

REGULAR MEETING
City of Anthony Board of Trustees
Conference Call
Wednesday, July 15th, 2020
5:30 P.M.
MINUTES

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Diana M. Trujillo AT 5:35 PM
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE led by Diana M. Trujillo
- 3. ROLL CALL

Present: MPT Fernie Herrera	YES	NO
Trustee Gloria Gameros	YES	NO
Trustee Elva Flores	YES	NO
Trustee Javier Silva	YES	NO
Mayor Diana M. Trujillo	YES	NO
Quorum Established	YES	NO

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- 4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST
Mayor Trujillo: if anyone has conflict of interest please recusing yourself from voting.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER

Trustee Flores: *On Sarah Holguin's name to read "Sarah" instead of "Sara", Just so that we get it right on the paperwork.*

1st Motion: Trustee Gameros 2nd Motion: Trustee Flores

Roll Call vote:

MPT Fernie Herrera	YES	NO	
Trustee Gloria Gameros	YES	NO	4-0 votes, Motion Passes
Trustee Elva Flores	YES	NO	
Trustee Javier Silva	YES	NO	
Mayor Diana M. Trujillo Tie Breaker	YES	NO	

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- a) Budget Meeting – 06/17/2020
- b) Regular Meeting – 06/4/2020

Trustee Gameros: *motion with amendments for both minutes.*

- 06/4/2020 item 8e – add "GO" to read GO-Bond.
- 06/4/2020 item 8g – Add "pone" to read postpone.
- 6/4/2020 item 8j – Add 2nd Motion -Trustee Silva
- 6/4/2020 item 8k- under Trustee Flores comment, add "less" to read less education.
- 6/17/2020 item 8c – add "pre" to read prescribed

1st Motion: Trustee Gameros 2nd Motion: Trustee Flores

Roll Call vote:

MPT Fernie Herrera	YES	NO	
Trustee Gloria Gameros	YES	NO	4-0 votes, Motion Passes
Trustee Elva Flores	YES	NO	
Trustee Javier Silva	YES	NO	
Mayor Diana M. Trujillo Tie Breaker	YES	NO	

7. ITEMS FROM THE FLOOR - None

8. PRESENTATION

Mayor Trujillo: *due to the number of presentations on agenda, all the speakers on this agenda item will have a time limit of 10 minutes for each. Requested attending members to mute their phones or computers if not presenting.*

- a) Presentation of Health Security for NM Campaign and the New Mexico Health Security Act. Presented by Dr. Dana Schultz Millen- Education and Outreach Coordinator

- Dr. Dana Schultz Millen: *We've been working for a long time to set up our own plan in New Mexico since the early 90's with a choice of providers across state lines and a really good benefit package.*
- *We have grown into a coalition of over 170, geographically diverse organizations, community, consumer labor, faith-based health professionals, human rights groups, farmers and ranchers, small businesses and we have 36 cities and counties that have endorsed the plan.*

- Requesting Board support for this plan, which is also a piece of legislation that will be discussed, we are hoping, this legislative session, to pass the Health Security Act. Counties and municipalities have, over the years, passed resolutions and supported the plan. All Pueblo Councils are also on board.

- Health security plan will: Shift private insurance to a supplemental role, provide comprehensive, quality services (no less than what is currently offered to state employees), fully protect those with preexisting conditions, offer freedom of choice of health care providers (no more networks), Set premiums based on income, with caps.

- Health Security plan will cover: Federal retirees, active duty and retired military, TRICARE recipients. Two groups that can choose the plan are Native American tribes & Self-insured companies (like Intel).

-The Plan is paid for by Existing public dollars, including federal and state monies spent on health care (Medicaid and Medicare, for example). Members' premiums are based on income, with caps, with Employer contributions. (Employers may also cover all or part of an employee's premiums). Also, existing federal premium subsidies and tax credits.

