



# **AGENDA**

**VILLAGE OF QUESTA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 13, 2019  
VILLAGE OF QUESTA COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
2500 Old State Road 3  
Questa, NM  
6:00 P.M**

## **~ NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC ~**

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Mayor Mark L. Gallegos  
Mayor Pro-Tem Louise T. Gallegos  
Councilmember Brent P. Jaramillo | Councilmember John A. Ortega | Councilmember Charlie I. Gonzales

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- I. **CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR MARK L. GALLEGOS**
- II. **ROLL CALL**
- III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**
- IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**
- V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** – 1) Regular Meeting, July 23, 2019 2) Special Meeting, July 30, 2019
- VI. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** - *(It is the policy of the Governing Body to accept public comment. Because your particular issue is not on the agenda the Governing Body cannot respond immediately, but may direct staff to address issues at a future Council Meeting. Public comments are limited to a maximum of three minutes.)*
- VII. **PUBLIC HEARING**
  - A) Questa Public Library – A Public Hearing for public input to the proposed Library Internet Safety Policy
- VIII. **ACTION ITEM**
  - A) Discussion, Consideration & Decision – Questa Public Library Internet Safety Policy
- IX. **PUBLIC HEARING**
  - A) A Public Hearing for the public to provide input to the 2021-2025 Infrastructure Capital Improvement Plan (ICIP)
- X. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**
  - A) Village of Questa Project Reports
- XI. **MATTERS /UPDATES FROM ATTORNEY**
- XII. **MATTERS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**
- XIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

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 7 I. **CALL TO ORDER BY MAYOR MARK L. GALLEGOS**

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 9 Mayor Gallegos called the meeting to order at 6:06 pm.

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 11 II. **ROLL CALL**

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 13 Village Clerk Renee Martinez called roll where a quorum was present.

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 15 Those present were:

- 16 Councilman John Anthony Ortega
- 17 Councilman Charlie I. Gonzales
- 18 Councilwoman Louise T. Gallegos

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 20 Not Present:

- 21 Councilman Brent P. Jaramillo

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 23 III. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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 25 Ms. Dina Coleman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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 27 IV. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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 29 Motion: Councilman Gonzales  
 30 Second: Councilwoman Gallegos

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 32 Roll Call:

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- 34 Councilman Charlie Gonzales YES
- 35 Councilman John Ortega YES
- 36 Councilwoman Louise Gallegos YES

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 38 To approve the agenda as presented. All voted yes. Motion carried.

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 40 V. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES –**

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 42 1) Regular Meeting, July 23, 2019

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 44 Motion: Councilman Ortega  
 45 Second: Councilman Gonzales

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 47 In Favor: All  
 48 Opposed: None

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 50 To approve the July 23, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. All voted yes. Motion carried

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 52 2) Special Meeting, July 30, 2019

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 54 Motion: Councilman Gonzales  
 55 Second: Councilwoman Gallegos

56 In Favor: All  
57 Opposed: None

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59 To approve the July 30, 2019 meeting minutes as presented. All voted yes. Motion carried  
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61 VI. **PUBLIC COMMENTS** - *(It is the policy of the Governing Body to accept public comment. Because your particular issue is not on the agenda the Governing Body cannot respond immediately, but may direct staff to address issues at a future Council Meeting. Public comments are limited to a maximum of three minutes.)*  
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66 Ms. Lori Ortega arrived a few minutes late for public comments but was allowed to speak at 6:16pm.  
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68 Ms. Ortega had the following concerns:  
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- 70 • Regarding the pave project next year would like speed bumps on upper Cabresto Road.
- 71 • The bus stop in the winter turns at the end of the road which is dangerous; is there something we
- 72 can to make it safer at the end of the road.
- 73 • Requested a fire hydrant be placed on upper Cabresto Road; for insurance reasons they should be
- 74 placed so many feet from homes.
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77 VII. **PUBLIC HEARING**

78 A) Questa Public Library – A Public Hearing for public input to the proposed Library Internet Safety  
79 Policy  
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81 Mayor Gallegos opened the public hearing at 6:10pm and asked if there were any comments from the public.  
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83 Ms. Martinez stated that this public hearing is a requirement of the E-Rate program to allow the public to  
84 comment on the Internet Safety Policy.  
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86 Councilwoman Gallegos commented that it is a good policy and it does outline a lot of the actions that can  
87 and cannot be taken.  
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89 Mayor Gallegos again asked if there were any comments from the public. There were none.  
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91 Mayor Gallegos then closed the public hearing at 6:12pm.  
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93 VIII. **ACTION ITEM**

94 A) Discussion, Consideration & Decision – Questa Public Library Internet Safety Policy  
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96 Motion: Councilwoman Gallegos

97 Second: Councilman Ortega  
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99 Roll Call:  
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101 Councilman Charlie Gonzales	YES
102 Councilman John Ortega	YES
103 Councilwoman Louise Gallegos	YES

104  
105 To approve the Questa Public Library Internet Safety Policy as presented. All voted yes. Motion carried.  
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107 IX. **PUBLIC HEARING**

108 A) A Public Hearing for the public to provide input to the 2021-2025 Infrastructure Capital  
109 Improvement Plan (ICIP)  
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111 Mayor Gallegos stated that this public hearing is to allow for public input into the Village of Questa 2021-  
112 2025 ICIP. Mayor Gallegos opened the public hearing at 6:21pm.

