

VALENCIA COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

Public Hearing Meeting

September 12, 2007

PRESENT	ABSENT
Pedro G Rael, Chairman	
Georgia Otero-Kirkham, Vice-Chairman	
David R Medina, Member	
Ron Gentry, Member	
Lynette Pinkston, Member	
Eric Zamora, County Manager	
Cynthia R. Wimberly, County Attorney	
Sally Perea, County Clerk	
Press and Public	

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Pedro Rael at 3:30 PM.
2. Chairman Rael led the Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Approval of Agenda

Commissioner Kirkham moved for approval. Seconded by Commissioner Pinkston. Motion carried unanimously.
4. Public Requests – At the discretion of the Chair

(For Information Only – limited to two minutes per person on subjects not on this published agenda)

Rosemary Lebrecht, one of the directors of the Meadow Lake Residents Association was requesting help from the commission. Unfortunately, she said, no one is listening up to this point because they have repeatedly asked that the Sheriff’s Office patrol regularly and their presence be seen in Meadow Lake. We continue to get excuses for why they can not do this. First it was a shortage of money, now they have been given \$1.5 million, where has this money gone. The second excuse is we are short on patrols, what is it going to take, to get our pleas heard. We are a part of Valencia County; we pay taxes just like everyone else. What will the Sheriff’s Office do when people start taking the law into their own hands? Some are getting killed or raped; they are taking over our community to where vandals are running rampant, and as you already know, have for the last five years. We have asked for your protection and we have not gotten any. The buck stops in two places, with you, the commissioners, and with Sheriff Rene Rivera. The Association has done everything we know of to get this done and now we are asking you to hear our pleas and to get some results. Thank you.

Jim Lane said this last weekend someone had run into the Isleta fence again. Fortunately, no one was hurt but is only a matter of time before someone does because there are no signs to warn people. Mr. Lane asked for signs at this area.
5. Discussion (Non-Action) Items

Sally Perea, County Clerk administered the oath to those wishing to give testimony at tonight’s hearing.
6. Public Hearing Items

a) Request to Amend Zone Map from PD to RR1 T6N R2E, Tract A-1,A-2, B-2, Rio Del Oro Subdivision, Unit 54, Lands of Leroy and Ritha J. Aragon; containing 3.36 acres, located on the corner of South Rio Del Oro Loop and Manzano Expressway, Valencia County, NM – James Aranda/Leroy Aragon

Mr. Aranda requested to amend the zone map from PD to RR1. The applicant submitted an identical request to amend the zone map from PD to RR-1 in 2003. The applicant was denied on the grounds that the request did not meet the requirements of Section 501.01 (for an RR-1 Residential District) of the 1999 comprehensive zoning ordinance. The applicant appealed the county commission’s decision to the Thirteenth Judicial District Court. The appeal was dismissed without prejudice by Jude Edmund H. Kase III on March 8, 2007. This request was originally scheduled for May 23, 2007 and June 20, 2007 P & Z Hearings, both times it was tabled. It was finally heard at the July 25, 2007 P & Z Hearing and it was voted 3-1 (with one abstention) to recommend approval of this request. According to the site plan, the subject properties are all 1.1250 acres gross in size. In his site plan, the applicant proposes a 40’ road easement terminating in a cul-de-sac that has a 40’ radius, reducing the parcel sizes. Mr. Aranda said continuing to amend the zone maps to allow for continued residential development sets a dangerous precedence that will ultimately have a negative effect on the county.

Mr. Aragon said they will no longer be mobile homes they will be structured homes, stick-built permanent residential homes.

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County Manager, Eric Zamora reminded the commission of a special meeting to be held on September 17, 2007 at 4:30 PM for approval of the certificate of tax rates for the year 2007.

7. The next Regular Business Meeting of the Valencia County Board of County Commission will be held on September 19, 2007 at 3:30 PM in the County Commission Room at the Valencia County Courthouse.

8. Adjournment

Commissioner Kirkham moved to adjourn. Seconded by Chairman Rael. Motion approved unanimously. Time 3:50 PM

<p>NOTE: All proposals, documents, items, etc., pertaining to items on the agenda of the September 12, 2007, Public Hearing Meeting (presented to the Board of County Commissioners) are attached in consecutive order as stated in these minutes.</p>

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**ss/
PEDRO G. RAEL, CHAIRMAN**

**ss/
GEORGIA OTERO-KIRKHAM, VICE-CHAIRMAN**

**ss/
DAVID R. MEDINA, MEMBER**

**ss/
RON GENTRY, MEMBER**

**ss/
LYNETTE PINKSTON, MEMBER**

ATTEST: ss/

SALLY PEREA, COUNTY CLERK

DATE: October 3, 2007