- **Maury Castro:** Retired from Department of Education recently, served as a school board member. His brother-in-law was very successful in San Diego. Later he had medical problems, was laid off from work, couldn't get an insurance because of a preexisting medical condition, lost his house and all savings to pay medical expenses, passed away after living in a one room inside of a garage. This is the reason he supports this cause for others going through the same as his brother-in-law.
- **Dr. Dana Schultz Millen:** People can sign up with their e-mails on website: www.nmhealthsecurity.org/email-form
- **Trustee Gameros:** If trustees would agree, I would like to request that we place the resolution and support for the New Mexico Health Security Act as consideration and action for the next board meeting, so they can have us along on the list.
- **Mayor Trujillo:** Please place resolution on August 5th agenda.

b) Presentation of a 2009 Mitsubishi TV donated by the United States Marshal Service for Anthony Police Department. **Presented by Chief of Police**

- **City Manager:** My understanding was that the Marshal's office was kind enough to donate, a later model, large screen television to our police department. I have not seen the set, but it's something like 84 inches to be deployed in the police departments wing.
- **Chief of Police:** About 10 minutes before this meeting, I received an e-mail with an update from the US Marshal, saying they were under the impression that they could donate it to a state and local agency, however, there were some fine print in their policy that did not allow them to do that. Anthony PD will continue to keep a good working relationship with the Marshals and in the future maybe we can get some more equipment for the Anthony PD.

c) Presentation of (Mercado) indoor/ outdoor market plan on Highway 478. **Presented by Baca Enterprise**

- **Shirley Tafoya:** Baca enterprises is looking to put an indoor-outdoor market at the 217 South Anthony drive in Anthony, New Mexico. We would have food games and entertainment; We would have outside stalls and we would have outside entertainment as well. We are going to redo the parking lot there so you will see everything will be done in a first-class manner.
 - We will have controlled access and we will be speaking to each vendor individually in a committee form, so we can interview them
 - We are excited to bring entertainment and fun to the shopping center and to the area.
 - There will be a signage where we can advertise for the city of Anthony, New Mexico.
 - Looking at starting out with about 40 to 60 vendors, which would be selling things like food items.
 - Mr. Baca is going to paint the buildings with murals showing local culture. He has been in Anthony for over 50 years and he is going to paint it with a festive and cultural atmosphere that is relevant to all of Anthony.
 - We can probably offer movies, open air, free movies, and popcorn. On the weekends, we are looking to have live entertainment. Bringing in either mariachis or local bands and groups, school groups, folklorico etc.
 - We will only have rides that are going to be very simple. Safety is of the utmost important.
 - **Trustee Flores:** Will there be bathrooms?
 - **Shirley Tafoya:** We will be installing several bathrooms, at least 3 to 4 and they will be ADA approved. Cleanliness is going to be very, very paramount.
 - **Trustee Flores:** I would be a little bit afraid of having someone run over, With Main Street running outside the location.
 - **Shirley Tafoya:** There will be a setback 50 feet away from the street.
 - **Trustee Flores:** Are the stores permanent?
 - **Shirley Tafoya:** Yes, it will be permanent. It's going to be a metal building; Metal finish will be anchored to the ground in concrete.
 - **Trustee Flores:** To City Manager and City attorney; How are we doing as far as the franchise fee is concerned?
 - **City Manager:** The City benefits from business licenses that are renewed annually and of course the sales taxes GRT in case of economic activity of this type. There is no franchise fee.
 - **Mayor Trujillo:** Vendors will come to the City just to get business license and show the serial number to the city in order for them to be under Mr. Baca.
 - **Sherly Tafoya:** That is correct: We are forming a committee and we will even invite one of the city trustees to participate.
 - **MPT Herrera:** Volunteer to be on the committee. Suggest Mr. Baca to partner with the bus company to bring in people from neighboring areas.
 - **Trustee Gameros:** Suggest they present this project to P&Z board as well.

