

Court Chambers  
820 Highway 478  
Anthony, NM 88021

**City of Anthony, NM**  
**Board of Trustees: Regular Meeting**  
**MINUTES**

**Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**

Diana Murillo, Mayor  
Gabriel I. Holguin, MPT  
Jose Garcia, Trustee  
Daniel Barreras, Trustee  
Fernando Herrera, Trustee

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**6:00pm**

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**1. CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Diana Murillo at 6:01pm**

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

<b>3. ROLL CALL</b>	Present:	MPT Gabriel I. Holguin	<b>YES</b>	NO
		Trustee Jose Garcia	<b>YES</b>	NO
		Trustee Daniel Barreras	<b>YES</b>	NO
		Trustee Fernando Herrera	<b>YES</b>	NO
		Mayor Diana Murillo	<b>YES</b>	NO
		Quorum Established	<b>YES</b>	NO

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**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA ORDER**

**1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Barreras

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Garcia

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin	<b>YES</b>	NO
Trustee Garcia	<b>YES</b>	NO
Trustee Barreras	<b>YES</b>	NO
Trustee Herrera	<b>YES</b>	NO

4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

**5. PUBLIC COMMENTS (3-minute limit for each person)**

*Irene Miramontez*

*Betty Gonzalez*

*Cecilia Acosta*

*Carlos Romero*

**6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**a. Regular Meeting 08/20/2025**

**1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Barreras

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Herrera

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin	<b>YES</b>	NO
Trustee Garcia	<b>YES</b>	NO
Trustee Barreras	<b>YES</b>	NO
Trustee Herrera	<b>YES</b>	NO

4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

**b. Budget Workshop: 08/25/2025**

**1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Herrera

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Barreras

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin YES NO

Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO

Trustee Herrera YES NO

4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

c. Special Meeting: 08/25/2025

**1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Garcia

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Herrera

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin YES NO

Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO

Trustee Herrera YES NO

4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

**7. PRESENTATION**

- a. Presentation on a proposed development by American Family Entertainment Centers, LLC. for a Sports Complex within the City of Anthony, ***Presented by Trustee Garcia and Bill Kellen, Managing Member for American Family Entertainment Centers, LLC.***

*Bill Kellen with American Family Entertainment Centers, LLC presented a potential development idea for the Dos Lagos property, citing its location between Las Cruces and El Paso as ideal. He described possible entertainment venues geared toward youth, noting similar projects his company has completed in other municipalities at his client's expense. Mayor Murillo asked how the proposal would align with current plans for Dos Lagos, and MPT Holguin raised questions regarding funding. Further discussion will take place as plans progress.*

**8. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION**

- a. Consideration and Action to approve the Utility Easement Agreement and Franchise Fee Waiver between the City of Anthony and the Mescalero Apache Telecom, Inc., ***Presented by Godfrey Enjady, General Manager for Mescalero Apache Telecom, Inc. and Alan Morel.***

*This item, previously postponed pending fee approval, was revisited with fee information provided by Mescalero Apache Telecom, Inc. The City Attorney noted an average of \$1.97/linear foot in similar areas. Trustee Garcia proposed \$1.50/linear foot, totaling \$6,475.50, to approve the easement. No permitting or franchise fees will be imposed, as the company will not be providing service to the City.*

*Amendment:* **1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Garcia

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Herrera

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin YES NO

Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO

Trustee Herrera YES NO

4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

*Original as amended* **1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Garcia

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** MPT Holguin

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin YES NO

Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO

Trustee Herrera YES NO

4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

- b. Consideration and Action to approve the purchase of body armor, carriers and attachments for the City of Anthony Police Department, ***Presented by Chief of Police.***

*Approval was requested to purchase five body armor units for new officers, with three quotes provided. The recommended vendor, a contract vendor, submitted the lowest quote at \$5,830, she*

further noted that this will not come from the city's budget but will be covered by the Law Enforcement Protection Fund.

**1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Barreras

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Herrera

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin \_\_\_\_\_ YES NO \*not present during roll call vote

Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

- c. Consideration and Action on approval of a maintenance expenditure for a Police Department patrol unit, ***Presented by the Chief of Police.***

*The Chief of Police requested approval of this expense to fix the A/C on unit A20.*

**1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Barreras

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Herrera

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin YES NO

Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

- d. Consideration and Action to approve a quote and service provider to implement email protection, ***Presented by the IT Assistant.***

*The IT Assistant re-presented the postponed item regarding email protection and phishing/scam training. Based on pricing, number of licenses, and training offered, Barracuda was selected as the vendor.*

To select Barracuda: **1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Garcia

