

**Regular Meeting of the Public Safety Committee
May 19, 2026, at 4:00 PM
City Council Chambers, City Hall
200 Lincoln Avenue
MINUTES**

1. CALL TO ORDER

Start time: 4:01 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Members Present

Councilor Amanda Chavez
Member Bruce Finger
Member Steven Pilcher
Member Aurora Martinez
Member Cameron Crawford
Member Aric Wheeler
Member Christine Robertson
Vice Chair Ted Bolleter
Member Laura Liswood

There was a quorum.

Others in Attendance Councilor Pilar Faulkner, Interim Chief of Police Thomas Grundler, Interim Fire Chief Scott Ouderkirk, Deputy Police Chief Benjamin Valdez, Police Captains, Patrick Trujillo, and Amanda Montano, Lieutenants, Dianna Conklin and Erik Ramirez, Crime Analyst Cassandra Tapia, Sgt. Patrick Sanchez, Asst. Fire Chief Mario Risso, Case Manager Supervisor Matthew Martin, fire department staff, RECC Deputy Director Kiesha Chavez, members of the public, Santa Fe New Mexican Reporter Nicholas Gilmore, and Admin. Manager Katherine Christner.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: a motion was made by Member Bolleter, seconded by Member Wheeler, to Approve the Agenda as presented.

VOTE: The motion was passed on a voice vote.

For: Chair Chavez, Member Bolleter, Member Martinez, Member Finger, Member Pilcher, Member Crawford, Member Wheeler, Member Robertson and Member Liswood.

Against: None

Abstain: None

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a. Approval of April 21, 2026 Minutes

MOTION: A motion was made by Member Bolleter, seconded by Member Wheeler, to Approve the Minutes.

VOTE: The motion was passed on a voice vote.

For: Chair Chavez, Member Bolleter, Member Martinez, Member Finger, Member Pilcher, Member Crawford, Member Robertson, Member Liswood and Member Wheeler.

Against: None

Abstain: None

5. PRESENTATIONS

- a. ARU Presentation, by Assistant Fire Chief Mario Risso and Case Manager Supervisor Matthew Martin

6. ACTION ITEMS

- a. Request for approval to reclassify two (2) Assistant Fire Chief positions from exempt status to at-will employment to align with executive-level city employment standards and enhance operational flexibility. (Scott Ouderkirk, Interim Fire Chief; slouderkirk@santafenm.gov).

Committee Review:

Public Safety Committee: 05/19/2026

Quality of Life Committee: 05/20/2026

Finance Committee: 05/26/2026

Governing Body: 05/27/2026

MOTION: A motion was made by Member Wheeler, seconded by Member Bolleter, to Approve.

VOTE: The motion was passed on a voice vote.

For: Chair Chavez, Member Bolleter, Member Martinez, Member Finger, Member Pilcher, Member Crawford, Member Robertson, Member Liswood

and Member Wheeler.

Against: None

Abstain: None

7. DISCUSSION ITEMS

8. MATTERS FROM INTERIM POLICE, CHIEF THOMAS GRUNDLER

a. April 2026 Crime Stats and Crime Mapping

9. MATTERS FROM INTERIM FIRE, CHIEF SCOTT OUDERKIRK

10. MATTERS FROM EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR KYLE MORGAN

11. MATTERS FROM RECC, DIRECTOR ROBERTO LUJAN

12. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE

13. MATTERS FROM THE CHAIR

14. NEXT MEETING: June 16, 2026

15. ADJOURN

End time: 5:04 p.m.

K S Christner

Liaison

Chair