- d) Presentation of the G.O. Bond Street Construction Update. **Presented by Mario Infante, PE- Wilson & Company**
- **Mario Infante:** Introduce Ira Pearson, the observer that has been out on site.
 - **Ira Pearson:** Our target date is to wrap up by the end of September. Roads completed are Angle Road, Lynn Road, Pena Street, McDonald Street.
 - **Angle road:** Started late February, Angle was a road that had a tiny bit of asphalt. And that was a short road, approximately about 325 feet.
 - **Lynn Road;** Was pretty much a dirt road. Mario is the engineer on these streets. They looked at all those streets and their natural flow of water.
 - Complements to City of Anthony residents. They were very amazing & helpful. They offered water to the construction crew and they mentioned how grateful they were that the streets were being paved.
 - **Lincoln;** Road had a real steep drop and engineers did a great job in figuring out how to get that water flow coming from all the places and make it a more gradual one.
 - **McDonald;** Street receives a lot of water coming from up north, by Donaldson from the school. One resident was getting most of the water, which flows from McDonald through this person's property, where they've created their own channel. We built a big swale, that's about 2 to 3 feet deep in certain areas and it runs about 120 feet long. We've got landscape fabric underneath and it's filled with rocks and the idea is to slow that water.
 - July 15th they will pave Church St to Monroe; July 16th start milling Kalar from Church to Stateline; July 23rd Pave Kalar to Stateline; July 27th start milling 1st Street.
 - Roads remaining to be paved: 1st and 2nd Street; St. Anthony Street; Miller Street; Mercure Road; Donaldson Avenue.
- e) Presentation of City Audit Report FY 2018/2019. **Presented by Juan Garcia – Audit Specialist, Beasley, Mitchell & Co**
- **Juan Garcia: reviewed a few pages of the audit:**
 - The report is the only proprietary portion of the financial statements that belong to Beasley, Michell & Co. The rest of the information that is provided in the audit belongs to the City of Anthony and arrived from all information gathered from different parts of management. We just compiled it together.
 - According to these financial statements, we have our working capital ratio of 26.89, which is really healthy. This means that you can cover your current liabilities with your current assets 26 times over.
 - Page 56 -This is the information that is required to be presented on City pension. Net pension liability is an estimate of what the city is in for, on the pensions front for our past and current employees in the future.
 - Page 77 shows collateral. This is how much collateral is being held in the bank, in order to satisfy the 50% requirement that the statehouse requires.
 - Page 81-82 Beasley, Mitchell & Co does not give an opinion; This report only states that we do look over internal controls. We review them, we make sure that they are in place, but we do not actually test them to say if they're effective or not; Then we do have some findings on internal controls.
 - Page 84: Here we can see that we had three prior year findings. 2018-001 there were some files missing in the employee files last year. We are happy to report that it was resolved.
 - Finding 2018-002: Procurement material non-compliance. Items that required council member approval were resolved.
 - There are a lot of internal controls and policies and procedures that have been implemented and signed off on by the Board. The main one that we were still missing is the IT policy.
 - 2019-002: (PERA): Payments were made to PERA to resolve missing deductions; We're hoping that this finding will also be removed by next year.
 - 2019-003: (Journal entries): This is one of the most more dangerous areas, adjusting journal entries. Management override is one of the riskiest areas where fraud and things like that are found. We did look at the items. They were not fraudulent.
 - 2019-004:(Material weakness, purchasing): During testing three out of twenty-seven purchases had an invoice date earlier than the approved PO and requisition dates for a total of \$6,220. It's one of those processes and issues that deals with doing things in the right order.
 - 2019-005:(Cash reconciliation): Reconciliation of all cash accounts is required. Pooled cash account did not reconcile by \$30 at year end. This means it was not done correctly.
 - **Trustee Flores:** So, on that last one, are you telling us that the amount in the bank and the amount spent was correct? The only thing that was not done was reconciliation.
 - **Juan Garcia:** Yes, ma'am.
 - **Trustee Flores:** So, there's like no money missing or anything wrong, just, that the process was not done, but it can be corrected?
 - **Juan Garcia:** Yes, ma'am.
 - **Trustee Flores:** Ok, well that gives me a lot of relief because, you know, there was some big thing going on with this and to find out that no, there's no money missing, and everything is correct. I do appreciate you're doing all this, thank you.

