



## AGENDA

VILLAGE OF QUESTA  
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2020  
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 John Anthony Ortega  
Councilmember Charlie I. Gonzales | Councilmember Brent P. Jaramillo | Councilmember Louise T. Gallegos

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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** – A) October 20, 2020 Special B) October 27, 2020 Regular
- 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. **PRESENTATIONS**
  - A) Taos Behavioral Health
  - B) Endeavor NM
  - C) WH Pacific - Business Park Update
- VIII. **MATTERS FROM ATTORNEY** – Chris DeFillippo, Robles, Rael & Anaya
- IX. **MATTERS FROM ADMINISTRATION** - Renee Martinez, CMC / Interim Administrator
- X. **MATTERS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL**
- XI. **ADJOURNMENT**

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

15 Mayor Gallegos called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm

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 17 **II. ROLL CALL**

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

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 20 Those virtually present were:

21 Mayor Mark Gallegos  
 22 Councilman John Anthony Ortega  
 23 Councilman Brent P. Jaramillo  
 24 Councilman Charlie Gonzales  
 25 Renee Martinez, CMC/ Interim Administrator  
 26 Dina Coleman, Deputy Clerk / CPO  
 27 Karen Shannon – VOQ Finance Director  
 28 Brian Salazar -Taos Behavioral Health  
 29 Vivian Vallejos – Taos Behavioral Health  
 30 Magdalena Miera – Taos Behavioral Health  
 31 James Glover - Endeavor NM

32 Not Present were:

33 Councilwoman Louise Gallegos

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 35 Those Present by Phone:

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 37 Christian Isley – Chevron representative

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 39 **III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

40 Councilman Charlie Gonzales led the Pledge of Allegiance.

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 42 **IV. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

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 44 Motion: Councilman Charlie Gonzales

45 Second: Councilman Brent Jaramillo

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 47 **Roll Call:**

48 Councilman John Anthony Ortega YES

49 Councilman Brent P. Jaramillo YES

50 Councilman Charlie Gonzales YES

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51 Councilwoman Louise Gallegos Not Present

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53 To approve the agenda as amended. Majority voted yes. Motion carried.

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56 **V. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 20, 2020**

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58 Motion: Councilman Brent Jaramillo

59 Second: Councilman Charlie Gonzales

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61 **Roll Call:**

62 Councilman John Anthony Ortega YES

63 Councilman Brent P. Jaramillo YES

64 Councilman Charlie Gonzales YES

65 Councilwoman Louise Gallegos Not Present

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67 To approve the October 20, 2020, Special Meeting minutes as presented. Majority voted yes. Motion carried.

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69 **APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 27, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes**

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71 Motion: Councilman John Anthony Ortega

72 Second: Councilman Brent Jaramillo

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74 **Roll Call:**

75 Councilman John Anthony Ortega YES

76 Councilman Brent P. Jaramillo YES

77 Councilman Charlie Gonzales YES

78 Councilwoman Louise Gallegos Not Present

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80 To approve the October 27, 2020, Regular Meeting minutes as presented. Majority voted yes. Motion carried.

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88 Christian Isley - Chevron Representative, provided updates to the following

89 • As part of supporting the Village of Questa COVID-19 response , Chevron has chosen to donate 30,

90 1-gallon hand sanitizer bottles and 3000 N95 face masks to the Village that will be dispersed to various

91 departments.

92 • Mr. Isley, commended Mayor Gallegos and Ms. Martinez on the progress of the business park project

93 and stated that Chevron has approved the 4<sup>th</sup> installment payment of their match commitment in the

94 approximate amount of \$80,000.

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96 **VII. PRESENTATIONS**

97 **A) Taos Behavioral Health Request**

98 Mr. Salazar presented information about Taos Behavioral Health program and is also a requesting the use of

99 the Village of Questa C.A Cisneros Youth and Family Center. This program provides services that supports

100 students in five domains of life – living, working, learning, socializing and recreation. What TBH is concerned

101 with now that the school are closing is a great need for kids and families to get support with online learning,  
 102 managing anxiety, isolation concerns and that they also have access to utility help or applying for food stamps.  
 103 The program has a strong need to provide in-person support, so they are requesting the use of the youth center  
 104 to be able to accommodate families in our community with their services.

105 Ms. Magdalena Miera spoke more about the program. She explained the importance of creating a healthy  
 106 environment in every area for the children and families. She stated the getting children to be academically  
 107 successful these children need to have a great, stable place with internet access, she believes the youth center  
 108 is the perfect place for the program to work out of and support the needs of families in our community and  
 109 surrounding areas.

110 Ms. Vallejos introduced herself as a new employee to Taos Behavioral Health and has a background in working  
 111 with children at the schools in our community. She is a big advocate of the services provided by TBH to be  
 112 available to all the children and families in the area.

