



City of Rio Communities Council Regular Business Meeting

City Council Chambers - 360 Rio Communities Blvd

Rio Communities, NM 87002

Monday, November 10, 2025, 6:00 PM

Minutes

Please silence all electronic devices.

Mayor - Joshua Ramsell

Mayor Pro Tem - Lawrence R. Gordon

Council - Arthur Apodaca, Thomas Nelson, Matthew Marquez

Call to Order

Mayor Ramsell called the meeting to order at 6:03pm

Pledge of Allegiance

Councilor Marquez led the pledge of allegiance.

Roll Call

Governing Body

Mayor Joshua Ramsell

Councilor Matthew Marquez

Councilor Lawrence Gordon

Councilor Thomas Nelson

Councilor Arthur Apodaca

Staff

Manager Dr. Martin Moore

Randy Van Vleck

Approval of Agenda

Motion made by Councilor Gordon to approve agenda. Seconded by Councilor Apodaca.

Voting Yea:

Councilor Gordon

Councilor Apodaca

Councilor Nelson

Councilor Marquez

Motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Consent Agenda

Approval of Minutes August 11, 2025, Regular Business Meeting, August 25, 2025, Regular Business Meeting,

Councilor Nelson stated that we should table the approval of the minutes as they are too vague and do not have enough information.

Motion made by Councilor Nelson to table Minutes August 11, 2025, Regular Business Meeting, August 25, 2025, Regular Business Meeting, Seconded by Councilor Marquez

Approval of Accounts Payable

Motion made by Councilor Apodaca to approve Accounts payables. Seconded by Councilor Nelson

Voting Yea:

Councilor Gordon
Councilor Apodaca
Councilor Nelson
Councilor Marquez

Motion passed with a 4-0 vote

Motion made by Councilor Nelson to table Minutes August 11, 2025, Regular Business Meeting, August 25, 2025, Regular Business Meeting, Seconded by Councilor Marquez

Voting Yea:

Councilor Gordon
Councilor Apodaca
Councilor Nelson
Councilor Marquez

Motion passed with a 4-0 vote

Manager Report:

Founders Way Ribbon Cutting.

Goodman Avenue Construction update.

Don Diego Pre-Construction Meeting with Residents.

Neighborhood Safety Improvements Along Western Drive and Horizon Vista.

Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Approval of Partial, Limited Vacation Leave Pay out.

Motion made by Councilor Gordon to approve Partial, Limited Vacation Leave Pay out up to 100 hours. Seconded by Councilor Apodaca

Voting Yea:

Councilor Gordon
Councilor Apodaca
Councilor Nelson
Councilor Marquez

Motion passed with a 4-0 vote

Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Approval of Resolution 2025-29 For Additional Revenue, Council Authorization, Grants, Public Safety Retention and Recruitment, Leave Compensation, and Business Cost Adjustments.

Motion made by Councilor Apodaca to approve Resolution 2025-29 For Additional Revenue, Council Authorization, Grants, Public Safety Retention and Recruitment, Leave Compensation, and Business Cost Adjustments. Seconded by Councilor Nelson

Voting Yea:

Councilor Gordon
Councilor Apodaca
Councilor Nelson
Councilor Marquez

Motion passed with a 4-0 vote

Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Approval to Cancel November 24,2025 Regular Business Meeting.

Motion made by Councilor Nelson to approve to cancel November 24,2025 Regular Business Meeting. Seconded by Councilor Marquez

Voting Yea:

Councilor Gordon
Councilor Apodaca
Councilor Nelson
Councilor Marquez

Motion passed with a 4-0 vote

Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Approve RESOLUTION 2025-30 TO AGREE ON FIRST AMENDEMENT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT TRANSPORTATION PROJECT FUND

Motion made by Councilor Marquez to Approve RESOLUTION 2025-30 TO AGREE ON FIRST AMENDEMENT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT TRANSPORTATION PROJECT FUND. Seconded by Councilor Gordon.

Voting Yea:

Councilor Gordon
Councilor Apodaca
Councilor Nelson
Councilor Marquez

Motion passed with a 4-0 vote

Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Approval of Legislative Capital Outlay Request Priorities

Motion made by Councilor Gordon to approve Legislative Capital Outlay Request Priorities.

Seconded by Councilor Marquez

Voting Yea:

Councilor Gordon
Councilor Apodaca
Councilor Nelson
Councilor Marquez

Motion passed with a 4-0 vote

Executive Session- Pursuant to NMSA 1978 §10-15-1 (I)(2) and NMSA 1978 §10-15-1. (H)(2) Limited Personnel Matters, for the Purpose of Evaluating Candidates for the Position of Chief of Police; and Pursuant to §10-15-1(H)(7) and subject to attorney-client privilege, for the limited purpose of discussing threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant. No Action will be Taken.

Motion with a roll call to go into a closed session made by Councilor Nelson. Seconded by Councilor Gordon

Voting Yea:

Councilor Nelson
Councilor Marquez
Councilor Apodaca
Councilor Gordon

Motion passed with a 4-0 vote at 7:22pm

Motion with a roll call to go back into Regular business meeting session made by Councilor Marquez. Seconded by Councilor Gordon.

Voting Yea:

Councilor Nelson
Councilor Marquez
Councilor Apodaca
Councilor Gordon

Motion passed with a 4-0 vote at pm

Statement from the Mayor

Mayor Ramsell Stated that on Monday November 10, 2025, City of Rio Communities City Council did hold an executive session Pursuant to NMSA 1978 §10-15-1 (I)(2) and NMSA 1978 §10-15-1. (H)(2) Limited Personnel Matters, for the Purpose of Evaluating Candidates for the Position of Chief of Police; and Pursuant to §10-15-1(H)(7) and subject to attorney-client privilege, for the limited purpose of discussing threatened or pending litigation in which the public body is or may become a participant no action was taken at this time and no other items were discussed at this time.

Motion made by Councilor Gordon to approve the statement by the mayor. Seconded by Councilor Marquez.

Voting Yea:
Councilor Gordon
Councilor Apodaca
Councilor Nelson
Councilor Marquez

Motion passed with a 4-0 vote.

Motion made by Councilor Nelson to Adjourn. Seconded by councilor Gordon Motion carried out at 7:57pm.

Respectfully submitted,



Dr. Martin Moore (acting as Municipal clerk)
(Taken and Transcribed by Patricia McCloskey)

Date: 11/6/2024

Approved:



Joshua Ramsell,
Mayor



Lawrence R. Gordon,
Mayor Pro-tem/Councilor



Arthur Apodaca,
Councilor

Thomas Nelson,
Councilor

Matthew Marquez,
Councilor