- **Juan Garcia:** *The issues here could not have not been anything of that level, but there's a lot of internal control issues that I feel needs to be mitigated and fixed. I do feel like there's a lot of progress that has been made, and probably has been that since we've had this audit. But, yes, it's mostly internal controls, which is a big deal, but not to the level where there was any money stolen.*
- **Trustee Flores:** *Yes, and I appreciate it. There was a lot of complaints going on. I hate to say it, but it was a lot of pettiness and we gave you a lot of work.*
- **Juan Garcia:** *2019-006: (Internal control): Compensated absences: During the testing, it was noted that the system was accruing part time employees. Two out of 16 terminated employees tested had leave balance at year-end totaling \$254.*
 - **2019-007** *During testing, it was noted that 2 out of 16 terminated employees tested, the recorded termination date in the system was after final paycheck thus we were unable to verify if compensation check was timely. In addition, one sample was not provided. The City did not follow the proper termination of employee procedures. Not properly following termination procedures elevates the risk of litigation.*
 - **2019-008** *Legal compliance with budget: Section 6-6-6 of the New Mexico State Statutes restricts all officials and governing authorities from approving claims in excess of the approved budget. Additionally, the statute prohibits any payment in excess of the approved budget. Fiscal year ending 2019, City remitted payments for goods and services in excess of the adopted budget. In the general fund, we had an over expenditure of \$90,000 and agency funds with an over expenditure of 54,000 basically says that we spent more than we should have. We need a budget adjustment at the end of the year, just to tie back a few more expenses that maybe the City had. City can monitor budgets and conduct amendments timely in order to be in compliance.*
 - **2019-009** *Late audit report: In entry conferences we do a quick run through with management and one member of the Council, just to go through what accounts are being used and our responsibilities as auditors. We discuss management's responsibility as well. Exit conferences at the at the end of an audit, where we go into a little bit more detail or basically, the presentation I gave here, but more personal, with a few members of management and governance. Audit report was not submitted to the office of the State Auditor by the December 15 deadline. Recommend audit contract should be delivered to the State by May 15th before the year end. There was large number of internal and external information reported to auditors that caused increased testing. City hired a new City Manager to help get a handle on the internal control issues and implement new procedures to ensure controls are being followed.*
- **Trustee Flores:** *Well you did a great job. Sorry that, it had a lot of pettiness, but thank you so much.*
- **Juan Garcia:** *This is my job and I really appreciate you guys choosing us to do this.*
- **Mayor Trujillo:** *Thank you for that presentation*
- **City Clerk:** *I would like to just let the board know that we do have those eight findings that tentatively could affect the funding we receive from state and federal grants. In the event that happens, just bear in mind that we've increased from a small number of findings to a bigger number of findings, and that could affect how the City is being funded.*
- **Trustee Silva:** *but keep in mind that these are from the previous years. By creating policies and procedures and putting those into place, they actually take care of those findings, is that not correct?*
- **Mayor Trujillo:** *It is correct.*
- **City Clerk:** *The minute we start submitting items to proceed on a project, the first thing they request is most current audit, in this case the previous year. This year funding will be affected by last year audit. If we fix the findings in next audit, it will make the City compliant.*
- **Trustee Flores:** *Request the board, if they see any finding, and they know about them, board is allowed to go and have it corrected before we allow the auditors to go through it. Because once the auditor goes through it, it's a finding because he went through it. We would have probably saved ourselves from a lot of these findings if we knew about them and we had just gone and had them corrected like we should have. Instead of holding on to them and then giving them to the auditors, we should be correcting these findings.*

f) Discussion of enforcement of mask/face covering required by State and local enforcement. *Presented by MPT Herrera*

- **MPT Herrera:** *I've been talking to some of the city managers around the area, Mayor of city of Las Cruces & County managers. I spoke to our City Manager and Chief of Police with a concern that there are some businesses that are still not enforcing the mask order of the Governor has put on for the state of New Mexico.*
 - *I don't believe our police department has been enforcing the Governors mask order, as far as giving citations is concerned.*
 - *Request that we do an ordinance, which will take a little bit longer time to do. I would really like to have the City Manager, or the mayor make a proclamation saying that, our police department will enforce and cite anybody or business that is not compliant to Governors order.*
- **City Manager:** *The Governors order gives local law enforcement the ability to enforce. The vast majority of law enforcement agencies, including ours, are not taking an enforcement stance. I do believe our law enforcement is doing the best they can in not necessarily taking the enforcement approach but rather using these situations as teaching moments. If the directive is read carefully, it only specifies citing people if they're not wearing a mask and not maintaining social distancing.*
 - *Chief Ordonez procured more masks for her officers to distribute. We are doing our best to make sure the masks are being distributed.*
- **Chief Ordonez:** *So, as we already know, this topic is the center of the spotlight right now. I have spoken to my local law enforcement partners at LCPD and Dona Ana County. They have yet to issue one citation for a violation of the order.*