113 In closing Mr. Salazar shared his appreciation for the Mayor and Council allowing him to present.

114 With much conversation the Mayor and Council unanimously agreed to support Taos Behavioral Health using  
 115 the C.A. Cisneros Youth and Family Center to provide their services out of. Mayor Gallegos will be working  
 116 with Ms. Martinez and TBH on a plan to open in the near future, with a tentative date of January 1, 2020.

117 B) **Endeavor NM – James Glover , Director**

118 Introduced himself and shared a little bit about his background. He then presented on behalf of  
 119 Endeavor NM. EndeavOR NM with emphasis on the OR for outdoor recreation. Their official name  
 120 is the New Mexico Outdoor Recreation Business Alliance. Mr. Glover stated that their vision is very  
 121 simple they just want to be the balanced and unified voice for all outdoor recreation businesses and  
 122 organizations in the state of New Mexico who are positively contributing to the outdoor economy.  
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124 Mr. Glover is asking that Questa become an Organs Mountains Member. The Membership is free and  
 125 there is a specific membership set up for cities counties tribes and state and federal agencies at no cost  
 126 because they really value their relationship of working with communities. They have several  
 127 memberships; Mr. Glover gives a description of each below.

- 128 • Wheeler Peak Members - For outdoor recreation businesses and organizations
- 129 • Rio Grande Caliber - For businesses that benefit from thriving outdoor recreation economy
- 130 • White Sands – For those that want to see outdoor recreation get bigger and better
- 131 • Student Program – To get students outdoors and engaged in outdoor recreation
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133 To learn more about them go to Endeavornm.org or find them on Facebook and Instagram.

134 Mayor Gallegos expressed the interest of the Village considering membership with Endeavor NM.

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136 C) **WHPacific – Business Park Update**

137 There was no representation by WHPacific , however, Mayor Gallegos has been in communication with them  
 138 and provided the Council with an update on the Business Park project status. Mayor Gallegos stated that one-  
 139 layer cover of asphalt at the entryway was laid down and that will provide the current anchor tenant Taos  
 140 Bakes with a nice driveway for their pickups and deliveries. He also stated that 90% of the base course has  
 141 been put on the roadway on the loop, unfortunately due to the weather and due to production, the type of  
 142 asphalt that was going to be laid was not available for the Village, it DOT spec grade all that was going to be  
 143 put down there so it would be for heavy traffic. Conversations transpired between the engineers and Mayor  
 144 and a decision was made to have the contractor cut the contract short due to lack of funding from CDBG at

145 this time which we are working on with CDBG group to complete any documents that are not in the full grant  
146 application. This is where the Village stands with the project. The Village is looking to receive closing  
147 information from the contractor to get them paid as well as subcontractors. The project will be left as is until  
148 funding from CDBG is available, once monies are received the Village will go out to bid for paving.

149 Councilman Ortega asked what the Village is lacking. Mayor Gallegos responded explaining the needs.

150 Councilman Gonzales asked if there is a process for a perspective business that wishes to move onto the  
151 Business Park. Mayor Gallegos responded that he is working with the Village Attorney to prepare information  
152 that can be provided to potential tenants.

153 Councilman Jaramillo asked if there is anything that the Village can do to have CDBG come back to the table  
154 and discuss the status of funding. Mayor Gallegos stated that the Village Administration, North Central  
155 Economic Development and CDBG have been working together to fulfill the needs of the original application.  
156 There are items missing that the former CDBG project manager did not have in the Village file and the Village  
157 is looking to replace them.

158 Christian Isley , Chevron Representative also expressed his commitment on outreach for tenants coming in.  
159 He states that he has reached out to the Labs at Sandia and LANL to encourage some of their suppliers to  
160 consider the Business Park location. He also asked how economic development can be encouraged from the  
161 Labs and will the Village support the importance of labs?

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164 **IX. MATTERS FROM ATTORNEY** - Chris DeFillippo, Robles, Rael & Anaya  
165 There was no Attorney present

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167 **X. MATTERS FROM ADMINISTRATION**

168 Ms. Martinez had no matters at this time.

169 **.XII. MATTERS FROM MAYOR & COUNCIL**

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**XII. ADJOURNMENT**

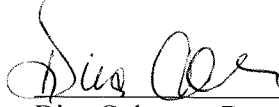
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173 Motion: Councilman John Anthony Ortega  
174 Second: Councilman Brent Jaramillo

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176 **Roll Call:**

- 177 Councilman John Anthony Ortega YES
- 178 Councilman Brent P. Jaramillo YES
- 179 Councilman Charlie Gonzales YES
- 180 Councilwoman Louise Gallegos Not Present

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182 There being no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned at 7:06 pm.

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184 **ATTEST:**

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188 Dina Coleman, Deputy Clerk

**APPROVED:**

  
Mark Gallegos, Mayor

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