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Barreras

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin YES NO

Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

**Original 1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Barreras

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Garcia

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin YES NO

Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

- e. Consideration and Action to amend the Proclamation renaming the City of Anthony Public Library, ***Presented by Trustee Garcia.***

*The proclamation was amended to rename the City of Anthony Public Library as the Maria Belen Flores Library instead of the longer name that was previously approved.*

**1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Garcia

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** MPT Holguin

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin YES NO

Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO 4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

Trustee Herrera YES NO

- f. Consideration and Action to approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the City of Anthony, New Mexico and the City of Sunland Park Animal Control Department, ***Presented by***

**the CPO/HR Director.**

The CPO/HR Director reported that, due to recent incidents and the absence of an Animal Control Officer, assistance was requested from surrounding agencies. Sunland Park was the only agency to respond. Trustee Garcia and MPT Holguin questioned follow-up with other agencies, with MPT Holguin moving to postpone pending a response from Doña Ana County and Mesilla and legal review. CPO/HR Director noted prior county service requests were costly and urged approval of the MOU with Sunland Park to address urgent needs, with costs to be covered by the City for roughly two months until the position is filled.

**Original 1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Barreras

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Herrera

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin	YES NO
Trustee Garcia	YES NO
Trustee Barreras	YES NO
Trustee Herrera	YES NO
Mayor Murillo	YES NO

3-2 Vote, Motion Passes.

**Postpone: 1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** MPT Holguin

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Garcia

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin	YES NO
Trustee Garcia	YES NO
Trustee Barreras	YES NO
Trustee Herrera	YES NO
Mayor Murillo	YES NO

2-3 Vote, Motion Denied.

Consideration and Action to approve the Vehicle Maintenance Service Agreement between the City of Anthony, New México and Franklin Tire Shop, **Presented by the CPO/HR Director. (POSTPONED)**

**Postpone 1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Herrera

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Garcia

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin	YES NO
Trustee Garcia	YES NO
Trustee Barreras	YES NO
Trustee Herrera	YES NO

4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

**9. CLOSED SESSION**

- a. NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Anthony Board of Trustees will meet in Executive Session Pursuant to NMSA 1978, Section 10-15-1 (H)(2) regarding limited personnel matters related to the Library Assistant position.

**1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Barreras

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Herrera

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin	YES NO
Trustee Garcia	YES NO
Trustee Barreras	YES NO
Trustee Herrera	YES NO

4-0 Vote, Motion Passes at 7:48pm.

- b. Return to Open Session *\*No decisions were taken during closed session.*

**1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Barreras

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Herrera

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin	YES NO
Trustee Garcia	YES NO
Trustee Barreras	YES NO

4-0 Vote, Motion Passes at 8:19pm

Trustee Herrera YES NO

#### 10. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION

- a. Consideration and Action to approve the hiring of Nadia Porras as a Library Assistant, **Presented by the CPO/HR Director.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Motion:** Trustee Barreras

**2<sup>nd</sup> Motion:** Trustee Herrera

**Roll Call Vote:**

MPT Holguin YES NO

Trustee Garcia YES NO

Trustee Barreras YES NO

Trustee Herrera YES NO

4-0 Vote, Motion Passes.

#### 11. ITEMS FROM THE MAYOR AND TRUSTEES

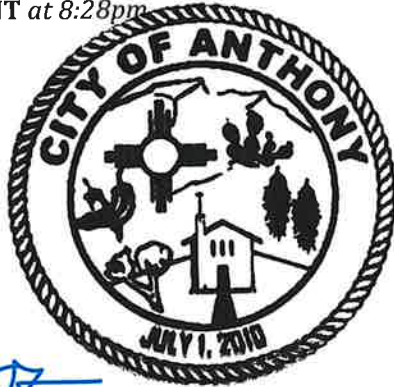
**Trustee Herrera:** Requested that board members be allowed to attend Planning and Zoning training sessions to stay updated on laws and regulations.

**Trustee Barreras:** NONE

**Trustee Garcia:** A trustee expressed support for Trustee Herrera's request regarding board participation in Planning and Zoning trainings, noting the importance of continued education for elected officials. The trustee further began to argue and raised past issues previously clarified by the City Clerk, which led to disagreement.

\*As a result, the Mayor adjourned the meeting. She and Trustee Barreras left the meeting at 8:28pm. The City Clerk left shortly after Trustee Garcia concluded his comments. Trustee Garcia motioned to adjourn the meeting, Trustee Herrera seconded. Vote was taken and unanimously passed at 8:35pm.

#### 12. ADJOURNMENT at 8:28pm



{SEAL}

Attest:

Karla Oropeza, City Clerk

Diana Murillo, Mayor