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114 Sharon Nicholson, Library Director – Requested a parking lot expansion, covered walkway, new  
115 carpeting, windows, etc.

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117 Fire Chief Mark Ortega – Requested a new fire station and a new fire truck. They are also in need of wildland  
118 gear. Councilman Ortega stated his concern regarding Questa Fire covering Chevron wildland property. We  
119 are also having to cover the structures in the canyon.

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121 Mayor Gallegos stated that the public works department requests new vehicles. Councilman Gonzales stated  
122 that he supports this and would also like to see some of the old vehicles auctioned off.

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124 Councilman Gonzales inquired about the equipment and property requested by the EMS department.  
125 Councilman Ortega stated that priority 4 in 2021 is Emergency Vehicles and Equipment. Councilman  
126 Jaramillo stated at a previous meeting that the property can be purchased through the general fund.

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128 Mayor Gallegos asked if there were any comments or suggestions from the public. There were none.  
129 Mayor Gallegos then closed the public hearing at 7:02 pm.

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131 X. **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

132 A) Village of Questa Project Reports

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134 Mayor Gallegos stated that the staff has put together some reports regarding the projects that are currently  
135 underway. Ms. Shannon went over all the project reports with the Council.

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137 A discussion was held regarding the well house project. Councilman Ortega inquired if the land issue with  
138 the schools has been resolved. Mayor Gallegos stated that the Superintendent is working on the process. He  
139 will keep the Council updated.

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141 Councilman Ortega asked when the Cabresto waterline project will begin. Ms. Martinez stated that we are  
142 waiting on some maps from the engineers. He suggested we piggyback the paving project with the water  
143 line replacement so we don't have to pave it twice. Mayor Gallegos stated that we will not be able to do the  
144 actual pave until the spring. We can talk to the engineers regarding this.

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146 Councilman Gonzales asked what the GRT's are looking like. Ms. Shannon stated that we received  
147 \$ 92,000.00 last month which is great. Councilman Gonzales stated that the Questa videos did not show  
148 include the Healing Field. He would really like to see it included if possible. Also, he is concerned about  
149 the Taos Bakes and the layoff of employees; and will we need the expansion. Mayor Gallegos stated that we  
150 are in a 5-year contract with them and are still in compliance with the number of employees they need to  
151 have. They are trying to improve their production line and are asking for improvements in the building. We  
152 will have them come into a meeting in September. Councilman Ortega stated that most people don't know  
153 that they are in Questa; they should have a sign and should have had a grand opening and take some pride  
154 in being here.

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156 XI. **MATTERS /UPDATES FROM ATTORNEY**

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158 Attorney Chris DeFillippo informed the Governing Body that the 40 Year Water Plan is complete;  
159 Chevron will be covering the cost of the plan.

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161 He will provide another update at next month's council meeting.

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163 XII. **MATTERS FROM MAYOR, COUNCIL AND ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF**

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165 Councilman Ortega stated that the back to school event sponsored by Vida del Norte was a huge success.

166 Councilwoman Gallegos announced that she was a proud Grandma to a baby girl.

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168 A discussion was held regarding the possibility of cancelling the next regular meeting due to the NMML  
169 Conference.

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171 XIII. ADJOURNMENT

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173 Motion: Councilwoman Gallegos

174 Second: Councilman Gonzales

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176 In Favor: All

177 Opposed: None

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179 There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:51pm.

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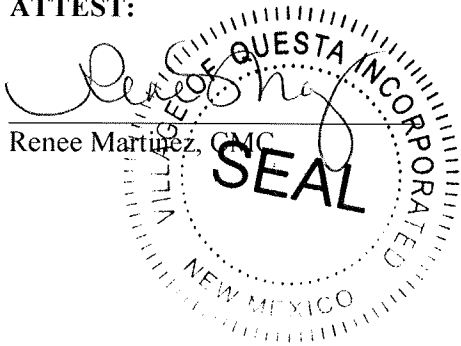
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APPROVED:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, which reads "Mark Gallegos", is written over a horizontal line. Below the line, the name "Mark Gallegos, Mayor" is printed.