



Flood Recovery Task Force Agenda

Wednesday, May 27, 2026 at 10:00 a.m.
City Hall - Mike Mathews Conference Room
Roswell City Hall 425 N. Richardson
Roswell, New Mexico 88201

Chair:

Vice Chair:

Members: Chris Cortez, Mike Espiritu, Gordon Patton, Brian Houghtlain

Non-Voting Member: Jon Hitchcock

Staff Liaison: Lee M. Rogers

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. Approval of the minutes from the Wednesday, April 15th, 2026 regular Flood Task Force Meeting

ACTION ITEMS

1. Election of Chair and Vice Chair

NON-ACTION ITEMS

1. FEMA Project Tracker, Deb Gallagher DRS
2. Financial Plan
3. FEMA Substantial Damage Claims, Jeb McPherson DRS
4. Drainage Study

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

ADJOURN

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AGENDA ITEM ABSTRACT**

Flood Recovery Task Force

5.1.

Meeting Date: 05/27/2026

COMMITTEE:

CONTACT:

CHAIR:

ACTION REQUESTED:

Approval of the minutes from the Wednesday, April 15th, 2026 regular Flood Task Force Meeting

BACKGROUND:

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATION

LEGAL REVIEW:

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Attachments

Draft Minutes

Flood Recovery Task Force Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, April 15, 2026, 10:00 AM
City Hall – Mike Mathews Conference Room,
425 North Richardson
Roswell, New Mexico 88201

Committee Members: Chris Cortez,
Mike Espiritu, Gordon Patton, Brian Houghtalin

Staff Liaison: Mac Rogers

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CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chris Cortez

ROLL CALL

Members present: Chris Cortez, Mike Espiritu, Gordon Patton, Brian Houghtalin

Members absent: **NONE**

Staff present: Lee M. Rogers, Amalia Martinez, Angela Garcia, Bobbi Thompson, Caroline Brooks, Councilor Cristina Arnold

Guests: Ann Baker, Deb Gallagher, DRS, Jeb McPherson, DRS

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Member Mike Espiritu made a motion to approve the agenda. Member Gordon Patton was the second.

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Member Mike Espiritu made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 18, 2026, Flood Recovery Task Force meeting. Member Brian Houghtalin was the second.

MOTION PASSED: 4-0

NON-ACTION ITEMS

FEMA project Tracker – Ms. Gallagher, DRS, appeared via GoTo, discussed FEMA Projects, providing an overview of the FEMA process and the progress the city has made to date. The overview included a detailed breakdown of obligated project costs and key milestone dates.

Financial Plan – Mr. Rogers discussed the financial plan presenting, GRT revenues collected to date. This included a timeline for selling flood-recovery bonds to fund needed repairs.

Convention Center Damages – Mr. McPherson, DRS, appeared via GoTo, discussed FEMA's substantial damage claims, the 50% Rule, and how they are used to determine whether a

1 structure can be repaired or replaced. Museum and Convention Center scenarios were
2 presented, and potential mitigation options for the Convention Center were discussed.
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4 Drainage Study – The boundaries of the LIDAR floodplain data mapped by UNM EDAC were
5 presented. It was noted that a hydrologist provided by NM DHSEM has analyzed portions of the
6 data.
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9 **ACTION ITEMS**

10 None
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12 **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**
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14 **ADJOURN**

15 The meeting adjourned at 12:12 p.m.