

Camino Real Regional Utility Authority
City of Sunland Park/Dona Ana County Joint Utility Authority
Gadsden Independent School District- Board Room
4950 McNutt Rd, Sunland Park, New Mexico 88063
Monday, June 10, 2019
5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

A Regular Meeting of the Camino Real Regional Utility Authority was held on Monday, June 10, 2019 at 5:31 p.m. at the Gadsden Independent School District-Board Room at 4950 McNutt Road in Sunland Park, New Mexico 88063.

PRESENT

Vice-Chair Commissioner Isabella Solis
Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez
Mr. Joshua Orozco
Mr. Alex Sierra
Councilor Olga Nunez (arrived at 5:39 pm)

ABSENT

Chair Mayor Javier Perea
Mr. Gerardo Ibarra

ALSO PRESENT

Mr. Brent Westmoreland, CRRUA Executive Director
Ms. Liliana Arevalo, CRRUA Office Manager
Mr. Eric Lopez, Bridel Facility Ops
Ms. Brenda Realivasquez, CRRUA Utility Service Clerk
Mr. Ernie Carranza, CRRUA Water Lead
Ms. Irma L. Rangel Olano
Mr. Luis M. Olano
Mr. Gerald Smola
Ms. Maricela Villanueva
Mr. Ramon Trejo
Ms. Debbie Pretzel
Ms. Kathy Johnson
Mr. Bob Underhill, CRRUA
Ms. Louise Marquez, COSP
Mr. Entephama Cazale, COSP
Mr. Jaime Castro, COSP
Ms. Maribel Lopez, CRRUA
Ms. Janine Divyak, DAC
Mr. Luis Marmolejo, DAC

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Commissioner Isabella Solis called the meeting to order at 5:31 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mr. Joshua Orozco led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL

Ms. Brenda Realivasquez, CRRUA Utility Service Clerk called roll call. A quorum was present.

4. CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

Mr. Brent Westmoreland proposed to move Item 10C to 8 to hear the appeal on the zoning issue so the applicant won't have to wait for the other presentation on the agenda.

5. APPROVE MINUTES

A. May 13, 2019

Mr. Joshua Orozco moved to approve the minutes for May 13, 2019; Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez seconded the motion. The motion carried a 5-0 vote.

Vice-Chair Commissioner Isabella Solis	yes
Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez	yes
Mr. Joshua Orozco	yes
Mr. Alex Sierra	yes
Ms. Olga Nunez	yes

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS: Limited to 3 minutes per person.

None

7. STAFF COMMENTS

Mr. Brent Westmoreland, CRRUA Executive Director informed the board members that CRRUA has a full staff roster in the office now; customers will be handled more efficiently. You will see later in the agenda an item for approval for a third clerk to the roster finally fully staffed.

8. BOARD COMMENTS

Vice-Chair Commissioner Isabella Solis stated she is happy to hear the news, it has been a process that CRRUA is now fully staffed. It will take time to get up to par with the customer service and requested that the Public give us time to be able to respond to the Public the way we are supposed to, she appreciates that. Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez the Constituents are very proud of what Brent has been doing and he has come a long way in regards to that.

(ITEM 10C) CRRUA Board convenes as the Board of Appeals, will consider Appeal Case # CAP19-001: Submitted by Geronimo Cortez, an Appeal of decision by the Camino Real Regional Authority Planning and Zoning Commission denying a Variance request to the front and rear yard setbacks in order to build a 2,726 sq. ft. home. The applicant is proposing a 10' front yard setback where a 20' setback is required and a 5' rear yard setback where a 20' setback is required. The 0.16-acre lot is located on Lot 16, Block 5 of the Desert Shadow Subdivision, in Santa Teresa, NM, and is within Township 28 South, Range 3 East, and Section 17, as recorded on September 28, 2000, under Instrument # 21002, in the Doña Ana County Clerk's office. It can be further identified by Parcel # R1716436.

Mr. Luis Marmolejo provided the home owners proposed blue prints to build that does not allow the 20' setback required. The proposed plan could possibly cause safety problems because it is a corner lot.

Mr. Joshua Orozco requested further explanation on the location of the site, the proposed lay out of the plan to build would cause a safety issue for traffic. Mr. Luis Marmolejo responded the set backs are determined to give vehicles the chance to see on-coming traffic. Mr. Joshua Orozco stated he wanted to clarify the setbacks are designed because we wanted it to look a certain way or because it is a specific safety issue. Mr. Joshua Orozco confirmed that the proposed blue prints have been reviewed by the Flood Commission and Planning and Zoning Commission and have been denied and now this why it has come before the Board of Commissioners as appeal. Questions on this issue should be forwarded to Mr. Brent Westmoreland.

