

CITY OF SANTA FE  
NOTICE AND CERTIFICATION OF SERVICE  
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

We, the undersigned, do hereby accept notice of a City Council Special Meeting, pursuant to the conditions set forth in Sec. 2-1-12 SFCC 1987 and Sec. 3-12-3 NMSA 1978, waiving any and all irregularities in the service of notice and do hereby consent and agree that the governing body shall meet at the City Hall Council Chambers, 200 Lincoln Avenue at 5:15 p.m. on March 7, 2007 for the following purpose: see attached agenda.

  
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DAVID COSS, MAYOR

March 2, 2007      11:40 am  
DATE/TIME

  
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PATH J. BUSHEE, COUNCILOR

March 2, 2007      11:45 am  
DATE/TIME

  
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CHRIS CALVERT, COUNCILOR


March 2, 2007      11:47 am  
DATE/TIME

  
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MIGUEL CHAVEZ, COUNCILOR

March 2, 2007      11:49 am  
DATE/TIME

  
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CARMICHAEL DOMINGUEZ, COUNCILOR

March 2, 2007      11:51 am  
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KAREN HELDMEYER, COUNCILOR

March 2, 2007      11:53 am  
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MATTHEW ORTIZ, COUNCILOR

March 2, 2007      11:55 am  
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RONALD TRUJILLO, COUNCILOR

March 2, 2007      11:57 am  
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REBECCA WURZBURGER, COUNCILOR

March 2, 2007      11:59 am  
DATE/TIME



# Agenda

SPECIAL MEETING OF  
THE GOVERNING BODY  
MARCH 7, 2007  
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS

## AFTERNOON SESSION – 5:15 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. INVOCATION
4. ROLL CALL
5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
6. Request for Approval of Appointment of City Manager. (Mayor Coss)
7. ADJOURN

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE

DATE 3-2-07 TIME 11:45

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RECEIVED BY *J. Dominguez*

\*Translator for the hearing impaired available through the City Clerk's Office upon 5 days notice.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
EXECUTIVE SESSION  
March 7, 2007

The governing body of the City of Santa Fe met in an executive session duly called on March 7, 2007 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

**The following item was discussed:**

**1) Limited Personnel Matters Pursuant to §10-15-1 (H) (2) NMSA 1978.**

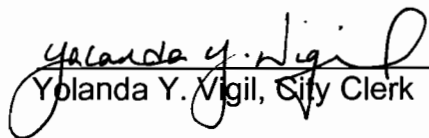
**PRESENT**

Mayor Coss  
Councilor Bushee  
Councilor Calvert  
Councilor Chavez  
Councilor Dominguez  
Councilor Heldmeyer  
Councilor Ortiz  
Councilor Trujillo  
Councilor Wurzbarger

**STAFF PRESENT**

Yolanda Y. Vigil, City Clerk

There being no further business to discuss, the executive session adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

  
Yolanda Y. Vigil, City Clerk

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SANTA FE CITY COUNCIL  
March 7, 2007**

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**MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BODY  
SANTA FE, NEW MEXICO  
March 7, 2007**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

A Special meeting of the Governing Body of the City of Santa Fe, New Mexico, was called to order by Mayor David Coss, on March 7, 2007, at approximately 5:00 p.m., in the City Hall Council Chambers.

**2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**3. INVOCATION**

**4. ROLL CALL**

Following the Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation, Roll Call indicated the presence of a quorum, as follows:

**Members Present:**

Mayor David Coss  
Councilor Miguel Chavez, Mayor Pro-Tem  
Councilor Patti J. Bushee  
Councilor Christopher Calvert  
Councilor Carmichael A. Dominguez  
Councilor Karen Heldmeyer  
Councilor Matthew E. Ortiz  
Councilor Ronald S. Trujillo  
Councilor Rebecca Wurzbarger

**5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Councilor Wurzbarger moved, seconded by Councilor Bushee, to approve the agenda as published. The motion was approved on a voice vote with Councilors Bushee, Calvert, Chavez, Dominguez, Heldmeyer, Ortiz, Wurzbarger and Trujillo voting for the motion and none against.

**6. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL OF APPOINTMENT OF CITY MANAGER. (MAYOR COSS)**

Mayor Coss said this evening he is presenting the name of Galen Buller as his appointment to fill the position of City Manager. He said Mr. Buller has done a good job on an interim basis.

