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**Special Meeting
Taos Town Council
Town Council Chambers
120 Civic Plaza Drive
Taos, New Mexico
May 22, 2009
1:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Special Meeting of the Taos Town Council was called to order by the Honorable Mayor Darren M. Cordova at 1:35 p.m.

2. **ROLL CALL:** Ms. Sandra Gonzales, Executive Assistant, called roll and a quorum was present.

Those present were:

Mayor	Darren M. Cordova
Mayor Pro Tem	Rudy C. Abeyta
Councilmember	A. Eugene Sanchez
Councilmember	Amy J. Quintana
Councilmember	Michael A. Silva

Also present were:

Town Manager	Daniel Miera
Assistant Town Manager	Abigail Adame
Assistant Town Attorney	Jack Clough
Executive Assistant	Sandra Gonzales

Absent was:

Town Clerk	Renee Lucero (attending conference out of state)
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3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** Councilmember Quintana led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

DELETE item 5.A. (Marietta Fambro, Finance Director, Approval of Resolution 09-24 Budget Adjustment Request. 1) Capital Improvements Fund (51) - Decrease interfund transfer out and Airport Substation project (51-39) in the amount of \$48,000 in order to transfer out money to Lodger's Tax Promotional Fund; 2) Lodger' Tax Promotional Fund (24-17) - Increase interfund transfer in from Fund 51 in the amount of \$48,000 and Other Contractual Services to cover Amendment #6 to Griffin & Associates.)

1 **DELETE item 5.B.** (Cathy Connelly, Public Relations Director, Consideration and
2 approval of Griffin & Associates advertising/marketing contract amendment
3 (Contract TT-09-317) to increase amount of contract by \$48,000.00, inclusive of
4 GRT; for the purpose of marketing and advertising events during the Summer of
5 Love.)
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7 **Add Item 5.** Discussion regarding the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) and Lease
8 Agreement with Taos Municipal Schools regarding property on Salazar Road.
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10 **Councilmember Silva** made a motion to approve the Agenda as amended.
11 **Councilmember Quintana** seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
12 **Those voting AYE were: Mayor Pro Tem Abeyta and Councilmembers**
13 **Quintana, Sanchez and Silva.**
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15 **5. Discussion regarding the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) and Lease Agreement**
16 **with Taos Municipal Schools regarding property on Salazar Road.**
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18 Mayor Cordova stated a Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) has been drafted in order to
19 move forward on acquiring this property. He stated Marietta Fambro, Finance
20 Director, has presented the application to New Mexico Finance Authority with an
21 amount that she was comfortable with. He asked if Council would entertain other
22 financing options which would include the full build-out. He explained there are two
23 concerns: 1) how can this be done legally in order to comply with state procurement
24 issues; and 2) is the debt, which would include the final build-outs, ultimately
25 affordable.
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27 JD Campbell, volunteer chair of Citizens Oversight Committee for Taos Municipal
28 Schools and Bond Construction Program; Mark Yarovitz, member of the School
29 Sports Alliance Board of Directors and a member of Citizens Oversight Committee
30 for Taos Municipal Schools; Doug Patterson, Living Designs Group; and Justin Lee,
31 member of the School Sports Alliance Board of Directors, presented the details of the
32 proposed JPA and Lease Agreement. Discussion with Mayor, Council, Town
33 Attorney and Town Manager ensued.
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35 Mayor Pro Tem Abeyta recommended that the Town continue to evaluate providing
36 \$3.5 million at 20 years at the best interest rate possible before deciding.
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38 Daniel Miera stated that there will not be any action taken on Ordinance 09-11 set
39 before them on May 26, 2009, because the ordinance is specific to the \$2,000,000.00
40 loan; however, the lease and JPA may be added, but there is not enough time for
41 notification. He suggested the items be placed on the June 9, 2009 Regular Town
42 Council Meeting agenda.
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44 Mayor Cordova recommended setting a special meeting on Friday, May 29, 2009
45 regarding this matter. He also recommended that Councilmember Sanchez attend the

1 upcoming School Board meeting to show that the Town is wishing to move forward
2 on this.

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4 Allen Ferguson, Town Attorney, will contact David Henderson, Taos Schools
5 Attorney, as soon as possible in order to modify language in the JPA and Lease
6 Agreement.

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8 **6. Executive Session**
9 **The Council will adjourn to go into executive session to discuss the acquisition of**
10 **land for the Eco Park, pursuant to NMSA 1978 10-15-1-H.8.**

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12 Mayor and Council did not go into Executive Session.

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14 **7. ADJOURNMENT:** A motion was made by **Councilmember Quintana** and
15 seconded by **Councilmember Silva** to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried
16 unanimously and the meeting adjourned at **3:47 p.m.**

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19 **APPROVED:**

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22 **Darren M. Cordova, Mayor**

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25 **ATTEST:**

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28 **Renee Lucero, Town Clerk**

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33 *however, only Regular Town Council Meetings and some Special Town Council Meetings,*
34 *with controversial issues, are video recorded. Copies are available upon request at the*
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