## CITY OF AZTEC COMMISSION WORKSHOP MEETING MINUTES Tuesday July 11, 2023

## **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr. called the workshop to order at 5:00 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

Members Present: Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.; Mayor Pro-Tem Ken George;

Commissioner Colby King; and Commissioner Jim Crowley;

Commissioner Austin Randall

Members Absent: NONE

Others Present: City Manager Jeff Blackburn; City Clerk Karla Sayler

A. ICAST regarding grant support and construction for the Ancient Trails Solar Field

Mayor Padilla opened the workshop and turned it over to City Manager Jeff Blackburn and Electric Director Denver DeWees. Denver explained they would like to partner with ICAST so they can help get grant funding to complete the Ancient Trails Solar Field.

The meeting was turned over to Ravi Malhotra, Founder and President of ICAST, Sam Lipman and Rob Foley. Ravi presented Commission with a PowerPoint introducing ICAST and the benefits they offer in Grant Funding assistance. The powerpoint presented went over the following items:

- Who is ICAST
- ICAST Team
- ICAST References
- ICAST Role
- Tax Credits
- Potential Grants & Incentives
- Loan Funds
- Project Summaries-Options I, II, and III

Commission had questions regarding solar tax credits that the ICAST team were able to answer to their satisfaction.

Mayor Pro-Tem questioned if this contract would have to go to bid, Denver stated that it would fall under the Generation Act so they would not have to go through Procurement.

Commission had more questions that the ICAST team, Jeff and City Staff were able to answer to the satisfaction of the Commission.

Denver asked for direction from Commission, they would like the Resolution to be prepared for the next Commission meeting.

## **ADJOURMENT**

Moved by Mayor Padilla to adjourn the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

Mayor Michael A. Padilla Sr.

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