vote.

4. Approval of Minutes

5. Public Comment

6. New Business

- a. Discussion and Possible Action: Presentation of Draft Strategic Plan by the subcommittee

No Action Taken

- b. Discussion and Possible Action: New Committee Candidate(s) (Gary Donato,

Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- c. Discussion and Possible Action: New Brochures and Business Cards (Gary Donato, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- d. Discussion and Possible Action: January 26th Meeting with the Mayor (Gary Donato, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- e. Discussion and Possible Action: February 4th Meeting with the Cabinet Secretary (Gary Donato, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- f. Discussion and Possible Action: February 24th Briefing with the Syracuse Group (Gary Donato, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

8. Presentations

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

- a. Discussion and Possible Action: Revise Website Content and Location (Daniel Lopez, Equity and ADA Manager)

No Action Taken

11. Next Meeting:

- a. March 17, 2026  
5:30Pm to 7:30PM  
737 Agua Fria Street / Santa Fe, NM  
(Meetings to be conducted via a Hybrid Platform)

<https://santafenm.gov.zoom.us/j/84030088562?pwd=ajZRV2pEMjM0SUlucmJCNk40U3FPQT09>

12. Adjourn

6:29PM

Attested To By:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison

**Regular Meeting of the Veterans Advisory Board  
March 17, 2026 at 5:30 PM  
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737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe  
MINUTES**

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1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Veteran Advisory Board was called to order by Gary Donato at 5:30 PM, on Tuesday, March 17, 2026, at 737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Gary Donato  
Stephen Kapin  
Anna Vigil  
James Colonel Williams  
Larry Hinkle  
Steven Breniger

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Elizabeth Rickert

**OTHER PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING**

Daniel Lopez, Jr., Equity and ADA Manager  
Ari Jonty

3. Approval of Agenda

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

**VOTE** The motion Passed on a voice vote.

4. Approval of Minutes

5. Public Comment

6. New Business

- a. **DISCUSSION:** Committee Brochures Update (Gary Donato, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- b. **DISCUSSION:** Committee Website Update (Gary Donato, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

- c. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:** Establish a subcommittee for the Veterans Day Parade (Gary Donato, Chairperson)

No Action Taken

7. Old Business

8. Presentations

9. Matters from the Committee

10. Matters from Staff

11. Next Meeting:

a. TUESDAY - APRIL 21, 2026 5:30PM TO 7:30PM (Mountain Standard Time)

12. Adjourn

6:39PM

Attested To By:

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Chair

Respectfully Submitted by:

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Liaison