

**Regular Meeting of the Public Works and Utilities Committee
February 16, 2026 at 5:00 PM
Council Chambers, City Hall
200 Lincoln Avenue
MINUTES**

1. Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Public Works and Utilities Committee was called to order by Councilor Amanda Chavez at 5:00 PM, on Monday, February 16, 2026, in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 200 Lincoln Avenue, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

2. Roll Call

MEMBERS PRESENT

City Councilor, District 4 Amanda Chavez
City Councilor, District 1 Patricia Feghali
City Councilor, District 2 Elizabeth Barrett
City Councilor, District 2 Paul Bustamante

MEMBERS EXCUSED

City Councilor, District 3 Pilar Faulkner

OTHER PARTICIPANTS ATTENDING

Jesse Roach, Interim Public Utilities Department Director
Debora Trujillo, Environmental Services Division Director
Leroy Griego, Environmental Services Supervisor
Eric Romero, Environmental Services Collections Equipment Operator
William Schneider, Water Resources Manager
Marcos Esquibel, Interim Complete Streets Director

3. Approval of Agenda

MOTION A motion was made by City Councilor, District 1 Feghali, seconded by Councilor Bustamante, to Approve.

VOTE The motion Passed on a voice vote.

4. Approval of Consent Agenda

Item 7E of the Agenda was pulled by Councilor Feghali.

MOTION A motion was made by City Councilor, District 2 Bustamante, seconded by City Councilor, District 2 Barrett, to Approve as Amended.

VOTE The motion Passed on a roll call vote.

Councilor Amanda Chavez - yes
Councilor Elizabeth Barrett - yes
Councilor Paul Bustamante - yes

Councilor Patricia Feghali - yes

5. Public Comment

6. Presentations

- a. Public Utilities Department Employee of the Month for January 2026: Eric Romero, Collections Equipment Operator, Environmental Services Division. (Leroy Griego, ESD Supervisor, logriego@santafenm.gov and Debora Trujillo, Environmental Services Division Director; dctrujillo@santafenm.gov)
- b. City of Santa Fe Water Overview and Update. (Jesse Roach, Interim Public Utilities Department; jdroach@santafenm.gov)

7. Action Items: Consent Agenda

- a. Request for Approval of the February 2, 2026, Public Works and Utilities Committee Meeting Minutes. (Elsa Ornelas-Segura, Administrative Manager; egornelassegura@santafenm.gov)

Committee Review:

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Approved on Consent

- b. Request for Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Amended Condominium Declaration for Market Station to Adjust the Common Area of the City of Santa Fe's Office Condominium at 500 Market Street. (Tim Farrell, Interim Facilities Division Director, tgfarrrell@santafenm.gov)

Committee Review

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Finance Committee: 02/23/2026

Governing Body: 02/25/2026

Approved on Consent

- c. Request for Approval of a Budget Amendment Resolution (BAR) in the Total Amount of \$360,000 to Allocate from the 1/2% Capital GRT Fund to Complete Streets FY26 WIP Construction for Repairs to Corte de Princesa. (Marcos Esquibel, Acting Complete Streets Division Director: mpesquibel@santafenm.gov)

Committee Review:

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Finance Committee: 02/23/2026

Governing Body: 02/25/2026

Approved on Consent

- d. Request for Approval of a Budget Amendment Resolution (BAR) to Allocate Road Impact Fees in the Total Amount of \$600,000 to FY26 Revenue and Expenses for the Construction of Agua Fria - Cottonwood Roundabout Project. (Romella Glorioso-Moss, Complete Streets Capital Projects Manager; rsglorioso-moss@santafenm.gov)

Committee Review:

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Finance Committee: 02/23/2026

Governing Body: 02/25/2026

Approved on Consent

- e. Request for Approval of Capital Outlay Grant Agreement with the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration for the Completion of the Replacement of Cerro Gordo Bridge Project 25-J5981 in the Total Amount of \$300,000 with a Reversion Date of April 11, 2027. (Marcos Esquibel, Interim Complete Streets Director; mpesquibel@santafenm.gov)

1. Request for Approval of a Budget Amendment Resolution (BAR) to Allocate \$300,000 from the 2025 Capital Appropriation to FY26 Revenue and WIP Construction for the Completion of the Replacement of Cerro Gordo Bridge.

