

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

<u>1.</u> Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Resolution 2022 - XX Ban on outdoor burning and fireworks

Executive Session - For the discussion of the purchase, addition or disposal of real property or water rights by the public body pursuant to NMSA 10-15-1(H)(8)

- Motion and roll call vote to go into close session
- Motion and roll call vote to go back into the special business meeting session
- Welcome everyone back and statement by the Mayor: The Governing Body of the City of Rio Communities, New Mexico, hereby states that on May 16, 2022 a Closed Executive Session was held and the matters discussed was the purchase, addition or disposal of real property or water rights by the public body pursuant to NMSA 10-15-1(H)(8)

Action Items - Consideration & Decision – Mayor recommendation regarding the purchase, addition or disposal of real property or water rights by the public body

Adjourn

NOTE: THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO REVISION UP TO 72 HOURS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED MEETING DATE AND TIME (NMSA 10-15-1 F). A COPY OF THE AGENDA MAY BE PICKED UP AT CITY HALL, 360 RIO COMMUNITIES BLVD, RIO COMMUNITIES, NM 87002. IF YOU ARE AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY WHO IS IN NEED OF A READER, AMPLIFIER, QUALIFIED SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER OR ANY OTHER FORM OF AUXILIARY AND OR SERVICE TO ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT THE MUNICIPAL CLERK AT 505-861-6803 AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE MEETING OR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

- 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, fireworks, 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.

Joshua Ramsell Mayor

Margaret R. Gutjahr Mayor Pro-tem Arthur Apodaca Councilor

Lawrence R. Gordon Councilor

ATTEST:

Jimmie Winters Councilor