- The Attorney General's Office alternatively said the governor's order has not been found unconstitutional by any of the courts in New Mexico.
- Our enforcement efforts began with educating the public and informing citizens that their inadvertent failure to wear a mask covering may result in a citation.
- We do not want officers to get into any physical confrontations with anyone refusing to wear a mask. Use of force could quickly escalate into a taser deployment or pepper spray incident for lack of a mask.
- The other thing that we also discussed was trespassing: People who are not wearing the mask because we know we will not basically force them to leave if they refuse to leave a business.
- I understand the public safety aspect of this and I've talked to several business owners already, one of which I had to refer to state police, because I saw that there were numerous people going in and out of the business without masks. In those cases where people are just refusing to wear a mask or creating a really significant safety issue to the community, then I've asked the police officers to get with their sergeant or myself, to respond to this situation.
- **MPT Herrera:** I just don't want to allow any of our officers to get pulled into a physical confrontation over a mask.
 - I'm not opposed to a resolution being passed, in fact, I mean, I believe that it may deter people from going into business without a mask.
- **Trustee Flores:** Suggests sending Governor's order letter to businesses in City of Anthony.
- **Trustee Silva:** You're going to have those people that regardless of the letter, regardless of the ordinance, regardless of the resolution, regardless of the directives from the governor are going to refuse. I understand what the chief was saying. We lack manpower to go out there and issue all those citations.
 - The responsibility, in my opinion, the responsibility, has to come on those businesses. The owner can mandate they wear mask to enter business premises.
- **Alan Dahl:** Local law enforcement has the power to enforce with individuals. However, the state retains power over the businesses. So, issues with businesses would be addressed by the Department of Health. We are limited in our ability at this point to enforce that law without an ordinance.
- **Mayor Trujillo:** We do have a barrier with a lot in Anthony Texas, I know MPT stated that they're enforcing the Texas, but Anthony, Texas we've seen a lot of people go in without masks and they're not enforcing the social distancing. We deny business to them here in Anthony NM, they get business in Anthony Texas with no regulation.
 - When we cite residents, they go to court, and case gets dismissed. We have had other cases that are critical, that have been taken to the municipal court and have been dismissed.
 - Instead of enforcing, let's encourage and educate people and talk to them about this. As Trustee Flores said, let's go with the businesses. I had already given some letters to some of the small businesses here in Anthony, especially the Spanish speakers, and let them know what the Governor was enforcing.
- **Trustee Flores:** If we're getting people going into the court and they're not getting fined, or no, nothing is happening to them, again, I would give one of these letters to that judge and say, this has to be enforced.
- **Trustee Gameros:** reading the directive, agencies are the ones who are supposed to be in charge of business compliance. I think the best person to be able to do this with all the businesses in the New Mexico would be our Code enforcement.
 - City is just wanting to make sure every business has a directive posted on their door.
 - May 13th was the last time that we had passed the declaration of health emergency for the City of Anthony. We were updating it once a month, requested update at next BOT meeting.

9. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

a) Consideration and action to approve the purchase of three (3) police vehicles in the amount of \$128,610.00 and the remaining \$6,390 of \$135,000.00, to be used for any additional police equipment; contingent on final approval of Capital Outlay funds for the Police Department. **Presented by Chief of Police**

- **City Manager:** Following representative Gallegos direction, staff placed this item on agenda for approval, contingent on grant award and agreement offer.
- **Trustee Silva:** This is just more of a follow up, contingent on the approval of capital outlay fund.
- **Chief of Police:** Representative Gallegos wanted us to have this information ready for submission as soon as those funds are available. There was a price increase on some of them. Recommends Melloy quote at \$42,870 each total of \$128,610 for 3 patrol cars, removing window tint cost, that can be done somewhere else.

