



THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES (BOT) OF THE TOWN OF MESILLA

**WORKSESSION AT THE MESILLA TOWN HALL,
2231 AVENIDA DE MESILLA**

MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025 – 5:00 P.M.

WORKSESSION MINUTES

TRUSTEES: Russell Hernandez, Mayor
Adrianna Merrick, Mayor Pro Tem
Biviana Cadena, Trustee
Stephanie Johnson-Burick, Trustee
Gerard Nevarez, Trustee

STAFF: Liana Aguirre, Historic Preservation Specialist
Lorenzo Astorga, Public Works Director
Edward Salazar, Econ & Com Development Director
Dorothy Sellers, Special Event Coordinator
Gloria S Maya, Town Clerk/Recorder

PUBLIC: Andrea Bryan Greg Lester
Mary H Ratje

1. NMCO: Visitors Center Conceptual Ideas & Feedback

NMCO gave a presentation on the proposed ideas for the Visitor's Center

Trustees commented.

2. Presentation & Feedback: Website re-build

Mayor Hernandez gave a presentation on the Website re-build.

3. Signage Update & Feedback: Commemorative Park & Parque de Cura

Mayor Hernandez gave a presentation on the Signage for Commemorative Park and Parque de Cura.

Trustees commented.

4. Community Garden @ Community Center Conceptual Design

Mayor Hernandez gave a presentation on Community Garden design.

Worksession ended at 6:00 p.m.

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES (BOT) OF THE TOWN OF MESILLA
REGULAR MEETING AT THE MESILLA TOWN HALL,
2231 AVENIDA DE MESILLA
MONDAY, MARCH 24, 2025 – Immediately Following
Worksession

TRUSTEES: Russell Hernandez, Mayor
Adrianna Merrick, Mayor Pro Tem
Biviana Cadena, Trustee
Stephanie Johnson-Burick, Trustee
Gerard Nevarez, Trustee

STAFF: Lorenzo Astorga, Public Works Director
Cole Morris, Fire Captain
Edward Salazar, Econ & Com Development Director
Greg Whited, Fire Chief
Gloria S Maya, Town Clerk/Recorder

PUBLIC:	Andrea Bryan	Greg Lester
	Mary H Ratje	Dasa
	Enrique Vigil	Anton Magallanez
	Tina Bellew	Susan Krueger
	Mary F Lucero	Tom Hutchinson
	Edith W	Crystal Whited
	Trina Witter	Morgan Switzer

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Hernandez led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. ROLL CALL & DETERMINATION OF A QUORUM

Roll Call.

Present: Mayor Hernandez, Trustee Johnson-Burick, Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Trustee Nevarez

3. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA & APPROVAL

Motion: To approve agenda, Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Seconded by Trustee Nevarez.

Motion passed unanimously

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

Mayor Hernandez stated the 2025 Requests and Applications list will be included with the approved minutes.

- a) ***BOT MINUTES** – March 10, 2025 Meeting & March 14, 2025 Special Meeting *Approved by consent agenda*
- b) ***PURCHASE ORDER** – Code 3 Service – Marshal Department Equipment \$53,491.77. *Approved by consent agenda*
- c) ***PURCHASE ORDER** – Nova Builders – Plaza Planter Renovation \$6,152.58. *Approved by consent agenda*

Motion: To approve consent agenda as amended, Moved by Trustee Nevarez, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick.

Motion Roll Call Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes-4)

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

5. PRESENTATION:

a) PRESENTATION: Gadsden Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution

Gadsden Chapter of the Sons of the American Revolution presented a challenge coin to the Board of Trustees.

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

Ms. Krueger commented

Ms. Ratje commented

Mr. Magallanez commented

7. ACTION AND CONSIDERATION

NEW BUSINESS

a) APPROVAL: PZHAC CASE #061956 – 2750 Old Farm Road, submitted by Enrique & Melanie Vigil. Requesting approval to subdivide their recently rezoned property from 3-acres to 3 individual 1-acre parcels. ZONE: Single-Family Residential (R).

Mr. Salazar gave an overview of Case #061956.

Motion: To approve PZHAC Case #061956 – 2750 Old Farm Road, submitted by Enrique & Melanie Vigil. Requesting approval to subdivide their recently rezoned property from 3-acres to 3 individual 1-acre parcels. ZONE: Single-Family Residential (R), Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Seconded by Trustee Nevarez.

Trustee Johnson-Burick commented

Trustee Nevarez commented

Motion Roll Call Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes-3; No-1)

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick	Yes
Trustee Cadena	Yes
Trustee Johnson-Burick	No
Trustee Nevarez	Yes

b) APPROVAL: PZHAC CASE #061964 with Condition – 2310 Avenida de Mesilla, submitted by Morgan Switzer. Requesting approval to put up pergolas. ZONE: Historic Commercial (H)(C).