Committee Review:

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Finance Committee: 02/23/2026

Governing Body: 02/25/2026

MOTION A motion was made by City Councilor, District 1 Feghali, seconded by City Councilor, District 2 Barrett, to Approve.

VOTE The motion Passed on a roll call vote.

Councilor Amanda Chavez - yes

Councilor Elizabeth Barrett - yes

Councilor Paul Bustamante - yes

Councilor Patricia Feghali - yes

- f. Request for Approval of Capital Outlay Grant Agreement with New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration for the Improvement of the Nichols Dam Safety Rehabilitation Project 25-J5960 in the Total Amount of \$997,850 with a Reversion Date of April 11, 2027. (Jesse Roach, Interim Public Utilities Department Director; jdroach@santafenm.gov)

1. Request for Approval of a Budget Amendment Resolution (BAR) to Allocate \$997,850 from the 2025 Capital Appropriation to FY26 Revenue and WIP Construction for the Improvement of the Nichols Dam Safety Rehabilitation.

Committee Review:

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Finance Committee: 02/23/2026

Governing Body: 02/25/2026

Approved on Consent

- g. Request for Approval of Capital Outlay Grant Agreement Extension with New Mexico Department of Finance & Administration for the Improvement of Midtown Project 25-J4369 to Extend the Reversion Date to June 30, 2027. (Carly Vendetti, Metropolitan Redevelopment Agency Deputy Director; cavendetti@santafenm.gov)

Committee Review:

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Finance Committee: 02/23/2026

Governing Body: 02/25/2026

Approved on Consent

- h. Request for Approval of a Construction Contract with Gordo, LLC for the Arroyo de Los Chamisos Urban Trail Repair at Vo Tech Road in the Total Amount of \$643,159 through June 30, 2029. (Zoe Isaacson, River and Watershed Manager: zrisaacson@santafenm.gov)

1. Request for Approval of a Budget Amendment Resolution (BAR) in the Total Amount of \$643,159 from the Stormwater Clean Water State Revolving Fund Loan to WIP Construction (Zoe Isaacson, River and Watershed Manager: zrisaacson@santafenm.gov)

Committee Review:

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Finance Committee: 02/23/2026

Governing Body: 02/25/2026

Approved on Consent

- i. Request for Approval of General Services Contract / Software Agreement with Image Trend, Inc for Call Reporting Software in the Total Amount of \$406,658.49 including GRT with a Term of Four Years. (Scott Ouderkirk, Fire Department, Interim Fire Chief; slouderkirk@santafenm.gov).

Committee Review:

Public Works & Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Public Safety Committee: 02/17/2026

Finance Committee: 02/23/2026

Governing Body: 02/25/2026

Approved on Consent

- j. Request for Approval of the Age Friendly Action Plan. (Manuel Sanchez, Interim Community Services Department Director; mnsanchez@santafenm.gov)

Committee Review:

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Quality of Life Committee: 02/18/2026

Finance Committee: 02/16/2026

Governing Body: 02/25/2026

Approved on Consent

- k. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2026-_____. (Councilor Lee Garcia and Mayor Michael Garcia)

A Resolution Clarifying the Terms of Resolution No. 2024-14 to Allow the Knights of Columbus Council 10517 to Display Banners Commemorating Santa Fe Veterans as "Santa Fe Heros" Between Memorial Day and Veterans Day, Annually. (Marci Eannarino, Office of Legislation and Policy Innovation Manager; maeannario@santafenm.gov ; Christine Spiers, Legislative Coordinator; cmspiers@santafenm.gov; Palmer Anderson, Policy Analyst; pcanderson@santafe.gov)

Committee Review:

Governing Body (Introduced): 02/11/2026

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Quality of Life Committee: 02/18/2026

Governing Body: 02/25/2026

Approved on Consent

- l. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2026-_____. (Councilor Jamie Cassutt)

