



## Agenda

Regular Meeting of the Mayor's  
Committee on Disability  
July 1, 2026 at 3:00 PM  
Conference Room  
Monica Roybal Center  
737 Agua Fria Street  
Virtual Option Available

### Procedures for Mayor's Committee on Disability Meeting

The Santa Fe Mayor's Committee on Disability (MCD) works to support city officials in creating, maintaining, and upgrading access in our historic city. We ask that all attendees, committee members, city officials, special guests, and members of the public help create a safe and accessible meeting space by adhering to best practices for effective communication.

- Do not speak over others.
- Raise your hand, virtually or in person, to be called on to speak.
- Turn your camera on, if possible, and announce your name when you speak.
- Minimize the use of the chat and avoid sidebar conversations.
- Be courteous, professional, and mindful of others when you speak.

*Alone, we can do so little; together, we can do so much. —Helen Keller*

### Join from PC, Mac, iPad, or Android:

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**Webinar ID:** 860 4304 7398

1. Call to Order
2. Roll Call
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Approval of Minutes
  - a. **VOTE:** Approve the meeting minutes of 06/03/2026.
5. Public Comment (15 Minutes Total)
6. Presentations
  - a. **PRESENTATION:** Brain Injury Advisory Council (BIAC) overview and Santa Fe TBI/ABI listening session, via the NM Governor's Commission on Disability (Meriam Jawhar; Jeminie L. Shell).

- b. **PRESENTATION:** Santa Fe Ride (ADA complementary paratransit) overview — operations, eligibility, scheduling, and rider policies, with Q&A (Andrew Baca, Transit Director of Operations and Maintenance, City of Santa Fe Transit).
7. Discussion and Possible Action Items
- a. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE:** Accessible Meeting Practices — adopt a standing Accessibility Statement; ASL interpretation cost and funding update (Eli Fresquez, Chair).
  - b. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE:** Public Works Review Subcommittee report-out under Resolution 2006-151, Section 4 (Kerri Cottle, GinaMaria Opalescent, Jeminie L. Shell).
  - c. **DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE:** Adult changing station at the Santa Fe Community Convention Center — feasibility assessment report-out; outreach to Director Ben Robles and Rep. Cates on grant funding (Robin Garrison, Vice-Chair; Daniel Lopez).
8. Discussion Items - No Action
- a. **UPDATE:** LGBTQ Pride (June 27, 2026) report-out; Letter of Support to HRA Executive Director Kevin Bowen shared for the record (Eli Fresquez, Chair; GinaMaria Opalescent)
  - b. **DISCUSSION:** Gas pump stickers and assistance for drivers with disabilities — Title III gaps and legislative pathways; outreach to Julie Ballinger, Southwest ADA Center (GinaMaria Opalescent).
  - c. **DISCUSSION:** Sidewalk accessibility and public right-of-way — NOV process, ADA Transition Plan update, and dedicated maintenance funding (Eli Fresquez, Chair; Daniel Lopez).
  - d. **DISCUSSION:** City of Santa Fe digital accessibility update — ADA Title II deadline of April 26, 2027 (DOJ IFR FR Doc. 2026-07663) and citywide policy in development (Daniel Lopez).
9. Matters from Staff
- a. **DEADLINE:** Tuesday, July 28, 2026 — all agenda items and backup documents emailed to the Committee Staff Liaison (Daniel Lopez, Equity and ADA Manager).
10. Matters from the Committee
- a. Disability Pride Flag Raising & Disability Pride Month Proclamation — Wednesday, July 1, 2026, 11:00 AM, Santa Fe City Hall (approved by Mayor

Michael J. Garcia).

- b. Third Annual Santa Fe Disability Pride Parade & Festival — Saturday, July 18, 2026, 10:00 AM (Cathedral Basilica to the Santa Fe Plaza; festival until 1:30 PM).
- c. Fourth Annual New Mexico Accessibility Awards — Thursday, July 30, 2026, 6:30 – 8:30 PM, National Hispanic Cultural Center, Albuquerque.

11. Next Meeting:

- a. Wednesday, August 5, 2026, 3:00 – 5:00 PM (Mountain Time) — 737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe, NM 87501, and via Zoom (Hybrid).