1st Motion: Trustee Silva 2nd Motion: Trustee Gameros

Roll Call vote:

MPT Fernie Herrera	YES	NO	
Trustee Gloria Gameros	YES	NO	4-0 votes, Motion Passes
Trustee Elva Flores	YES	NO	
Trustee Javier Silva	YES	NO	
Mayor Diana M. Trujillo Tie Breaker	YES	NO	

b) Consideration and Action to approve extension of Clean Water Revolving Fund (CWSRF) loan agreement to October 24, 2020. **Presented by Projects Coordinator**

- **Projects Coordinator:** *I'm presenting tonight the extension request for the Clean Water State Revolving Fund, it was a recommendation from Steven Deal from NMED to extend contract to April 24th, from 2021.*
- **Trustee Gameros:** *Change the date on agenda, note in the minutes that contract date extends to April 24th, 2021 not October 24, 2020.*

1st Motion: Trustee Silva 2nd Motion: MPT Herrera

Roll Call vote:

MPT Fernie Herrera	YES	NO	
Trustee Gloria Gameros	YES	NO	4-0 votes, Motion Passes
Trustee Elva Flores	YES	NO	
Trustee Javier Silva	YES	NO	
Mayor Diana M. Trujillo Tie-Breaker	YES	NO	

- c) Consideration and Action to approve Jose Terrones, Janny Brumlow, Barbara Cameron, Andres Borunda and Sara Holguin for Planning and Zoning Commission. **Presented by Mayor Diana Trujillo**

- **Mayor Trujillo:** *City clerk had mentioned to me that there was a chance that P&Z Commission already passed their terms, according to ordinance 2010-015.*
 - *So, I did speak with the P&Z Commission to see if they wanted to go ahead be approved for another term, and they all sent letters of interest.*

1st Motion: Trustee Silva 2nd Motion: Trustee Gameros

Roll Call vote:

MPT Fernie Herrera	YES	NO	
Trustee Gloria Gameros	YES	NO	4-0 votes, Motion Passes
Trustee Elva Flores	YES	NO	
Trustee Javier Silva	YES	NO	
Mayor Diana M. Trujillo Tie-Breaker	YES	NO	

- d) Consideration and action to enter into a Memorandum of Understanding with Three Rivers Education Foundation, Inc. **Presented by City Manager**

- **City Manager:** *I had the pleasure of meeting two individuals that are doing some wonderful work around helping others to obtain a GED. Then they go even beyond that to really help them with job placement, small business entrepreneurship, training, and really giving people pathways to being economically self-sufficient. This program was just refunded for five more years. The challenge is that the program is looking for a home. They started their evening classes at the beginning of July.*
 - *These classes are offered on Mondays and Wednesdays from 5:30 to 8:30.*
 - *We were able to show the multi-purpose room and library to the to administrators the program, and they did find the space appropriate.*
 - *We are proposing that City staff train foundation staff on how to open/close the multi-purpose room and the library including fence.*
 - *They will take on the responsibility to have already shared all their insurance information.*
- **Dr. Steven Lane:** *My wife, Georgia and I are retired educators. We went to work for the three Rivers Education Foundation, which is a non-profit whose main goal is to help people. And we were fortunate enough to get our grant renewed for another five years.*
 - *The grant pays for everything to help migrant and seasonal farm workers and their family members to attain a GED.*
 - *We provide the books, we pay for the tests, supplies, notebooks, internet access, we pay for everything.*
 - *In addition, once the students are finished with the program, we provide the students with the \$300 money order to cover the prior cost of daycare or gas.*
 - *We assist the students, with enrollment to a trade school, Junior college, or university.*
- **Trustee Silva:** *Dr. Lane, you mentioned earlier that it was focused at Migrant farmworkers. Would this also benefit some of our youth who did complete high school where they would have the opportunity to go and take advantage of this program?*
- **Dr. Steven Lane:** *They would have to meet the requirements of the grant: If one person in the household meets the requirement of being a migrant or seasonal farm worker, then pretty much everyone in the House qualifies. This is a very specific grant for farmworkers, seasonal workers, migrant workers and their family members.*
- **Mayor Trujillo:** *Thank you, Dr. Lane, for bringing in these resources to our community and surrounding areas.*

