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**Special Meeting
Taos Town Council
Town Council Chambers
120 Civic Plaza Drive
Taos, New Mexico
September 8, 2009
1:20 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 1:22 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL: Ms. Renee Lucero, Town Clerk, 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 (came in at 1:30 p.m.)

Also present were:

Town Manager	Daniel Miera
Assistant Town Manager	Abigail Adame
Town Attorney	Allen Ferguson
Town Clerk	Renee Lucero

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Councilmember Quintana led the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Councilmember Quintana made a motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Councilmember Sanchez seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

5. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Francella Garcia, Grants Administrator

Public hearing in regards to the submission of an application to the Department of Finance and Administration/Local Government Division for a Small Cities Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) grant. To comply with the citizen participation requirements of Section 507 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987 CDBG applicants must conduct at least one public hearing on the proposed activities. The purpose of this public hearing is to receive public input on community development needs and suggestions for future projects. This is the second public hearing.

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Francella Garcia, Grants Administrator, came forward and read the CDBG guidelines for the listening audience.

Public Opinion

Mayor Cordova opened the public hearing.

Francisco “French” Espinoza, Public Works Director, asked Council to consider applying for funds to complete Phase II of the Reed/Alexander roadway project. He gave an update on the project with milestones for completing the project. He stated the total project is estimated to be \$1.69 million.

After closing the public hearing, Mayor Cordova asked for questions from the Council.

Mayor Cordova stated he wants to make sure that the Town’s projects are shovel-ready to enable staff to apply for grants.

This public hearing was held to receive public input and was not voted on.

13. ADJOURNMENT: A motion was made by **Councilmember Silva** and seconded by **Councilmember Quintana** to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously and the meeting adjourned at **1:36 p.m.**

APPROVED:

Darren M. Cordova, Mayor

ATTEST:

Renee Lucero, Town Clerk

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