Mr. Joshua Orozco proposed Item 10C be postponed and scheduled for next month's Board meeting; Monday, July 08, 2019, Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez second the motion.

Vice-Chair Commissioner Isabella Solis	yes
Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez	yes
Mr. Alex Sierra	yes
Mr. Joshua Orozco	yes
Councilor Olga Nunez	yes

9. PRESENTATIONS & REPORTS

A. MONTHLY REPORTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. BRIDEL FACILITY MONTHLY REPORT FOR APRIL AND MAY 2019.

Mr. Eric Lopez, SCSWA presented to the board members the April 2019 and May 2019 Bridel Facility operations monthly reports of the CRRUA water and wastewater system.

B. SPECIAL REPORTS OR PRESENTATIONS

1. DONA ANA COUNTY UDC/CHAPTER 250 PRESENTATION

Mr. Luis Marmolejo presented an overview of the DAC UDC/Chapter 350, Chapter 250 Land Use Zoning and Chapter 300 Subdivision of Land Santa Teresa Village One Zoning Ordinance. Mr. Luis Marmolejo stated that Chapter 350 absorb a lot of Chapter 250 zoning requirements. There were a total of 26 amendments in the 1st round after adoption of the significant amendments as well as UDC Chapter 350 consideration of 2nd round of amendments.

Vice-Chair Isabella Solis requested a copy of the Mr. Marmolejo' presentation because she noticed people were taking photos of the screen shots. He will forward to Mr. Brent Westmoreland.

2. CITY OF SUNLAND PARK LAND USE ORDINANCE PRESENTATION

Ms. Louise Marquez, COSP June 28, 2018 of last year the Sunland Park 2040 Comprehensive Plan was approved reaching out to the community for comments. This year Subdivision Ordinance was also approved by City Council on April 2, 2019. Visuals were added to make it easier to see the flow charts and run with that and developed fee schedules. Ms. Louise Marquez stated COSP is presently working on the Zoning Ordinance, which takes an enormous amount of time. City of Sunland Park is working very hard to provide the person that has never dealt with this, clear vision of what they are up against. COSP has established a good working relationship with Dona Ana County and Ms. Louise Marquez is very proud of that. Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez asked if COSP reached out to other Municipalities on the Subdivision Ordinances to look at when they adopted. Ms. Louise Marquez sent them out to multiple agencies.

3. BOB HEARN, ETZC CRRUA CHAIRMAN PRESENTATION

CRRUA is the Land Use Manager for this area, the future economic hub of this part of the world. CRRUA's land use tasks consist of subdividing land, zoning, planning and platting. CRRUA Utilities part is supported and doing well and is now using the County Chapter 250. The Development and Planning is not a new idea, it has been discussed and agreed on and there have been starts with NMDOT Strategic Plan, Sunland Park Master Plan, discussions in P&Z meetings and Developers' own planning. The right group of stakeholders together, get the community's opinion and help get the job done. Mr. Joshua Orozco, Vice-Chair Commissioner Isabella Solis and Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez agreed it was a good presentation.

10. ACTION ITEMS

A. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON THE APPOINTMENT OF THE BOARD MEMBER AT LARGE POSITION ON THE CAMINO REAL REGIONAL UTILITY AUTHORITY BOARD

Mr. Joshua Orozco addressed Vice-Chair Isabella Solis requesting to excuse himself from the Board and sit in the audience for this item. Vice-Chair Isabella Solis agreed. Mr. Brent Westmoreland informed the Board that Mr. Joshua Orozco term currently runs through June 30, 2019 at that time there will be a vacant position. There are two applications submitted; Mr. Joshua Orozco and Mr. Mauricio Acosta and asking each of them to address the Board. Vice-Chair Isabella Solis asked if Mr. Joshua Orozco would be able to vote; Mr. Brent Westmoreland stated no. Vice-Chair Isabella Solis stated there are four Board members that will provide a vote; Mr. Brent Westmoreland explained the item would require a majority vote and if that is accomplished the item would be before them again. Mr. Joshua Orozco stated he wondered a lot about reapplying not because he does not enjoy his position, not because he does not enjoy giving to the community and not because he does not provide good input sitting on the Board but because he values fresh blood and thinks that is healthy for Boards. There is a lot of value in having someone on the Board that has been on the Board for a while. Water/waste water utilities is very complicated and has a steep learning curve that he can provide input and has been in this region

since 2001 and has become his passion; the growth of the area. Building a community that people want to live in, he has passion to see the area grow. Mr. Mel Acosta stated born in El Paso, TX, long-time resident of Dona Ana County, reared in Chamberino, NM went to Gadsden High school with Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez, graduated with a Bachelors of Arts, served with the Planning Commission for 22 years and the 15 years with ETZ Board in Las Cruces for 15 years and now a potential candidate to serve on this Board; yes he is responsible for UDC as the Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission for Dona Ana County. He has wondered how is it that they are going to develop the Southern Border everything goes to Albuquerque and Santa Fe and here were are still stuck. Border Trade and Infrastructure how are going to fund it. UDC ideas must be massaged and maybe we can come to an agreement with the community. This area needs to be developed in comparison to Santa Fe.