1st Motion: Trustee Silva 2nd Motion: Trustee Gameros

Roll Call vote:

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Trustee Gloria Gameros	YES	NO	4-0 votes, Motion Passes
Trustee Elva Flores	YES	NO	
Trustee Javier Silva	YES	NO	
Mayor Diana M. Trujillo Tie-Breaker	YES	NO	

10. **ITEMS FROM THE CITY CLERK - None**

11. **ITEMS FROM THE CITY MANAGER**

- **City Manager:** *There is something very similar to the last action item from the board, which I definitely would like to present.*
 - *Staff is doing all we can to support really worthwhile programs and non-profits that are doing work that benefits our residents, especially the most vulnerable.*
 - *Julie Ballard Soto from a program called Thriving Kids, that delivers a lot of services to low-income families want to expand here in the Anthony area. Staff suggested Via Sereno, which is zoned for community non-profits and churches.*
 - *Staff would have to bring contract before the board for approval. We would commission a fair market rental study to be sure that we are offering a lease that is fair and equitable to the residents of Anthony as owners of the property.*
 - *Tenants are a good way to leverage space that at the moment, like this one, are really not being used in the best way possible. They could be generating some revenue, as well as benefiting very worthy organizations doing really wonderful work in that community.*

12. ITEMS FROM THE MAYOR AND TRUSTEES

- **Trustee Silva:** *Noticed that the City wooden seals in front of the City Hall building are really in a bad shape. I don't know if we can have public works take them down and maybe get somebody locally to touch them up, because they're really in bad condition. You can't even tell what's on there.*
 - **City Manager:** *Thank you for bringing that up. Staff will be working with the mayor's husband on that. He originally made and very kindly offered to donate his services to refurbishing the seals. We've already set up a timeframe, about the next week or so public works can take down one of the seals so that he can do his magic to it, and then return it to the city.*
 - *We want to make sure we have at least one seal up and we are aware of the unfortunate effects of the weather on the really beautiful seals.*
- **Trustee Gameros:** *None*
- **MPT Herrera:** *Address this to the city manager, so that he can tell the guys from Public Works, there are very deep potholes on Mckinley Street.*
 - *I am concerned. Invited City Manager for a tour of the city so that he could see firsthand what is needed, what is not needed, what we can do. To give recommendations on what we can do to make the city better, or maybe we talk to some residents. His response was that he likes to make his own decisions and that he doesn't want my perspective, or have any influence on my perspective to him.*
 - *I didn't think that was the answer that I was going to get. Because I was just trying to invite him to go out there and look to see what the city looks like.*
 - *MPT should influence you with my perspective. I still encourage you, if you don't want to go with me, maybe you can go out with one or your department heads and maybe the police chief and have them take you on a tour.*
- **Trustee Flores:** *I would like to encourage our city manager to take advantage of what MPT was offering. I believe that he needs to let the people see him and maybe he can talk to some of our residents and, get to know this city and how we all live here.*
 - *Request update on Finance director hiring progress*
 - **City Manager:** *I'm just waiting to receive the final packets from our HR Liaison. About 6-7 candidates took the tests.*
 - *So, we will begin the interview process probably in the next week or two.*
- **Mayor Trujillo:** *We are going to have some lights installed, in a week or so. About 10 more lights around the city of Anthony, so just letting everybody know about that.*
 - **Trustee Silva:** *You do you have a list by any chance where those lights are going up?*
 - **Mayor Trujillo:** *Yes, will email it.*
 - **Trustee Flores:** *Requested email to all trustees.*

13. ADJOURNMENT

1st Motion: Trustee Silva 2nd Motion: MPT Herrera

Roll Call vote:

MPT Fernie Herrera	YES	NO	
Trustee Gloria Gameros	YES	NO	4-0 votes, Motion Passes
Trustee Elva Flores	YES	NO	
Trustee Javier Silva	YES	NO	
Mayor Diana M. Trujillo Tie Breaker	YES	NO	

Mayor Trujillo: *Meeting is adjourned at 8:42pm, thank you, everybody have a great rest of the week.*

ATTEST:


 Esther Motongo, City Clerk




 Diana Murillo-Trujillo, Mayor