

**CITY OF AZTEC
SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday July 07, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER

Commissioner Lanier called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm at Aztec City Hall, 201 W. Chaco, Aztec NM 87410

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

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

ROLL CALL

Members Present: Mayor Pro-Tem Jason Cortez (VIA Phone); Commissioner Brett Lanier; and Commissioner Katie Buchholz; and Commissioner Austin Randall

Members Absent: NONE

Others Present: City Clerk Karla Sayler; City Attorney Sofia Flores

APPROVAL OF AGENDA ITEMS

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to APPROVE Agenda Items, SECONDED by Commissioner Buchholz

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

Business Items

A. Formal Acceptance of Commissioner Michael A. Padilla Sr Resignation Letter

MOVED by Commissioner Lanier to APPROVE Formal Acceptance of Commissioner Michael A. Padilla Sr Resignation Letter, SECONDED by Commissioner Randall

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

B. Process to fill Vacant Commission Position Per State Statue 3-14-9

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to APPROVE Process to fill Vacant Commission Position Per State Statute 3-14-9, SECONDED by Commissioner Buchholz

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

C. Resolution 2026-1579 Authorizing Signatures for Investment Accounts

MOVED by Commissioner Buchholz to APPROVE Resolution 2026-1579 Authorizing Signatures for Investment Accounts; SECONDED by Commissioner Randall

A Roll Call was Taken:

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

Those Voting Nay: NONE

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

D. Resolution 2026-1580 Authorizing Signatures for City Accounts

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to APPROVE Resolution 2026-1580 Authorizing Signatures for City Accounts; SECONDED by Commissioner Lanier

A Roll Call was Taken:

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

Those Voting Nay: NONE

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

E. Resolution 2026-1581 Authorizing Signatures for City Accounts

MOVED by Commissioner Buchholz to APPROVE Resolution 2026-1581 Authorizing Signatures for City Accounts; SECONDED by Commissioner Randall

A Roll Call was Taken:

Those Voting Aye: Commissioner Lanier
Commissioner Buchholz

Commissioner Randall
Mayor Pro-Tem Cortez

Those Voting Nay: NONE

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session Pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H)(2) Limited Personnel Matters,

Commissioner Lanier MOVED to go into closed session at 6:20 Pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H) (2) Limited Personnel Matters; SECONDED by Commissioner Randall

A Roll Call was Taken:

All Voting Aye:

Commissioner Lanier
Mayor Pro-Tem Cortez
Commissioner Buchholz
Commissioner Randall

Commissioner Lanier called to come out of closed session at 7:40 Pursuant to Section 10-15-1(H) (2) Limited Personnel Matters; and stated that no other items were discussed, and no decisions were made.

A Roll Call was Taken:

All Voting Aye:

Commissioner Lanier
Mayor Pro-Tem Cortez
Commissioner Buchholz
Commissioner Randall

BUSINESS ITEMS (CONTINUED)

F. Selection of Mayor

MOVED by Mayor Pro-Tem Cortez to Appoint Commissioner Brett Lanier as Mayor; SECONDED by Commissioner Buchholz

A Roll Call was Taken:

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

Those Voting Nay: NONE

All Voted Aye: Motion Passed Four to Zero

G. Appointment of Interim City Manager

MOVED by Commissioner Randall to Appoint Chief Troy Morris Interim City Manager and Ed Kotyk Deputy Interim City Manager starting on July 13, 2026;
SECONDED by Mayor Pro-Tem Cortez

A Roll Call was Taken:

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

Those Voting Nay: NONE

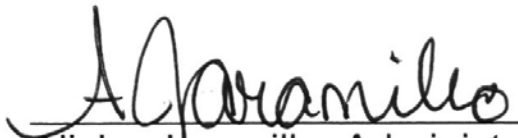
ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Mayor Pro-Tem Cortez and SECONDED by Commissioner Lanier to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 pm



Mayor Brett Lanier

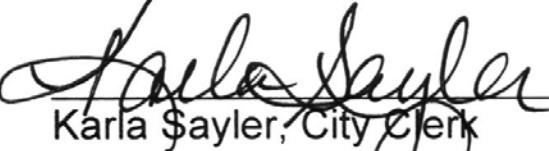
MINUTES PREPARED BY:



Alisha Jaramillo, Administrative Assistant



ATTEST:



Karla Saylor, City Clerk