



City of Rio Communities Council Special Business Meeting
City Council Chambers - VIRTUAL
Rio Communities, NM 87002
Friday, July 08, 2022 6:00 PM
Agenda

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Mayor - Joshua Ramsell

Mayor Pro Tem - Margaret R. Gutjahr

Council - Arthur Apodaca, Lawrence R. Gordon, Jimmie Winters

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Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Action Items

- 1. Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Rescinding Resolution 2022 - 12 Ban on Outdoor Burning**

Adjourn

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**STATE OF NEW MEXICO
CITY OF RIO COMMUNITIES
RESOLUTION 2022 - 12
BAN ON OUTDOOR BURNING**

Item 1.

- WHEREAS,** Drought combined with high wind conditions have caused the fire season to begin in April 2022, starting with the BIG HOLE FIRE; and
- WHEREAS,** The National Weather Service (NWS) forecasts temperatures in New Mexico to continue to range from above-to-well-above average temperatures; and drought conditions in New Mexico to persist; and
- WHEREAS,** Continued heavy fuel loading, low humidity, high heat, and winds increase the danger of wildland, brush, and grass fires, posing an extremely high fire risk in and around the City of Rio Communities; and
- WHEREAS,** These fires would threaten homes and structures, putting the health and safety of our residents at risk.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that the Governing Body of the City of Rio Communities declares an exceptional drought condition exists in our municipality and high fire risk hazards represent a significant and immediate threat to the safety, health, and welfare to the residents of Rio Communities; and,

THEREFORE,

Any type of outdoor burning, including but not limited to the use of fire pits, open flame stoves, chainsaws without spark arrestors, landscape burning, campfires, and other open flame sources is hereby prohibited within the City of Rio Communities

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED THIS 16th DAY OF MAY 2022 BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF RIO COMMUNITIES, NEW MEXICO.

City of Rio Communities Governing Body

Joshua Ramsell
Mayor

Margaret R. Gutjahr
Mayor Pro-tem

Arthur Apodaca
Councilor

Lawrence R. Gordon
Councilor

Jimmie Winters
Councilor

ATTEST:

Elizabeth F. Adair
Municipal Clerk