Mr. Salazar gave an overview of Case #061964.

Motion: To approve PZHAC Case #061964 with condition – 2310 Avenida de Mesilla, submitted by Morgan Switzer. Requesting approval to put up pergolas. ZONE: Historic Commercial (H)(C), Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Seconded by Trustee Nevarez.

Trustee Johnson-Burick commented

Motion Roll Call Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes-4)

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick	Yes
Trustee Cadena	Yes

Trustee Johnson-Burick Yes
Trustee Nevarez Yes

- c) **APPROVAL: PZHAC CASE #061965 with Condition** – 2410 Calle de San Albino, submitted by Tom Hutchinson (MCBE Partners LTD). Requesting approval to construct entry/exit sites between La Posta and La Posta parking lot. ZONE: Historical Commercial (H)(C).

Mr. Salazar gave an overview of Case #061965.

Motion: To approve PZHAC Case #061964 with condition - 2410 Calle de San Albino, submitted by Tom Hutchinson (MCBE Partners LTD). Requesting approval to construct entry/exit sites between La Posta and La Posta parking lot. ZONE: Historical Commercial (H)(C), Moved by Trustee Nevarez, Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick.

Trustee Johnson-Burick commented

Trustee Nevarez commented

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick commented

Mr. Hutchinson commented

Motion Roll Call Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes-3; No-1)

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick Yes
Trustee Cadena Yes
Trustee Johnson-Burick No
Trustee Nevarez Yes

- d) **APPROVAL: RESOLUTION 2025-23 – 2026 TPF APPLICATION WITH MATCH WAIVER REQUEST - PAISANO RD RECONSTRUCTION**

Mayor Hernandez gave an overview of Resolution 2025-23.

Motion: To approve Resolution 2025-23 – 2026 TPF Application with match waiver request – Paisano Rd Reconstruction, Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Seconded by Trustee Cadena.

Motion Roll Call Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes-4)

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

- e) **APPROVAL: RESOLUTION 2025-24 – 2026 TPF APPLICATION WITH MATCH WAIVER REQUEST – CALLE DEL SUR PLANNING/DESIGN FOR WIDENING & IMPROVEMENTS**

Mayor Hernandez gave an overview of Resolution 2025-24.

Motion: To approve Resolution 2025-24 – 2026 TPF Application with match waiver request – Calle de Sur Planning/Design, Moved by Mayor Pro Tem Merrick, Seconded by Trustee Cadena.

Motion Roll Call Vote: Motion passed (summary: Yes-4)

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

8. PUBLIC INPUT – The public is invited to address the Board as allowed by the chair.
Ms. Lucero commented

Ms. Bausova commented

Ms. Witter commented

9. BOARD OF TRUSTEE COMMITTEE REPORTS & LIASION UPDATES
Trustee Johnson-Burick: MPO meeting 03.12.2025; meeting with Fire Department and Marshal Department
Trustee Cadena: Friends of the Taylor Historic Site Board meeting 03.12.2025
Trustee Nevarez: Meeting with Econ/Development Staff
Mayor Pro Tem Merrick: MPO meeting 03.12.2025, next MPO meeting 04.04.2025 1:30 p.m.; SCCOG 03.28.2025

10. BOARD OF TRUSTEE/STAFF COMMENTS
a) *Ongoing Projects Listing*
b) *Calendar of Events*
Fire Chief Whited gave a department (Fire) update.

Mr. Astorga gave a department (Public Works) update.

Mr. Salazar gave a department (Econ/Com) update.

Ms. Maya gave a department (Finance) update.

Mayor Pro Tem Merrick commented

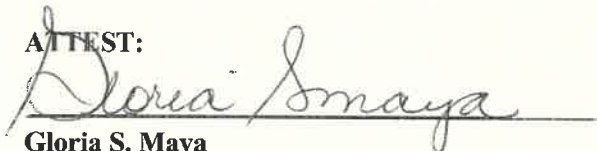
Mayor Hernandez commented

11. ADJOURNMENT
The Town of Mesilla Trustees unanimously agreed to adjourn the meeting. (Summary: Yes-4).

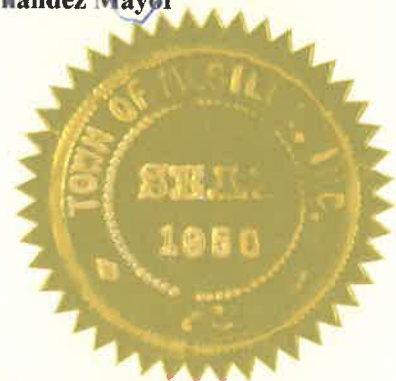
MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:30 P.M.

APPROVED THIS 14th DAY OF APRIL, 2025.

ATTEST:


Gloria S. Maya
Town Clerk/Treasurer


Russell Hernandez Mayor



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