Court Chambers 820 Highway 478 Anthony, NM 88021

City of Anthony, NM **Board of Trustees: Regular Meeting MINUTES**

Wednesday, February 19th, 2025 6:00pm

Diana Murillo, Mayor Gabriel I. Holguin, MPT Jose Garcia, Trustee Daniel Barreras, Trustee Fernando Herrera, Trustee

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1. CALL TO ORDER by MPT Gabriel I. Holguin at 6:08pm

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Trustee Garcia

3. ROLL CALL

Present:

MPT Gabriel I. Holguin Trustee Jose Garcia

YES NO YES NO

Trustee Daniel Barreras

YES NO*Joined at 6:51pm

Trustee Fernando Herrera

YES NO

Mayor Diana Murillo

YES NO *Joined at 6:43pm

Quorum Established

YES

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4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER

MPT Holguin requested an update as to why the sale of the ADA Sale was not on the agenda. The City Attorney and CPO explained that they were still waiting on a response from Silver City and Gadsden ISD, and responded that it will be on the agenda for the upcoming regular meeting.

1st Motion: Trustee Garcia

2nd Motion: Trustee Herrera

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin

YES NO

Trustee Garcia

YES NO

3-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera

YES NO

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3-minute limit for each person)

Cecilia Acosta

Adrian Perez

Genaro Soriano

Oscar Bernal

Marty Gutierrez

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Regular Meeting: 02/05/2025

w/amendments 1st Motion: MPT Holguin

2nd Motion: <u>Trustee Herrera</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin

YES NO

Trustee Garcia

YES NO

3-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera

YES NO

7. PRESENTATION

a. Introductory Presentation by County Commissioner Gloria Gameros.

Commissioner Gameros introduced herself as the newly appointed County Commissioner for District 2 and expressed her desire to establish open communication between the County and the City of Anthony. Trustee Garcia thanked Commissioner Gameros and requested assistance with annexing additional property to support projects such as the Solid Transfer Station. Trustee Herrera, with the support of MPT Holguin, expressed interest in receiving regular reports from the South-Central Council of Governments, now that she serves on the board. MPT Holguin requested Commissioners Gameros assistance in getting the voting location back to City Hall.

8. DISCUSSION

a. Update on the Solid Waste Transfer Station Project.

The HR Director/CPO provided a brief history of the project, highlighting current funding and status. He noted that although a feasibility study has already been conducted, the board did not approve the proposed location. With Wilson & Co. no longer serving as the On-Call Engineers, this presents an optimal opportunity for BHI to take over the project and conduct a second feasibility study on a newly proposed area. Additionally, a workshop is scheduled for March 10th at 6:00 PM to review the status of various projects, including the Solid Waste Transfer Station Project, and to hold an introductory meeting with BHI.

9. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

a. Consideration and Action to approve Employee Assistance Program, **Presented by HR/CPO**. This item was brought back for discussion after the last meeting, where additional information was requested. After reaching out to the current provider, the HR Director/CPO informed the board that the services were not used last year. Based on this, the board agreed to go with the free option, which offers three sessions per incident. If more sessions are needed in the future, they will consider looking into these options again.

1st Motion: Trustee Barreras
Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin
YES NO
Trustee Garcia
YES NO
Trustee Barreras
YES NO
Trustee Herrera
YES NO
Trustee Herrera
YES NO

 Consideration and Action to approve pending Public Works expenditures, Presented by Mayor Murillo.

Mayor Murillo went over the requested purchases, there was a consensus to approve them as long as it is the most cost-effective quote.

1st Motion: Trustee Barreras2nd Motion: Trustee HerreraRoll Call Vote:MPT HolguinYES NOTrustee GarciaYES NOTrustee BarrerasYES NOTrustee HerreraYES NO
4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

c. Consideration and Action to approve pending expenditures for the Police Department, Presented by the Chief of Police.

The Chief of Police reviewed the requested purchases and informed the board that no city funds would be used, as all purchases will be covered by the Law Enforcement Protection Fund, which is allocated annually and currently has a balance of nearly \$70,000.

1st Motion: <u>Trustee Barreras</u> 2nd Motion: <u>Trustee Herrera</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO

Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

d. Consideration and Action to approve the Interpretation Services Agreement, *Presented by the City Clerk.*

The City Clerk presented the agreement, which was initially brought to the Board in December. At the Board's direction, additional information was gathered, including the annual expense for interpretation services and two additional quotes. Ultimately, the most cost-effective option remains Ms. Alex Ariza, the current interpreter.

1st Motion: <u>Trustee Barreras</u> 2nd Motion: <u>MPT Holguin</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO
Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

e. Consideration and Action to amend the Petty Cash Policy, *Presented by MPT Holguin. MPT Holguin read his proposed changes.*

1st Motion: <u>Trustee Barreras</u> 2nd Motion: <u>Trustee Garcia</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO
Trustee Garcia YES NO
Trustee Barreras YES NO

3-1 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

f. Consideration and Action to approve a resolution establishing a Wage Overpayment Acknowledgement Form, *Presented by MPT Holguin.* (Resolution 2025-06).

This policy was presented to ensure that any overpayment to an employee is reimbursed to the City. MPT Holguin read the resolution, adopting the Wage Overpayment Acknowledgment Form, which must be signed by all current and future employees and elected officials. The policy ensures that any unapproved payments in payroll, such as a 15% provisional pay, are repaid to the City. An update will be presented to the Board at every meeting until a 100% success rate.

1st Motion: <u>Trustee Barreras</u> 2nd Motion: <u>Trustee Garcia</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO
Trustee Garcia YES NO
Trustee Barreras YES NO

'rustee Barreras YES <mark>NO</mark> 3-1 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

g. Consideration and Action to approve the purchase of bleachers for the Municipal Soccer Field utilizing GL 101-07-91200, *Presented by HR/CPO*.

