



Town of Mesilla, New Mexico

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7 **BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE TOWN OF MESILLA**
8 **MESILLA TOWN HALL**
9 **2231 AVENIDA DE MESILLA**

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11 **REGULAR MEETING**

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13 **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2023 6:00 P.M.**
14 **MINUTES**

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17 **TRUSTEES:** Nora Barraza, Mayor
18 Adrianna Merrick, Mayor Pro Tem
19 Biviana Cadena, Trustee
20 Veronica Garcia, Trustee
21 Stephanie Johnson-Burick, Trustee
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23 **STAFF:** Edward Salazar, Community Development Coordinator
24 Greg Whited, Fire Marshal
25 Enrique Salas, Marshal
26 Rod McGillivray, Public Works Director
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28 **PUBLIC:** Mary Lucero Andrea Bryan
29 Greg Lester Paul Robson
30 PA Sawdovaz Catherine Walkinshaw
31 Gregg Whited Rosemary Alvillar
32 Trina Witter Russell Hernandez
33 Crystel Davis-Whited
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37 **1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

38 Mayor Barraza led the Pledge of Allegiance.
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40 **2. ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM**

41 **Roll Call.**

42 **Present:** Mayor Barraza, Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Trustee Cadena, Trustee Garcia, Trustee Johnson-Burick
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44 **3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA & APPROVAL**

45 **Motion: To approve agenda, Moved by Trustee Johnson-Burick, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick.**
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47 **Roll Call Vote:** Motion passed (summary: Yes =4).

48 Mayor Pro Tem Merrick Yes

49 Trustee Cadena Yes

50 Trustee Garcia Yes

51 Trustee Johnson-Burick Yes

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2 **4. PUBLIC INPUT – The public is invited to address the Board as allowed by the chair.**

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4 ****Note**** There was no public input.

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6 **5. APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA:** (The Board will be asked to approve by one motion the following
7 items of recurring or routine business. The Consent Agenda is marked with an asterisk *)

- 8 a) ***BOT MINUTES –** Minutes of Work Session, October 23, 2023
9 Minutes of Public Hearing, October 23, 2023
10 Minutes of Regular Meeting, October 23, 2023

11 **Motion: To approve consent agenda, Moved by Trustee Johnson-Burick, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem**
12 **Merrick.**

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14 No discussion

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16 **Roll Call Vote:** Motion passed (summary: Yes =4).

17 Mayor Pro Tem Merrick Yes
18 Trustee Cadena Yes
19 Trustee Garcia Yes
20 Trustee Johnson-Burick Yes

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22 **6. OLD BUSINESS**

- 23 a) Facts and Findings – Resolution 2023-24. A decision from the governing board regarding a
24 decision by the Planning and Zoning Historical Appropriateness Commission (PZHAC), to deny a
25 rezone request. Case number 061679.

26 **Motion: To approve consent agenda, Moved by Trustee Johnson-Burick. There was no second on the**
27 **motion. Case taken off the table for discussion.**

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29 b) **BOARD OF TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS**

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31 Trustee Garcia – nothing to report, meeting on December 6, 2023.

32 Trustee Cadena – no committee report

33 Trustee Johnson-Burick – commented on MPO meeting held on November 8th, 2023. Series of
34 resolutions were approved.

35 Mayor Pro Tem Merrick – Resolutions were done based on what happened the past physical year and
36 reviewing calendar for next year.

37 Presentation by George Pierson, owner of a bike shop that accept
38 donations. Repair bikes for residence have a hard time getting around. Please check
39 them out and if you wish to volunteer, let them know.

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41 **7. BOARD OF TRUSTEE/STAFF COMMENTS**

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43 Marshal Enrique Salas advised of submitting another grant to purchase the remainder needed laptops in the
44 amount of \$16,000.

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46 Trustee Garcia – glad election is over. Thanked everyone for their support. Proud of the 6 years she did.
47 Excited to focus on personal life any business endeavors. Extremely happy with the results of the elections.
48 Projects we started years ago, need to get done.

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50 Trustee Cadena – thanked Trustee Garcia for hard work and role model. Congratulations to Trustee Johnson-
51 Burick. Excited for new mayor starting soon to help see us through some open cases. Requested a forensic
52 audit to assist in balancing budget. Start the new administration with a transparent and a clean slate.

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2 Trustee Johnson-Burick – had talked about infrastructure on October 24th. Rated the board accomplishments
3 a 5 for the past year during the candidate’s forum. Retracted her rating of a 5 because have done a lot in
4 infrastructure. Street blocked in the plaza area by the Marshal for a movie. Didn’t recall receiving any notice
5 of it by email and wondering if she must of missed something,
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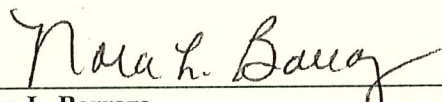
7 Mayor Barraza – I do know Dorothy did send out email regarding the movie being filmed in the plaza and
8 street closure. Veterans day very successful. Thank everyone that helped. Thanksgiving on Wednesday,
9 Dorothy will be giving out Thanksgiving baskets. Thank you all that contributed. Next BOT, appointment of
10 a new judge. Does not understand why there was no second on the motion to approve to resolution during
11 meeting. Forensic Audit, I requested a special audit from the auditors, and they can't start until December
12 15th. Attachment to newsletter includes an approximate number brought in by our team, an additional \$32
13 million dollars. Government budget is different than business budget. Juan is working with Gloria in putting
14 together all the information to present. MOLI training is very important. Commended Trustee Garcia for
15 obtaining certificate. Being on the governing board is not easy. Given up 20 years of my live to the
16 Town of Mesilla. Deal with negative and comments. All we can do is follow the ordinances. Wish the
17 new the mayor the best of luck.
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20 **12. ADJOURNMENT**

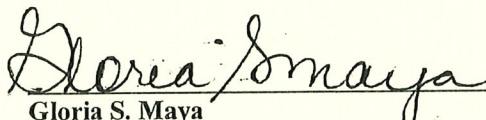
21 **There were no objections and meeting was adjourned.**

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23 **MEETING ADJOURNED AT 6:26 P.M.**

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25 **APPROVED THIS 27th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2023.**
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37 **Nora L. Barraza**
38 **Mayor**

39 **ATTEST:**

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43 **Gloria S. Maya**
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