



**BOARD OF TRUSTEES/PZHAC OF THE TOWN OF MESILLA
WORKSESSION
MESILLA TOWN HALL
2231 AVENIDA DE MESILLA**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10, 2023 5:00 P.M.
MINUTES

TRUSTEES: Nora Barraza, Mayor
Adrianna Merrick, Mayor Pro Tem
Biviana Cadena, Trustee
Veronica Garcia, Trustee
Stephanie Johnson-Burick, Trustee

PZHAC: No commissioners present

STAFF: Edward Salazar, Community Development Coordinator
Gloria Maya, Town Clerk/Recorder

PUBLIC: Jeff McBride Greg Lester
Andrea Bryan Susan Krueger
Trina Witter

Ordinance Worksession

Mayor Barraza: reviewed the Administrative Approvals and PZHAC meeting time change. Read email sent by Ms. Walkinshaw

Mr. Salazar: reviewed Administrative Approval process.

Mayor Barraza: Administrative Approvals will not be action items. Administrative Approvals list provided to PZHAC and BOT for information since the work may have been started and/or completed. Provide the Dona Ana County Assessor's report.

Mr. Salazar: reviewed the process for transparency purposes.

Trustee Johnson-Burick: reviewed concerns with the language used, things being done that do not meet code and the following up.

Mayor Barraza: explained CID procedure.

Mr. Salazar: provide Incode read only access to CODE officer.

Trustee Johnson-Burick: concerned with things falling through the cracks.

Mayor Barraza: permits should be posted.



Town of Mesilla, New Mexico

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES (BOT) OF THE TOWN OF MESILLA
REGULAR MEETING
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STAFF: Rod McGillivray, Public Works Director
Edward Salazar, Community Development Coordinator
Gloria Maya, Town Clerk/Recorder

PUBLIC: Jeff McBride Greg Lester
Andrea Bryan Mary Lucero
Susan Krueger Trina Witter
Teresa Tudury Karina Oberman

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Barraza led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Roll Call.

Present: Mayor Barraza, Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Trustee Cadena, Trustee Garcia, Trustee Johnson-Burick.

Mayor Barraza held a Moment of Silence.

3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA & APPROVAL

Motion: To approve agenda, Moved by Trustee Johnson-Burick, Seconded by Trustee Garcia.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick Yes
Trustee Cadena Yes
Trustee Garcia Yes
Trustee Johnson-Burick Yes

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

Mr. Lester read correspondence.

Ms. Tudury asked that the PZHAC stay at 6:00 p.m.

location. Zone: Historical Commercial (HC), Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Seconded by Trustee Garcia.

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick asked why she is requesting two (2) business licenses at the same location.

Mr. Salazar responded that the space is being shared with another business.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick Yes
Trustee Cadena Yes
Trustee Garcia Yes
Trustee Johnson-Burick Yes

c) **PZHAC BUSINESS LIC #1144** – 1991 Calle de Santiago Spc B, submitted by Brandy Castillo.

Requesting for approval to have a counseling business, Heart & Soul Inc, at this location. Zone: Historical Commercial (HC)

Mayor Barraza asked if Ms. Buras rents a space from Mr. Foster.

Mr. Salazar responded he is not sure.

Motion: To approve PZHAC BUSINESS LIC #1144 – 1991 Calle de Santiago Space B, submitted by Brandy Castillo. Requesting for approval to have a counseling business, Heart & Soul Inc, at this location. Zone: Historical Commercial (HC), Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Seconded by Trustee Garcia.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick Yes
Trustee Cadena Yes
Trustee Garcia Yes
Trustee Johnson-Burick Yes

d) **PZHAC CASE #061708** – 1920 Calle de Pacana, submitted by Frank & Cynthia M. Acosta. They are requesting approval to build a total of 4,298 square feet home on the property of 10,890 square feet. Zone: Historical Residential (HR).

Motion: To approve PZHAC Case #06178 – 1920 Calle de Pacana, submitted by Frank & Cynthia M. Acosta. They are requesting approval to build a total of 4,298 square feet home on the property of 10,890 square feet. Zone: Historical Residential (HR), Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Seconded by Johnson-Burick.

Trustee Johnson-Burick stated a checklist was not provided; 18.33. Items were not checked off on the permit.

Mr. Salazar stated he does have the checklist. Those items should have been checked off.

Trustee Cadena stated Ms. Krueger is knowledgeable when it comes to the Comprehensive Plan. Ensure we do not get into a situation.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick Yes
Trustee Cadena Yes
Trustee Garcia Yes
Trustee Johnson-Burick Yes

Mr. Salazar reviewed the three (3) step process.

Motion: To approve Agreement between the Town of Mesilla and J29 (CES) for the replacement of fire hydrants throughout the Town of Mesilla, Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Seconded by Trustee Garcia.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick Yes
Trustee Cadena Yes
Trustee Garcia Yes
Trustee Johnson-Burick Yes

j) APPROVAL: Resolution 2023-24 PZHAC meeting time change, two (2) month trial period
Motion: To approve Resolution 2023-24 PZHAC meeting time change, two (2) month trial period, Moved by Trustee Johnson-Burick, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick.

Trustee Johnson-Burick stated she was open to the trial period but has since taken public input into consideration.

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick stated Mr. Salazar does not receive monetary compensation. He must use his comp time which causes more backlog. The trial period may help resolve some of the issues.

Trustee Cadena stated the meetings should remain at 6:00 p.m.

Trustee Garcia stated Mr. Salazar expressed his reasons; residents have expressed their reasons.

Roll Call Vote: Motion denied (summary: Yes =1, No=3).

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick Yes for a trial period. There is a lot of work to get done.
Trustee Cadena No for the sake of consistency for the BOT and PZHAC
Trustee Garcia No for consistency for both the BOT and PZHAC
Trustee Johnson-Burick No due to promoting transparency, encourage the members to participate in their community.

k) APPROVAL: MOU Law Enforcement Recruitment Fund
SRO Madison gave a presentation on the Law Enforcement Recruitment Fund.

Motion: To approve MOU Law Enforcement Recruitment Fund, Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Seconded by Trustee Garcia.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick Yes
Trustee Cadena Yes
Trustee Garcia Yes
Trustee Johnson-Burick Yes

l) APPROVAL: MOU SRO Service Agreement between the Town of Mesilla and Las Cruces Public Schools.

Motion: To approve MOU SRO Service Agreement between the Town of Mesilla and Las Cruces Public Schools, Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Seconded by Trustee Garcia.

Mayor Barraza stated there was support for SROs in the schools. LCPS approved funding for one (1) officer.

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

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick Yes
Trustee Cadena Yes
Trustee Garcia Yes

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SIGN UP SHEET
OCTOBER 10, 2023**

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Trina Witter	Mesilla
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Teresa JUDURY	Mesilla
Karna Quinlan	mesilla