

## **AGENDA**

**GALLUP CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 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  
David Eason, City Attorney

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<https://youtube.com/@cityofgallup>

**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. Recognize The Area 2026 NMAA State Wrestlers**

Girls

105 pound division - Kiera Soto - 6th Place - Miyamura High

100 pound division - Amber Gutierrez - 5th Place - Miyamura High

110 pound division - Emmy Lopez - 5th Place - Miyamura High

170 pound division - Veronica Rodriguez - 3rd Place - Miyamura High

155 pound division - Sundean Halkini - 2nd Place - Miyamura High

125 pound division - Alexis Morales - STATE CHAMPION - Miyamura High

Boys

150 pound division - Benjamin Vidales - 6th Place - Miyamura High

285 pound division - Taye Silversmith - 5th Place - Miyamura High

126 pound division - Austin Lopez - 2nd Place - Miyamura High

138 pound division - Gage Sellers - STATE CHAMPION - Miyamura High

TEAM

Miyamura Girls - 3rd Place

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| Fiscal Impact:  | None                  |
| Recommendation: | Honor Accomplishments |
| Speaker's Name  | Marc DePauli          |

## **2. Dream Court Opportunity For Gallup In Honor Of Olympian And Hall Of Famer Juliene Brazinski Simpson**

Ms. Simpson will provide a small presentation regarding a proposal to partner with Nancy Lieberman Charities to initiate a Dream Court project in Gallup. Ms. Simpson and Ms. Lieberman were teammates and silver medalists on the USA Women's Basketball Team during the 1976 Olympics in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Ms. Lieberman's charity has a goal of having Dream Courts in every state would like to establish a Dream Court on Ms. Simpson's behalf. Ms. Simpson selected Gallup for this project due to her teaching and coaching experience in Gallup years ago.

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| Fiscal Impact:  | None - presentation item.    |
| Recommendation: | None - presentation item.    |
| Speaker's Name  | Juliene Simpson / Tommy Mims |

Documents:

[DREAM COURTS \\_ NLC.PDF](#)

## **3. Brief Update On The Warming Shelter**

Brief update on the Warming Shelter.

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| Fiscal Impact:  | Presentation Only                                                                      |
| Recommendation: | Presentation Only                                                                      |
| Speaker's Name  | Debra L Martinez, Behavioral Health Manager, Tommy Mims,<br>Dr. Wangler, Alexis Lucero |

#### 4. **Presentation On Golf Course Status**

Brief update on the status of the Golf Course.

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| Fiscal Impact:  | None                   |
| Recommendation: | Presentation Item Only |
| Speaker's Name  | Vince Alonzo           |

### 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 Items 1-2 on the Consent Agenda by unanimous vote:

#### **1. Budget Adjustment In The Amount Of \$2,825 For Interest Payments Due On Drinking Water Loan No. DWL 6347**

The Finance Department is requesting a budget adjustment in the amount of \$2,825.00 to cover two interest only payments for the Drinking Water Loan No. DWL-6347, Project No. JU2518.

This is the loan that is covering the Lead & Copper Line replacements that are required by the EPA. The loan was approved for \$1,000,000 with \$300,000 forgiven, leaving \$700,000 to be paid back.

These interest only payments are the first two payments that are due for this loan.

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| Fiscal Impact:  | A budget adjustment in the amount of \$2,825.00 in revenue and expenditures for Drinking Water Loan DWL 6347, Project No. JU2518. |
| Recommendation: | Approval of the budget adjustment.                                                                                                |
| Speaker's Name  | Jacqueline Leyba, Deputy CFO                                                                                                      |

Documents:

[AMORTIZATION SCHEDULE.PDF](#)

## 2. Budget Adjustment For Municipal Court

Municipal Court respectfully requests additional funding in the amount of \$9,000 to be allocated to account 201-4553-412.47-12 to cover Alcohol Monitoring Services (SCRAM/GPS monitoring) for the remainder of FY26. These services are utilized as an alternative to incarceration in the local detention center.

