

**CITY OF AZTEC
SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday February 18, 2026**

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

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation led by Commissioner Randall
United States Pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Lanier
New Mexico pledge of Allegiance led by Commissioner Lanier

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Michael A. Padilla, Sr.; Mayor Pro-Tem Jason Cortez; Commissioner Katie Buchholz; and Commissioner Brett Lanier; Commissioner Austin Randall

Members Absent: NONE

Others Present: Interim City Manager Joseph Gonzales; City Attorney Sofia Flores, City Clerk Karla Saylor

CLOSED SESSION

A. Closed Session Pursuant to Section 10-15-1H (2) Limited Personnel Matters
Negotiation of City Manager Contract

Mayor Pro-Tem called to go into closed session at 5:02 Pursuant to Section 10-15-1H(2) Limited Personnel Matters Negotiation of City Manager Contract.

A Roll Call was Taken:

All Voting Aye:
Mayor Padilla
Mayor Pro-Tem Cortez
Commissioner Randall
Commissioner Buchholz
Commissioner Lanier

Mayor Pro-Tem called to come out of closed session at 6:02 Pursuant to Section 10-15-1H(2) Limited Personnel Matters Negotiation of City Manager Contract and stated that no other items were discussed, and no decisions were made.

BUSINESS ITEMS

A. City Manager Employment Agreement

MOVED by Mayor Padilla to APPROVE City Manager Employment Agreement as negotiated with the correction to section 4A to a 2-month severance pay and section 4E 1-month notice in advance of voluntary resignation, SECONDED by Commissioner Lanier

A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner Randall
Commissioner Buchholz
Commissioner Lanier
Mayor Pro-Tem Cortez
Mayor Padilla

Those Voting Nay: NONE

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Five to Zero

ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Commissioner Lanier and SECONDED by Commissioner Buchholz to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 pm



ATTEST:

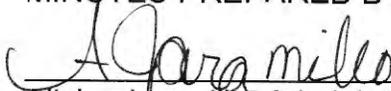


Karla Saylor, City Clerk



Michael A. Padilla Sr., Mayor

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