



Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority Summary Minutes

Albuquerque/Bernalillo
County
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Councilor Klarissa Peña, Chair
Commissioner Barbara Baca, Vice-Chair
Commissioner Frank A. Baca
Trustee Gilbert Benavides
Mayor Timothy M. Keller
Councilor Dan Lewis
Commissioner Eric C. Olivas
Councilor Louie Sanchez

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

5:00 PM

Vincent E. Griego Chambers

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Peña called the meeting to Order at 5:08 P.M.

Present 4 - Klarissa Peña, Barbara Baca, Frank A. Baca, and Eric C. Olivas

Excused 3 - Dan Lewis, Gilbert Benavides, and Louie Sanchez

Alternate 1 - Samantha Sengel

2. INVOCATION/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chair Peña let the Water Authority in a moment of silence and the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - August 20, 2025

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

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

4. PROCLAMATIONS AND AWARDS

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

6. ANNOUNCEMENTS/COMMUNICATIONS

A. Next Scheduled Meeting – October 22, 2025 at 5:00 PM

Chair Peña announced the next scheduled meeting will be October 22, 2025, in the Vincent E. Griego Chambers at 5:00 P.M.

7. INTRODUCTION (FIRST READING) OF LEGISLATION

- *A.** [R-25-33](#) Approving and Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Enter into a Grant Agreement with New Mexico Environment Department for the Carnuel Water System Improvements Construction Project and Appropriating the Grant Funds

A motion was made by Chair Peña, seconded by Member Frank Baca, that this matter be Introduced (Immediate Action). The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

- *B.** [R-25-34](#) Approving and Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Enter into a Grant Agreement with New Mexico Environment Department for the Carnuel Wastewater System Extension Construction Project and Appropriating the Grant Funds

A motion was made by Chair Peña, seconded by Member Frank Baca, that this matter be Introduced (Immediate Action). The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

- *C.** [R-25-35](#) Approving and Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Enter a Grant Agreement with New Mexico Environment Department for the Aquifer Storage and Recovery Facility Construction Project and Appropriating the Grant Funds

A motion was made by Chair Peña, seconded by Member Frank Baca, that this matter be Introduced (Immediate Action). The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

- *D. [R-25-36](#) Approving and Authorizing a New Mexico Environment Department Appropriation for the Bosque Non potable Wastewater Reuse Plant Construction Project

A motion was made by Chair Peña, seconded by Member Frank Baca, that this matter be Introduced (Immediate Action). The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

- *E. [R-25-37](#) Approving and Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Enter a Grant Agreement with New Mexico Environment Department for the Arsenic Treatment Plant Construction Project and Appropriating the Grant Funds

A motion was made by Chair Peña, seconded by Member Frank Baca, that this matter be Introduced (Immediate Action). The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

8. CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of the Consent Agenda

A motion was made by Chair Peña, seconded by Member Baca, to Approve the Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

- A. [R-25-38](#) Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Submit an Application for Match Funds through the New Mexico Department of Finance and Administration for the Chama Peak Land Alliance Watershed Protection Project and Authorizing the Executive Director to Execute a Memorandum of Understanding with Chama Peak Land Alliance for the Project

Passed

- B. [C-25-24](#) Increase to Contract with Mutual of Omaha Insurance Company for Life and Disability Insurance

Approved

- C. [C-25-25](#) Approval of Increase to Price Agreement contract cap with Carbon Activated Corporation to provide Carbon Adsorption Media
Approved

9. **APPROVALS**

- A. [R-25-32](#) Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Apply for Funding to the Water Trust Board for the Expansion of the Drinking Water Treatment Plant Large-Scale Recharge (ASR) Project; Repealing and Replacing a Prior Authorization for this Purpose

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

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

- *B. [R-25-33](#) Approving and Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Enter into a Grant Agreement with New Mexico Environment Department for the Carnuel Water System Improvements Construction Project and Appropriating the Grant Funds

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

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

- *C. [R-25-34](#) Approving and Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Enter into a Grant Agreement with New Mexico Environment Department for the Carnuel Wastewater System Extension Construction Project and Appropriating the Grant Funds

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

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

- *D. [R-25-35](#) Approving and Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Enter a Grant Agreement with New Mexico Environment Department for the Aquifer Storage and Recovery Facility Construction Project and Appropriating the Grant Funds

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

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

- *E. [R-25-36](#) Approving and Authorizing a New Mexico Environment Department Appropriation for the Bosque Non potable Wastewater Reuse Plant Construction Project

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

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

- *F. [R-25-37](#) Approving and Authorizing the Albuquerque Bernalillo County Water Utility Authority to Enter a Grant Agreement with New Mexico Environment Department for the Arsenic Treatment Plant Construction Project and Appropriating the Grant Funds

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

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

- G. [C-25-23](#) FY2025 4th Quarter Financial Report

A motion was made by Chair Peña, seconded by Member Frank Baca, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

For: 4 - Peña, Baca, Baca, and Olivas

Excused: 3 - Lewis, Sengel, and Sanchez

10. OTHER BUSINESS

- A. [OB-25-16](#) CIP Project Update

Received

- B. [OB-25-17](#) Water Report

Received

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:09 P.M.

*** IF THE PROPER ACTION IS TAKEN BY THE WATER AUTHORITY, THESE ITEMS WILL BE PLACED ON TODAY'S AGENDA FOR FINAL ACTION**

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