The requested appropriation will be funded through the use of available fund balance

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| Fiscal Impact:  | Budget adjustment to expenditures in fund 201-4553-412.14-12 in the amount of \$9,000 |
| Recommendation: | Approving the budget adjustment                                                       |
| Speaker's Name  | Erin R. Gutierrez                                                                     |

## F. Discussion/Action Topics

### 1. Approval Of \$63,970.97 In Revenue And Expenditures For Eligible Activities As Defined In The Law Enforcement Retention Fund For The Gallup Police Department.

The Department of Public Safety is in receipt of the City of Gallup's request for a Year 4 disbursement of funds from the Law Enforcement Retention Fund (LERF). The funds are intended for providing law enforcement retention differential disbursements to the Gallup Police Department officers listed in Exhibit A. As well as covering the employer tax liability (payroll taxes outlined in the Federal Insurance Contribution Act for Social Security and Medicare, but not employer contributions for retirement or other benefit plans).

\$63,056.66 is attributable to the projected retention differential disbursements (PRDD).

\$914.31 is attributable to employer tax liability for FICA and/or Medicare. Because the LERF balance is sufficient to pay Year 4 PRDDs and related employer tax liabilities requested by all eligible agencies.

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| Fiscal Impact:  | Budget Adjustment in revenue and expenditure for eligible activities as defined in LERF for \$63,970.97. |
| Recommendation: | Accept the budget adjustment of \$63,970.97 regarding LERF                                               |
| Speaker's Name  | Erin Toadlena-Pablo, Chief of Police                                                                     |

Documents:

[YEAR 4 NOTICE OF INTENET TO DISBURSE DFA.PDF](#)  
[EXHIBIT A LERF YEAR 4 AGENCIES ELIGIBLE OFFICERS ROSTER.PDF](#)

### 2. Recommendation Of Award For Bid No. ITB-2611 To Murphy Builders Of Gallup New Mexico For Well Contract 1- Station Yard Piping

The project will be for the construction of well buildings to house well control and monitoring equipment, installation of yard piping to tie in new water lines, and drainage lines to existing existing infrastructure, electrical conduits for two new G-80 Point of Diversion wells 8 & 13 wells at a cost of \$3,271,829.93

The project will be funded by EDA-08-79-05634 at and Water trust Board WPF-5959 under project JU-5959.

Fiscal Impact: Funding through US Department of Commerce Economic Development Administration project 08-79-05634 and Water Trust Board fund WPF-5959

Recommendation: We recommend approval of the bid award to Murphy Builders of Gallup New Mexico

Speaker's Name Jan Darrell Boone

Documents:

[2-26-2026 EDA 08-79-05634\\_CITYGALLUP\\_SAC\\_2022.09.29.PDF](#)  
[2-26-2026 WPF-5959 LOAN GRANT AGREEMENT - SIGNED \(2\).PDF](#)  
[CONTRACT NO. 1 RECOMMENDATION OF AWARD.PDF](#)  
[EVALUATION TABULATION ITB-2611.PDF](#)  
[36-2026 R23AP00277 GRANT AGREEMENT \(2\).PDF](#)

**3. Recommendation Of Award For Bid No. ITB-2612 To Hydro Resources-Rocky Mountain, Inc Of Las Cruces New Mexico For Well Contract 2- Well Equipping.**

The well equipping project will encompass furnishing, installation and testing of well pumps and motors, column pipes, check valves, couplings and centralizers, discharge heads, electrical conductors, equipment and any other appurtenances to render the wells functional. The work will be for G-80 Point of Diversion wells 8 and 13 in the amount of \$491,036.19

Funding will be Water Trust Board project WPF-5959.

Fiscal Impact: Funding by Water Trust Board WPF- 5959

Recommendation: We recommend approval of the bid award

Speaker's Name Jan Darrell Boone

Documents:

[2-26-2026 WPF-5959 LOAN GRANT AGREEMENT - SIGNED \(2\).PDF](#)  
[CONTRACT NO. 2 RECOMMENDATION OF AWARD.PDF](#)  
[EVALUATION TABULATION ITB-2612.PDF](#)

**4. Senior Center Funding With Budget Adjustment**

During the 5/13/25 Council Meeting, it was approved to have phase 1 and phase 2 of the Senior Center combined to cut down on costs. The City was applying to the NM Aging and Long-Term Appropriation Department for a Grant to fund phase 2. It was approved to allocate 1.75 million of City funding to combine the phases. The City received \$1,672,392 from the NM Aging Bureau for construction. This request is to use the Grant to finish construction and use the City's previous allocation to complete items that were value engineered or overlooked. These include:

1. Replace the curb, gutter, sidewalk to ensure the portion between the new ADA

compliant driveways are also ADA compliant.

