



City of Rio Communities Council Special Business Meeting

City Council Chambers - 360 Rio Communities Blvd

Rio Communities, NM 87002

Monday, December 01, 2025 6:00 PM

Agenda

Please silence all electronic devices.

Mayor - Joshua Ramsell

Mayor Pro Tem - Lawrence R. Gordon

Council - Arthur Apodaca, Thomas Nelson, Matthew Marquez

Call to Order

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

Approval of Agenda

Action Items

1. Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Approval of Resolution 2025-31 Certification for Appropriation Number 24-ZI5036-44-2 (Firefighter Recruitment) in the Amount of \$431,250.00
2. Discussion, Consideration, and Decision – Date, Time, and Location for Bypass Road (Founders Way) Ribbon Cutting

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 Candidate Review for the Position of Chief of Police; For the purpose of discussion of the purchase, addition or disposal of real property or water rights by the public body pursuant to NMSA 10-15-1(H)(8) No Action will be Taken at this Meeting.

- * Motion and roll call vote to go into closed session
- * Motion and roll call vote to go back into the special business meeting session
- * Welcome everyone back and statement by the Mayor:

Adjourn

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<https://www.facebook.com/riocommunities>

NOTE: THIS AGENDA IS SUBJECT TO REVISION UP TO 72 HOURS PRIOR TO THE SCHEDULED MEETING DATE AND TIME (NMSA 10-15-1 F). A COPY OF THE AGENDA MAY BE PICKED UP AT CITY HALL, 360 RIO COMMUNITIES BLVD, RIO COMMUNITIES, NM 87002. IF YOU ARE AN INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY WHO IS IN NEED OF A READER, AMPLIFIER, QUALIFIED SIGN LANGUAGE INTERPRETER OR ANY OTHER FORM OF AUXILIARY AND OR SERVICE TO ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN THE MEETING, PLEASE CONTACT THE MUNICIPAL CLERK AT 505-861-6803 AT LEAST ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE MEETING OR AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
CITY OF RIO COMMUNITIES
RESOLUTION 2025 -31

Participation in the Firefighter Recruitment Fund (FFRF) administered by the New Mexico
Department of Finance & Administration

WHEREAS, the City of Rio Communities and the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration have entered into a grant agreement under the Firefighter Recruitment Fund (FFRF) approved in the 2025 Legislative Session.

WHEREAS, the total grant allocation is **\$806,250.00** to be proportioned to the City of Rio Communities as follows:

Year One (1): \$375,000.00 disbursement (100%) FY25

Year Two (2): \$281,250.00 disbursement (75%) FY26

Year Two (2): \$150,000.00 additional disbursement FY26

WHEREAS, the allocated funds will only be used to perform activities described in the allocation, and the City of Rio Communities will follow allocation reporting procedures.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Rio Communities hereby agrees and approves entering into the agreement for the appropriation number 24-ZI5036-44-2.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED this 1st day of December 2025.

City of Rio Communities Governing Body

Joshua Ramsell,
Mayor

Arthur Apodaca,
Councilor

Lawrence R. Gordon,
Councilor

Matthew Marquez,
Councilor

Thomas Nelson,
Councilor

ATTEST:

Martin Moore, Municipal Clerk

CITY OF RIO COMMUNITIES
RESOLUTION 2025 -31

REIMBURSING AGENCY: Department of Finance and Administration

Business Unit: 341

RECIPIENT:

City of Rio Communities

<u>APPROPRIATION NUMBER:</u>	<u>ALLOCATION AMOUNT:</u>	<u>REVERSION DATE:</u>
24-ZI5036-44-2	\$ 806,250.00	June 30, 2026

ALLOCATION PURPOSE

Eight hundred and six thousand, two hundred and fifty dollars and zero cents will be distributed over two years in accordance with the provisions of HB2 to hire full-time firefighter and emergency medical technician positions. The second-year allocation includes an additional \$150,000 in funding and will be disbursed in fiscal year 2026 following the receipt of a fully executed grant agreement.

ALLOCATION DISBURSEMENT

The remaining allocation amount, after receiving the first-year 100% allocation in fiscal year 2025, will be disbursed as follows: the second-year allocated funds will be disbursed at 75% up to \$431,250 in fiscal year 2026, which includes the additional \$150,000 in funding. The Allocation Recipient will submit to the Department of Finance & Administration this signed document. Disbursements of funds will be made within 15 business days of receipt of the signed agreement.

Funds for the second disbursement must be expended by June 30, 2026. Any amount not expended in each of the two years will be returned to the State of New Mexico, Department of Finance and Administration in the year that it is scheduled for reversion. All expenditure must occur prior to the reversion date.

The Allocation Recipient agrees to submit quarterly reports using Exhibit A, Firefighter/EMT Recruitment Report, providing updates on the hiring of positions.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that **City of Rio Communities**

1. Will only use the allocated funds to carry out and/or perform activities described in allocation language.
2. ~~Will~~ follow the procedure described in "Allocation Reporting" of allocated funds.

Andrew W Tabet, Fire Chief

Local Fire Department Agency

11/25/2025

Date

Authorized Local Governing Body Authority

Date

APPROVAL

In accordance with the authority conferred on the Department of Finance & Administration by the statute appropriating these funds, I hereby approve this certification for appropriation number 24 ZI5036-44-2 in the amount of \$431,250.

Cecilia Mavrommatis
Director, Local Government Division

Date