

**QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 2, 2025, 5:00 PM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL
200 LINCOLN AVENUE, SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO**

1. CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Quality of Life Committee was called to order on Wednesday, April 2, 2025, at 5:04 pm, by Councilor Cassutt, Chair, at City Hall, in the City Council Chambers, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. ROLL CALL

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councilor Jamie Cassutt, Chair
Councilor Michael Garcia
Councilor Pilar Faulkner
Councilor Alma Castro

MEMBERS ABSENT

Councilor Amanda Chavez, Excused

OTHERS PRESENT

Mark Scott, City Manager
Marcella Apodaca, Committee Liaison
Joanna Nelson, Director, Economic Development, Acting Director, Affordable Housing
Henri Hammond-Paul, Director, Community Health and Safety
Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer, virtually

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION A motion was made by Councilor Michael Garcia, seconded by Councilor Castro, to approve the agenda as presented.

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

Councilor Castro, yes; Councilor Faulkner, yes; Councilor Michael Garcia, yes; Chair Cassutt, yes.

4. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Items 6 B, C and E were pulled for discussion.

MOTION A motion was made by Councilor Faulkner, seconded by Councilor Castro, to approve the Consent Agenda as amended.

VOTE The motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

Councilor Castro, yes; Councilor Faulkner, yes; Councilor Michael Garcia, yes; Chair Cassutt, yes.

5. PRESENTATIONS

a. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT STRATEGIC PLANNING-DATA COLLECTIONS AND ANALYSIS KEY FINDINGS

Presentation was given.

6. ACTION ITEMS: CONSENT AGENDA

a. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF THE MARCH 19, 2025, QUALITY OF LIFE COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES.

Approved on consent.

b. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF A BUDGET AMENDMENT RESOLUTION (BAR) TO ALLOCATE \$794,164 FROM LODGERS TAX FUND BALANCE TO THE ARTS AND CULTURE DEPARTMENT FY25 BUDGET FOR ONGOING ARTS AND CULTURE INITIATIVES AND GREER GARSON THEATER FEASIBILITY STUDY.

MOTION A motion was made by Councilor Castro, seconded by Councilor Faulkner, to approve the BAR.

VOTE The motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

Councilor Castro, yes; Councilor Faulkner, yes; Councilor Michael Garcia, yes; Chair Cassutt, yes.

c. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF AN ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES CONTRACT WITH BLUE CROSS AND BLUE SHIELD OF NEW MEXICO FOR HEALTH BENEFITS ADMINISTRATION SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,054,885 FOR THE FIRST YEAR EXCLUDING NMGRT AND TOTAL AMOUNT OF \$92,219,540 INCLUDING NMGRT FOR THE TERM OF THE FOUR-YEAR CONTRACT BASED ON

AVAILABLE BUDGET AND SERVICES PROVIDED.

MOTION A motion was made by Councilor Faulkner, seconded by Councilor Castro, to approve the request.

VOTE The motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

Councilor Castro, yes; Councilor Faulkner, yes; Councilor Michael Garcia, yes; Chair Cassutt, yes.

- d. **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____. A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SALE AND CONSUMPTION OF BEER AND WINE DURING THE RAILYARD PLAZA SUMMER SCENE CONCERT SPONSORED BY SITE SANTA FE ON JUNE 25, 2025, PURSUANT TO SUBSECTION 23-6.2 C SFCC 1987.**

Approved on consent.

- e. **CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2025-_____. A RESOLUTION MAKING A FINDING OF NECESSITY AND DESIGNATING AN AREA COMPRISED OF A MAJORITY OF THE MIDTOWN LOCAL INNOVATION CORRIDOR OVERLAY DISTRICT AS A METROPOLITAN REDEVELOPMENT AREA.**

Councilor Faulkner left the meeting and was excused.

MOTION A motion was made by Councilor Michael Garcia, seconded by Councilor Castro, to approve the Resolution.

VOTE The motion passed on roll call vote as follows:

Councilor Castro, yes; Councilor Faulkner, yes; Councilor Michael Garcia, yes; Chair Cassutt, yes.

7. ACTION ITEMS: DISCUSSION AGENDA

None.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

None.

9. MATTERS FROM STAFF

Heard.

10. MATTERS FROM THE COMMITTEE

None.


11. MATTERS FROM THE CHAIR

None.

12. NEXT MEETING: WEDNESDAY, APRIL 23, 2025

13. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 6:33 pm.


Jamie Cassutt (May 1, 2025 00:47 MDT)

Councilor Jamie Cassutt, Chair


Elizabeth Martin (Apr 10, 2025 15:37 MDT)

Elizabeth Martin, Stenographer