

**REGULAR MEETING
Taos Town Council
Town Council Chambers
120 Civic Plaza Drive
Taos, New Mexico**

**February 19, 2008
6:30 p.m.**

AGENDA

- 1. CALL TO ORDER BY THE HONORABLE MAYOR BOBBY F. DURAN**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- 4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- 5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**
 - A. Staff Briefing/Special Workshop Meeting**
(No minutes for the January 2 Council Briefing Meeting due to no quorum)
January 8, 2008
 - B. Regular Meeting**
January 29 2007
 - C. Special Meetings**
January 16, 2008
January 22, 2008 (State of the Town)
- 6. AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS**
 - A. Employee Appointments, Brenda Cordova Human Resources Director**
NEW EMPLOYEE:
Janice Martinez
Transportation Department
Transit Assistant
Full Time
1/25/2008

George Garcia
Taos Family Youth Center
Lifeguard I
Full Time
1/14/2008
 - B. Recognition of ABH3 Reuben James Martinez**
 - C. Recognition of Hannah Jensen and Dakota Swinehart for their outstanding performances in the NFL Pepsi Punt, Pass & Kick Competitions.**
- 7. CITIZENS FORUM**

The items in the Consent Agenda below have been reviewed and discussed in detail by the Mayor and Council at their Monthly Workshop Meeting on February 12, 2008. By consensus the Governing Body agrees to place these items on the Consent Agenda for the purpose of voting on all items with one vote.

8. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Tina Torres, Purchasing Agent

Recommendation to award RFP 07-08-7 Architectural Services for Taos Public Library and authorization for the Mayor or Town Manager to negotiate and enter into a contract with Hidell and Associates Architects. *(With George Jaramillo, Library Director)*

B. Daron Syling, Chief of Police

Consideration and action to approve the revised Town of Taos Orientation Policy and Procedures manual for the Police Department pursuant to changes to meet accreditation standards.

C. Francella Garcia, Grants Administrator

Approval and authorization of amendment No. 1 to contract TT-94-301 with Souder Miller and Associates to provide professional engineering and consulting services to complete upgrades to the Municipal Water System. Amend contract to extend term from December 31, 2007 to December 31, 2009 and to revise scope of work to include budget adjustments to phase work. Total contract amount not to exceed \$597,522.81 exclusive of GRT.

D. Marietta Fambro, Finance Director

Approval of Resolution No. 08-06 Mid-Year Budget Adjustment Request – Various Department/Fund

E. Cathy Connelly, Acting Assistant Town Manager

1. Promote Fair Trade status and establish a Fair Trade Steering Committee.
2. Approval of Resolution 08-07 superseding Resolution 07-98 – Fair Trade Resolution.

F. Renee Lucero, Town Clerk

1. Consideration and approval of a Special Dispenser Permit application for Liquor License # 0286 for Sagebrush Inn for the Intestinal Health Institute Reception on April 3, 2008 from 2 pm to 10 pm on Ledoux Street. 300-350 people are expected to attend.
2. Consideration and approval of a Special Dispenser Permit application for Liquor License # 0286 for Sagebrush Inn for the Intestinal Health Institute Reception on April 5, 2008 from 3 pm to 10 pm at Don Fernando Hall located at 120 Civic Plaza Drive. 300-350 people are expected to attend.

G. Tomas Benavidez, Town Manager

Approval of Resolution 08-09 – Special Dispenser Permit Procedures.

9. MATTERS FROM STAFF**A. Brian Greer, Youth & Family Center Director**

1. Authorization to close Civic Plaza Drive from the intersection of Camino de la Placita to the intersection of Bedford Street for the 12th Annual Children's Halloween Party and for 26th Annual Yuletide Arts & Crafts Fair.
2. Authorization to close the Taos Plaza to vehicular traffic for the 22nd Annual Yuletide Caroling and Tree Lighting and for the Taos Auto Enthusiasts Car Club Autumn Run Street Dance.
3. Authorization to close Civic Plaza Drive from the intersection of Camino de la Placita to the intersection of Bedford Street for the Taos High School Prom the evening of April 26, 2008. *(With the Prom Committee members,*

Vanessa Medina, Renee Fresquez, Mariah Gomez and Sponsor Patricia Spitz)

4. Authorization to close Ledoux Street from the intersection of Camino de la Placita to the intersection of Hwy 240, Lower Ranchitos Rd for the Intestinal Health Institute Reception, April 3, 2008 from 5:00 pm to 10:00 pm.
- B. Daron Syling, Chief of Police**
Consideration and action to approve the Meterhood program on the Taos Plaza
- C. Cathy Connelly, Acting Assistant Town Manager**
Approval of Resolution 08-10 affirming the Town's active support of Kit Carson Electric Cooperative in its commitment to demonstrate leadership in the development of renewable energy and in identifying the optimal location for photo voltaic arrays to include Town of Taos property.
- D. Amos Torres, Public Utilities Director**
Request consideration and approval to accept transfer of ownership of Arsenic Removal System and Equipment. Transfer from Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to the Town of Taos. The transfer will be at no additional cost to the Town of Taos other than operating costs.
- E. Mauro Rosales, Buildings Director**
Consideration and approval for Mauro Rosales to attend the 2008 EDU Code International Conference in Las Vegas, Nevada on February 24 – 29, 2008. Total Cost of out of state Travel is \$1,229.56.
- 10. MATTERS FROM THE TOWN ATTORNEY**
 - A. Acceptance of dedication of approximately 3.33 acres of land near Taos Regional Airport for use as Fire Department and training facility.
 - B. Acceptance of dedication of approximately .460 acres of land near Holy Cross Hospital for use as Pediatric Clinic.
 - C. Discussion of proposed ordinance prohibiting wood burning at certain times to protect Town residents from adverse health effects associated with wood burning.
- 11. MATTERS FROM THE TOWN MANAGER**
 - A. Approval of Out of State Travel Request for Tomas Benavidez and Lorraine Coca-Ruiz to attend National League of Cities Congressional City Conference in Washington, DC March 8-12-2008 to attend the Leadership Training Institute. Request approval to allow travel at the maximum allowable cost of \$215/night plus tax per person. Total Estimated Cost of Trip \$1,508.00 each.
 - B. Approval of Resolution 08-08 - Council Rules of Procedure.
 - C. Approval of Resolution 08-11 approving the Public Welfare Statement for the Taos Regional Water Plan.
- 12. MATTERS FROM THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL**
- 13. EXECUTIVE SESSION**
The Council will adjourn to go into executive session to discuss the possible purchase of real property, pursuant to NMSA 1978 10-15-1-H.8.
- 14. ADJOURNMENT**

APPROVED:

Bobby F. Duran Mayor

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