A Resolution Authorizing the City of Santa Fe to Submit Applications to the Local Government Fund, the Municipal Arterial Program, the Transportation Project Fund, and Any Other Applicable State Transportation Funding Programs for State Transportation Construction Funding for the Henry Lynch Road Reconstruction Project from Rufina Street to Agua Fria Street and Committing to the Applications' Requirement for a Local Match of Funding. (Romella Glorioso-Moss, PhD, CPM, AICP, Capital Projects Manager; rsglorioso-moss@santafenm.gov)

Committee Review:

Governing Body (Introduced): 02/11/2026

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Finance Committee: 02/23/2026

Governing Body: 02/25/2026

Approved on Consent

- m. CONSIDERATION OF BILL NO. 2024-14. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2026-_____. (Councilor Amanda Chavez and Councilor Alma Castro)
A Bill Amending Section 25-4.1, Exhibit A, Rule Number 2 to Adopt New Definitions and Adopting a New Rule Number 7, Imposing Requirements for Backflow Prevention and Control for Certain Customers, Imposing Fees for Administering the Program, and Imposing Fines for Violations. (Justin Gonzales, Cross Connection Specialist; jmgonzales1@santafenm.gov)

Committee Review:

Governing Body (Introduced): 01/28/2026

Governing Body (Public Comment): 02/11/2026

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Finance Committee: 02/23/2026

Governing Body (Public Hearing): 03/11/2026

Approved on Consent

- n. CONSIDERATION OF BILL NO. 2026-01. ADOPTION OF ORDINANCE NO. 2026-_____. (Councilor Amanda Chavez) Be It Ordained By the Governing Body of the City of Santa Fe: Authorizing the Execution and Delivery of a Water Project Fund Loan/Grant Agreement by and Between the New Mexico Finance Authority ("NMFA") and the City of Santa Fe, New Mexico (the "Borrower/Grantee"), in the Total Amount of \$7,750,000, Including a Loan in the Amount of \$3,100,000 Evidencing an Obligation of the Borrower/Grantee to Utilize the Loan/Grant Amount Solely for the Purpose of Financing the Costs of Construction of New Flocculation and Sedimentation Improvements to the Canyon Road Water Treatment Plant, Including Demolition of Existing Clarifier Equipment, Structural Additions, New Flocculation and Sedimentation Equipment, All Associated Power, Controls, Process and Chemical Piping, and Valves, New Flocculation Master Control Center Electrical Building and Associated Grading and Paving, Potable Water Yard Piping Relocation and All Associated Instrumentation, Electrical, Architectural and HVAC Design Components, Including Related Work and Revisions, and Solely in the Manner Described in the Loan/Grant Agreement; Providing for the Pledge and Payment of the Loan Amount and an Administrative Fee Solely From the Net Revenues of the Water Utility System of the Borrower/Grantee; Certifying that the Loan/Grant Amount, Together With Other Funds Available to the Borrower/Grantee, is Sufficient to Complete the Project; Approving the Form of and Other Details Concerning the Loan/Grant Agreement; Ratifying Actions Heretofore Taken; Repealing All Action Inconsistent With this Ordinance; and Authorizing the Taking of Other Actions in Connection With the Execution and Delivery of the Loan/Grant Agreement. (Alan Hook, Water Resources Coordinator; aghook@santafenm.gov)

Committee Review:

Governing Body (Introduced): 01/28/2026

Governing Body (Public Comment): 02/11/2026

Public Works and Utilities Committee: 02/16/2026

Finance Committee: 02/23/2026

Governing Body (Public Hearing): 03/11/2026

Approved on Consent

8. Action Items: Discussion Agenda

9. Executive Session

10. Matters from Staff

11. Matters from the Committee

12. Matters from the Chair

13. Next Meeting: Monday, March 2, 2026

14. Adjourn

Meeting Adjourned at 05:37 PM

ELSA G. ORNELAS-SEGURA
Liaison

Amanda Chavez
Amanda Chavez (Mar 24, 2026 10:36:57 MDT)
Chair