

AGENDA

**GALLUP CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2026; 6:00 P.M.
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
GALLUP CITY HALL, 110 WEST AZTEC AVENUE**



Marc DePauli, Mayor

Linda Garcia, Councilor, Dist. 1
Sarah Piano, Councilor, Dist. 3

Sierra Yazzie Asamoah-Tutu, Councilor, Dist. 2
Ron Molina, Councilor, Dist. 4

Frank Chiapetti, City Manager
Erika Pirotte, Deputy City Attorney

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Members of the public may submit comment either in person or by telephone. To submit comment by telephone, please call 505-863-1254 to leave your name and a return phone number.

A. Roll Call

B. Pledge Of Allegiance

The members of the body and the public are invited to recite the Pledge of Allegiance.

C. Comments By Public On Non-Agenda Items

Members of the public are invited to comment on matters not appearing on the meeting agenda.

D. Presentation/Information Items

1. Legacy Leadership Presentation

Team Seedlink from the McKinley Leadership Academy is working on their legacy project. Their goal is to build a disc golf course in Gallup for recreational purposes and economic development.

Fiscal Impact:	No cost
Recommendation:	Presentation Item Only
Speaker's Name	Team Seedlink members

E. Consent Agenda

These items are placed on the Consent Agenda so City Council can designate by unanimous consent those routine items they wish to be approved or acknowledged by one motion. If any item does not meet the approval of all Council members or if a citizen so requests, it will be heard as a separate item.

Action Needed:

Motion to approve or acknowledge Item 1 on the Consent Agenda by unanimous vote:

1. Approval Of Minutes

Regular Meeting of February 10, 2026

Fiscal Impact:	None.
Recommendation:	Approve the minutes.
Speaker's Name	None.

Documents:

[DRAFT MINUTES FEB 10 2026 REG MTG.PDF](#)

F. Discussion/Action Topics

1. Budget Adjustments For Capital Overhead And Capital Underground

This item is to request approval for budget adjustments to the Capital Overhead account (507-6061-442.48-91) and the Capital Underground account (507-6061-442.48-92) within the Electric Department. Staff is requesting an increase of \$4,500 to the Capital Overhead account and \$10,000 to the Capital Underground account.

As the City enters the final quarter of the fiscal year (April through June), both accounts are trending toward a shortfall based on current expenditure and encumbrance levels. At this point in the fiscal year, a typical benchmark for budget utilization is approximately 75%. However, the Capital Overhead account is currently at approximately 83%, and the Capital Underground account is approximately 92%, indicating that both accounts are exceeding expected usage levels for this stage of the fiscal year.

The requested adjustments are calibrated to bring both accounts back within a manageable range. With the proposed increases, the Capital Overhead account will be reduced to approximately 78% utilization, and the Capital Underground account will be reduced to approximately 79% utilization. This adjustment provides sufficient capacity to support ongoing capital purchases, material needs, and operational demands through the remainder of the fiscal year without interruption.

Fiscal Impact: The total budget adjustment is \$14,500, funded from the Electric Department's operational cash, Fund 507.

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of these budget adjustments in the amount of \$14,500.

Speaker's Name Chuck Nourse

Documents:

[NAVILINE EXPORT_CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE OVERHEAD.PDF](#)
[NAVILINE EXPORT_CURRENT ACCOUNT BALANCE UNDERGROUND.PDF](#)

2. Recommendation Of Award For [ITB-2614] New Sunshine Substation Transmission Construction

The City of Gallup issued ITB-2614 for the New Sunshine Substation Transmission Construction. The scope of work includes the replacement and installation of transmission structures, as well as reconductoring necessary to support the new substation interconnection.

A total of two bids were received from High Voltage Inc. and Altitude Energy LLC. High Voltage Inc. was determined to be the lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

The cost breakdown is as follows:

- \$531,694 – Labor and Equipment
- \$42,868 – Gross Receipts Tax (8.0625%)
- \$26,585 – Contingency (5%)
- **\$601,147– Total Project Cost**

Fiscal Impact: ITB-2614 will be charged to Project JU2225 under account number 307-6061-442.48-99 in the amount of \$601,147

Recommendation: Staff recommends award of ITB-2614 to be placed with High Voltage Inc.

Speaker's Name Chuck Nourse

Documents:

[EVALUATION TABULATION ITB-2614.PDF](#)
[\[HIGH VOLTAGE INC\] RESPONSE DOCUMENT REPORT.PDF](#)

3. Recommendation Of Award For [ITB-2616] New Sunshine Substation Battery Bank And Accessories.

The City of Gallup issued ITB-2616 for the New Sunshine Substation Battery Bank and Accessories. The scope of work includes procurement of a primary battery bank, charger, and rack system necessary to support substation protection and control operations.

A total of three bids were received from Border States Industries, Altitude Energy LLC, and MVA Power Inc. Border States Industries was determined to be the

lowest responsive and responsible bidder.

The cost breakdown is as follows:

- \$54,554.99 – Equipment Cost
- \$4,398.50 – Gross Receipts Tax (8.0625%)
- \$3,500.00 – Estimated Shipping
- **\$62,453.49 – Total Cost**

Fiscal Impact:	ITB-2616 will be charged to Project JU2225 under account number 307-6061-442.48-99 in the amount of \$62,454.
Recommendation:	Staff recommends awarding ITB-2616 to Border States Industries.
Speaker's Name	Chuck Nourse

Documents:

[EVALUATION TABULATION ITB-2616.PDF](#)
[\[BORDER STATES INDUSTRIES\] RESPONSE DOCUMENT REPORT \(5\).PDF](#)

4. Resolution No. R2026-12 - Amended And Restated Power Pooling Agreement With UAMPS

The City of Gallup is being asked to approve the Amended and Restated Power Pooling Agreement with UAMPS (Utah Associated Municipal Power Systems). This agreement replaces the original 1980 pooling agreement and updates it to reflect current electric market conditions, including preparation for participation in centralized wholesale markets such as the Extended Day-Ahead Market (EDAM), anticipated to begin in May 2026.