2. Continue the sidewalk to the T-ball field due to the fleet parking lot that is situated to the east of the Center.
3. The west parking lot that will support overflow and employee parking was not included in the project as it was planned to be incorporated when the project was going to be phased; this parking lot needs regrading, resurfacing, and striping for safety reasons.
4. Recently it was decided to make the Center an Emergency Shelter for seniors during power outages and natural disasters. During this construction phase it will be economical to add the components for put in a generator. These components include the concrete pad, wiring, transfer switch, and fencing.
5. Readjust the design of the detention pond to better suit the site.
6. Security fencing in the east, wrapping around the north edge of the center and then culminating within the west parking lot.
7. Construction of a walking trail within the secured fencing to include elements for exercise and sensory stimulation.
8. Provide raised planter beds for the patio/courtyard area.
9. Xeriscape landscaping to enhance the trail space and detention pond.
10. Should funds allow, the inclusion of outdoor patio furniture to enhance the outdoor space.

Staff is requesting a budget adjustment for revenues and expenditures.

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| Fiscal Impact:  | Spending the allocated \$1.75 million. Requesting a budget adjust for Revenue and Expenditures. |
| Recommendation: | Approve budget adjustment to revenue and expenditures                                           |
| Speaker's Name  | Keegan MacKenzie-Chavez, Steve Wargo                                                            |

## **5. Public Hearing On The Proposed Issuance Of A Restaurant A – Beer And Wine Liquor License To 305 Fire, LLC D/B/A 305 Fire**

305 Fire seeks a restaurant liquor license with on-premises consumption and patio service located at 305 S. Second St., Gallup, New Mexico. The City Council is to decide whether to approve or disapprove the issuance of the license.

The Director of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Division has granted preliminary approval. Legal Notice of the Public Hearing was published in the Albuquerque Journal on February 7, 2026 and March 7, 2026, and posted on the City's website. The Application, the Director's preliminary approval, and Legal Notice are attached.

New Mexico law provides that a local governing body shall hold a public hearing on the question of whether the Alcoholic Beverage Control Division should approve the proposed issuance. The City Council may disapprove the issuance if: (1) the proposed location is within an area where the sale of alcoholic

beverages is prohibited by the laws of New Mexico; (2) the issuance would be in violation of a zoning or other ordinance of the governing body; or (3) the issuance would be detrimental to the public health, safety or morals of the residents of the City. The location is not in a prohibited area and the issuance would not be in violation of a zoning or other City ordinance. To disapprove the issuance on public health, safety or moral grounds, the City Council must find the issuance of the license would be detrimental to the public health, safety or morals of City residents by substantial evidence presented during the Public Hearing.

Testimony concerning the negative effects of alcohol alone is not sufficient to justify such a finding.

Within thirty (30) days after the Public Hearing, the City must notify the Alcoholic Beverage Control Division of the Council's decision to approve or disapprove the issuance of the license. If the City Council fails to approve or disapprove the issuance within thirty (30) days after the Public Hearing, the Director of the Alcoholic Beverage Control Division may give final approval to the issuance of the license. If the City Council approves the issuance, the Director shall approve the issuance. If the City Council disapproves the issuance, the Director shall disapprove the issuance. The New Mexico Court of Appeals has initial jurisdiction respecting appeals from Division decisions.

Legal references: Section 60-6B-4 NMSA 1978; City of Santa Fe v. Woodard, 1996-NMSC-058.

Fiscal Impact: Fiscal impact is conjectural, and should have no impact on the Council's decision, which must be based solely on the evidence presented at the hearing.

Recommendation: None. This is a quasi-judicial hearing.

Speaker's Name Jennifer Van Drunen/City Staff

Documents:

[305 FIRE RESTAURANT A LICENSE APPLICATION.PDF](#)  
[LIQLEGAL-305 FIRE LLC FINAL.PDF](#)

#### **G. Comments By Mayor And City Councilors**

#### **H. Comments By City Manager And City Attorney**

#### **I. Motion To Adjourn**

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