

MINUTES of the FOUR-HUNDRED-TENTH MEETING of the LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

January 16, 2023 State Capitol, Room 307 Santa Fe

The four-hundred-tenth meeting of the Legislative Council was called to order by Senator Mimi Stewart, co-chair, on January 16, 2023 at 1:37 p.m. in Room 307 of the State Capitol in Santa Fe.

Present

Sen. Mimi Stewart, Co-Chair Sen. Gregory A. Baca Sen. Craig W. Brandt Rep. Gail Chasey Sen. Katy M. Duhigg Rep. Doreen Y. Gallegos Rep. T. Ryan Lane Rep. Patricia A. Lundstrom Sen. Steven P. Neville Sen. Peter Wirth

Special Advisory Members Present

Rep. Eliseo Lee Alcon Sen. Pete Campos Sen. Ron Griggs Sen. Stuart Ingle Sen. Mark Moores Sen. Michael Padilla Rep. Andrea Romero Rep. Elizabeth "Liz" Thomson Rep. Christine Trujillo

Guest Legislators

Sen. William F. Burt Sen. Cliff R. Pirtle

Absent

Rep. Brian Egolf, Co-Chair Rep. Rebecca Dow Rep. Daymon Ely Rep. Jason C. Harper Sen. Linda M. Lopez Sen. George K. Munoz

Special Advisory Members Absent

Rep. Christine Chandler Rep. Dayan Hochman-Vigil Rep. Georgene Louis Sen. Antonio Maestas Rep. Javier Martínez Rep. Rod Montoya Rep. Patricia Roybal Caballero Rep. Debra M. Sariñana Sen. Antoinette Sedillo Lopez Sen. Benny Shendo, Jr. Rep. Candie G. Sweetser Rep. James G. Townsend Sen. Pat Woods

Staff

Raúl E. Burciaga, Director, Legislative Council Service (LCS) Amy Chavez-Romero, Assistant Director for Legislative Affairs, LCS Shawna Casebier, Assistant Director for Drafting Services, LCS Anesa Serna-Espinoza, Assistant Director for Administration, LCS Jeret Fleetwood, Project Coordinator, LCS Erin Bond, Researcher, LCS Nancy Martinez, Research Assistant, LCS Sara Wiedmaier, Research Assistant, LCS

Approval of Minutes

On a motion made, seconded and passed, the council approved the minutes of the September 26, 2022 and December 12, 2022 meetings as submitted.

Capitol Security

Mr. Burciaga explained that because the New Mexico State Police have joint jurisdiction over the State Capitol, a representative from that agency traditionally gives the presentation to the council regarding the security detail that will be performed by the state police during the upcoming legislative session.

Dale Wagoner, major, New Mexico State Police Division, Department of Public Safety, explained that the budget request for the state police security detail for the 2023 legislative session is \$217,134.74, noting that the request includes per diem, overtime and mileage for the officers assigned to that detail. Mr. Burciaga explained that funding for the state police security detail is traditionally included in the feed bill (House Bill 1). He also noted that officers will be on site as long as floor sessions or committees are in session and that other officers will remain off site to respond to any incidents.

In response to a question regarding gunshots fired at the homes or offices of several elected officials in Albuquerque, Major Wagoner indicated that the security detail will continue to consist of 30 officers deployed for 30 days at a time.

The council thanked the New Mexico State Police for its continued work in keeping the State Capitol safe.

Staff Reports

Mr. Burciaga indicated that the State Capitol Complex will be open to the public during the upcoming legislative session and that masks and proof of vaccination will not be required. He also noted that while regular COVID-19 testing will not be available, paramedics will be on site at the north exit on the ground level, just outside of the Senate Chamber, and the paramedics could administer rapid COVID-19 tests.

Mr. Burciaga also noted that magnetometers will be in place at the east and west entrances to the State Capitol, as well as in the Walter K. Martinez Memorial Walkway and at the entrance to Capitol North.

Mr. Burciaga also explained that staff are encouraged to wear masks and maintain social distancing when possible.

Several council members thanked staff for completing renovations to the House and Senate leadership offices.

Senator Wirth noted that the Senate floor will be open to the public before and after floor sessions.

In response to a question, Mr. Burciaga explained that while supply chain issues resulted in some delays to audiovisual equipment upgrades in certain committee rooms, several rooms are set up for hybrid meetings. He referred members to the chief clerks for details on the operation of hybrid meetings during the legislative session.

In response to another question, Mr. Burciaga explained that the governor will be addressing a joint session of the House and Senate on opening day of the session.

Adjournment

There being no further business before the council, the meeting adjourned at 1:50 p.m.

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