



**City of Rio Communities Council Workshop**  
**City Council Chambers - 360 Rio Communities Blvd**  
**Rio Communities, NM 87002**  
**Monday, June 12, 2023 3:00 PM**  
**Minutes**

*Please silence all electronic devices.*

### **Call to Order**

- Mayor Joshua Ramsell called the regular workshop to order at 3:06 pm.

### **Attendees**

- PRESENT: Mayor Joshua Ramsell, Councilor Arthur Apodaca, Councilor (virtual) Lawrence Gordon, Councilor Jimmie Winters  
ABSENT: Mayor Pro-tem Margaret R. Gutjahr.
  - Present: City Manager Dr. Martin Moore, Municipal Clerk Elizabeth Adair, Finance Officer Stephanie Finch, Accounting Specialist/CPO Angela Valadez, Fire Chief Andrew Tabet, City Attorney Randall Van Vleck.

### **Accounts payable report**

- Account payable report over \$500.00. Bound Tree Medical \$2,384.06, Comcast Business \$1,050.00, LN Curtis \$7,823.07, NM Municipal league 800.00, Tyler Technologies \$15,796.89, Village of Los Lunas \$8,176.75, 411 Equipment \$1,197.68, Amazon Business \$3,564.35, City of Pendleton \$350,000, Construction Coordinators \$16,683.14, Al Air Ag Services \$1,035.30, Griffin and Associates \$1,6074.45 H&E Equipment \$1,049.34, HDR Engineering \$1,367.89, NM Government Law \$3,673.14, Sharp Electronics Corp. \$3,009.19, Total Glass Solutions \$6,800.00, Bank of America \$35,951.35, PNM \$2,320.03, Verizon Wireless \$3,508.05.

### **Resolution 2023-XX BAR #5**

- Finance Officer Finch went over the Pooled Cash report. (See packet). She further explained that we will end the year with about 2.1 million in the general operating fund.
- Finance Officer Finch went over the budget adjustment highlights.

### **Resolution 2023 - XX NMDOT Cooperative Agreement**

- Manager Dr. Moore explained that Don Diego street condition and recognized that it is rough. The recommendation from the Department of Transportation and the engineers from HDR was to ask the local government for co-op money to do the design and comeback and sign the grant funds to do the construction. We do not know what the cost will be, they are fluctuating at the time. Estimations are coming close to \$800,000.00.
- Councilor Apodaca asked does the funding award for the fluctuation.
- Manager Dr. Moore explained they would have to come back to us and ask permission from the City Council.

- Councilor Gordon said he is glad this is getting done I has been needed to be done for a while. I'm glad we can get it taken care of.
- Councilor Apodaca asked if there was a general timeline for when we will be shovel ready and when we can start the construction.
- Manager Dr. Moore explained we don't have an exact timeline. We do have the money for Goodman we are thinking about this one would around of spring of 2024.

#### **Resolution 2023 - Personnel Policies and Procedures**

- City Attorney Randall Van Vleck explained that the employees that are hired and dismissed by the Council are the Clerk, Manager, Police Chief, and you can add more. What we are asking is if we want the Fire Chief to be there as well.
- Councilor Apodaca said the Fire Chief should be hired the same way as the Police Chief is and continued the discussion.

#### **Ordinance 2023 - XX Zoning Amendments**

- Manager Dr. Moore explained we will be having the public hearing at the City Council Business meeting and began a discussion. He further said we are not changing the number of days for posting the hearing that is State statue.

#### **Greater Valencia County Chamber of Commerce membership**

- Manager Dr. Moore explained we received a letter from the Greater Valencia Chamber of Commerce membership amount they are requesting is \$1,000.00 and continued the discussion.
- Councilor Apodaca said it is a good idea to participate at that level.
- Councilor Gordon also thinks it is a good idea since so many businesses are already members.
- Councilor Winters said it gives us a chance to work, and asked if it gives us one or two board members as part of the deal.
- Manager Dr. Moore said I believe so but not a hundred percent.

#### **Public Comment**

- No public comments

#### **Manager Report**

- Manager Dr. Moore gave his area over to the Fire Chief.
- Fire Chief Tabet explained that they went to Oregon to look at the ladder truck. We tested it, drove it, and operated it. They have all the records for the truck. We felt that it is a sound buy and began a discussion.
- Manager Dr. Moore said they received the budget has been approved by the DFA.

#### **Council General Discussion & Future Agenda Items**

- The council had no reports.

#### **Adjourn**

- The regular workshop was adjourned at 3:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

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Elizabeth F. Adair, Municipal Clerk  
(Transcribed by Lalena Aragon, Deputy Clerk)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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Joshua Ramsell,  
Mayor

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Margaret R. Gutjahr,  
Mayor Pro-tem/Councilor

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Arthur Apodaca,  
Councilor

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Lawrence R. Gordon,  
Councilor

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Jimmie Winters,  
Councilor