After a lengthy discussion about the number of bleachers needed—considering the area to be covered, the number of teams playing, and the required funding—it was agreed to purchase four three-row bleachers and two 15-foot bleachers.

Original 1st Motion: Trustee Garcia 2nd Motion: MPT Holguin

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO

Trustee Garcia YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion

Trustee Barreras YES NO
Trustee Herrera YES NO.

Motion was made to approve a budget adjustment of \$25,000 to purchase the proposed bleachers.

1st Motion: <u>Trustee Garcia</u> 2nd Motion: <u>MPT Holguin</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO

Trustee Garcia YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion

Trustee Barreras YES NO
Trustee Herrera YES NO

*5-minute recess was requested by City Clerk.

h. Consideration and Action to authorize the City Attorney to explore the annexation of a proposed area for the Solid Waste Transfer Station, **Presented by Trustee Garcia**.

Trustee Garcia shared his desire for the attorney to look into additional locations for that Solid Waste Transfer Station. MPT Holguin echoed this desire and annexing property as a whole and not just for this project.

1st Motion: <u>Truste Garcia</u> 2nd Motion: <u>MPT Holguin</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO
Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

i. Consideration and Action to authorize the City Attorney to investigate annexing the property located at 24200 Stern Drive Anthony, NM 8802, *Presented by Trustee Garcia*. Trustee Garcia shared his interest in incorporating this property into the City, noting that there had previously been interest from the property owner to do so, but the City staff never followed up. With discussions around the potential sale of the property, he believes this could be the perfect opportunity to acquire it. Trustee Herrera added that at one point, it was thought to be part of the City but since then as been identified as being outside city limits.

1st Motion: <u>Trustee Garcia</u> 2nd Motion: <u>MPT Holguin</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

j. Consideration and Action to approve the updated Lease Agreement between the City of Anthony and Las Cruces Physicians Practices, LLC., **Presented by the City Attorney.**The City Attorney presented the final lease agreement for the City of Anthony Urgent Care, outlining a seven-year term with a 3% annual increase.

1st Motion: <u>Truste Herrera</u> 2nd Motion: <u>Trustee Barreras</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

10. CLOSED SESSION

a. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Anthony Board of Trustees will meet in Executive Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1(H)(2) to discuss Limited Personnel Matters regarding the Police Department

1st Motion: <u>Truste Garcia</u> 2nd Motion: <u>MPT Holguin</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes at 8:40pm.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

b. Return to Open Session

*No action was taken during Closed Session. MPT Holguin presided for the remainder of the meeting.

1st Motion: <u>Trustee Garcia</u> 2nd Motion: <u>Trustee Herrera</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO
Trustee Garcia YES NO
Trustee Barreras YES NO

arreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes at 9:11pm

Trustee Herrera YES NO

11. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

a. Consideration and Action to approve the hiring of Alan Ramirez for the Anthony Police Department, *Presented by HR*.

1st Motion: <u>Trustee Herrera</u> 2nd Motion: <u>Trustee Garcia</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO
Trustee Garcia YES NO
Trustee Parrage

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

12. ITEMS FROM THE MAYOR AND TRUSTEES

Trustee Herrera: He requested updates on resident-requested lighting, the status of the Planning and Zoning Commissioner, and 801 Livesay. He also asked the attorney to explain a Writ of Mandamus as a possible remedy to ensure the Mayor relays Board directives to staff. Additionally, he read a section from Resolution 2025-001, the city's OMA resolution, highlighting remote participation guidelines. Requested staff to reach out to NMDOT for the upcoming relief route and the potential issues it might cause the City. Requested a report from the City's broker for the City's properties and their values.

Trustee Barreras: NONE

Trustee Garcia: Motioned for the following items to be placed on the following agendas:

Authorize the City Attorney to reach out to Jorge Garcia to grant access to the Library Marquee. The City Attorney requested that he would try to remedy that prior to it being placed on the agenda. To which Truste

Garcia agreed.

1st Motion: <u>Trustee Garcia</u> 2nd Motion: <u>Trustee Herrera</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO Discussion on the Del Oro Dairy.

1st Motion: <u>Trustee Garcia</u> 2nd Motion: <u>Trustee Herrera</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO
Trustee Garcia YES NO
Trustee Barreras YES NO

rustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

For the March 19th Meeting: Add a Proclamation to mark March 19th, 2025 as Maria Enriquez Day.

1st Motion: <u>Trustee Garcia</u> 2nd Motion: <u>Trustee Herrera</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO
Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

MPT Holguin: Notified the public of the upcoming Student Art Show at the Court Chambers that starts on March 6^{th} , 2025. Requested from the City Attorney any information on renaming the City's Public Library. Requested payment for Ms. Quintana be expedited.

The City Attorney provided an update on a request on weather there is any conflict of interest if a city employee were to purchase or participate in the auction of city property.

13. ADJOURNMENT

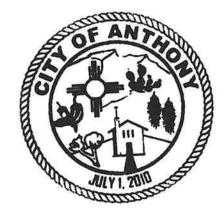
1st Motion: <u>Trustee Herrera</u> 2nd Motion: <u>Trustee Garcia</u>

Roll Call Vote:

MPT Holguin YES NO
Trustee Garcia YES NO
Trustee Barreras YES NO

Trustee Herrera YES NO

4-0 Vote, Motion Passes at 9:56pm



Diana Murillo, Mayer

{SEAL} Attest:

Karla Oropeza, City Clerk



City of Anthony

Regular BOT Meeting

Public Comments, please sign in. THANK YOU ©

Comments are limited to 3 minutes per person.

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