



Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority Summary Minutes

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Councilor Dan Champine, Vice Chair
Commissioner Frank Baca
Trustee Gwenn Baldwin
Councilor Dan Lewis
Commissioner Eric C. Olivas
Councilor Klarissa Peña
Mayor Timothy M. Keller*

Wednesday, March 18, 2026

5:00 PM

Vincent E. Griego Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Barbara Baca called the meeting to Order at 5:02 PM.

Chair Barbara Baca announced notice is hereby given that the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority met at 4:00 PM this afternoon for a closed meeting to discuss pending litigation proceedings. The meeting was held in the city council committee room. The matters discussed in the closed meeting were limited only to those specified in the notice.

Present 7 - Frank A. Baca, Dan Lewis, Eric Olivas, Klarissa Peña, Barbara Baca, Dan Champine, and Gwenn Baldwin

Excused 1 - Timothy M. Keller

Alternate 1 - Samantha Sengel

2. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Member Frank Baca led the Water Authority in a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - February 4, 2026

A motion was made by Chair Barbara Baca, seconded by Member Olivas, that this matter be to approve the minutes. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Baca, Lewis, Olivas, Peña, Baca, Champine, and Sengel

4. PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

A. Next Scheduled Meeting – April 22, 2026 at 5:00 PM

Chair Barbara Baca announced the next scheduled meeting will be April 22, 2026, in the Vincent E. Griego Chambers at 5:00 PM.

7. INTRODUCTION (FIRST READING) OF LEGISLATION

- A. [R-26-10](#) Establishing One-Year Objectives for the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority in Fiscal Year 2027 to Meet Goals

Introduced

- B. [R-26-11](#) Approving an Intergovernmental Agreement Between Bernalillo County and the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority for the Carnuel, NM Sewer Collection System

Introduced

8. CONSENT AGENDA

9. APPROVALS

- A. [R-26-6](#) Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Apply for the Small Surface Water and Ground Water Storage Project Grant Financial Assistance for the Arroyo Del Oso Aquifer Storage and Recovery Project

A motion was made by Chair Barbara Baca, seconded by Member Olivas, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Baca, Lewis, Olivas, Peña, Baca, Champine, and Sengel

- B. [R-26-7](#) Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Apply for the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration Aquifer Storage and Recovery Project

A motion was made by Chair Barbara Baca, seconded by Vice-Chair Champine, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Baca, Lewis, Olivas, Peña, Baca, Champine, and Sengel

- C. [R-26-8](#) Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Submit Congressionally Directed Spending Grant Requests to the 118th Congress of the United States

A motion was made by Chair Barbara Baca, seconded by Vice-Chair Champine, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Baca, Lewis, Olivas, Peña, Baca, Champine, and Sengel

- D. [R-26-9](#) Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Apply for the Match Funds from the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration for the Congressionally Directed Spending Grant Requests to the 118th Congress of the United States

A motion was made by Chair Barbara Baca, seconded by Member Champine, that this matter be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 7 - Baca, Lewis, Olivas, Peña, Baca, Champine, and Sengel

10. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. [OB-26-5](#) Legislative Update

Received

- B. [OB-26-2](#) Water Authority Education Overview and Update

Received

- C. [OB-26-6](#) Water Report and Conservation Outreach

Received

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:51 PM.

Public Comment:

Written Public Comments: The Water Authority will accept public comments in written form by submitting comments to jsalas@abcwua.org before 4:00 PM on the date of the Board Meeting. Submitted comments will then be distributed directly to the Board Members.

In person or virtual public comments will be heard on a first-come, first-serve basis. The Water Authority will accept up to 25 people to speak. To provide live public comments over WebEx or in person, participants must sign up using the link below before 4:00PM the date of the meeting. However, in-person signup is acceptable up to the start of the meeting.

<https://www.abcwua.org/meetings-agendas-submit-public-comment/>

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MTID=m920b94935afe3285e4ffbf8ca4c0ccd1](https://abcwua.webex.com/abcwua/j.php?MTID=m920b94935afe3285e4ffbf8ca4c0ccd1)

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