The updated agreement introduces modern planning and governance structures, including annual power supply planning, load forecasting, and resource sufficiency requirements through a Project Management Committee.

The City currently receives its power supply through a wholesale agreement with Guzman Energy and does not procure power through UAMPS. Based on confirmation from UAMPS, the City will be classified as a "Limited Participant," meaning it will not participate in market transactions, will not be required to purchase power through UAMPS, and will not incur costs or financial obligations under this agreement at this time.

Approval of this agreement allows the City to maintain its membership with UAMPS and preserves flexibility for potential future participation.

Fiscal Impact:	There is no fiscal impact associated with this item.
Recommendation:	Staff recommends approval of the Amended and Restated Power Pooling Agreement and continuation of th
Speaker's Name	Chuck Nourse / Ed Reyes

Documents:

[AMENDED POOLING AGR AUTHORIZING RESOLUTION _ GALLUP.PDF](#)
[POOL AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS _ GALLUP.PDF](#)
[POOLING AGREEMENT CERTIFICATE _ GALLUP.PDF](#)

5. Budget Adjustment Request: Completion Of City Hall & GJU Door Access Project (SP2602)

The Information Technology Department respectfully requests a budget adjustment in the amount of \$14,100.00 to account 376-1054-414.45-90. These funds will facilitate the final installation of door access readers and controllers at the City Hall West Door and the GJU building, ensuring the successful completion of Project SP2602 and providing uniform security across municipal facilities.

Fiscal Impact: A one-time expenditure of \$14,100.00 from the General Fund.

Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of the budget adjustment to finalize the facility security upgrades at Cit

Speaker's Name Suzanne Begay

Documents:

[2026 0331 ARDHAM TECH CH GJU DOOR ACCESS.PDF](#)

6. Request For Proposal 2025/2026/03 NGWSP - Gallup Regional Water System SCADA System Upgrade, And A Budget Adjustment Approval

The City of Gallup, NM, has requested proposals from qualified contractors to upgrade the existing Gallup Regional Water System SCADA (Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition) System as part the Navajo Gallup Water Supply Project. The upgrade shall enhance the efficiency, reliability, and monitoring capabilities of the City's water distribution system through the implementation of modern software, hardware, and communication equipment. The project includes upgrading the SCADA system at 41 existing locations within the water system. The SCADA system shall communicate over a new fiber optic VLAN backbone with cellular backup and the existing 900 MHz and 450 MHz radio systems shall be replaced. This project shall provide secure and reliable real-time data acquisition and supervisory control in the water system.

The city is recommending the award to SKM Engineering of Bountiful Utah to provide this service in the amount of \$1,287,141.34

Funding for the project will be the Bureau of Reclamations Cooperative Agreement R11AC40002 Navajo Gallup Water Supply Project Reach 13 SCADA

Project # GU1102.

Fiscal Impact: A budget adjustment of revenues and expenditures in the amount of \$250,000 is needed to make up the balance required to cover the cost of the project.

Recommendation: Approval of RFP to SKM Engineering and budget adjustments.

Speaker's Name Jan Darrell Boone, Water Superintendent

Documents:

[SKM ENGINEERING COST PROPOSAL.PDF](#)
[EVALUATION TABULATION RFP NO. 2025.2026.03.PDF](#)
[R11AC40002 AMENDMENT 26 NOA.PDF](#)
[AGREEMENT NO. R11AC40002 \(3\).PDF](#)

7. Gallup Tourism Office Budget Adjustment

The Tourism Office requests an additional \$800 is placed into Project No. CP2504. This project had additional costs forced upon it due to being relocated. A concrete pad for the Jackrabbit art installation was installed in the originally planned location, but after laying the concrete, we were informed by the project would need to move. Therefore, there were unanticipated expenses forced upon the project which necessitates this adjustment. Staff requests the allocation of \$800 into Project No. CP2504 in account number 214-1015-411.48-45. Council approval is necessary for this adjustment to occur.

Fiscal Impact: \$800 from fund balance; sufficient funding exists
Recommendation: Respectfully request approval
Speaker's Name Matt Robinson - Tourism & Marketing Manager

Documents:

[2026, 4-7 BUDGET ADJ.PDF](#)

8. Recommendation Of Award For Bid No ITB-2617; Gallup Municipal Airport - Schedule I - Install AWOS III PT - NMDOT No. GUP-24-03 To Bixby Electric Inc Of Albuquerque, New Mexico

Request of this award is for the construction and installation of a new FAA-certified Automated Weather Observing System (AWOS-III P/T) at Gallup Municipal Airport. The project includes all labor, materials, equipment, coordination, and incidentals necessary to fully install, integrate, test, and commission the AWOS system construction of the Automated Weather Observation Services.

(AWOS) system. The total cost to complete this project is \$133,435.40

Funding for this project is already budgeted under project AP2503, provided by the New

Mexico Department of Transportation Aviation Grant No. GUP-24-03.

Fiscal Impact: Funds already budgeted in AP2503.
Recommendation: Approve the Bid to Award vendor Bixby Electric Inc.
Speaker's Name Kristie Johnson, Airport Grants and Contracts Manager

Documents:

[00 25683 GUP AWARD RECOMMENDATION LETTER_SIGNED \(1\).PDF](#)
[EVALUATION TABULATION ITB-2617 \(1\).PDF](#)

G. Comments By Mayor And City Councilors

H. Comments By City Manager And City Attorney

I. Motion To Adjourn

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