12. Adjourn

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MINUTES**

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1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Mayor's Committee On Disability was called to order by Jose Eli Fresquez at 3:22 PM, on Wednesday, June 3, 2026, in the conference Room, at 737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Jose Eli Fresquez  
Robin Garrison  
Elisa Meriam Jawhar  
Jeminie Shell  
GinaMaria Opalescent

**MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Kerri Cottle

**OTHER PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING**

Daniel Lopez, Jr., Equity and ADA Manager

3. Approval of Agenda

**MOTION** A motion was made by Garrison, seconded by Opalescent, to Approve.

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

4. Approval of Minutes

**MOTION** A motion was made by Opalescent, seconded by Fresquez, to Approve.

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

- a. VOTE to Approve the meeting minutes of 05/06/2026

**MOTION** A motion was made by Opalescent, seconded by Fresquez, to Approve.

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

5. Public Comment (15 Minutes Total)

6. Presentations

7. Discussion and Possible Action Items

- a. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE: Mayor's Committee on Disability to participation in LGBTQ Pride on June 27, 2026. The final Letter of Support to HRA Executive Director Kevin Bowen, authorized by the May 6, 2026 vote, will be shared for the record. Determination of committee activity is subject to city policy on participation by city committees (Eli Fresquez, Chair; GinaMaria Opalescent, Committee Member)

NO ACTION TAKEN

- b. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE: Adoption of Mayor's Committee on Disability Accessible Meeting Practices, including a standing Accessibility Statement, ASL interpretation cost analysis, and an update on universal restrooms with adult changing tables under legislation sponsored by Representative Kathleen Cates (Eli Fresquez, Chair)

NO ACTION TAKEN

- c. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE: Public Works Review Subcommittee report-out on scoping of qualifying projects under Resolution 2006-151, Section 4, and recommendations on review thresholds and prioritization (Kerri Cottle, GinaMaria Opalescent, and Jeminie L. Shell, Subcommittee Members)

NO ACTION TAKEN

- d. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE: Follow-up on the recommendation for an adult changing station at the Santa Fe Community Convention Center, including outreach to Director Ben Robles and coordination with Representative Cates on state grant funding (Eli Fresquez, Chair)

**MOTION** A motion was made by Garrison, seconded by Opalescent, to Approve.

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

8. Discussion Items - No Action

- a. DISCUSSION: Gas pump stickers and assistance for drivers with disabilities. Continued discussion of Title III enforcement gaps and proposed outreach to the Santa Fe Chamber of Commerce, the Office of Economic Development, and Julie Ballinger of the Southwest ADA Center (GinaMaria Opalescent, Committee Member)

NO ACTION TAKEN

- b. DISCUSSION: Sidewalk accessibility and public right-of-way maintenance. Update on the Notice of Violation (NOV) process and continued discussion of a dedicated maintenance funding mechanism for existing sidewalks and curb ramps (Eli Fresquez, Chair)

NO ACTION TAKEN

- c. DISCUSSION: For Daniel Lopez Equity and ADA Manager to provide the City

of Santa Fe digital accessibility update. Status of compliance with the ADA Title II web and mobile application accessibility deadline of April 26, 2027, pursuant to DOJ Interim Final Rule FR Doc. 2026-07663 (Eli Fresquez, Chair)

NO ACTION TAKEN

9. Matters from Staff

- a. The DEADLINE IS MONDAY, JUNE 29, 2026, for ALL AGENDA ITEMS and BACKUP DOCUMENTS to be emailed to the Committee Staff Liaison (Daniel Lopez, Equity and ADA Manager)

NO ACTION TAKEN

10. Matters from the Committee

11. Next Meeting:

- a.
  1. Wednesday, July 1, 2026 (Meeting to be conducted via a Hybrid Platform).
  2. Physical Address: 737 Agua Fria Street, Santa Fe, NM 87501, and via ZOOM LINK.
  3. Time: 3:00 PM to 5:00 PM (Mountain Standard Time)

NO ACTION TAKEN

12. Adjourn

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Chair

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Liaison



## Mayor's Committee on Disability

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### Members

Jose Eli Fresquez,  
Chairperson  
Robin Garrison, Vice  
Chairperson  
Kerri Cottle  
Elisa Meriam Jawhar  
GinaMaria Opalescent  
Jeminie L. Shell  
(Vacant)  
(Vacant)



### Staff Liaison

**Daniel Lopez, Jr., RAS**  
Equity and ADA Manager  
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June 22, 2026

Kevin A. Bowen  
Executive Director, Human Rights Alliance  
PO Box 8640  
Santa Fe, NM 87504

Dear Kevin A. Bowen,

On behalf of the City of Santa Fe Mayor's Committee on Disability, whose vision is to support and advocate for all people with disabilities in the City of Santa Fe, I am writing to report that, at a recent monthly meeting, the Committee unanimously voted to support the Human Rights Alliance (HRA) and its work in our community.

This support reflects the values we hold in common. We recognize the shared civil rights issues that drive our work and the strong overlap among the communities we serve. Many of the people we advocate for belong to both of our constituencies, and we acknowledge and uplift that intersectionality. We stand in solidarity with the HRA, knowing that the fight for the rights and dignity of any community advances the rights and dignity of all. We believe both of our communities are stronger through collaboration and recognition, and we welcome opportunities to partner on shared priorities.

We also want to recognize HRA's stellar work advancing representation at community events, and we hope to find ways to support and amplify that work together in the months ahead.

Thank you for your continued leadership and for HRA's work on behalf of our shared community. We look forward to collaborating.

With respect and appreciation,

**Eli Fresquez, Chairperson**