Vice-Chair Commissioner Isabella Solis advised Board members submit their vote in writing.

Mr. Brent Westmoreland announced it is a tie vote, 2 to 2 and it item will go before the Board on Monday, July 8, 2019.

B. APPROVE ADDITIONAL UTILITY SERVICE CLERK POSITION TO CRRUA ROSTER

Mr. Brent Westmoreland stated an additional Utility Service Clerk position is necessary. The utility is growing rapidly in the last three and a half years; there has been additional 800 connections with a fiscal impact of \$27,000.

Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez moved to approve; Mr. Joshua Orozco seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0 vote.

Vice-Chair Commissioner Isabella Solis	yes
Councilor Olga Nunez	yes
Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez	yes
Mr. Joshua Orozco	yes
Mr. Alex Sierra	yes

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Item moved after Item 8 Board Comments.

D. REQUEST CRRUA BOARD APPROVAL TO PAY TRIPLE J EXCAVATION OUTSTANDING INVOICES.

Mr. Brent Westmoreland Triple J Excavation has numerous invoices that go back as far as last calendar year, were operating with a contract with the County and CRRUA, and primarily would like to pay with this year's budget 2019 budget. There is a letter attached to each one.

Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez how long has this company been working with CRRUA.

Mr. Brent Westmoreland responded 3 plus 4 years.

Mr. Joshua Orozco asked why they are getting so many invoices at the very end.

Mr. Brent Westmoreland responded some of the invoices are due to Triple J staff not staying on top of keeping the invoicing timely and for his and Ms. Liliana Arevalo sake would like to pay them with this fiscal year's budget where they were budgeted.

Mr. Joshua Orozco moved to approve; Mr. Alex Sierra seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0 vote.

Vice-Chair Commissioner Isabella Solis	yes
Councilor Olga Nunez	yes
Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez	yes
Mr. Joshua Orozco	yes
Mr. Alex Sierra	yes

E. REQUEST CRRUA BOARD APPROVAL TO PAY CONSTRUCTORS INC OUTSTANDING INVOICE.

Mr. Brent Westmoreland presented limited to Constructors Inc. for the project that they are constructing along McNutt Road toward the State of New Mexico. Conflicts came up being defined as construction that needs to be moved. Constructors Inc. is the state's contractor and CRRUA sought prices from our own contractors as well as scheduling. It was a schedule concern and pricing concern. The State was at a point that if these were not addressed timely, it could potentially hold up the project and the State Highway Department would seek some relief from CRRUA so we took it upon ourselves to engage this contractor to meet the schedule to be covered by this fiscal year.

Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez moved to approve; Mr. Joshua Orozco seconded the motion. The motion carried 5-0 vote.

Vice-Chair Commissioner Isabella Solis	yes
Councilor Olga Nunez	yes
Commissioner Ramon Gonzalez	yes
Mr. Joshua Orozco	yes
Mr. Alex Sierra	yes

11. ADJOURNMENT

Vice-Chair Commissioner Isabella Solis moved to adjourn the Camino Real Regional Utility Authority Meeting.

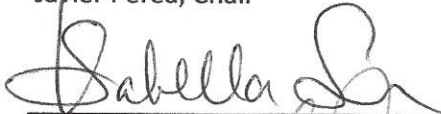
The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED on this 22nd day of July, 2019.

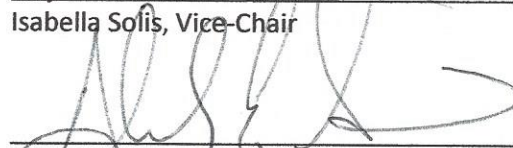
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Absent

Javier Perea, Chair



Isabella Solis, Vice-Chair



Alex Sierra Delegate of State Senator Joseph Cervantes,
Board Member

Joshua Orozco, Board Member



Ramon Gonzalez, Board Member


Absent

Gerardo Ibarra Delegate of State Representative Ray Lara,
Board Member



Olga Munoz, Board Member

ATTEST:


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