**Councilor Calvert moved, seconded by Councilor Calvert, to approve the appointment of Galen Buller as City Manager.**

**Councilor Bushee moved, seconded by Councilor Wurzbarger, that the Council go into Executive Session for the purpose of discussing limited personnel matters, pursuant to §10-15-1(H)(2) NMSA 1978. [Mayor Coss ruled this motion as a priority motion, taking precedence over the previous motion.]**

**The motion was approved on a Roll Call vote as follows:**

**For: Councilor Bushee, Councilor Calvert, Councilor Chavez, Councilor Dominguez, Councilor Heldmeyer, Councilor Ortiz, Councilor Trujillo and Councilor Wurzbarger.**

**Against: None.**

The Council went into Executive Session at 5:29 p.m.

**At 6:24 p.m., Councilor Wurzbarger moved, seconded by Councilor Chavez, that the City Council come out of Executive Session, and stated that the only item which was discussed in executive session was limited personnel matters. The motion was approved on a voice vote with Councilors Bushee, Calvert, Chavez, Dominguez, Heldmeyer, Ortiz, Trujillo and Wurzbarger voting for the motion and no one voting against.**

**The previous motion to approve the appointment of Galen Buller as the City Manager was approved on the following Roll Call vote:**

**For: Councilor Bushee, Councilor Calvert, Councilor Chavez, Councilor Dominguez, Councilor Ortiz and Councilor Trujillo, Councilor Wurzbarger.**

**Against: None.**

**Abstain: Councilor Heldmeyer**

**Explaining his vote:** Councilor Dominguez said "it is all about accountability, and I think we're moving in that direction with this."

**Explaining her vote:** Councilor Bushee said it had been her wish that the candidate with the most experience would be in the driver's seat. However, in trying to move forward, and knowing that we will have evaluation processes put in place, she will support this appointment. "However, I preferred to have the guy with the experience in the driver's seat, rather than in the... being the back seat driver, but that is my vote. I vote yes."

**Explaining her vote:** Councilor Heldmeyer said there was a lot of discussion about accountability, what we would ask a City Manager to do, how we were going to ask them to do it, what they were really going to do, "what we were going to do when they did what they were really going to do." There also was a lot of discussion about working on that after the fact. She said she is very uncomfortable in doing that, because the last time around, we all went, "Well Mayor, you know, if that's what you want, this may not be our choice.... but if that's what you want, that's fine, and we never did reach any consensus about what we wanted the City Manager to do, who we wanted them to be." She is very concerned that we are at that point again, where, in the coming weeks, we are going to work that out, and work out accountability and what it is we don't want, but we haven't done that. It seems to her if we are at the point of picking a City Manager, we should have done it, so she will be abstaining.

Mayor Coss congratulated Mr. Buller, commenting that the interim ends and, as Councilor Chavez just said, the "hot seat" begins. He looks forward to working Mr. Buller and the Governing Body. He said he will present the contract, work plan and evaluation criteria at the next City Council meeting. He expressed appreciation to everyone for going through this process, noting it was done differently this time. There was involvement of the entire City Council in interviewing the two finalists. He said both were strong candidates, and he appreciates the Council participation in the process.

Mr. Buller said he appreciates confidence of the Councilors. He believes in accountability and the terminology he has been using during the strategic planning process is "benchmarking." He believes benchmarking has to start with the City Manager. He said this is a great opportunity to begin this process.

Mr. Buller said Jack Hiatt will remain with the City as the Acting Planning and Land Use Director. He will extend an offer to Mr. Tomlin to serve as the Deputy City Manager. He thanked the people at City Hall and in the community for their support.

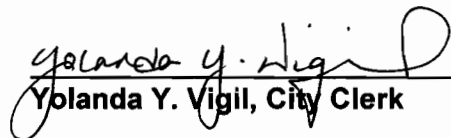
#### **4. ADJOURN**

There being no further business to come before the Governing Body, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:30 p.m.


**Approved by:**

  
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**Mayor David Coss**

**ATTESTED TO:**

  
Yolanda Y. Vigil, City Clerk

**Respectfully submitted:**

  
Melessia Helberg, Stenographer